



Trangie Central School Newsletter 19th March 2015 Term 1 - Week 8



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Amanda Kater

P & C Meeting

Tuesday

12th May 2015

4.00pm

Common Room

GOOD LUCK

TCS CATTLE TEAM!



2015 SYDNEY ROYAL EASTER SHOW

What's On

Week 9	22/3-29/3	Cattle Team 2015 Sydney Royal Easter Show - Depart TCS 7.30am - GO TCS!
	23/3	Secondary Aboriginal Dance Workshop at Dubbo—Depart TCS 7.30am
	23/3	Secondary Shade Sail Opening Ceremony 9.00am - 9.30am
	24/3	Year 8 PDHPE Swimming 9.00am - 10.00am
	24/3-25/3	Primary Debating Workshop at TCS 9.00am - 3.00pm
	24/3-27/3	Re-Kindling Dance Workshop at Dubbo
	26/3	Year 9/10 Music Study Day at Gilgandra - Depart TCS 9.00am

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hi everyone. Busy, busy!

Attendance

In 2014 we had a big improvement in attendance, particularly in Primary, and Secondary attendance rates were good, affected by a few individual students. We have been very pleased by the increase in participation in extra-curricular activities and also a massive reduction in the number of suspensions – all very good news!

We have had an equally good start to 2015 with the majority of students attending regularly. There are still a few students however who are regularly missing days of school. It is a well-documented fact that missing time from school has a definite detrimental impact on a student's learning. Once a student falls below the minimum level of 85% attendance their name appears on a list and immediately they are flagged for monitoring by the Attendance Team – the Home School Liaison Officers and myself.

If your child appears on the list, with no apparent reason that has been discussed with me, then you will receive a letter alerting parents of our concerns. If attendance does not improve and reasons given for all absences then the on-going consequences may be a visit from the HSLO and the Police.

Please keep in mind that the very best thing you can give your children is an education.

Merit Selection

At present we are in the process of filling a Head Teacher Secondary Studies position and an Assistant Principal position for our school. We will be interviewing applicants on Friday of this week and Monday of next week. After over a year of staff relieving in these positions we will finally be able to fill them with permanent appointments. I would like to thank Ted Wright, HT Secondary Studies relieving, and Alissa Miller, AP relieving, for being willing to step in and take on the extra responsibilities at very short notice. We have really appreciated their efforts. I will keep you posted.

Scout Hall Clean up

Yesterday afternoon was a good example of the strong teamwork and commitment of our staff. After school had finished the secondary staff all went along to the old Scout Hall to clear it up so that our Sista Speak and Bro Speak groups can use it for their sessions each week. These programs have been developed by a dedicated welfare team – Jess Skinner, Troy Jones, Cheryl McKinnon, Hayden Ellis and Robyn Moss. They are designed to develop resilience in our students, one of our main focuses in our school plan. I never cease to be impressed and proud of how our staff continually ‘go the extra mile’ for the sake of the happiness and wellbeing of our students. The strength of the relationship between staff and students and the sense of belonging that has developed is testimony to the whole staff’s passion for their job.

Belonging

On the last Thursday of term we will be holding our Term 1 assembly with a theme of 'Harmony'. We are taking the opportunity on this day to 'unveil' our new mural which will be placed on the primary side of the school facing the library. The mural has been developed under the artistic direction of Jack Randell who worked with our students to develop the wonderful murals on the secondary side. The new mural represents 'Belonging' and fits in so well with Harmony Day and the culture of acceptance at our school. The students were asked to identify all the things that made them feel as though they 'belonged' and so come along and share this special day with us. More information will follow.

Finally

My door is and always has been open – whether you are happy, sad or mad. I need to know if we are not doing something right but I also need to know that you trust our motives and our intentions. Everything we do, every single day is for YOUR children. If we can do it better, tell us. ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

All the best
Anne Holden

Staff Smile of the Week (Week 7)

Goes to Mel Corcoran for doing
a great job in Early Birds.

SECONDARY

Head Teachers

Debbie Waters
Ted Wright (Relieving)

Head Teachers' Report

The Dubbo Science and Engineering Challenge



The Western Plains Science and Engineering Challenge held on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th of March involved 300 Year 9 and 10 students from 16 secondary schools across north-western NSW. Now well established in Dubbo, the competition involves a day of hands-on challenges designed to inform and inspire students about careers in science and engineering. Mr Sarswat and Mrs Moss took 19 students to this challenge and a great day was had by all. Our students came first in bridge building and received an honourable mention in the catapult competition. They have realised how important and enjoyable Science can be and were able to enhance their team work skills.



