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Wednesday, 17 June 2015

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## What's On? Upcoming events

### Term 2 Week 9

Wednesday 17 June	P&C meeting 6pm, old staffroom. Everyone Welcome
Thursday 18 June	Athletics Carnival – TREC <b>POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT WEDNESDAY</b>
Friday 19 June	Hockey Gala Day Questacon Science Circus 1.30 <b>NO ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK</b>

### Term 2 Week 10

Monday 22 June	CWA International Day – Italy
Wednesday 24 June	Athletics Carnival - TREC
Friday 26 June	Kindergarten 2016 Orientation morning 9am Awards Assembly 2.30pm Last Day of Term 2

### Term 3 Week 1

	Writers Boot Camp <b>Parent/Teacher interviews</b>
Tuesday 14 July	Students return
Friday 17 July	Transition Students start.

### Term 3 Week 2

Friday 24 July	Tree Day Kindergarten Transition Yrs 3-6 Virtual Excursion with illustrator Fiona McDonald
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**Change to Athletics Carnival – Postponed until next Wednesday 24 June. Discus will be offered to junior and senior students only.**

## 2016 Enrolments K-6 (now open)

We are currently checking details for our 2016 Kindergarten intake and planning for our Integration Program.

*We cordially invite interested families to attend our Orientation morning on **Friday 26 June at 9am** in anticipation of Transition starting our first Friday back next term, 17 July 2015. Please contact the office 67603151 to confirm that you will be attending.*

If you have a child or know of a child (turning 5 on or before 30 July 2016) that will be starting school next year, please contact the office as soon as possible. Enrolment forms available

## QUESTACON SCIENCE CIRCUS

The Shell Questacon Science Circus is a major outreach programme from Questacon - The National Science and Technology Centre in Canberra. A Science Circus experience is designed to stimulate and challenge students to explore science for themselves. Presenters will visit the school to perform a highly motivational demonstration style science show. The show will explore the relevance of science and technology in everyday life using familiar everyday items and a touch of theatre to inspire and enthuse.

**The Science Circus will perform at school on Friday 19 June at 1.30pm. Student cost \$2.50, please pay to the school office by 3pm today.**

Whilst performing at our school, Questacon would like to film the performance and student interaction for their own research and promotional use. Please complete the attached 'permission to publish' form and return to the school office as soon as possible.

Students attending the performance will also receive a ticket to attend the Questacon Science Circus at TRECC on Saturday 20 June. Students with a free ticket must be accompanied by an adult (\$6).



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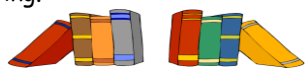
Numbers for the senior class excursion have now **CLOSED**. Thank you to those students who have returned their note and deposit for our proposed class excursion to Sydney in Term 4. This excursion will be during week 6, Monday 9 – Friday 13 November. Further details with regard to itinerary and requirements will be provided later.

K Harris – Teacher

**Regional Cross Country**

Congratulations to Kaydee and Isabella who qualified to participate at the Regional Cross Country in Coolah. Kaydee placed 15th out of 53 and Isabella placed 29 out of 56. Well done girls.

**Library** Due to program changes, all classes, K-6 will **now have library on Friday mornings**. Please remember library bags for borrowing.



## **Athletics Carnival – TREC – POSTPONED UNTIL 24 JUNE 2015**

This is a whole school event. **THERE WILL BE NO SUPERVISION AT SCHOOL.**

**Please note the following:**

\*Students are required to wear full school sport uniform.

\*Please be at the TREC by 8.50am, the March past will commence promptly at 9am.

**\*\$4.50 levy per student to be paid to school BY 3PM next Tuesday 23 June. (Tamworth Regional Council has increased student levy and ground hire fees)**

\*Student's competitive age is the age they turn THIS year.

\*Shoes must be worn for all events. **No spikes!**

\*High Jump :

- Jumps start at 1.0m for senior boys, 0.90m for senior girls, 0.86m for junior boys and 0.75 for junior girls. Two jumps only for each height.
- 5/6/7 year olds do not compete in high jump at this carnival.

\*Long Jump:

- All first jumps will be measured in the long jump. 2nd and 3rd jumps will only be measure if they are longer than a qualifying distance set by the first jump. There will be no warm up jumps.

\*Shot Put

- 5/6/7 year olds use 1kg shot put, 8/9/10 yrs use 2kg shot put, 11/12/13 yrs use 3kg shot put.

