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Hi Everyone,

Term 4 Week 4, almost at the midway point already!

Term Four can feel exhausting as we marathon to the end of the year, navigating a seemingly endless reel of events. Luckily, they're fun and bring our beautiful community together to connect, collaborate and celebrate.

One of the most special things about Tuntable School is that it is **Parent Run** - we can help shape the education of our kids, which is a beautiful privilege. The responsibility that goes along with that is to contribute our time during **Roster days and Family Workdays**, to ensure it all runs smoothly.



Attendance at Saturday's Family Working Bee was low, so there are still a few jobs to do ahead of Fete Day – **Pressure washing footpaths, Brush Cutting and Bindy Removal** so we can safely cavort on the top field. These will count as Roster Days of course, so please help out to make the space as beautiful as possible.

Huge thanks to Phillip and Lewis who showed up on the Saturday and smashed out the rest of the list alongside our committee members.

Next up is the **School Fete** - less than 2 weeks away on the **15th November**.

Melissa has been busy scheduling the day and will be allocating jobs to anyone who hasn't volunteered their time, please reach out to her or keep an eye out for messages. The fete is our **biggest fundraiser of the year**, and a chance to showcase our incredible school to the community, so please, all hands on deck to make it the best day possible.

The clothing stall is going ahead, so please donate any **clean, good quality, unstained and mould-free clothing**.

Last year, the tip fees ended up higher than the money raised from donations, because people used it as an opportunity to unload soiled, mouldy, rat-chewed rags. It's always been my favourite shopping day of the year (Tunable parents are a fashionable bunch!), but let's make it worthwhile by keeping it quality please.

Don't forget to turn up a little early on the day, as **the kids will kick off the performances at 10 sharp** and have been working hard to perfect their musical pieces. **Tell all your friends and family - and remind them to bring CASH!**

School Calendar:

- **Term 4 Ends** – Wed, 17 Dec
- **Term 1 Starts** – Mon, 2 Feb

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)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Tue, 11/11:**
Guruman's Nimbin Day
- **Saturday, 15/11:**
School Fete
- **Mon-Thu, 17-20/11:**
Yr6 Rights of Passage
- **Mon-Thu, 24-27/11:**
GSAC Swimming Intensive
- **Wed, 3/12:**
Garden Day

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.

Swimming Intensive is coming up, 24-27th November, at the GSAC pool - be sure to have a swim cap and goggles for your kids as the chlorine levels in that room gets crazy!

Lastly, Nimbin celebrated another fantastic **Halloween** on Friday. It's been growing over the years and usually sees a couple hundred little spooks, ghouls and monsters hit the town for a fantastic afternoon of fun and, let's face it, a ridiculous sugar overload. This year a group of Tuntable School mums brought a wonderful addition to the event by setting up along the Rainbow Walk, decorating, and handing out lollies along with some spooky scares. As a Town-living mum, I want to thank them for adding a fun new element and carrying some of the lolly-load. For the first time ever, after handing out 93 bags of homemade popcorn and close to 3kg of candy, I had a little stash leftover :)

Have a great fortnight! Elowyn xo



Birthdays

We would like to congratulate the following students on their birthdays. *Happy birthday, Precious Possums!*



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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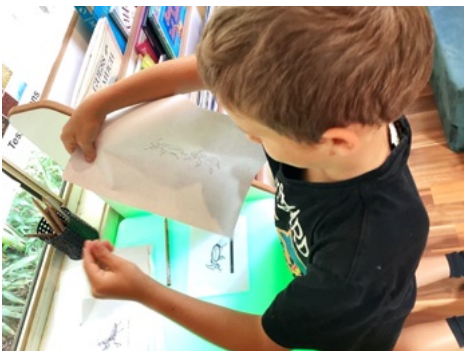
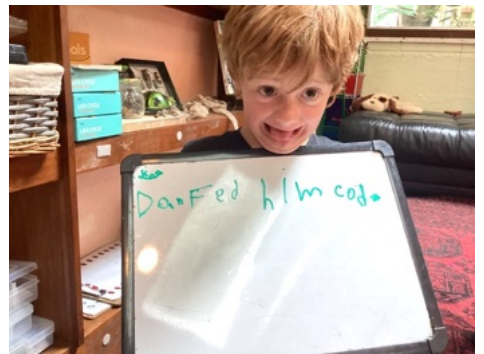
Buribi (Kindy)

Buribi are fully immersed in their projects on bugs, discussing how to organise their information on their project with headings and subheadings. They have been conducting research in books and getting pictures from the internet as well as practicing real scientific sketches to label.

In Maths, Rosalie has been working with the children to differentiate their teen & -ty numbers e.g. thirteen and thirty, based on assessment results.

The whole school is very busy getting ready for our upcoming Fete, finalising products to sell and beautifying the school.

Transitions happened last Thursday, and the students enjoyed spending the afternoon with their class members for next year. These transitions will happen for the following two Thursday afternoons to allow the teacher to observe the dynamic of students.