7/8 Tech Mandatory Zoo Visit



On Friday the 6th of March a group of 7/8 Design & Technology students attended an excursion at Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo. TCS has been given the opportunity to trial a new and exciting zoo project on Enclosure Design in collaboration with the zoo's education officer. Prior to the excursion our students investigated a chosen animal's biology and ecology. Whilst at the zoo students examined innovative and creative design solutions for animal exhibits, the class evaluated design processes and completed an echogram of their selected species as well as a visitor foot fall study.

A video conference with the zoo followed on Monday the 16th of March which the students enjoyed. The class has learnt about Taronga's Animal Welfare Charter, as well as legislative, husbandry and WHS enclosure requirements which will assist them with their individual designs. We would like to thank Miss Dorman for her quest to engage students in this subject through using local and environmental resources.



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Cattle Team Compete at the 2015 Sydney Royal Easter Show

Touch Football Fundraiser

On Friday the 6th of March TCS Cattle Team hosted a touch football night fundraising for their excursion to the Sydney Royal Easter Show. The team of students will spend a week at Sydney Olympic Park competing against other schools and cattle studs showing our 7 steers. The event was a success due to the collaboration of TCS staff and parents. We would also like to say a special thank you to the volunteers on the night that assisted with the organisation and running of touch, Miss Jess Skinner, Miss Petch Tippapart, Sonya McMaster, Hayden Ellis, Lea Clarke and Mel Gleeson. These people do not have children within our cattle team but offered their time on the night. Your support is truly appreciated and we thank you.



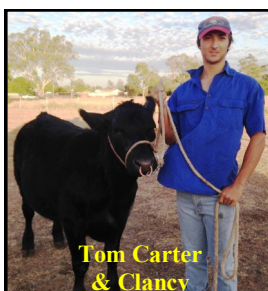
2015 Sydney Royal Easter Show

After successfully competing at the Sydney Royal Easter Show in 2012 and 2014 the Trangie Central School Cattle Team will again be competing in 2015. Our team has significantly progressed each year in terms of developing positive experiences, animal management practices, and an increase in student participation and livestock.

Our dedicated Cattle Team work on Wednesday mornings from 6.30am to 8.00am (Terms 1 and 4), and Monday afternoons from 3:30pm to 5:00pm (Terms 2 and 3). The students give up their time to learn and better themselves every week, with more frequent sessions occurring before major events. Our team often competes on weekends and public holidays and this ongoing commitment is a trait that our team has demonstrated since 2012.

Our 2015 Sydney Royal Easter Show Cattle Team of 7 steers and approximately 13 students will be in Sydney from Sunday 22nd March to Sunday 29th March, with show competitions being held throughout the week.

Good luck to our Cattle Team!



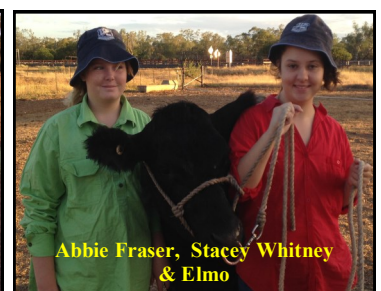
Tom Carter
& Clancy



Luwana Tumai-Lynch, John Apap
& Patty



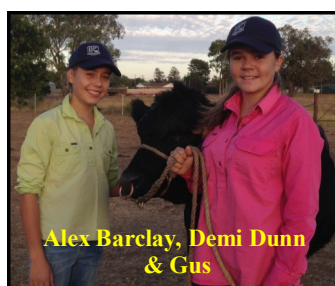
Morgan Adams, Jacana Powell
& Myles



Abbie Fraser, Stacey Whitney
& Elmo



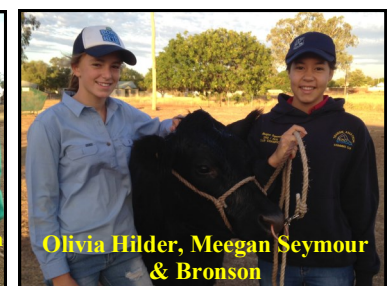
Taylah Brown, Morgan Gale
& Darcy



Alex Barclay, Demi Dunn
& Gus



Ben Skinner, Hamish Corcoran
& Elmo



Olivia Hilder, Meegan Seymour
& Bronson

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TERM ONE - Week 8

General Business

Year 12 Half Yearly Examinations Next Week

Not all subjects will require a Half Yearly Examination.