\*Discus will be available as a trial this year. This event will be run at the end of the carnival. Only students wishing to compete will be required to stay. **Discus will be offered to junior and senior students only.**

\*Our P&C will be running a canteen at TREC on the day.

\*Everyone must stay behind boundary fence when not competing. Students are not permitted on the play equipment between spectator area and toilets.

\*If you wish to take your child from the carnival before its conclusion, please sign them out at the desk (Mrs Nash).

**TAMWORTH PSSA HOCKEY GALA DAY**

Our school has a nominated team participating this Friday at the Tamworth PSSA Hockey Gala Day to be held at the Tamworth Hockey Fields.

Transport: Is the responsibility of parents. Parent transporters will be required to stay. If we are knocked during the first round, we will be returning to school. Students will leave from school at 10am. There is no cost for this event.

Bring: mouth guard (**students will not be able to take to the field without mouth guards and shin pads**), shin pads, water, hat and sunscreen. Morning tea and lunch will also be needed. There will be a canteen. Socks and shirts for the day will be provided.

Please note that hockey will only be cancelled in the event of lightening.

Miss Cornish and our coach Mr Robertson will be attending.

**Principal's Message** Excursions

Deadlines for Excursions:

At Moonbi Public School our aim is that every child will attend every excursion. However, if notices are returned late it is often not possible to facilitate your child participating and they have to miss out. Please pay close attention to excursion notices and deadlines!

If finances are a problem and you simply cannot afford to meet the costs, contact the principal or talk to the team at

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the office. In many cases, we can make confidential arrangements to subsidise a % of the charge, or to work out a special payment plan.

Late Notices & Permission Forms:

There is little leeway in deadlines for most permission forms and activities organized through the school. While it is sometimes possible to extend the deadline for one or two students, this is not always the case and becomes increasingly difficult where more than just a few students are involved, particularly as the event draws closer.

In most cases families are given as much notice as possible before the event to get payment and permission forms in to their teacher. Students are reminded in the days leading up to the deadline and reminders are placed in the school newsletter.

Whenever there are exceptional circumstances we try to make exemptions so that students do not miss out, however we rely on families and children to get their forms in on time in order for us to ensure that each activity is fully planned, well in time before the activity goes ahead.

Re-organizing an activity for one or two students can take as little as 30-45 minutes of time, involving work between three or four staff members. Re-organizing for ten to forty students can take as much as a half day to two full days of time and can involve as many as ten to fifteen phone calls depending on the number of venues involved. As a matter of student safety (eg; groups travelling together on public transport, accommodation etc) all arrangements and/or changes must only be made by the school. Often re-organizing for one or two students, wanting to put their forms in late, is not possible on the day before, or indeed the day of the activity. In most cases however, we can make alternative arrangements if we receive a phone call on the day the notice is due or before!

Excursion deadlines serve a distinct purpose. In the past we have found ourselves in the situation of running some excursions at quite considerable losses. This happens for a number of reasons. Sometimes we overestimate the number of students who will attend and sometimes, in an attempt to give students the opportunity to pay, we extend payment deadlines beyond the point where it is possible to cancel the excursion. When an excursion runs at a loss, the whole school pays for the shortfall. This is not fair or equitable. It is particularly unfair on the organising teacher who is volunteering their time both during planning and the actual excursion. Please remember teachers do not get paid any extra for taking students away. It is an extremely exhausting and stressful time being on high alert 24/7 for 3-5 days straight. As such there is NO expectation that teachers must take excursions. It is all goodwill on the part of the teachers. It is important that deadlines stand.

**As a result**, all future excursions will have a deadline printed at the bottom of every note and newsletter. There

will be **NO EXTENSIONS**. There will be **NO PHONE CALLS to remind people**, unless they are NAP students where English is a second language and language maybe a barrier.

To avoid disappointment, it is the parent/carers responsibility to ensure deadlines are met. We will remind parents and students at school and via our newsletter/notes and Facebook updates, but I would ask parents to help by paying promptly for these optional excursions by the deadline.

Finance staff will not be collecting moneys for excursions beyond the advertised deadlines. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact me, **BEFORE** the payment deadline, so that we can discuss accessing this support funds or make flexible arrangements.

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Winter Illnesses Now that the cold weather has arrived we have noticed a large increase in the number of students (and teachers) who have become sick. Please be aware that in this type of environment, especially where up to 33 people can be working in the same room all day, illnesses can be spread very quickly. With this in mind, it is important to keep your child at home to rest and recover when ill.

