



# Tunable Falls Community School

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Hi all!

**How beautiful was the fete?!** Such a perfect day of fun, food, music, connecting, playing, bargain hunting, and best of all, fundraising.

**THANKS SO MUCH to everyone for all your efforts**, most especially to the Fete Committee for your tireless work in the lead-up and on the day. All funds raised on the day will be shared with the preschool and we'll put our funds towards re-turfing the top field and buying sports equipment.



The kids are all happily exhausted this week with our **Annual Swimming Intensive** happening in Goonellabah. It's always gratifying to see how much their swimming improves in a week of focused classes, and the visit to see the Koala Sanctuary was a highlight also.

To continue our school's special relationship with Friends of the Koala, **the Buribi class will be selling icy poles for \$2 on Thursdays** (starting 21 Nov.). Last year, Buribi did an amazing job and raised enough money to adopt two koalas and one platypus. So, remember to send along \$2 on Thursdays for a yummy icy fruit treat and to support our young conservationists.



Next week, our littlest Buribi will be visiting the **Nimbin Aged Care & Respite Services** (NACRS) in the Rainbow building at the Community Centre, to read and craft with some of our older community members. What a lovely way to connect with community, and in my old Kindergarten classroom too! Until next time, Elowyn xo

## School Calendar:

- **Term 4 Begins**  
Mon, 21 October
- **Term 4 Ends**  
**Wed, 18 December**

## School Bell:

- School starts: 9:05
- Recess: 11:00-11:30  
*Thu: 10:30-11:00*
- Lunch: 13:00-13:45  
*Thu: 12:30-1:15*
- School ends: 14:45
- After school supervision ends 3:15pm

## Committee Meetings:

Thursdays, 3:15pm  
(At school, subject to change)

## Yr6 Rites of Passage

Mon-Thurs 25-28 November

## Garden Day

Wed, 11 Dec  
Families welcome to join in!

## Graduation Dinner

Thu, 12 Dec,

## TUE & WED

### **Closed Shoes**

Important for safe participation in STEM activities and Garden & Kitchen time.

## WED & THU

### **Hair Ties**

Important for safe participation in the kitchen and at circus.

# 2024 School Fete



# Communication:

## Calendar of Events:

### On the school's website:

All events and excursions are added to the calendar of events, available from our website

<https://www.tunablefallsschool.nsw.edu.au/calendar-of-events>

### Integrating the school calendar with your existing digital calendar:

Access the Google Calendar to get timely notifications of events and excursions.

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=tunableschool%40gmail.com&ctz=Australia%2FSydney> In the bottom righthand corner, click to add



Use this link to access the calendar from applications other than Google Calendar.

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/tunableschool%40gmail.com/public/basic.ics>

## Absentees:

- It is important to **call the Office by 9:30am** if your child is unable to attend school for any reason.
- If children arrive after 9:05am, or are picked up before 2:45pm, parents/carers need to sign the **Late Arrival/Early Pick-Up Register** in the office.
- Please provide a **Doctor's Medical Certificate** to the Office if your child is absent due to illness for five **consecutive days** or more.
- If you are **planning time away from school** during the term, please complete an *Application for Exemption from School* form at the Office.

## Committee:

The committee feels strongly about open communication at the school. Please keep our contact details handy and don't hesitate to contact whomever you feel comfortable with.

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## Birthdays

We would like to congratulate the following students on their birthdays. Happy birthday precious possums!



# Crafternoons Yarn & Darn

at Resilient Lismore Hub  
215 Keen St Lismore  
5th, 12th, 19th, 26th November  
2.30 – 4.30pm, Free

A series of relaxed crafternoons to sit on our comfy couches together, in the air conditioning to share some yarn skills, while having a yarn.

We will focus on crochet and handsewing over these four Tuesday afternoons, and set up some small projects. Bring anything you want to work on: wool, needles, thread, materials, or come empty-handed to learn.

All ages and levels are welcome. We will make something together: perhaps a present to give away.

Basic afternoon tea served, (fruit, biscuits and hot drinks) or you are welcome to bring a snack to share.

Please register on [resilientlismore.org.au/workshops-events/](http://resilientlismore.org.au/workshops-events/) or contact 0411 967 690 or [events@resilientlismore.org.au](mailto:events@resilientlismore.org.au)





## Buribi (Kindy)

Wow, wow, wow. What a terrific fete!

The past few weeks have been devoted to getting ready for the big day.

They loved making the flower hanging baskets to decorate the school; we used this as an opportunity to practice our sharing into groups, counting the total of flowers and sharing them into equal groups.

