



A school that provides a professional, stimulating and challenging learning environment

Principal

Mr John Southon

Head Teacher Secondary

Mr Gerry Capell

Assistant Principal

Mrs Fiona Sanderson



Reminders

This Week:

Tuesday 17/12/19

Secondary Reward Trip

Wednesday 18/12/19

Last day of school

Secondary Reward Lunch

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW
YEAR !**

School Resumes

Yr1-Yr12 students

Wednesday 5/2/20

Kinder - Thursday

6/2/20

Friday 7/2/20

Annual Swimming Carnival

P&C

President

Mrs Rhonda Grady

Secretary

Mrs Kelly-Lee Dunn

Treasurer

Mrs Lubka Prebendarcik



**Education &
Communities**

Trundle Central School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 10

16th December 2019

Congratulations to the Award Winners



L-R: Alice Bridger, Brooke Morgan (Bloomfield Award winners for School Citizenship in Primary and Secondary), Monique Morgan and Robert Stokes (School Captains for 2020).



Above: Year 6 Graduation



**L: Alice Bridger DUX of Primary
R: Leigh Coster accepting DUX of
school 2018 on behalf of Maddie
Coster.**



Principal's Message

This week is the Secondary Reward Trip on Tuesday, and Wednesday is the last day for students.

Last week was our annual Presentation Night. I love attending this night despite it being held every year at the local sauna which we mistakenly refer to as a hall. Thankfully, I understand, air-conditioning is on the way. Not bad as it has only been recently invented. The strength of our Awards Night is, the vast range of students that are recognised across numerous categories. I especially enjoy seeing the joy on students' faces that did not expect the award. I also appreciate that our school has not lapsed into the 'every child has to win a prize' mentality. It is a hard life lesson to learn that sometimes others are just better than you in some areas. I remember in a previous school for the child who could pick both sides of his nose at the same time an award was given because every child needed to leave with something. That is not life, sometimes you win but most of the time you run a place.

It is an indication of the quality of this school that teaching staff send their children to the same school that they teach at. It is disappointing that every year despite the statistics clearly showing it is not the case, at least one person will state teachers' children receive more awards. My question is, why would the offspring of university educated people not receive awards? The very notion of children that grow-up in an education rich and focused environment would not be successful, it goes against all logic, but still there will always be one or in Trundle, more than one, who question. For those who keep score, staff children are approximately 20 percent of the total school population and they received about the same percentage of awards.

In my 28 years of teaching, I have met some outstanding young people. None, I can honestly

say, were better than Brooke Morgan. She has an inner strength of character and that rare quality she can be depended upon to maintain outstanding behaviour when others have lapsed. I was extremely happy that her name will feature on the honour board being awarded the Bloomfield Award. I cannot think of any student in my 28 years of teaching that was more focused on school and community.

This year, I varied the principal's message and rose up onto my soap box and spoke on my favourite topic. I believe it is a disgusting example of neglect and mismanagement across a variety of levels that services that create quality of life have been removed from country towns. I also spoken about the good enough mind set. This is that rural people are accepting second best because we have been brainwashed into thinking that is all that can be provided and that is what we deserve. Many people do not agree with me and that is totally ok, I have a dog who loves me, but I feel it is time that country people said very clearly, **it is not good enough.**

Tomorrow a team of painters will complete the painting of the school. At the start of year one of my goals was to have the outside of the school painted. This will be achieved by Christmas. Mind you, my other goals were to loose twenty kilograms, write a bestselling novel and win the lotto. Still have a few days to go. Considering the last time the whole school was painted was 20 years ago, chances are I will not see the next time. Unless I charge up the battery of my gopher, pack a good supply of soft food and come down from Gobondery street, I will not see it again. The painting of the school has a multiplier effect as most painters are thirsty, they need to stay somewhere and eat. The whole town benefits, not just the school.

Linfox transport is an outstanding Australian company. They have donated a 40 foot shipping container to help solve our storage problems. Like any housewife in Ikea, you can never get enough storage containers. In some wonderful news, the NSW Highway Patrol is donating some goods and services to put in the container. Originally, I thought it was because in my younger days I was a regular loyal customer but it appears members viewed our school on the Q&A program.

Today, the Sunrise program visited our school. Channel 7 and the regional partnership station Prime has been very good to this school over the last 18 months. A special visitor from the North Pole also appeared bringing much excitement to the whole school.

This year has been outstanding in relation to increasing the profile of the school and subsequently the town. Indeed, 123 people have visited our town and spent money because of this school. If the drought continues, we will continue to ask our public school family for support, not charity, but help for our families. I hope our families appreciate the efforts of the school, as in Trundle if you are perceived to have done something wrong, there are plenty of people lining up to throw bricks but praise is given with the intensity of a strongly thrown feather.