We have had a number of children sent to the sick bay early in the morning who clearly should not have been sent to school in the first place. Sending a sick child to school not only lengthens the child's own recovery time but they are less likely to concentrate in class and more likely to spread their illness to other children, the classroom teacher and other staff members.

Over the coming weeks there is an increased likelihood of a number of children who will have cold or influenza like symptoms. Parents are requested to ensure that they keep their child home when they are sick.

Some simple actions can help prevent the spread of cold and flu infection. These include ensuring children know how to blow their nose with a tissue and to wash their hands with soap and water regularly. We have provided automatic sanitiser dispensers in all classrooms and the administration foyer. Please remind your child of these steps. If your child comes to school unwell, we will contact you and ask you to take your child home.

Bonita Broughton, Principal

P&C News

**Our next meeting will be held tonight, 17 June at 6pm in the old staff room. Everyone is welcome.**

We would like to extend a HUGE thank you to all the helpers for the Bunnings BBQ last Sunday. It was a great mix of P&C, school staff and school community. Wow, we sure did sell some sausages!



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**Athletics Carnival at TREC (now next Wednesday 24 June);** Helpers are required for the P&C canteen at the athletics carnival. If you are able to help out on the day, please contact me urgently. If you are unable to help out on the day we would gratefully receive donations of baked cakes and slices.

***Remember, all the money we raise goes back to improving our kids' education and resources.***

Jen Hernando - President - 0429 181727

### **Busy Beehive Canteen**

**This Friday we are still open** and we are going to have a Daily Special of Nugget and Pineapple Sticks \$0.80c

The Athletics Carnival has been postponed until next Wednesday, if you would like to donate cakes or slices or you would like to donate an hour of your time to help out in the canteen please contact Jen Hernando or myself.

**This week's busy bee volunteers are: Jackie and Lisa**

Canteen Supervisor - Jackie Robertson 0458201127

### **Clothing Pool**

I am usually available at school Thursday mornings or Wednesday, Thursday, Friday afternoons by appointment only. You can contact me on 67605218 or 0429445253. Clothing Pool Supervisor - Penny Foster

### **Student Banking**

Please return any pictures or crosswords you have completed tomorrow for a chance to win a cool prize. If you would like to open an account for your child please call into the office Wednesdays or see me Thursday mornings.



This terms rewards are **Invisible Ink Martian Pens** and **Intergalactic Rockets**. Commonwealth Bank has a website that the kids can interact with. It has some fun interactive games, colouring pages and puzzles.

<https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking/dollarmites.html>

Keep smiling, Lisa Madden School Banking Coordinator



**Health**  
Hunter New England  
Local Health District

#### **Does Your Child Receive Regular, High Quality Dental Care?**

Hunter New England Oral Health provides comprehensive dental care for children under 18 years of age, completely FREE of charge.

**For more information, phone 1300 651 625**

#### **Our Clinic Locations:**

• Armidale • Beresfield • Cessnock • Forster • Glen Innes • Gunnedah • Inverell • Maitland • Moree  
• Muswellbrook • Narrabri • Nelson Bay • Newcastle • Raymond Terrace • Scone • Singleton  
• Tamworth • Taree • Toronto • Wallsend • Windale



Nutrition Snippet

## **The simplest way**

**...to pack a creative lunch box!**

Don't feel like you have to send the same old vegemite sandwich every day. Here are some of our best tips for making lunch boxes interesting for you, and your kids!



- **Make fresh spring rolls** – they're great for dinner and can be used as leftovers, too! See [eatittobeatit.com.au](http://eatittobeatit.com.au) for a free recipe
- **Cut vegies into thin sticks** – send with a small container of hummus
- **Make a fruit salad** – dice whatever fruit you have into small pieces
- **Make a roast vegie sandwich** – leftover roast vegies are delicious on fresh bread
- **Add fruit to yoghurt** – split a large tub of reduced-fat yoghurt into small containers, and add pieces of fruit for a sweet twist.

For more information visit  
[www.eatittobeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittobeatit.com.au)  
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://facebook.com/eatittobeatit)



Fun! Music! Games! Craft! Learning about God!

