



Tunable Falls Community School

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From the Committee:

Hello lovely families,

Finally, after a three-year hiatus, **our fabulous fete returned**. It was so wonderful to see our beautiful school come alive with colour and festivities. I love seeing families and the wider community enjoying this special space, but what particularly warms my heart is how many past families we have come along to enjoy the day, and even get in and give a hand to help out. **A massive thank-you to Sam, Ginger and Zach** for their organisation and co-ordination of the whole event. **Thank you to the teachers, teacher's aides, and support staff** for helping to make the school shine and bring together all the wonderful stalls the kids created. **Thank you to all the parents** who helped in stalls, kitchen, set-up and pack-down on the day. **Thank you to Dave and Mandy**, who's pakoras are always a huge hit and Mandy never stops working the entire day. **Thank you to the musicians**, the music created such a beautiful ambiance whilst enjoying a meal and catching up with friends. Last, but not least, **thank you to the local businesses that supported the day through donations of food and raffle prizes**. Oh, I nearly forgot to say **thank you to Rom** for setting up that epic waterslide, definitely the highlight of the day for the kids. What a wonderful day it was, it really reminds me how lucky we are to be connected to such a strong, supportive, and amazing community.



School Calendar:

- **Term 4 Ends**
Wed, 14 Dec 2022
- **Term 1 2023 Begins**
Tuesday, 31 January 2023

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

Committee Meetings:

Thu, 3 Nov, 3pm
Thu, 10 Nov, 3pm
(At school, subject to change)

Athletics Carnival

Tue, 8 Nov

Dental Health Week

14 – 18 Nov

GALA Day – Lismore

Soccer & Football
16 Nov

Yr6 Rite of Passage

24 Nov

Swimming Intensive

28 Nov – 1 Dec

Garden Day

Wed, 7 Dec

Drink Bottles:

All children are to bring their own drink bottles.

Especially important on Wed & Thu for CIRCUS.

After much deliberation on her part, **our wonderful kindergarten teacher Fiona Campbell has decided to resign.** Fiona has been such a beautiful, nurturing presence in our school over the past four years, initially commencing employment in the office, biding her time until a teaching position became available where she flourished. We wish Fiona all the very best for the future.



What is going to happen next year you may ask? Well after advertising Australia wide, we were lucky enough to have the best applicants right here, already teaching in our casual pool. **The Yuruugin class will be taught by Ruben Davis** who will bring his teaching experience along with his zany sense of humour, which the kids absolutely love (as do I). **The Buribi class will now be taught by Heather Jessup.** Heather has been casual teaching at the school for the past year and brings her many years of experience in working in early childhood education, which is perfect to provide students with a nurturing transition from preschool to school. Both teachers have shown love and commitment to the school over the years, and we are grateful to welcome them to the team.



The school is participating in an **inter-school soccer gala day in Lismore, 16 November.** If your child is soccer mad or keen on soccer, ask them if they would like to be involved. Look out for permission slips in the coming weeks.

Nozomi, Motoko and I recently did a pop-up sushi day for school lunch. It was so fantastic; I had



forgotten how wonderful it was to spend a day in the kitchen. The kids and teachers loved it and what I found the most rewarding was that it brought the whole school together eating lunch. After we had cleaned up, we hung out in Angie's class helping with screen printing. It's such a special gift to be able to be present at school and these yummy home-cooked school lunches really support an interconnectedness within the school. If you don't feel you can commit to every week, why not grab a couple of other parents, and plan a pop-up kitchen day. It's so much fun!!

Enjoy the sunshine,
Cushla ☺

Communication:

Please visit our website for full details on the most recent COVID-19 advice from AIS NSW, issued 14 Oct 2022.
<https://www.tunablefallsschool.nsw.edu.au/covid-safe>


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  Google Calendar

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 possum!





Buribi (Kindy)

We have all been so busy preparing for the much anticipated and completely successful School Fete. Well done to everyone on making it such a wonderful day. The craft stall was busy, thank you so much to Akela and Ishta as well as Jax for the incredible face painting. What a brilliantly buzzy day we had, thank you everyone.



A few weeks ago, the Buribi class went to a Jurassic Joe gig at Nimbin Preschool, to support Joe and dance their hearts out. Thank you to those lovely parents who were able to help with the transport.

As part of our learning about ordinal numbers, we made boats to float down the creek and watched them take turns in numerous places.




