



# Trangie Central School Newsletter 5th November 2015 Term 4 - Week 5



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Amanda Kater

**P & C Meeting**  
**Tuesday**  
**10th November 2015**  
**4.00pm**  
**Common Room**

**TITLE** MOVIE NIGHT  
**DIRECTOR** SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR DANCE GROUP  
**MOVIE** HOME  
**DATE** FRI 13 NOV  
**SCENE** TCS BACK OVAL  
**TIME** 6.30pm

**FEATURING...**

- ★ SCREENING-7.30pm
- ★ PRE-SALE TICKETS-\$5.00/person or \$15.00 for family of 4.  
Payment due at TCS Admin Office by Wed 11<sup>th</sup>
- ★ VIP TICKETS-\$60.00 double pass.  
Includes VIP area, blanket & cushions, picnic hamper & own butler. Limited tickets available.
- ★ ON THE NIGHT- \$6.00 each or \$20.00 for family of 4. Arm bands will be issued
- ★ CANTEEN MENU-Steak/Sausage Sandwiches (with coleslaw), Soft Drinks, Popcorn, Water, Lollies
- ★ BYO-Picnic rug, bean bag and pillow to enjoy a family night out
- ★ PRIMARY STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT

*In the event of wet weather, Movie Night will be held in the TCS MPSC*

*This is an ALCOHOL FREE event*



"My hands are in the air like I just do not care!"  
- Oh



## What's On

Week 5	6/11-9/11	Years 7-10 Yearly Exams
	6/11	Years K-6 Road/Bike Safety Day
Week 6	10/11	Year 8 VALID Science Assessment 9.00am - 11.00am
	10/11	Classes 2/3, 4/5 & 5/6 PDHPE Swimming 11.30am - 12.45pm
	11/11	Year 7 PDHPE Swimming 11.30am - 12.30pm
	11/11	Primary Interest Groups Water Polo 2.00pm - 3.00pm
	12/11	Year 7/8 Technology Excursion to Western Plains Zoo - Depart TCS at 9.00am
	13/11	Schools Spectacular Movie Night at TCS - Gates open at 6.30pm

Teach your children well

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

*We continue with a very busy term. Secondary exams this week and next week and HSC all finished for 2015.*

## **Attendance**

It is extremely obvious that if students do not come to school or are late each day that their learning will be affected and this will have repercussions that will go on into their adult life. Not only does the student's academic achievement suffer considerably but they are missing an invaluable lesson in work ethic and reliability.

I teach a Maths class and it is very clear to me which students attend regularly and the ones that don't in the way they are able to see the 'big picture' in challenging topics like Trigonometry. With topics like these, continuity is crucial. Be there or be square!!

I was contacted last week to be a referee for an adult I know and one of the questions was 'what is their punctuality like?' What would I be able to say about someone who arrives late every day?

## **Homework**

Homework is always a contentious issue and one that people have very differing opinions. The homework question on the student survey was the only one that returned a somewhat negative response. When we analysed our students' responses to the question about how much time was spent on homework, it appeared not to be very much. Homework is being given out but students are not doing it and parents either do not know about it or choose not to enforce it. Our staff take some considerable time preparing it and so we would love to know what people feel about this whole issue.

There are many people who believe that children work hard all day, frequently travel some distance to and from school and so when they finally do get home they need to relax and socialise with friends and family and be active.

I will be asking the P&C members at our meeting next week and be guided by their wishes. If you have something to say or a matter to bring up, please come along next Tuesday and every second Tuesday in each month to make a difference for your child.

## **Funding for 2016**

As in 2015 our school has received considerable funding for different 'needs based' criteria. We receive funding to support students for a variety of different reasons – Aboriginal, low Socio-economic, isolated and learning needs. Our staff will be discussing the programs that we feel have worked this year and others that we feel that would be of benefit.

The amount of funding AND how it is spent is entirely transparent. The quantity of funding will be presented to the P&C at the next meeting and I will be interested to hear the opinions of our P&C members.