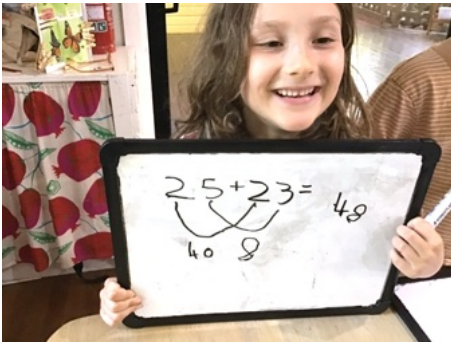
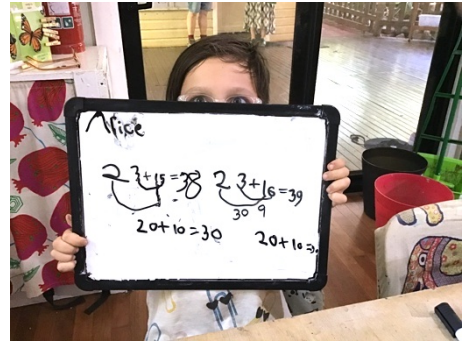
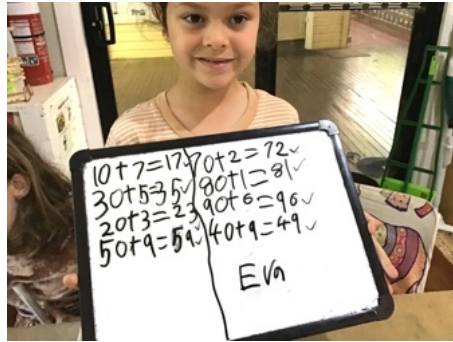
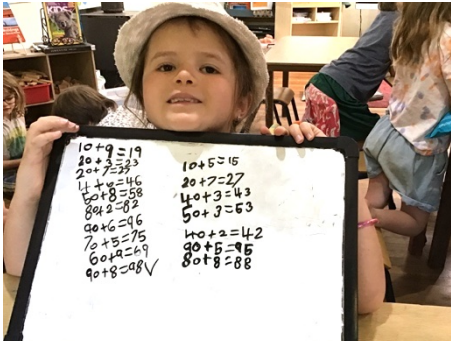


Gooarng (Yrs. 1&2)

Hi families,

We have all been very happy to return to circus this last week, and excited to know we'll get some extra catch up days in the next fortnight.

This last fortnight the kids have been concentrating on using their knowledge of **separating 100s, 10s and 1s to add larger numbers** using various addition strategies. They have been working at their level and all showing a growing mathematical understanding and really getting into it.



We have started **designing our dream homes** and getting ready in investigations to build a model out of cardboard and other materials.

The Year 1's and I enjoyed having Buribi for their first **transition** visit. We designed and made clay robots, while the Year 2's excitedly told me about the drama activities they did with Ruben in the Yuruugin class.

I hope you all enjoyed receiving the **beautiful clay bells** the kids have made. There will be others available for sale at the Fete.

Up we grow,
Ishta



Yuruugin (Yrs. 3&4)

In English, students have chosen celebrations to dive into deeper to research and present. They are reading texts and collecting images. The images will be linked to the original texts, then unpacked to inform their writing along with brainstorming their growing knowledge.

Also, as a new fun thing, we have been solving 9 letter 'target' style puzzles during spelling routines. We have been having fun decoding words from the phonemes and clues, which helps us identify the likely graphemes, or 'spellings', as a class and in small groups. The extra clue help has made it very accessible to us all.

In Maths we continue with multiplicative thinking. Year 3 are using arrays to figure out division problems and Year 4 are working on simple long division problems.

In Art, we are just starting the marbling for the fete this week. Students are excited to get going with paper and fabric marbling with all materials now onsite.

Circus is back with the new roof! Ruben



Dates to watch:

Fete – Saturday, 15 Nov





Guruman (Yrs. 5&6)

Boy's Group.

One of my favourite parts of the week is the lunchtime Boys Group. Usually, it's all kept confidential, but this week, I asked the boys if they're okay to share some of it. In Term 2, we chose and prioritised a collection of talking points and set to work examining the topics. We've covered a lot of important issues and this week's was a big one; Mental Health.

We looked at what indicators we might see to let us know that we may need support or strategies for managing our mental health. The boys came up with the following list of indicators: other people's perspectives that we trust, not sleeping, being distracted, crying, getting angry or annoyed, not coping, being forgetful and not thinking logically. We thought about what, who or where we could get help and support if we need it. The boys came up with: the various social services, our parents, a counsellor or therapist, and things like RUOK. We considered what strategies we could use in managing our mental health. The boys came up with: breathing, comfort food, sleeping, sports and exercise, mindfulness and just talking about it. They do this every week; I ask a few leading questions, and they come up with amazing wisdom and insight every time. Their maturity and depth of thinking impress me every time and gives me great hope for their future.

Fete Preparations

Leading up to the Fete, we have been compiling our Guruman Anthology of Poetry, which is proving to be an amazing publication, available for sale at the Fete. It's a great read.

We have also been putting our macrame skills to good use in creating a collection of pot plant holders to hold beautiful flowerpots. These will also be available for purchase at the Fete.

Fete Performances

Marimbas, violins, guitar, piano, harmonicas, trumpet and violins will all be included in the musical performances presented at the Fete, with a couple of songs as a collaboration with the Yuruugin musicians. It is sounding amazing.

Graduation preparations.

Leading up to the big day at the end of the year when we celebrate our year 6s graduation, the students are preparing their speeches and performances. We are starting early so it should be an impressive presentation.

So, it's a busy time with amazing outcomes.
Guruman Leaps and Bounds.



Thank you Tuntable school for a wonderful day of prezzies, songs, cards, cake and sweet words.