

# Tintinhull Gazette

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Term 4 - Week 6

Friday, 14 November 2014

## From the Principal

Dear Parents/ Carers

Due to our increased enrolments, I have recently undertaken the process with staffing department of the Department of Education, of appointing a teacher to the school for next year.

I am pleased to announce that Erin Abberfield has been offered the position through incentive transfer. Erin has been teaching in Broken Hill for the last eight years and brings with her great experience and excellent skills in early literacy. Erin will be an asset to our school and I hope everyone welcomes her warmly to our wonderful school. Erin will begin on day one next year.

At this stage, if student numbers remain the same or more, Mrs Sally Robinson will be staying on as the fourth teacher and Mrs Chris Hudson will be doing the RFF and library again.

*Andrew Rodgers*

## Let Me Introduce Myself

Hello there Tintinhull

I am thrilled to be joining your lovely school. I truly believe that successful and enjoyable learning begins with great relationships. I am a teacher who thoroughly enjoys the company of my class and know that if children enjoy the person they learn from, their learning potential will be enhanced. So, to begin our great learning relationship I will introduce myself a little.

I grew up in the area of Timbumburi, outside of Tamworth. I have a passion for animals, nature and the great outdoors. I moved to Broken Hill for three years (that was nine years ago). Broken Hill is a very special place for me. I will find it difficult to leave but am excited to return to my family in the Tamworth area. I currently teach at a school called Morgan Street Public School which has 350 children. During 2012 I embarked on a Teaching Exchange to England. The opportunities I was able to participate in have been an incredible asset to my teaching and my love of travel. I look forward to sharing some of my discoveries and the wonders of our world with you. Thank you for the

opportunity to teach and learn with you, I am certain that I will love your school. See you soon!

Erin Abberfield



## Far Out Science - Science in the Bush

Last Friday 17 Year 5 and 6 students travelled to UNE in Armidale to experience life as a scientist. The students were split into two groups. Here are a couple of recounts:

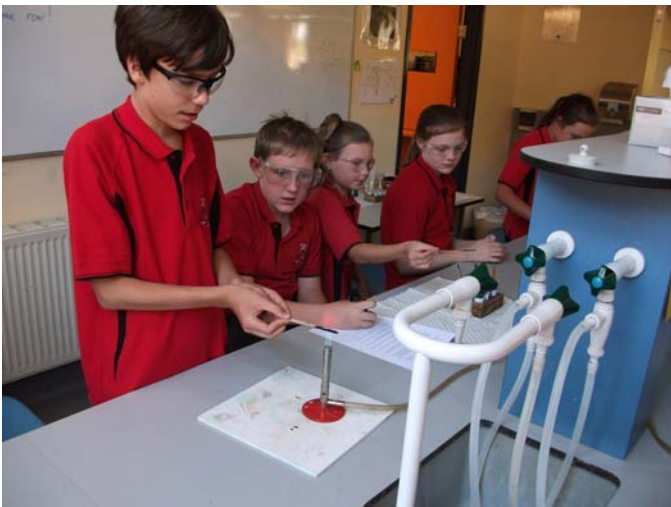
"On Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> November, the year 5/6 students travelled to Armidale for Science in the Bush at the Armidale UNE. You could go in a quiz to win an iPad mini also a \$50 gift voucher and a t-shirt and a lot more. We made slime and rainbows, we froze yummy snakes in liquid nitrogen and tested drugs which were just salt and sugar."

By Selina and Paige

"Our first activity was looking at physics in toys like nerf guns, slinky and the Godzilla theory, Then we moved on to K9 smelling and dog language. We had to smell containers with fish, licorice, onion, marshmallow, spam and carrot and guess what they were using only our sense of smell. Then we split into two groups and some of the activities we did were making face cream, testing for drugs, experimenting with fireworks, heat and cold packs and liquid nitrogen and made rainbows."

By Aydan

On behalf of the school we would like to say a **big thankyou** to Brenden Lumby for safely driving the mini-bus to and from Armidale.