For the next few weeks, the class will be working hard to develop our Procedural texts so that we can begin having turns at 'being the teacher'. Buribi worked together and created a step-by-step plan to create living art. With Amanda's expert help, we

followed each step and made real fairy gardens which have attracted some fairies and precious decorations. We have been enjoying watching them grow and change.

We hope to make our Pirate Portraits this coming week after discovering a map which uncovered some wonderful treasure on a very hot day.



Thank you, Fiona 



Gooarng (Yrs1&2)

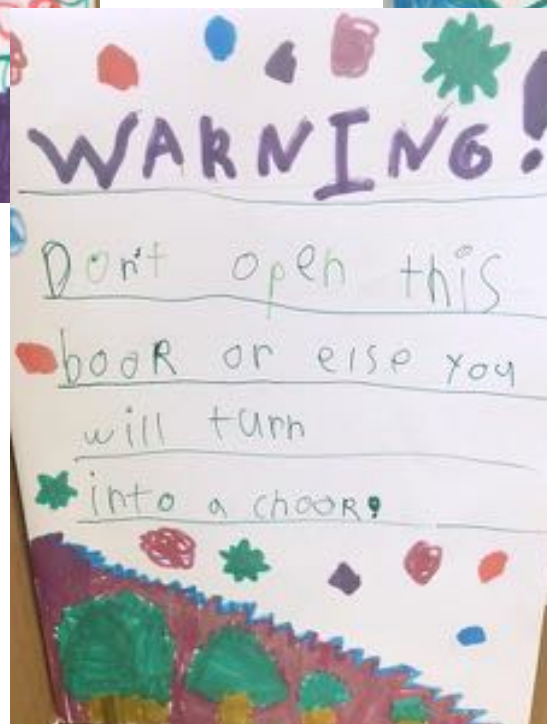
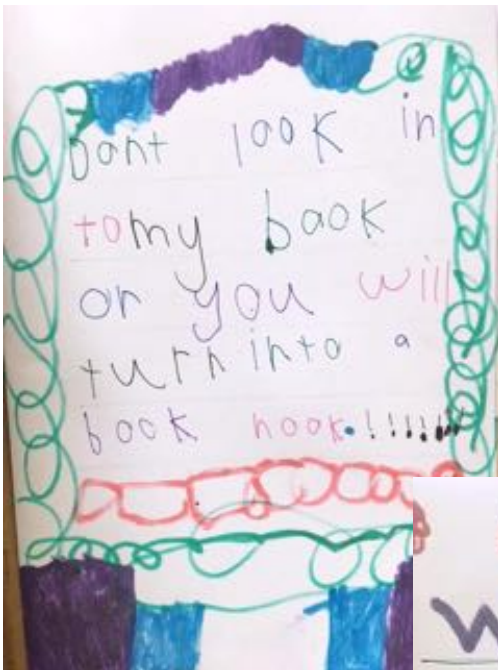
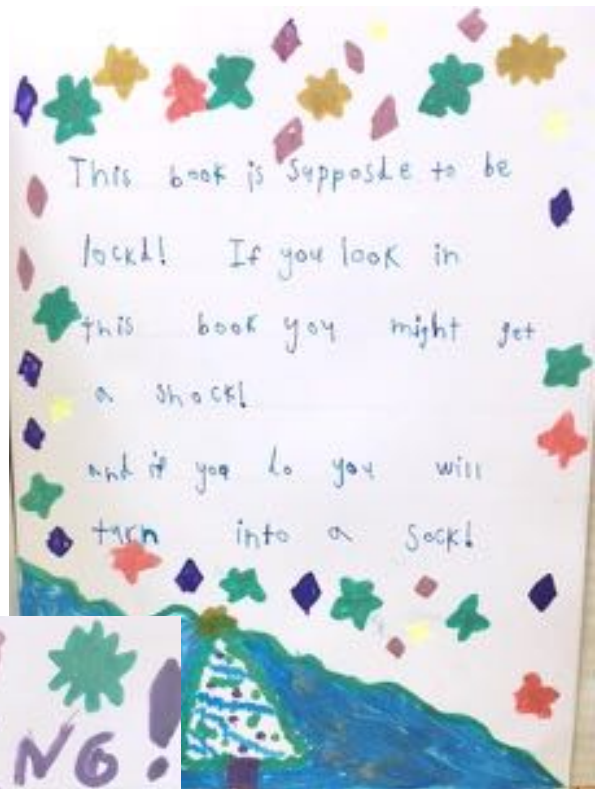


Wow! It was so wonderful to finally experience the wonder of our **school fete**. This was my first Tuntable Falls Fete as each one for the past three years has been cancelled. It was so great seeing all the vibrancy and joy of the children and the community filling the school. I enjoyed painting many smiling little faces.