The following examinations will be held Monday of next week:

⇒ **Advanced English 11.30am - 1.30pm**

Examinations will be held in the AV room.

HSC Assessments Due Next Week (Week 9)

⇒ Advanced English

⇒ Biology

⇒ English Standard

Preliminary Assessments Due Next Week (Week 9)

⇒ English Studies

⇒ Hospitality

⇒ PDHPE

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



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Community & Family Studies (CaFS)

Sarah Lindsay

Tottenham

The Year 11 CaFS course includes students from Tottenham, Yeoval, Trundle, Peak Hill, Tullamore and Trangie. Students have been working on the topic 'Resource Management' dealing with concepts such as values, goals and needs. Their first assessment has required the students to interview a HSC student to gather data about workload management, using the data to write an extended response about maintaining positive well-being.

HSC students are studying the topic 'Parenting and Caring' and are currently looking at different styles of parenting and how they differ. Their first assessment required them to identify strategies to use to manage multiple roles.



Assistant Principals' Report

Notes Reminder

We have lots of exciting excursions and incursions planned for our Primary students and we ask families to check their children's bags each day for any notes. This week we have distributed notes for the following events:

- Softball/Cricket Gala Day – Peak Hill (Years 3-6)
- Happy Harold school visit – last two days of Term 1 (Cost \$5)
- Moorambilla Auditions

Bike Safety

Please remind your child/ren that if they ride their bike to school then they must ride safely and responsibly. Parents and carers are responsible for how their child travels to and from school.

Under duty of care, schools are responsible for the student once they have entered the school premises. As part of their overall care for students, school communities will often work together to provide agreed school policies about travel to and from school.

The NSW Centre for Road Safety, Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) recommends parents and carers need to actively guide and supervise children riding bicycles up to ten years of age.



Primary Captains Report

Last Tuesday we met other SRC schools. These were Narromine, Trundle and Tottenham. We had to talk to other SRC students on Skype. We talked about what we do in our schools, how we deal with problems, and what the SRC means. We were a little embarrassed at first, but after a few games we started to make friends. **By Andreas Gordon**

We hosted an SRC day and we talked about what a good SRC would do and what a bad SRC would do. We played a few games to break the ice. The games were lots of fun. I learnt to be a good SRC leader and we got a few ideas from other schools. **By Claudia St Clair**

Reading At Home... Can Make A HUGE Difference!

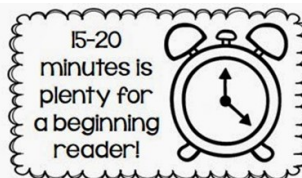


Choose Books That Are At An Appropriate Reading Level For Your Child

- ☐ Use the five finger rule. Open the book to any page and ask your child to read. Put up a finger every time your child does not know a word. If you have put up more than five fingers before the end of the page, this book is too hard for your child.
- ☐ Choose books that match your child's likes and interests.

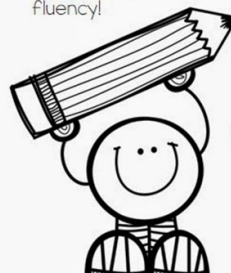


Keep plenty of reading materials in your home: books, magazines, newspapers, and comic books. Children enjoy having a variety of reading materials!



How To Read With A Beginning Reader:

- Encourage your child to use his/her finger to point to each word.
- Read a sentence and have your child repeat it.
- Take turns reading a sentence each or a page each.
- Talk about the story as you read it. What do you think will happen next? What does this story remind you of? How do you think this character feels?
- Don't be afraid to read the same book again! Repeated reading helps build reading fluency!



Check For Understanding

- ✓ Start the book by making predictions. What do you think will happen in this story?
- ✓ Ask questions and make comments during the reading process.
- ✓ After reading a book, have your child tell you the events from the story in the correct order.
- ✓ What was the problem in this story?
- ✓ How did the character feel when...?
- ✓ Encourage your child to make connections. Does this story remind you of another book you read, an event in your life, a movie?