## **Curriculum 2016**

Our curriculum planning is close to completion for 2016. Thanks to the increase in numbers we can staff a broad range of senior subjects and **nine** elective subject choices for Year 9/10. Each year the different cohorts set the subjects that run, by popular selection. This year we include an exciting new offering of Physical Activity and Sports Study which includes coaching, training, organisation of tournaments, referee/umpire certificates and personal fitness training. Commerce also has strong support and so does Music. It is surprising how different each year group is.

It is important to remember however that some subjects attract fees for consumables. Some students this year have cooked and eaten food all year but have not paid for this. If a student wishes to continue the subject into 2016 these fees will need to be paid before they can continue.

All the best  
**Anne Holden**

### **Primary Student Smile (Week 5)**

Zalia Terry was our smile student of the week and received a canteen voucher.

### **Secondary Student Smile (Week 5)**

Tom Donnelly was our smile student of the week and will receive a dining experience with Mr Jones.

# SECONDARY

## Head Teachers

Debbie Waters  
Ted Wright

## Head Teachers' Report

### Yearly Exams

Years 7-10 will commence their yearly examinations on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November. The timetable is as follows:

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
10.00am-11.00am Year 7/8 - Science Year 9/10 - History	10.00am-11.00am Year 7/8 – Geography Year 9/10 - English	10.00am-11.00am Year 7/8 – History Year 9/10 - Maths
11.30am-12.30pm Year 7/8 – English Year 9/10 - PDHPE	11.30am-12.30pm Year 7/8 – PDHPE Year 9/10 - Science	11.30am-12.30pm Year 7/8 – Maths Year 9/10 - Geography

Students will need to be in full school uniform and attend normal timetabled classes when not in exams. They will need to bring pens, pencils, rubbers, rulers and a calculator for maths. We wish them the best of luck.

### Year 8 VALID Science Assessment

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November, Year 8 students will sit their annual online Science assessment. This will be conducted in the computer room and will run from 9.00am-11.00am. This assessment has replaced the former ESSA test and is an effective tool for assessing students' scientific skills. All students must be present during testing. Results will be available later this term.

### Year 7/8 PDHPE

Students have been participating in a swim safety unit this term. They are going to the pool every Tuesday and Wednesday to complete competencies in this area. They need to bring their swimmers, a towel and pool entry fees. Permission notes must be returned to the school office.

### SRC Nachos Day

The SRC Nachos Fundraiser was a resounding success. The secondary SRC members spent the morning madly cooking up a storm to fill the ninety eight orders. At lunchtime, students and staff lined up to receive their meals served by the SRC team. There was a moment of panic as we ran low on plates and cheese, however with the assistance of Lyn from the canteen and Ms McKinnon the crisis was averted and the meals all served without a hitch. I am pleased to announce that we raised approximately \$380.00. This amount will go towards the SRC members trip to Lake Burrendong in Week 10 where they will spend three days with eight other schools from the Lachlan District developing their leadership skills.

Thanks to everyone for their support and particularly Mrs Browning in the office who had to collate all of the orders. A HUGE effort!

***Skye Rush - SRC Coordinator***

### Year 12 Agriculture Excursion

The students of the HSC Agriculture class visited the Trangie Research Station on Monday. They enjoyed presentations on biometrics, agricultural research and data analysis. They were informed about the Beef Quality Improvement programs that focus on meeting the needs of the consumer. An International research project investigating the genetics involved in methane gas emissions in cattle was another interesting part of the day. This research is important for the breeding of future cattle herds that emit lower volumes of methane gas. The students were also informed about the weather monitoring instruments that record the daily weather observations. We would like to thank the research officers and staff for making themselves available and assisting the students to gain a deeper understanding of agricultural research and emerging technologies.

***Ted Wright - Agriculture Teacher***





## TERM FOUR - Week 5

### General Business

#### **Access Camp 2016 for Year 11 and 12 students.**

Next year, your child will attend a Sport and Recreation school camp at Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation Centre organised through **Western Access Program** from **Wednesday 24/2/2016** until **Friday 26/2/2016**. Permission notes will be handed out soon.

