



# Tinonee Public School Times

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Principal – Karen Austin

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Term 3 Week 3

## Editorial

Hi everyone!

I would like to thank all our families and visitors for attending our Education Week celebrations. It is always a special time for everyone involved, when we have visitors to our school. It was particularly important to celebrate the skills and talents of ALL of our students and they certainly displayed these!

I would like to talk about social media. Of course the school cannot control what students say or do outside of school hours, however, there are some instances whereby actions of students outside the school, end up at school. An example is 'Snapchat'. We are often reading in the news about teenage tragedy, depression and anxiety, as well as 'grooming' resulting from involvement of youth with sites such as Instagram and Snapchat.

The minimum legal age for social media sites such as Snapchat, Facebook and Instagram is 13 years old. The reason for this age limit is children need to have the social/emotional skills to cope with the demands of social media. It is extremely important for parents and carers to monitor devices and help children understand that their identity and sense of worth is NOT determined by the number of likes, comments and shares. A cyber expert comment I recently read was: 'Adolescent brains are wired to be impulsive. The prefrontal cortex, which is the part of the brain responsible for managing impulses is not fully developed until the early 20's for females and late 20's for males. Adult posts are not able to be dealt with the maturity required'.

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup>, the Police Liaison Officer, Dave Russell will be attending our school to talk about the serious pitfalls of social media to Years 4, 5 and 6. If you feel strongly about your child not attending this session, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your ongoing support to ensure all children are safe, both at home and at school.

Have a great week.  
Karen

## What's On?

<b>Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>	<b>No Assembly</b>
<b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>	<b>2020 Kinders Come Visit day</b>
<b>Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>	<b>1A Assembly 12:15pm</b>
<b>Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>	<b>P &amp; C Meeting 6:30pm</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Aug</b>	<b>Book Fair/Parade 10:15am</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Aug</b>	<b>2M Assembly 12:15pm</b>
	<b>Boys Soccer Gala Day</b>

### REMINDERS

**Stage 3 camp** is fast approaching please don't leave payments until the last moment. Small regular payments make it much easier for you.

**Reading Eggs and Mathletics** software. This fantastic program is used both at school and can be accessed at home. There are still some students who have been missing out due to payment being overlooked. You are welcome to either phone or call into the office if you think you may have missed paying this one earlier in the year.

**Voluntary Contributions** have been set by the P & C for 2019. \$25 per student or \$50 per family. All funds are directed to purchase valuable resources for all children at this school.

All of the above can be paid either by eftpos or cash, just call into the office and Lee or Vicky will be only too happy to take care of you.

### Kindergarten 2020

Join us for a story, craft and games morning in the Kindergarten classroom. We welcome all children who are starting Kindergarten in 2020 to come and try 'big school' at Tinonee Public School.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August 9:30-11:00am. Drop off and pick-up will be at the Kindergarten classroom.

**Belinda Royan**



**ZONE ATHLETICS RESULTS**

Last Friday a team of students travelled to the Regional Athletics Carnival in Forster. These students did an amazing job and tried their best in all events they participated in. They showed great sportsmanship and their behaviour was a credit to themselves and our school. The following students have qualified to move on to the next level of competition at Hunter Sports Stadium on 30<sup>th</sup> August. Brock, Spencer, Lleyton, Hayden, Claire, Lily A, and Darcey. Well done and good luck.

A big thank you to all the parents who could assist with transporting students to and from this event. With your support these things would be unavailable to our students.

Regards

Mrs Martin and Mr Saville



Wednesdays **Education week Bento Box lunches** were so popular and looked amazing with all the different foods for the kids to snack on.

My special thanks to the volunteers who helped pack all of those 80 or so little boxes- Liz Halfacre, Kelly Smith, Jeanette Condon, Vicki Quintal and Bella Atkins. Well done ladies xx

We hope the children and parents enjoyed them.

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**Muffin of the week-** This week's special flavour is Banana!

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**Sorry we were Closed!!** This week we unfortunately we unable to offer a canteen service on Tuesday as both of our rostered volunteers were unwell. In these situations it would be most helpful if we had extra Emergency personal that could be contacted at short notice. If you think you might be able to fill this role, please contact Michelle. Your help will be most appreciated.

Michelle Swannack  
Canteen Manager

**Canteen Volunteers for next week**

Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Michelle, Judy, Bronwyn & Vicki
Monday	Kerryanne & Sylvie Corner
Tuesday	Amanda & Lauren
Wednesday	Liz & Michelle
Thursday	Elizabeth Walker & Kelly Smith
Friday	Michelle, Judy, Bronwyn & Vicki

**Award winners**

<b>KR</b> Seth Griffin Charlotte T	<b>1KA</b> Banjo Teil Aeralou	<b>2M</b> Liam H Bella Riley	<b>2/3S</b> William Finnegan Jaxon
<b>4/5C</b> Lucy Elijah Abbie	<b>4/5S</b> Milli Hayden Kaleb	<b>6E</b> Jessica Violet Charlotte RA	



# NAIDOC 2019

NAIDOC Day at Tinonee Public School was a fantastic day full of celebrations and recognition of the Aboriginal Culture. We had some special guests visit the school along with some very talented elders in the community. The day started off with an assembly where Uncle Russell and Auntie Pam Saunders spoke to the school about this years NAIDOC theme Voice. Treaty. Truth. We had performances by our Aboriginal students, Jaycen Davis, Uncle Russell and the Taree High School Aboriginal Dance group. We then enjoyed different rotational activities during the day that included, face painting, spear throwing, language lesson, pastel art work, storytelling, Gunyah building, Kangaroo hopping races, X-ray chalk art and Johnny cake tasting. Thank you to our visitors and all staff members for their help throughout the day.



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# Education Day 2019