Read Books Online!

There are many fun and interactive websites for literacy. Here are a few FREE online resources:

- www.starfall.com
- www.speakaboos.com
- www.spellingcity.com
- www.wegivebooks.org
- <http://interactivesites.weebly.com>

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Assistant Principals

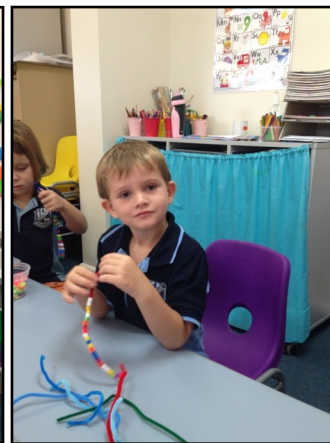
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Early Birds



Welcome back to a new year 2015. Early Birds are settling in beautifully and are already full swing into their new routine. Each morning when the students arrive they choose an activity to develop their fine motor skills. These include threading beads onto pipe cleaners, picking up pompoms with chop sticks, manipulating play dough, writing numbers onto white boards or completing puzzles. They also practise tracing their name using our new cool 'swap write wipe sleeves'.



Fine motor skills are essential for performing everyday skills like cutting, self-care tasks (e.g. managing clothing fastenings, opening lunch boxes, cleaning teeth) and handwriting. Without the ability to complete these everyday tasks, a child's self-esteem can suffer and their academic performance is compromised.



We look forward to watching our Early Birds grow and develop!
Mrs Corcoran and Mrs McMaster

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SPORTS

Open Girls Soccer 16/3/15

On Monday 16 March, the CHS Open Girls team played on Burns Oval, Trangie against South Dubbo. While the girls played well and with great sportsmanship, unfortunately the Dubbo team were too strong and came away with the win. Special thanks goes to Pat Skinner, Kurt Terry and Tom Carter who assisted with goal set up as well as refereeing and linesman duties for the game.

Skye Rush

'FILTHY RICH'

Richard Walsh-Australian UFC Fighter 13/3/15

Last Friday, Trangie Central School were given the opportunity to meet and train with Australian UFC fighter 'Filthy Rich' (Richard Walsh). The visit by the Sydney-sider allowed for all secondary students to listen to a motivational talk and watch some of Filthy Rich's fights. The motivational talk allowed for students to get photos and ask Filthy Rich questions ranging from injuries, to how he has overcome challenges in his career so far. The key message from Filthy Rich's talk was for all students to pursue a career that makes them happy.

The Boot Camp and Fitness Interest Groups were invited to an afternoon training session which Filthy Rich instructed. The session included boxing, slow squats and a fun game of dodge ball which concluded Filthy Rich's visit.

Filthy Rich said he enjoyed the visit to TCS and was blown away by how confident and friendly our TCS students are. Filthy Rich plans to visit TCS again in the near future for an intense training session and we look forward to his visit!

Petch Tippapart



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FROM THE ADMIN OFFICE

School Administrative Manager

Jaye Milgate

School Administrative Officers

Tracey Bennett Donna Pizzi
Debbie Browning Julie Dawes
Sharyn Brown

Centrepay

– the easy way to pay your bills and expenses

Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service which is free for Centrelink customers. Use Centrepay to arrange regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. You can start or change a deduction at any time. The quickest way to do it is through your Centrelink account online.

Application details can be obtained from the Administration Office or online at
humanservices.gov.au/online-services

EFTPOS

*Facilities are available
at Trangie Central School.*

EFTPOS payments can be made at the Secondary Administration Office.

Parent Online Payment POP

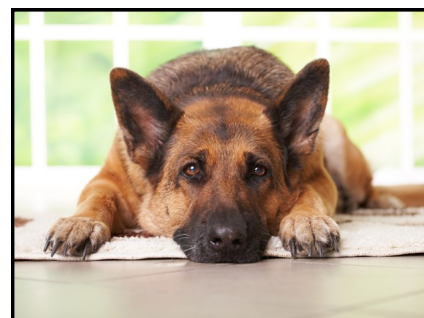
Is now available at Trangie Central School

Parent Online Payments can be made via a secure Westpac QuickWeb payment page. This payment option can be found on the school's Website front page -
\$Make a payment link.

