Truth * Consideration * Service

Principal's Report

Another week rolls around here in the centre of NSW.

Primary students have enjoyed an AFL clinic today with Che Jenkins, the AFL development officer for our area. Future Tullibigeal premiers in the making. Meetings subsequent to his visit may result in AFL clinics in the future. More news on this to follow.

Wednesday marks the vaccination program for Tullibigeal Central School. This includes all Year 7 students.

It's fantastic to see the support we get from our partnership schools. Today Sally from Ungarie was out to support a Year 12 girl with her English studies. Last week, Bev Small from Condobolin, came and spent the day helping our preliminary Hospitality student, Chantelle, and our 9/10 students, Jess and Billi-Jo, with a day's practical cooking. As one of the people who enjoyed the outcomes of this effort, I can endorse Bev, Chantelle and the girls work.
Swimming success. In a recent count back, Tayah Glasgow was proclaimed Senior Girl Champion for Lower Lachlan. She was very excited to be told the news at this morning’s assembly. Congratulations must also go to her proud mum and indispensable SAM Mandy, for keeping the news under her hat. Western Region carnivals are Thursday this week for secondary and Friday this week for primary

If you have any concerns or queries please contact me at the school to discuss.

Until next week........
Tom Garvey
Principal

CHE JENKINS AFL CLINICS WITH STUDENTS KINDERGARTEN - YEAR 6.
## TERM 1 2015

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### Tullibigeal Central School Students

**Clean-up Australia Day**
Primary News

Breaking NEWS... Congratulations to Tayah Glasgow who has received Senior Girl Champion at Lower Lachlan Carnival earlier this term. Good luck to all our competitors who are competing at the Western Region time trials in Dubbo this Friday.

Well done to all the students who helped out yesterday on the Clean-up Australia day. Students cleaned up around the school and down to the park. Thank you to Mrs Newham who coordinated this event.

Primary staff have been very busy working out the readers in the school. Kindergarten to Year 2 are now taking home readers on a regular basis and students in Years 3 to 6 can also take these home. Please talk to Miss Pearce if you would like your child to still take home a reader. We will soon have new reading books for our guided reading lesson.

Today we were lucky enough to have Che Jenkins visit and run AFL clinics with students Kindergarten to Year 6. Students were involved in hands on activities learning new ball skills. Next term we are hoping to run an intensive AFL program within sport time.

Wednesday 18th March Life Education Van will visit all students Kindergarten to Year 6. The cost of the visit is included in your annual school fees. Permission note and a merchandise form was handed to all primary students last week.

Just a reminder that all students should come to school with a hat and a water bottles as the weather is quite hot. Could you please make sure your child comes to school well prepared.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at the school at your earliest convenience.

Jacqui Dillon
Assistant Principal

Secondary News

Assessments

A reminder to all students to check their assessment schedules for due dates on assessments. Assessment due dates are also in the newsletter. Stage 4 have received a week extension on their PDHPE assessment task and it is now due next week. Remember when you hand in an assessment it needs to have the assessment cover sheet from your assessment booklet attached and they are to be handed in to the head teacher office.

China excursion

The trip to China is being offered again in conjunction with Condobolin High School and Lake Cargelligo Central. Students currently in year 9 and 10 have the opportunity topartake in this trip that will take place in the October holidays of 2016. There will be an information session for this trip held in Condobolin on the 10th March at 6:30pm and one held in Lake Cargelligo on the 11th March at 6:30pm. If there is enough interest from Tullibigeal students there is a possibility of an information session being held at the school. This is a self-funded 13 day adventure costing approximately $3100. Please find the itinerary from last year attached to the newsletter.

If your child is interested in being involved with this trip please contact Timothy Small at Tullibigeal Central School for more information.