## Picasso Cow Presentation and Awards Day

Even though Tintinbelle did not get first place in the Picasso Cows program, Mrs Hudson and all students have done a brilliant job and are to be congratulated on the wonderful work they did.

This is Mrs Hudson's recount;

"I would like to express a personal thank you to the parents who provided transport for our students last Monday so they could attend the Picasso Cow presentation and awards. A special thank you to Damien Kalz and David Wynn who safely transported Tintinbelle to the venue. While Tintinbelle did not win the competition all students thoroughly enjoyed the day and should be proud of the work they put into the Picasso Cow program."



## Beach to Bush

On Monday afternoon all students attended the 'Beach to Bush' program, which was held in the library. Two very experienced life savers presented the program and educated students about swimming at the beach. Students got to demonstrate how to rescue others and what they should do if they find themselves in trouble at the beach. Students looked at a variety of warnings signs and symbols that may be found in and around water and what hazard each sign represents.





## Baby News

Congratulations to the Burkett family on the safe arrival of a baby girl, whom they have named Zahli and is a baby sister to Logan, Shanika, Kalan and Trey.

## Pre-Service Teachers

Mrs Michelle Grogan completed her final practicum as a pre-service teacher last Monday. She has been in the classroom with Mrs Robinson for the last four weeks and is now a fully qualified teacher. We wish Michelle all the best for her future teaching career.

Also, on Monday, Miss Breanna Lucas commenced her four week practicum in Mr Rodgers' class. Breanna is a student at Newcastle University and we welcome her to our school.

## Mrs Robinson's Class

Mrs Robinson's class have been busily working with Mrs Grogan over the past four weeks learning how to write information reports. The students were given the opportunity to use an iPad app called 'Popplet' which allowed the students to work together in small groups to gather interesting facts on a chosen animal. The students then used their notes on 'Popplet' to individually write their own information report. Mrs Grogan did a fantastic job with this unit and the students were really engaged in their learning.



## School Captains and House Captains for 2015 Nominations and Speeches

Students intending to be in a leadership role (Captain, Vice-Captain and House captains) in 2015 will deliver their speeches on Wednesday morning, 26<sup>th</sup> November commencing at 9.30am. Parents, family members and caregivers are invited to listen to these speeches.

Voting will take place immediately after the speeches have been delivered. Leadership positions will be announced at our Presentation Night on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

## Term 4 Scholastic Book Club

Attached to today's newsletter is the last Scholastic book club brochures for this year. Orders are to be back at school no later than Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November to ensure delivery before the school holidays.

## Reminder

### School Swimming and Water Safety Program

The 2014 swimming and water safety program commences on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November and concludes on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Permission notes were sent home a couple of weeks ago for all Kindergarten to Year 2 students and to Year 3 students who we have determined are not competent swimmers.

There are quite a few students who have not yet returned their notes. Please return your child's/children's note to the school no later than next Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

Payment in full does not have to be made until Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November or payment made on a daily basis.

## Assembly Awards

**Infant Merit Cert** - Bella Flemming

**Junior Merit Cert** - Shanika Burkett

**Senior Merit Cert** - Logan Cross (from last week); Corey Blanchard



### Student Choice Awards

**Infant** - Micaiah Newlands

**Junior** - Madison Roe

**Senior** - Isis Lumby (from last week); Ethan Fletcher



## Silver and Gold Certificate Awardees

This week's Silver Certificate awardees are David Abel, Nikkita Butler, Nikita Potapov and Matthew Rodgers.

Our first 2014 Gold Certificate awardee is Mia Fletcher.

Congratulations to these students for achieving their silver and gold level on our school's positive social behaviour code.



## Dates for Your Diary

### Week 7

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November

P & C meeting 3.45pm

### Week 8

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November

Swimming and water safety program commences at Kootingal pool.

Active After School program concludes.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Captain/Vice Captain speeches at 9.30am

### Week 9

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Swimming and water safety program concludes

### Week 10

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Presentation Night 7pm

### Week 11

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

School swimming carnival at Kootingal pool

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Movie/popcorn/waterfun Day

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Last day of Term 4 and the 2014 school year