****STUDENT SAFETY****

- Recent weeks have seen a number of occasions where there have been dogs in the school grounds. Unfortunately we sometimes have difficulty contacting owners and it has been necessary for the school to contact Council Rangers.
- We advise parents and community members that in the future the school will be reporting any further issues in relation to dogs in the school grounds to Council.
- Council has notified the school the following fines/fees that will be issued:

Dogs in School Grounds	\$330.00
Pound Fees	\$100.00 + \$14.00 per night



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Taronga Western Plains Zoo Zoo Adventures



Taronga Western Plains Zoo Education Centre's Zoo Adventures is a school holiday program for students attending primary school aged 5-12 years and will be held during the April 2015 school holidays. This education program is designed for primary school-aged students and all activities are run by qualified staff.

Dates: Tuesday 7 April to Friday 10 April 2015
Monday 13 April to Thursday 16 April 2015

Age: 5-12 years

Time: 8:30am to 3:30pm

Cost: EARLY BIRD SPECIAL - \$45.00 per child per day (If booked before Monday 23 March 2015).

Normal Rate - \$55.00 per child per day (bookings after Monday 23 March 2015).

How to Book:

🐾 All information including booking form and daily activities can be found on our website
<http://taronga.org.au/taronga-western-plains-zoo/whats/zoo-adventures-dubbo>

🐾 Contact the zoo on 6881 1433.



TRANGIE TENNIS COACHING



CONDUCTED BY WAYNE DUNLOP

**(LEVEL 3 ATPCA MASTER PROFESSIONAL TENNIS
COACH LICENCE NO DC97080501)**

COMMENCES: FRIDAY TERM2 2015

GROUPS AND TIMES:

4.30- 5: 15 PM

5:15 – 6 PM

6 -6.45PM

LIMITED NUMBERS APPLY!!



COST: Payment to be made on an upfront basis and is irrespective of lessons attended). Includes weekly 45 min lessons.

INCLUDES (WHERE APPLICABLE):

- FOOTWORK AND STROKE PRODUCTION
- COMPETITIVE DRILLS AND ACTIVITIES
- COMPETITION PLAY (SINGLES AND DOUBLES)
- FUN GAMES AND FITNESS ACTIVITIES
- PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS
- CHILDREN GRADED WITH OWN AGES AND STANDARDS



CONTACT DETAILS FOR BOOKINGS: WAYNE DUNLOP ph 0428496816 or
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0417279078 or email sallyjanestclair@gmail.com

WARREN COMMUNITY TRIATHLON

**SUNDAY 29th MARCH 2015
WARREN SWIMMING POOL**



Athlete Check-in: 8:00am – 8:30am

Pre-Race Briefing: 8:50am

MAJOR SPONSOR - CHESTERFIELD AUSTRALIA. PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY ANDERSON'S PHARMACY, MACQUARIE TOYOTA, WESTERN FARM MACHINERY, LOUIS DREYFUS COMMODITIES AND WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL.

Starting Times

Mini	9:00am	100m Swim, 2km Cycle, 900m Run (Individual Event only)
Short Course	9:20am	200m Swim, 14km Cycle, 1.8km Run (Individual and Teams Event)
Long Course	9:45am	400m Swim, 21km Cycle, 4.5km Run (Individual and Teams Event)

Entry Fee

\$10.00 per person

Registration

Please complete both pages of this form and return it with your entry fee (cash or cheque only, **no EFT**) by close of business on Wednesday 25th March, 2015. Teams need to submit their registration form and all fees in the same envelope. Return by post to Warren Triathlon Club, PO Box 49, Warren, NSW, 2824.
WE HAVE A STRICT REGISTRATION POLICY. NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH OR ON THE DAY. NUMBERS ARE LIMITED SO PLEASE REGISTER EARLY.

Further Information: Milton Quigley, 0427 473 152 or Audrey Weston on 0408 690 954.



2014-2015 Family Energy Rebate

**Apply before Midnight
16 June 2015**



\$150*
**TOWARDS
ENERGY
BILLS**

2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM
<https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/>
* eligibility criteria apply

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.

**APPLY
ONLINE
NOW!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

PHONE Service NSW 13 77 88
EMAIL fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au
WEB www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate

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