Clean Up Australia Day

Thank you to the stage 5 students who helped primary students on Monday participating in Clean Up Australia Day.
### Term 1 - Week 6

**Subject** | **Week/Date Due** | **Weighting of Course**
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Stage 5 English | Term 1 Week 8 – 17<sup>th</sup> March | 10% |
Stage 5 Maths | Term 1 Week 9 – 24<sup>th</sup> March | 15% |
Stage 5 Science | Term 1 Week 10 – 31<sup>st</sup> March | 15% |
Stage 5 Geography | Term 1 Week 6 – 3<sup>rd</sup> March | 20% |
Stage 5 PDHPE | Term 1 Week 7 – 10<sup>th</sup> March | 20% |
Year 9 Industrial Tech | Term 1 Week 10 – 31<sup>st</sup> March | 15% |
Year 10 Industrial Tech | Term 1 Week 7 – 10<sup>th</sup> March | 15% |
Stage 5 Agriculture | Term 1 Week 8 – 17<sup>th</sup> March | 15% |

### Subject | **Due Week** | **Weighting**
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Stage 4 English | Week 9 24/3/15 | 10% |
Stage 4 Geography | Week 6 3/3/15 | 20% |
Stage 4 Maths | Week 9 24/3/15 | 15% |
Stage 4 Science | Week 5 24/2/15 | 15% |
Stage 4 PDHPE | Week 7 10/3/15 | 10% |
Stage 4 Tech Mandatory | Week 7 10/3/15 | 20% |

**Timothy Small**
Relieving Head Teacher

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**Jessie Tyack**
Great concentration in Science

**Jessie Tyack**
Trying hard in workshop

**Sophie Loftus**
Creative and independent work in Art

**Archie Trudgett**
Work hard in Literacy

**Mia Crawford**
Consistent effort in all areas

**Noah Nash**
Working well with digital and analog time

**Holly Thompson**
Beautiful and neat handwriting

**Elly Ireland**
Positively taking on challenges in the classroom

**Damon Imrie**
Aiming high with his learning

**Damon Imrie**
A great attempt at expressive reading during buddy reading

**Bill Dillon**
Great buddy reading

**Riley Glasgow**
Displaying maturity when dealing with his peers

**Braden Payne**
Great enthusiasm in Science

**Jayden Loxley**
Assisting other students thoughtout the school

**Emily Whymark**
Creative thinking during Art lessons

**Kyhle Crawford**
Improved effort in TAS
Finlay Kenzie  Improved effort in TAS
Charlotte Browne  Improved effort in TAS
Brock Mulligan  Taking his learning seriously in Science
Ricky Riley  Continued persistence in his studies
Michaella Riley  Being a respectful responsible school member

TUCKSHOP 2015

TUCKSHOP TERM 1

Wednesday 4th March 2015

MICHELLE BENDALL

PIE PATROL

JAN RIDLEY

IF YOU CANNOT DO YOUR DUTY PLEASE ORGANISE YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT. PLEASE DO NOT RING SCHOOL OFFICE STAFF AS IT IS NOT UP TO THEM TO FIND YOUR REPLACEMENT.

Order ice blocks, milk and any food required for the next week with Jan or Mandy.

There are 4 tea towels that are left in the tuckshop for tuckshop and functions run by the P & C. Please return to the tuckshop if you take home.

NEW TUCKSHOP PRICE LIST & ROSTER ATTACHED

Jacqui Dillon
Tuckshop Co-ordinator

FOR SALE
CALCULATORS

Scientific calculators are available for $22 from the front office and is appropriate for use within HSC examinations.
OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE THE
Annual General Meeting

ALL POSITIONS VACANT

Monday 9th March 2015
5.00 pm
All welcome to attend

COOLROOM HIRE

It was decided at our P&C Meeting to change the guidelines of hiring the cool room. The cool room may still be hired but CANNOT be taken out of the Tullibigeal town limits. This is due to the wear and tear it endures when hired out. Hiring fees still remain the same $100 for the first day/ $50 for each consecutive days after. The P&C apologises for any inconvenience caused.

Deidre Fyfe

POSTIONS VACANT

Part-time cleaning at the school
If interested please contact

Meegan Garrett
0428 606 009

STUDENT BANKING

STUDENT BANKING WILL BE ON MONDAYS. There will be new rewards that I will inform everyone of when the information comes through.