The cost of the excursion is **\$50 plus \$30.00 transportation**. All students must complete the Permission Note & Medical Consent form and return to TCS by Friday 27th November, 2015.

The information that Sport and Recreation needs about your child includes:

- medical conditions
- food related allergies
- special diets
- medication
- emergency contact details.

Sport and Recreation and our supervising staff need parents/guardians to complete this form on behalf of their child.

Feel free to visit the Western Access Program website for more information about the program, policies and procedures.

<http://westernaccess.nsw.edu.au/>

<http://www.facebook.com/WesternAccessProgram>

*Troy Jones*  
*Access Coordinator*



## TRINITY COLLEGE MUSIC EXAMS

### *Well Done Audrey & Xanthe*

Two students from the Primary, Audrey Kater and Xanthe St. Clair went to Bathurst for their first ever music exam through the Trinity College grading system. It certainly was nerve racking as the students had to play in front of an examiner FLOWN especially from the UK for this occasion. The most important thing is, both girls made an attempt without suffering from any major nervous break downs.

Well Done!

*Martin Lee*  
*Music Teacher*

*Right: Xanthe St Clair & Audrey Kater practicing for their London Grade 1 Violin Exam.*



## Assistant Principals' Report

### Music - Count Us in 2015

The Primary Department participated in a nationwide celebration of music and its importance in Education and life! The students joined via live feed with 550,000 other Primary schools around Australia to sing this year's song 'Gold'. It was lovely to hear all of the children from Kinder to Year 6 singing together and reinforced how important music is in the curriculum of Trangie Central School.

The benefits of music education have been proven time and again by decades of research, and they're experienced every day by Australian teachers and students who actively engage and participate in music making.

Learning music can help students' self-confidence, self-discipline and team work. Music helps students progress in other important learning areas such as Maths and English. Indeed, countries with a strong focus on music education tend to have higher scores in literacy and numeracy. Engaging music programs have been shown to help with attendance and can be particularly beneficial for students who are not achieving well in school.

All of this evidence for music's extrinsic benefits make a strong case for music education, but should not overshadow the sheer joy people experience making music, nor the value of the artform itself.

*"I would teach children music, physics and philosophy; but more importantly music; for in the patterns of music and all the arts, are the keys to learning."* – Plato



### Selective School Application

Parents of highly achieving, academically gifted Year 5 students are invited to apply for placement at a NSW Selective High School in 2017. There are 17 fully selective high schools, 25 partially selective, 4 agricultural schools (3 with boarding) and a virtual selective school (Aurora College) where students attend their local high school but join the selective stream for English, Mathematics and Science.

Timeline for applications:

Parents register and apply online	Before 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2015
Students sit Selective High School Test	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2016
Parents receive placement outcome letter	July 2016

For more information, parent handbook and complete application process please visit the Departments website;  
[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)

### Nude Food Day Movie

Please have a look at the amazing 'Nude Food' day movie which was made by students at TCS. Go to link <https://youtu.be/-NBN7OuVCeE> to meet our Nude Food Superheroes!



## 2/3 Class Report



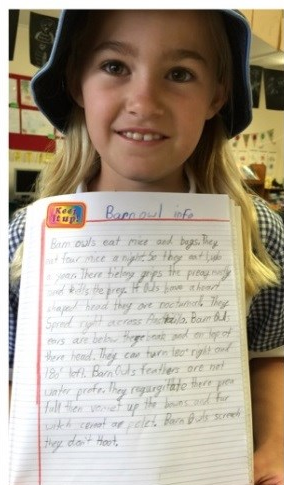
This term, our class is reading the international smash hit text, 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' by JK Rowling. The students are enjoying the magical storyline involving all sorts of supernatural characters, hilarious events and plot twists.

