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Everything came together beautifully for an absolutely amazing Fete. The weather was perfect, the school looked vibrant and the atmosphere was so festive.

A great big thank you to everyone for contributing your time and energy to make this year's Fete a roaring success! 76 people volunteered and all 76 of them showed up... just amazing! We could not have done it without everyone pitching in and working together so well.

Some of the highlights of the Fete were:

- ◆ jams and preserves Akash made with all the classes
- ◆ fruity icy poles by Buribi
- ◆ ceramic windchimes by Gooarng
- ◆ marbled bookmarks and cards by Yuruugin
- ◆ macrame plant hangers and poetry book by Guruman
- ◆ all the music and dance performances by the students (can you believe they've only had the violins for 5 weeks!?)
- ◆ music by Biko & Dough, Hannah & Co., and the SKPs band.
- ◆ Nozomi's balloon game
- ◆ face painting and craft activities
- ◆ badge making by Celestine
- ◆ henna tattoos by the Guruman girls
- ◆ a baby chick nursery by Grace
- ◆ the Bric-n-Brac stall & second-hand clothing shop
- ◆ stilts & bubbles by Anna and balloon fun by Shey
- ◆ coffee, nachos, pizza, pakoras, baked goods, and snow cones
- ◆ And let's not forget the water slide!



A special thanks goes out to the Fete Committee for the weeks of preparation and coordination, the preschool mums who organised the clothing stall, the dads who built and manned the water slide, the cooks who turned out all the delicious meals, everyone who contributed a sweet treat for the baked goods table, the performers who shared your creative talents, and everyone who helped to prepare the school grounds for the big day.

We will have the outcome of the fundraising for you shortly, but we think it is safe to say it was an exceptionally successful day.

With great appreciation for all of you!
TFCS Staff & Committee

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

- **Mon-Thu, 24-27 Nov:**
GSAC Swimming Intensive
- **All children need their own goggles & swim cap.**
- **Wed, 3 Dec:** Garden Day
Families are welcome to join in with activities, lunch, and the show & tell.

TUE & WED: Closed Shoes

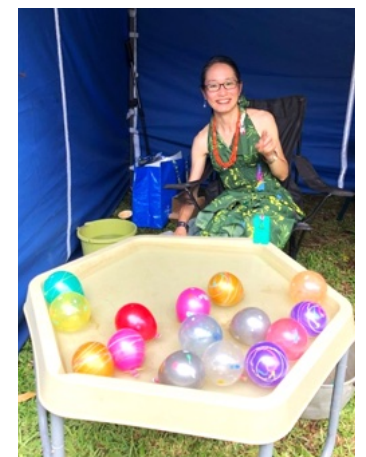
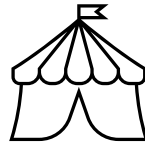
Important for safe participation in STEM activities and Garden & Kitchen time.

WED & THU: Hair Ties

Important for safe participation in the kitchen and at circus.



School Fete 2025





Birthdays

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



POWER HOUSE
PERFORMING ARTS
PRESENTS
ARABIAN NIGHTS & ICON

Saturday **22** November
LISMORE WORKERS CLUB
Doors Open 2.00pm

BOOK NOW

You are invited

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Instagram and Facebook icons

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=tuntableschool%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/tuntableschool%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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Learning and Support News

Alopecia Awareness Week 2025 will be held from the 17th-23rd of November.

This November, AAAF is celebrating connection, courage, and community through the AAAdventure Camp and Alopecia Areata Awareness Week.



The word “alopecia” means hair loss.

Alopecia Areata is an auto-immune disease that results in hair loss on the scalp and elsewhere on the body. It can range from small, individual smooth patches of hair loss, to total loss of all hair on the body – including ear and nose hair. Alopecia Areata is not uncommon, and current estimates suggest that 2% of the population will be affected by the condition at some point in their lifetime. It can affect people all ages, genders and ethnicity, but most commonly presents during childhood.

There is currently no cure, however AAAF is on a mission to do all we can to work towards a cure.

Alopecia Areata can be a lifelong condition, and can deeply affect self-image, self-esteem, confidence and even mental health. But there is hope. AAAF believe that through personal support, improved awareness, and ongoing research toward an acceptable treatment, we can help improve the lives of people living with Alopecia Areata and their families.