Jan Ridley
Student Banking Co-Ordinator

Commonwealth Bank

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

P & C have decided to phase out the green school shirts. All green shirts are now on sale for $10.00

There are school uniforms in stock at the school if you want anything please see the ladies at the front office.

Order form attached to newsletter

Mandy Glasgow
## School Uniform Order Form

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Please bring orders into the school office or fax: 69729267
If you would like to receive a hard copy of the Tullibigeal Central School Yearly Newsletter for 2015 the cost is $44.00

If you would like to receive the Tullibigeal Central School Weekly Newsletter by email at no cost please put your email address below and we can email it to you each week.

The first newsletter is free to all the community. But it will only be sent to subscribers as of next week.

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I........................................ would like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter each week at the cost of $44.00 for the year. My Cheque/Cash is enclosed.

I........................................ would like to receive my newsletter by email and my email address is:

Signed .................................................. Date:..............................................................

Thanking You

Jan Ridley
School Administration Officer
# Tuckshop New Prices 2015

## Fillings
- Cheese: $2.50
- Devon: $2.50
- Ham: $3.00
- Corned Meat: $3.00
- Fresh Chicken: $3.00
- Salad: $2.50
- Devon & Salad: $4.50
- Corned Meat & Salad: $3.50
- Ham & Salad: $3.50
- Fresh Chicken & Salad: $4.00

## Sandwiches
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## Hot Food

### Toasted Sandwiches
- Ham or Chicken only: $3.00
- Ham or Chicken & Cheese: $3.50
- Ham or Chicken, Cheese & Tomato: $4.00
- Cheese: $2.50
- Cheese & Tomato: $3.00

### Pies
- $4.00

### Pizza Rounders
- $3.00

### Lasagne
- $3.00

### Sausage Rolls
- $3.50

### Chicken Burgers
- $4.00

### Chicken Burger with Salad
- $4.50

### Mini Pizza’s
- $3.00

### Ham & Pineapple
- $3.00

### Cheese & Bacon
- $3.00

### Chicken Noodles
- $2.50

## Ice Blocks
- Icy Pole: $1.00
- Fandangles: $1.50
- Life Savers: $2.00
- Frosty Fruits: $2.00
- Milo Scoop Shake: $2.50
- Frozen Yogurt: $2.00

## Drinks
- Pop Tops: $1.50
- Hot Milk (Winter): $1.50
- Milk: $2.00

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Thankyou to those who have volunteered it is greatly appreciated.

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*Please Note: If you are unable to do your duty please find your own swap, it is not up to the school staff to find your replacement. Thankyou*
ATTENTION

If you want to hire the CWA Hall or need the keys please contact Ingrid Garland or call around and see her.
You can also pick up the hall booking forms from Ingrid.

Ingrid Garland
02 6972 9157

Hair By Jacq

1/42 Bathurst Street
Opposite Post Office
Condobolin
Will be in Tulli every Wednesday Depending on numbers
For appointments phone Jacquie on 6895 2555

CRAFTY CORNER

Opens every Friday at 3pm to 5.30pm.
After hours contact Fay Bendall 6972 9243
Please call in as we have plenty to offer.
Gifts, cakes and biscuits, jams and pickles
and second hand books for sale.

Fay Bendall

CHANGE OF DATE & TIME

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
Thursday 5th March
2015 at 7.30pm in the Uniting Church

All welcome
Mayfield Fishing Club

NEWS

1\textsuperscript{st} outing: 6, 7, 8 March 2015 to the Bidgee Classic
2\textsuperscript{nd} outing: 10, 11, 12 April 2015 to Everton
3\textsuperscript{rd} outing: 5, 6, 7, 8 June 2015 to either Tilpa or the Bidgee depending on the water situation.
4\textsuperscript{th} outing: 28, 29, 30 August to Hillston Fisherama.