The concept of sharing has also been used to make flavoured icy poles, sharing the different flavours equally into the icy pole cups, having tasters along the way, of course. These real-world maths experiences enrich their learning and add a greater depth of relevance to what we do.

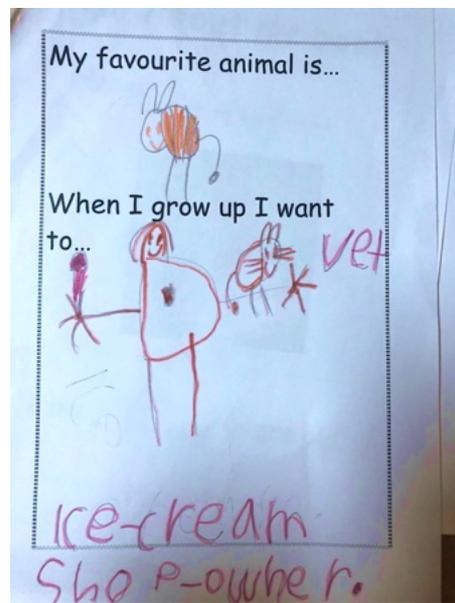
We will continue our icy poles drive now that the weather is heating up as we aim to raise money to adopt another koala to our school family. Last year's Buribi class raised enough money to adopt 2 koalas and a platypus while learning maths concepts of measuring and counting money.

**Icy poles will be available for children to purchase each Thursday lunchtime for \$2 from Monday 25th Nov.**

We will spend the next few weeks merged with Gooarnj class for investigation as we continue learning about insects, bugs and butterflies. The children have produced fascinating information reports about their chosen critter, learning about what they need to survive, and their super abilities. We have begun to apply this knowledge to design our superhero costumes, which will have special abilities like their critter.

The children have also prepared 'About Me' booklets for their older buddy in preparation for **our visit to Nimbin Aged Respite Care (NARCS)**. We will visit the residents each Thursday for 3 consecutive weeks to interview them and read and make craft together to brighten their days.

**I still need one parent to drive some students in on Thursday 5th of December.** Kate has kindly offered to drive us on the other two days, thanks Kate!





## Gooarng (Yrs. 1&2)

Hi Families,

As you probably know, I have been sick this last fortnight along with quite a few of the kids. I really hope we are all back in full health for the rest of the term! And for the swimming intensive this week.

In my stead, we have been very lucky to have Lindall cover all my sick days, so there has been very little interruption to the continuity of teachers, and the kids' learning.

In maths, the kids have been adding larger numbers by separating the 100's, 10's, and one's (spit strategy), and reading numbers in the 1000's. This fortnight they are measuring lengths using centimetres and meters and being challenged to measure using broken rulers (not starting from 0). In writing, they have shown Lindall their excellent understanding of simple and compound sentences by doing some informative and creative writing.

In preparation for the fete, the kids have been doing a wonderful job practicing with Meg for their recorder performance. For their creative art contribution, they have tie-dyed calico bags for sale. They look so good I can't decide which one I want.

Up we grow,  
Ishta





## Yuruugin (Yrs. 3&4)

Hello everyone!

We had a fantastic time at the fete! Our candle-making activity was a hit, and we were thrilled to cover our costs – it gave us some great maths experience to calculate our expenses along the way.

In our studies, we've been exploring changes in the Tumble Falls Community. Megan, Hannah's mother, joined us to share some of the community's history, giving students valuable insights into the changes in our community over time. Using our notes, we will be working on summaries and connecting this with our grammar practice by crafting adverbial and adjectival phrases on the topic in the next two weeks.

For spelling, we're focusing on words with the suffix "-ment" this week, and next week we'll delve into the prefix "inter-." This is all happening alongside each student's personalized spelling journey as they explore which spelling patterns match various sounds at their own pace.



In Maths, we're using square centimetres to measure the areas of rectangles and exploring three-dimensional shapes by constructing models and identifying their features. Students will also be sketching these shapes from multiple perspectives, including top, front, and side views.

Sport this term is T-ball. Our art project will be weaving paper, starting next week, now that our candle-making is complete and swimming being this week's focus.

Looking forward to another engaging two week ahead!  
Ruben

### **Upcoming dates of interest:**

Week 4: Swimming at GSAC Monday to Thursday





## Guruman (Yrs. 5&6)

What an achievement, Guruman!

My personal highlight of last week's spectacular Fete was the performances and I am particularly proud of the Guruman collection of marimba, recorder, keyboard, drum and vocal pieces that they presented. It was the culmination of many weeks practice and amazing talent.

Leaps and bounds.

Joe