More information at: <https://aaaf.org.au/about-alopecia-areata/>



Buribi (Kindy)

Wow, wow, wow! What a terrific fete.

Thank you to the amazing Fete committee and all the amazing coordinators and volunteers who contributed your time and energy to showcase our incredible school!

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 pole 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 raised enough money to adopt 4 koalas and a platypus as well as learning maths concepts of measuring and counting money along the way. **Icy poles will be available for children to purchase each Thursday lunchtime for \$2 starting this week.**



We will spend the next few weeks finishing our **insects, bugs and butterfly projects**. Some 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 critters.





Gooarng (Yrs. 1&2)

Hi Families,

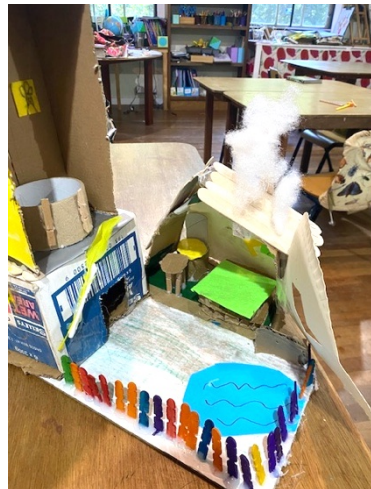
It was so wonderful to see you all at the Fete and really feel the community in our community school. It's what it's all about!

I was so proud of the Gooarng kids getting up and performing even when some had a few nerves. It was great to showcase the learning they've been doing in our weekly music classes with Megan and see them working together to make sweet music.

The performances are always such a highlight of the fete as we get to share the culmination of learning and the amazing ability of the kids.



We are also coming to the final week of finishing our **building construction and descriptive writing on our dream houses**. The kids have really excelled, and everyone has been so engaged in this project. Many of them are now adding details such as furniture, spa tubs, swimming pools, gardens and characters to live in their homes.



Next week is the Swimming Intensive at GSAC. Please ensure your child has their own pair of labeled goggles and swim cap. Please make sure your child has a hat, covered shoes, packed lunch, water bottle, towel, wet-bag, and swimmers for Monday to Thursday.



Up we grow,
Ishta





Yuruugin (Yrs. 3&4)

We are drafting and publishing our **explorations of celebrations**, after our own celebratory Fete slotting in the midst of it all. We were excited to see our marbling efforts get enjoyed by the public eye, and our dancing and musical talents being on full display. Big thanks to Jax for the dance lessons, and to Joe for the teaching of music. Big thanks to the parents for making the Fete happen!



This week we are diving into **data**, both in collection and interpretation form. Students have fun learning here about all the different preferences on different topics and putting them into bar graphs. Reading a sports ladder of even a made-up league is, as a soccer fan, also a skill that simply can't be skipped!

The **botanic dyeing** adventures/experiments with Emmy are always looking amazing!

Next week is a big **swimming** week, from Monday to Thursday we will be in Lismore at the GSAC.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday 24th-Thursday 27th Nov: Swimming @ GSAC

- All kids must have their own goggles and swim cap.





Guruman (Yrs. 5&6)

The main focuses for these last weeks have been on preparing the products for selling at the Fete, including the 25 macrame plant potholders with flowerpots (which coincidentally took 67 knots each) and the 96-page Guruman Anthology of Poetry, and then practising the music performances and dance performance for the Fete.

The class has applied themselves diligently to the process of ensuring **the macrame projects** are neat, accurate and aesthetic. It's very satisfying to see them competently demonstrating the skills.

With the **Poetry Anthology**, every student has managed to create at least one poem, expressing their individuality and perspective. Some have done more than one piece and created impressive artworks to match.

The end of Term is getting closer and busier, with the **Year 6 trip to Tangalooma**, the **upcoming Intensive Swimming week, Garden Day** and the **Graduation Ceremony**. We have given a lot of time to the latter event with the Year 6s preparing their speeches. It's promising to be an excellent celebration of who they are, their favourite memories and their wisdom for the future.



Even though we are in the final weeks of the year, Guruman are still embracing the challenge at Circus to expand their repertoire of tricks and skills. It's very impressive to see. I am hoping to see such excellent motivation all the way to the end of the year.

Leaps and bounds,
Guruman