\textbf{Memberships 2014/15 season}

\begin{itemize}
  \item Single 17 years and over \$20
  \item Single 16 years and under \$10
  \item Couple \$30
  \item Family of 4 \$40
  \item Family over 4 \$50
\end{itemize}

Barb Tyack – Secretary

NOTICE

All bookings for the hire of the Tullibigeal Hall are now to be made with Linda Fair.
Hall key is still to be picked up from Mandy Glasgow

\textbf{Hall Hire Charges}

\begin{itemize}
  \item Hall Only \$80 day/night
  \item Cool Room Hire \$50 a day
  \item Hourly Charge \$20 hour up to 4 Hours (Includes Setup/Practices)
  \item Meeting Room \$20 a day
\end{itemize}

Night Tennis

The grand final of the night tennis was played on Thursday Night between Forestvale & Borapine.
A great night of tennis was enjoyed by all with Borapine narrowly winning.
Congratulations to the Borapine team premiers for 2014/2015.

Leanne
NETBALL NEWS

First seniors training run will be on Thursday 5 March 2015 at 6.30pm at the netball courts

Followed by Rego and a BBQ.

Louise Loftus

TULLI HOPPERS NEWS

There will be rego night & training run for everyone on Thursday 5th March starting at 6.30pm with a BBQ to follow at the Mayfield Hotel & registrations will be done there. Rego for senior footballers is $50 & under 14’s is $5.

We will be running the AFL tipping competition again this year costing $50 per person. If you would like the whole 23 rounds of tipping please let Leanne know otherwise cards will be available at the Mayfield Hotel each week.

Prize money will be 50% of the entry fee to the club & winner. The more that enter the larger the prize money will be.

The AFL will start on 2nd April so please get your names & money in early to Leanne.

Please note that we will not be playing on Saturday 25th April Anzac Day but on the Sunday 26th April.

Thanks
Leanne

SWIMMING CLUB NEWS

Swimming Club next Thursday 5th March @ 4pm.

Registration Fee:
$10 per child or
$25 per family

Telea & Kelly
A BIG THANK YOU to all the people who came and helped with the weeding and clean-up of the Rose Garden at the cemetery.

Thanks again
The Cemetery Committee

ANGLICAN EASTER HOUSIE

Come and join us at the CWA Hall

Saturday 14th March
6.30pm Tea
7.30pm Housie

Lots of prizes
Hope to see you there!

Fay Bendall

NEXT
Progress Meeting
Tuesday
24th March
at
7.30pm
WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?

The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the cost of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2014-2015 the rebate gives:

- Up to $150 credit on electricity bills for eligible applicants who hold an account with an electricity retailer
- Up to $165 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a residential community (caravan or mobile home park) and receive electricity from the park operator.

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE REBATE?

To be eligible you MUST:

- Be a NSW resident; and
- Have been assessed by the Federal Department of Human Services (DHS) as being eligible for the Family Tax Benefit (FTB) A or B at any time during the 2013-2014 financial year, and have received an FTB payment in respect of that eligibility; and
- Be an account holder of an electricity retailer, or a long-term resident of a residential community (caravan or mobile home park), whose name appears on the electricity account for supply to her or his principal place of residence.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO BEFORE I APPLY?

Before you apply, here’s a quick checklist. Have you:

- Lodged your tax return for 2013-2014 with the Australian Taxation Office or informed the Department of Human Services (DHS) if you are not required to lodge a tax return?
- Received confirmation from DHS as to your eligibility for Family Tax Benefit A or B for 2013-2014?

HOW TO APPLY

- **ONLINE** – it takes just two minutes to submit an application. Processing starts immediately.
- **PAPER** – download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post. Use this form if you receive your electricity from the operator of the residential community where you live.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

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**EMAIL**  fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au  
**WEB**  www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate
**China Classic Tour**

**13 DAYS / 12 NIGHTS**

**DAY 1: Australia / Shanghai**
Depart Australia. After clearing customs and meeting your tour guide, you will be transferred to your hotel.