The children have been writing descriptions, learning how to find reliable sources of information on the internet and using different formats of information (eg a video and a web page) learning to take notes and then transform those notes into written reports. This week the children have written reports about barn owls and domestic cats using the note taking strategies learned.

In Mathematics we have been revisiting place value, changing numbers by adding or subtracting and ordering four digit numbers in ascending and descending order.

The children have also been sketching their own pictures of Hogwarts (the school of witchcraft and wizardry which our characters attend) while I read to them. I am very impressed by the standard of their work. The children have enjoyed NAIDOC day, had lots of visiting pets, loved doing yoga for PE and received lots of awards at the Narromine Show. Such a lovely class.

**Jacky Murtagh**  
2/3 Teacher





# MUSICAL MUSES

Music Teacher

Martin Lee

Wow! Certainly it has been a hectic start to term four, one after the other.

First we started with the Tyke-oh experience and workshop where students hopefully learnt the real meaning of hard work and discipline.

The following week on Wednesday the 28th of October was a performance of Hercules by the group Sounds Baroque courtesy of Musica Viva. It was a very interesting mix of musical styles and certainly it took a lot of people by surprise! The few highlights of the show included some hilarious acting from a sun and exotic replica instruments of viola da gamba, harpsichord and a viol dating back to the seventeenth century!



The following day was the 9th Combined Schools Music Day. This time round Dubbo South Primary were the host. It was an eye opener for a few students due to the sheer size of the school! The schools involved were: Tullamore CS, Tottenham CS, Trangie CS, Yeoval CS, Dubbo South Primary and Dubbo South High.

The day consisted of workshops with different instrumental groups - African Drumming, Concert Band, Guitars and Strings. The day ended with a small concert where each group showcased the music they have been working on. Well Done to all students involved.



## Other News

It is that time of the year, YES, term FOUR the last term of the year. Just a reminder to parents that you may want to start talking to your child about starting an instrument or keeping going with the current instrument they're learning. When you have the discussion with your child, make sure you discuss with them the importance of commitment and also the importance of choosing instruments of their choice without any external influence!

Also, please ensure that any outstanding Music fees are finalised by the end of the school year.



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## SAFER DRIVER COURSE FOR YOUNG DRIVERS

Preparing you for your **P** s

Become a safer driver and earn 20 hours of bonus log book credit by enrolling in a Safer Drivers Course.

**7th November 2015**

Time: 9am – 12pm

Where: Skillset Office Suite 3, 207 Brisbane Street  
Dubbo

Cost: \$140.00 for 20 log book hours

To Book: Call Skillset

Ph: 63301400 or email [cevans@skillset.com.au](mailto:cevans@skillset.com.au)



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blindness and low vision services

### The NSW Spectacles Program

The NSW Spectacles Program provides Government funded glasses and vision aids to eligible recipients including the elderly, children, people experiencing homelessness, those living in rural and remote areas, people with disability and Aboriginal and multicultural communities.

This year, significant improvements have been made to the scheme with Vision Australia launching a new online application and assessment process. The new process streamlines applications and product delivery for optometrists, and reduces waiting times for the delivery of glasses. This web page is a key resource for providers and potential recipients to find out about the NSW Spectacles Program. Please see below link which takes you to the Vision Australia website and to the online application for people wishing to apply to be provided with glasses (free of charge) under the NSW Spectacles Program.

<http://www.visionaustralia.org/eye-health/nsw-spectacles-program#Apply>

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## SKILL BUILDERS

**5 - 13 year old boys & girls**

to **FREE** skill building afternoon activities

**Wednesday Fortnightly during School Term**

**3.30 - 4.30 pm**

**14, 28 October & 11, 25 November**

**2nd December Christmas Party**

## TRANGIE BOWLING CLUB

Activities include Craft, Fun and Skills 4 Life.

Age appropriate topics with experienced teachers.