# **SUPER IMPOSSIBLE PROMISES HOLIDAY KIDS CLUB**

**When:** Mon 29<sup>th</sup> June – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2015  
**9.30am- 12.30pm**  
**Where:** Kootingal Anglican Church

**Who:** Infants and Primary  
**Cost:** FREE!  
**Details:** Contact Allan Beaven 0425301640  
or Gloria Quick 0448 778 023  
**More Info:** Email [aerab@bigpond.com](mailto:aerab@bigpond.com)

**Plus Thursday Family Fun Night BBQ Dress up as a Super Mario Character**

# WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Activity &amp; other information</u>
Friday	26th June	1-9pm	Movies on the big screen from 5pm BBQ at 7pm
Saturday	27th June	1-10pm	Pool Competition - Singles at 2pm Table Tennis Competition - Singles at 4.30pm BBQ at 6.30pm Disco at 7.30pm - \$5
Monday	29th June	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm Video Game Competition at 3pm
Tuesday	30th June	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm Art Workshop at 2pm Handball Competition at 4pm
Wednesday	1st July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm NAIDOC Aboriginal Dance Workshop at 2pm Hip Hop Workshop at 4pm
Thursday	2nd July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm Rap Workshop at 2pm Video Game Competition at 4pm
Friday	3rd July	1-9pm	Video Game Competition at 2pm BBQ at 6pm Karaoke Competition at 7pm
Saturday	4th July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm Pool Competition - Doubles at 2pm Table Tennis Competition - Doubles at 4.30pm
Monday	6th July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm Video Game Competition at 3pm Handball Competition at 5pm
Tuesday	7th July	12-8pm	BBQ at 1pm Art Workshop at 2pm Live Bands at 4pm- \$10
Wednesday	8th July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm NAIDOC Aboriginal Dance Workshop at 2pm Hip Hop Workshop at 4pm
Thursday	9th July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm Rap Workshop at 2pm Video Game Competition at 4pm
Friday	10th July	12-7pm	BBQ at 1pm NAIDOC Euchre Tournament from 2pm (Elders vs. Young People)
Saturday	11th July	1-9pm	Pool Competition - Singles at 2pm Table Tennis Competition - Singles at 4pm BBQ at 6pm Karaoke Competition at 7pm

Prizes for all competitions - win movie tickets

# THE YOUTHIE

The Youthie - Tamworth Regional Youth Centre. 1A Quinn Street, Tamworth  
02 6767 5749 [www.facebook.com/tamworthyouthiepage](http://www.facebook.com/tamworthyouthiepage). Program is for 12-18 years



# Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.



We're bringing the exciting news that an intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo<sup>2</sup>™ Headphones
- 200 x \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

## Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal) to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning).

## Win books for your school library

We're also giving schools participating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children's books for their school library, valued at \$200.

For more information, visit [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal)



**Things to know before you Can:** Conditions apply, see [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal). Promotion starts 9.00am AEST 13/7/15 and ends 11.59pm AEST 25/9/15. Student Element: Entry is open to all Youthsaver customers aged 4–13 years. 1 entry received when 3 deposits are made through the School Banking Program. 1 bonus entry received when completing a Money Mission activity at [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal) and submitting a fully completed entry form. Max. of 2 entries per person. Entries will be divided into the following State/Territory groups: NSW/ACT, Vic, SA/NT, Tas, Qld and WA. A total of 400 prizes comprising 75 iPad mini Wi-Fi 16GB space grey tablets valued at \$299 each, 125 Beats by Dr. Dre Solo<sup>2</sup>™ On-Ear Headphones valued at \$259.95 each, and 200 \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates, will be distributed amongst the State/Territory groups. The winners' names will be published in the public notices section of *The Australian* on 23/10/15. School Element: Entry is open to all schools operating in Australia who participate in the School Banking Program and have at least 1 student entered into the Student Element of this promotion. Limit of 1 entry per school. Entries will be divided into the following State/Territory groups: NSW/ACT, Vic, SA/NT, Tas, Qld and WA. A total of 75 prizes of a selection of children's books to the value of \$200 for each winning school's library will be distributed amongst the State/Territory groups. Prize draws will take place at 12 noon AEST 13/10/15 at Commonwealth Bank, Level 3, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney. Total prize value \$75,918.75. Apple is not a participant or sponsor of this promotion. 'iPad mini' and 'Beats by Dr. Dre' are trademarks of Apple Inc., registered in the US and other countries. The Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124 of Level 2, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. NSW Permit No LTPS/15/02906; ACT Permit No TP15/05517; VIC Permit No 15/820; SA Permit No T15/632.