I am sure businesses such as Ag & Vet which farming families have been granted \$36,000 additional money to spend in the local franchise are appreciative of the school's efforts. All businesses in this town have benefited greatly from the hard work of staff this year. I thank Caroline Williams for her gratitude for the money the school has placed in local businesses during the current drought.

This year has been outstanding in terms of academic and social development. Whilst public schools have copped a hard time in the media lately, it is always important that we stop and consider the facts about the school your children attend. This year the school has:

- Maintained an attendance record above regional and state averages.
- Record low suspension rates.

- Record low serious incidents.
- Achieved above average growth rates in Literacy and Numeracy.
- Record number of students in the highest bands of NAPLAN.
- Record number of students submitting assessments on time and to a high standard.
- Record numbers of students completing specialist programs such as Minilit and Focus on Reading.
- Complete upgrade of computer lab.
- Whole school painted.
- Converted from evaporative to refrigerated air-conditioning.
- Two new school buses ordered.
- New school sealed trailer.

These are just a few of the many achievements of your local public school.

This year we say goodbye to some excellent staff members. Donna Curtis, Ashley Waterford and Helen Gray. These outstanding teachers are leaving our school with positive thoughts and memories of the school and your children. I do not think many principals could say that, which is a credit to your children and the staff at this school.

On holidays. See you in February. John Southon.

Right: Winner of the BBQ Raffle for 95% attendance and above in Terms 2, 3 and 4 was Benjamin Strudwick.

Below: 98% and above attendance.

Congratulations!



2020 Swimming Carnival

Our annual swimming carnival will be held on Friday 7th February.
More information will be in the first school newsletter next year.



POP UP GROCERY STORE

Where: Trundle Central School -
Hospitality Room

When: Tuesday 17th December
5.30am - 9.30pm

Wednesday 18th December 9.30am -
12pm

Bring your own Bag and remember to sign
in at the Office

FREE

*Items kindly donated by
IGA Orange and Dubbo*

FREE





Gold Award recipients

William Longhurst and William Taylor received gold awards on Friday. The gold awards are made up of three silver awards and is the highest achievement on our Welfare System.



*Save
the
Date*

**Trundle Central School P&C Inc.
Annual General Meeting
11th March 2020
3.30pm
All Positions will be declared vacant**

Ajax's Weekly Woof

Woof Woof Awards:

500 happy barks to those boys who volunteered to pick rubbish up that had blown into the school. This indicates both great kids and positive school spirit.

500 happy barks to all the students who are maintaining happy relationships right up to the end of school. We are tired, full of sugar but we are still friends.

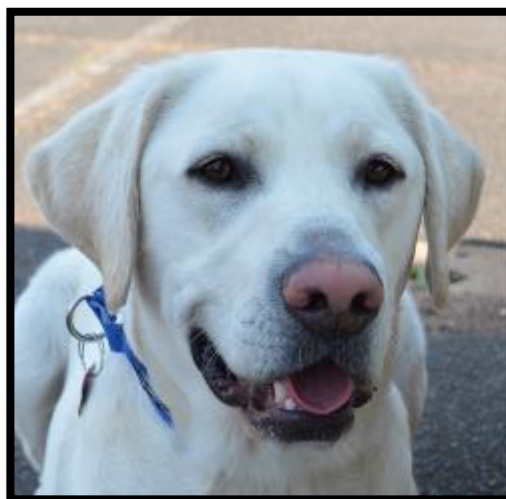
500 happy barks to Channel 7 and Myer for our Christmas assembly. Just a little complaint - stores Australia wide and nothing for the school dog. You are kidding!!!!!!

5000 happy barks to all the ordinary Australians who have helped our community over this year. When government cannot do, the people step up.

5000 happy barks to Facebook. This forum gives bored people with nothing else to do something to read and make comment about.

The holidays are happy times for most. However, for some they bring much heart ache and sorrow. Many people are away from love ones, sick or just have forgotten how to smile. If this is you take some Labrador therapy. The prescription is two pats, one wet nose and face lick per day. Guaranteed to lift the spirits.

Until next week, Ajax



**Bark with laughter with
Ajax:**

**How does a lion greet the
other animals in the field?**

'Pleased to eat you!'



Ajax in Christmas spirits, protecting Santa's mailbox in Year 1/2 classroom.



Past Students of Trundle Central School Honour Roll

Trundle Central School has a long tradition of quality inclusive public education. We would like to recognise successful people from trades, professional people and the business world. Please contact the school to have someone placed on the Honour Roll.