**DAY 2: Shanghai** *(B, L, D)*
After breakfast, travel to the centre of this spectacular city, an area known as the Bund. Also see the new Pu Dong economic zone, the Jade Buddha Temple, the People’s Square and the Shanghai Museum.
Transfer to the former Colonial Concessions along the Bund. Here you will have a spectacular view of the past and present days of Shanghai.
Travel to the famous Nanjing Road, China’s equivalent to Rodeo Drive, which was renowned as the best shopping street in Asia in the 1930’s and 1940’s.
Enjoy an acrobatic show at the Shanghai Grand Theatre (Crystal Building) after dinner.

**DAY 3: Shanghai** *(B, L, D)*
Day trip to Suzhou. This picturesque city is renowned for its silk and embroidery as well as its ornate gardens and canal network, hence it being referred to as the Venice of the East. This trip will include visiting Tiger Hill, where you have the opportunity to hear some of the romantic stories about Tiger Hill.
After lunch visit a typical Chinese Garden.
Also visit Suzhou No. 1 Silk Factory where you will see the process of making silk from silk worm raising to silk winding and packaging. You will have opportunity to purchase silk products at extremely low prices. Return to Shanghai by Coach for dinner.

**DAY 4: Shanghai / Xian** *(B, L, D)*
Check out of your hotel this morning. After breakfast, visit the 400 year old Yu Garden located in the downtown area.
This afternoon you will have time for shopping until your flight to Xian. On arrival in Xian, transfer to your hotel.

**DAY 5: Xian** *(B, L, D)*
After breakfast, visit the Shaanxi Historical Museum. There will be a city tour for the remainder of the day, visiting the oldest City Wall of China which defined the city limits of Xian. The wall covers an area of 12 square kilometres. Ride a bicycle along the top of the wall if you wish (not included). Also see the Bell Tower and Drum Tower which were used to announce the time.
DAY 6: Xian
This morning visit The Terra-Cotta Warriors, which are the eighth wonder of the world. The Terra-Cotta Warriors are six thousand Terra-Cotta soldiers and horses guarding Emperor Qin’s Tomb and have been buried for over two thousand years. After lunch visit Huating Pool which is watered by hot springs and became famous as the bath place of a beautiful concubine of Xuanzong, one of the Emperor’s of the Tang dynasty.

DAY 7: Xian / Beijing
Visit the Big Goose Pagoda and enjoy the beautiful gardens and other Temple buildings. Then visit the famous Muslim quarter in Xian. Late in the afternoon you will fly to Beijing. Transfer to your hotel.

DAY 8: Beijing
After breakfast, travel to Tiananmen Square where you will have the opportunity to walk around the most famous People’s square in the World. Tiananmen Square can hold over 1 million people. Afterwards, visit the Forbidden City, the palace of the Chinese Royal Family which has 9,999 rooms. After lunch you will have a Hutong tour – roaming through Beijing’s old narrow streets by old-fashioned pedicab (rickshaw) to visit Siheyuan, the old quadrangles, and learn about the daily life of ordinary Beijing citizens.

DAY 9: Beijing
Travel outside Beijing to visit the Ming Tombs. This morning walk down the beautiful Spirit Road flanked by animal statues and magnificent willow trees to the Ming Tombs. After lunch, travel by coach to one of the highlights of your trip, the Great Wall of China at Badaling. Climb up to 3 sections of the wall or simply enjoy the spectacular scenery. You will have the opportunity to purchase Chinese curios at the market stalls at the base of the Wall.

DAY 10: Beijing
Today the morning is free for shopping or relaxing. In the afternoon visit the Temple of Heaven which is where the Chinese Emperor prayed for a good harvest for the country.

DAY 11: Beijing
This morning travel to the Beijing Zoo where you will have the chance to say “hello” to the Pandas. Travel to the Summer Palace, which was originally built in 1750, and restored in 1888 after it was burnt down in 1860. The Palace is where the Royal family went to escape the hot summer of Beijing. Walk along the longest corridor in the world to the marble boat on the man-made lake. This afternoon you may like to do some shopping at the Silk Market.

DAY 12: Beijing / Australia
You may have some free time for yourself in the morning before transferring to Beijing airport.

DAY 13: Australia
Arrive in Australia.
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