The Gooarng class loved making their **decorative succulent pots** for the plant stall. A lot of them ensuring they bought their own pots, and Charlie did a wonderful job as a stall holder taking money and making change.

For our classroom display, the kids had their **spell books** out with their warning poems on the front page. These poems are a great example of their writing and creativity.

Up we grow,
Ishta



Yuruugin (Years 3&4)



Wow, what a huge start to the term! Those hot days were made much more pleasant with the decent amount of water in the creek for afternoon swims. How lucky these kids are! Now that the heat has kicked in, please remind your child to **pack extra clothes and a towel**, especially if they are on the bus.



Yuruugin spent the last few weeks creating their business stall posters, logos, shift rosters as well as finalising their products to sell. I was so proud to see them all in action, ready for business on Saturday. They sat out their shifts and communicated effectively with their “colleagues” and rarely did I see the stall left unattended. Apologies if any of our customers were short-changed.... We’re working on our quick math skills ;) Thank you so much to the parents who helped at our busy little stall. Thanks to Cushla and Juno for organising the chopping boards, they were a total hit!

For the next two weeks, we will be finalising our **information reports on our endangered species** and learning how to create a **PowerPoint presentation** as well as developing our **Public Speaking** skills.

On the horizon,

- Mini Athletics Carnival held at the Amps – Tuesday, 8th November (Wet weather plan: classroom games)
- Soccer Gala Day – Wednesday, 16th November
- Swimming Intensive – Mon – Thu, Week 8

***Soccer Gala Day**

Nicole has applied for the Soccer Gala Day that will be held in Lismore Wed 16th Nov. We can have two mixed teams for the year 3/4 age group. Teams are 5 a side with 2 subs. They will play four games each on the day.

If this is of interest to your child, please return the permission note as soon as possible so we can arrange teams and drivers.

Have a lovely week,
Angie





Guruman (Years 5&6)

Poems by Guruman as published on the **Poetry Forest** website.

https://redroompoetry.org/student-poems/?search=&sort=&project=27915&year=&school=&school_year=

The Female Golden Sun Moth

By Eden

The female golden sun moth
sits upon a tree,
its wings flutter like a sail
at the great big sea.

It may not fly the best in the world
but beautiful it may be.

Its wings glow a nice, bright yellow
but has spots dark as a lovely breeze.

Its hind wings glow so bright
but top wings are dark as debris.

I saw one the other day
while walking to go pee,
its size was a surprise,
as it's as small as a bag of tea.

It finds its home in the grasslands,
and even grassy box gum,
the land with lots of bees and trees,
that's the place I would like to come.

Australian Little Penguin

By Lorien

Playful
Energetic waves gliding through
Neurologically awesome
Genius, genuinely beautiful
Unique, outstanding
Independent, like the lonely stars in the sky
New life emerging into the world

Amur Leopard

By Malaika

The Amur leopard pounced into the air
not taking in a drop of air,
the smell of blood filling the wind,
the doe still ripped from limb to limb,
the leopard limping to the sound of the hunter's shotgun
ringing in its ears.

All the leopard wanted was food, but that's not an option here.
There it lay, sparkling lights,
heaven or hell, where will it go?
Sold for a good price at any market, now turned into a rug.
Only sixty-nine left.
Now sixty-eight.

How much longer will this go on for?
Will it ever change?

Golden Frog

By Ava

Go near the golden frog, if you dare,
but its poisoning fumes are in the air,
so beware.
He is lurking around the wet glistening leaves
that flow gracefully in the breeze.

He lives in the forests that are wet dark and gloomy
and his poison whirls around his victims like a hot summer day.
His small sized body releases fumes into the air,
so before you go near him, make sure you beware.



SEE and STEAM with Emmy

Another fun fortnight has whizzed by!

Highlights include:

- concocting all sorts of potions with **Gooarng**
- making kim chi with Motoko and **Yuruugin**
- starting the murals on the toilet doors with **Guruman**
- sampling aquatic macro-invertebrates in the creek with **Buribi**

And remember; Parents are always welcome in our classes and in the garden 😊