For more information please call:

Skill Builders Co-Ordinator

Ann-Louise Stonestreet

6889 1422 or 0400 828 984

Email: [als@narrominecommunityskills.com](mailto:als@narrominecommunityskills.com)



## Aboriginal MODEL SEARCH

**Junior 8-13 years and Senior 14-30 years**



**RUNWAY  
PHOTOSHOOT  
IMPROVISATION ESSENTIALS  
FORMAL EVENT**

**GRAND FINAL  
HELD IN  
SYDNEY!**

**JANUARY 2016**

GRAFTON  
COFFS HARBOUR

SATURDAY 16TH  
SUNDAY 17TH

**JUNE 2016**

DUBBO  
ORANGE

SATURDAY 11TH  
SUNDAY 12TH

**FEBRUARY 2016**

ARMIDALE  
TAMWORTH

SATURDAY 20TH  
SUNDAY 21ST

**AUGUST 2016**

BRISBANE  
TWEED HEADS

SATURDAY 6TH  
SUNDAY 7TH

**APRIL 2016**

TAREE  
PORT MACQUARIE

SATURDAY 16TH  
SUNDAY 17TH

**SEPTEMBER 2016**

PENRITH  
REDFERN

SATURDAY 3RD  
SUNDAY 4TH

**You may be the next Aboriginal Supermodel  
Come and Join In!!**



**APPLY ONLINE**

Contact: Sharlette Jane

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
# WELLNESS PAGE

**School Counsellor**

Sally-Jane St Clair

**First Aid Officer**

Tracey Bennett

<b>Hepatitis A</b>	Often none in young children; sudden onset of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine, pale stools.	 ... for 2 weeks after first symptoms (or 1 week after onset of jaundice). Contact your doctor before returning to school.	
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	Often no symptoms in young children. When they do occur, they can include fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine.	 ... if they have symptoms. Contact your doctor before returning to school.	 ... if they have a chronic infection (not the first outbreak) and no symptoms.
<b>Impetigo</b> (School sores)	Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.	 ... until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.	
<b>Influenza</b>	Sudden onset fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches.	 ... until well.	
<b>Measles</b>	Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes for a few days followed by a red blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body and lasts 4 to 7 days.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.	
<b>Meningococcal Disease</b>	Sudden onset of fever and a combination of headache, neck, stiffness, nausea, vomiting, drowsiness or rash.	<b>Seek medical attention immediately.</b> Patient will need hospital treatment. Close contacts receive antibiotics.	
<b>Molluscum Contagiosum</b>	Multiple small lumps (2–5mm) on the skin that are smooth, firm and round, with dimples in the middle. In children, occur mostly on the face, trunk, upper arms and legs. Symptoms can last 6 months to 2 years.		
<b>Mumps</b>	Fever, swollen and tender glands around the jaw.	 ... for 9 days after onset of swelling.	
<b>Ringworm*</b> (tinea corporis)	Small scaly patch on the skin surrounded by a pink ring.	 ... for 24 hours after fungal treatment has begun.	
<b>Runny nose or common cold</b>		 ... unless there are other symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough, rash or headache. Check with school.	
<b>Scabies*</b>	Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.	 ... until 24 hours after treatment has begun.	
<b>Shigella</b>	Diarrhoea (which may contain blood, mucus and pus), fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.	 ... until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. Antibiotics may be needed.	
<b>Slapped Cheek Syndrome</b> (Parvovirus B19 infection, fifth disease, erythema infectiosum)	Mild fever, red cheeks, itchy lace-like rash, and possibly cough, sore throat or runny nose.	 ... as it is most infectious before the rash appears.	
<b>Whooping Cough</b> (Pertussis)	Starts with a running nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.	 ... until the first 5 days of an antibiotic course has been completed. Unimmunised siblings may need to stay home too until treated with an antibiotic.	
<b>Worms</b> (Threadworms, pinworms)	The main sign of threadworms is an itchy bottom. Sometimes children feel 'out of sorts' and do not want to eat much. They may also have trouble sleeping, due to itching at night.	 ... and tell the school as other parents will need to know to check their kids.	

\*It is important that the rest of the family is checked for head lice, scabies and ringworm



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