<u>Students Name</u>	<u>Employment Achievement</u>
Chris Robson	Proprietor - Harvey Norman Warwick
Daniel Hosie	Heavy Vehicle Diesel Mechanic
Luke Watt	Teacher (Band 6 HSC Industrial Technology)
Nicole Pascoe	Business Owner
Nikki Mayall - Mudge	Relieving Principal
Caroline Page	Head Teacher
Sally Taylor	Lawyer/Teacher
Dale Page	Plumber
Craig Hawke	Engineer at Qantas
Jason Maher	Doctor
Helen Gray	Teacher/Nurse
Danielle Dickson	Doctor at RAAF Fairbairn hospital in Canberra
Kylie Fardell	Doctor Cooma
Daniel Pate	Software engineer
Tim Taylor	Essential Energy Line Worker
Craig Robson	Combat Medic in Australian Army
Jennifer Sefonte	Asia Account Manager Head at Citibank Singapore (Jennifer completed Year 12 through Western Access Program)
Jennifer Hawke	Teacher/Grants Officer Parkes Shire
Danny Page	Industrial Chemist
Merrilee Morgan	Registered Nurse Orange
Michelle Morgan	Teacher Dubbo
David Whiley	Wildman Stairs (Owner) Coffs Harbour
Eloise Clayton	Environmental Scientist Forbes
Brian Whalan	Qualified Tafe teacher of Metals, Fab & Welding
Raymond Whalan	Plumber (Whalan Plumbing)
Valerie Whalan	Nurse
Marion Whalan	Office Clerk (JR Burke was her first job)
Kane Davison	Weeds Control Officer, Parkes Shire Council

Primary

On behalf of the staff and students we would like to thank the parents and community for their support over the past year! Have a Merry Christmas and a restful holiday.

Sun Safe Policy

This term is a No Hat No Play term. Students **MUST** wear a wide brimmed hat. This means that if they do not have a hat, they cannot participate in any outdoor activities including lunch time play. We keep a small selection of spare hats for those students who accidentally forget their hats. These hats are washed regularly but are not to be used every day by the same students. We will endeavour to call parents to let them know their child has forgotten their hat so that it can be found. Please make sure you put your child's name inside their hat.

K-6 Christmas Party

K-6 had a fabulous afternoon at the pool on Friday. They were entertained by Santa on the fire truck, a barbecue lunch, fun in the pool, an icy cup and lollies. What a great way to end a busy day.

Farewell Year 6 Dinner and Social

Last Thursday was the final Social for the year. We had a fun evening! The Year 5/6 students attended a Farewell Year 6 dinner and then were treated to a fabulous night of dancing with a DJ. Thank you to Mr Kelly, Mrs Cleal, Ms Downes, Mr Burley, Mrs Gray and Miss Waterford for supervising on the night.

Scripture Service

A big thank you to all our Scripture teachers and Mr Kelly for a lovely Christmas scripture service on Friday morning.



Secondary

Almost finished 2019! Still a few major events for Secondary this week though.

One of the things that is most impressing me about the end of this term is the fact that the students are still genuinely learning. I have spoken about my 9/10 Mathematics class quite often to people this year and once again I want to mention them. For the past 3 weeks we have been working on Stage 6 [Year 11] algebra. Their attention and commitment to the final few lessons has been outstanding in my view. This is the calibre of students at TCS and it makes it a pleasure to teach here.

Today may be a little busier than normal with some film crews coming to visit us.



Tomorrow we have the Reward Trip to Raging Waters in Sydney. This is going to be a huge day of fun for the students who are going!

Congratulations on those students who have are eligible for this. Thanks to Mrs Morgan, Mrs Bridger and Mr Burley for their supervision of this excursion. Massive thanks to Miss Rowlands for her organisation of this excursion as well as for the rest of the year's organisation of our successful Welfare System! Those students at school will be engaged meaningfully in academic and community service activities.

Wednesday we have a slightly varied routine for our last day. In the morning we will have the SRC under our new captains for 2020, Monique and Robbie, organising some fun activities. We will

have some altered learning activities from 11.30am-1.00pm. We will then walk down to the pool for our Term 4

Reward Lunch

and Secondary Christmas Party. At 3.00pm those students who usually return to school will do so, while those who usually have permission to stay at the pool [like a normal Wednesday sport] will be under teachers care till 3.25pm.

Students resume 2020 on Wednesday 5th of February.

Have a great, relaxing and safe holiday.

Gerry Capell

Head Teacher Secondary Studies



Secondary Bloomfield nominees :

Hamish Sanderson, Brooke Morgan, William Longhurst, Monique Morgan, Xander Hartig, Paddy Williams.



Outstanding secondary sportspeople:

Paddy Williams, Monique Morgan.

Encouragement awards: Robert Stokes, Aliethea Stokes.

Footwear Guidelines

Styles that do not comply with WH&S regulations are not acceptable at school. Shoes made from canvas or material are not accepted. Girl's shoes that expose the top of the foot do not comply with WH&S.

Shoes that don't comply:



Shoes that do comply on school days:



Shoes that do comply on sport days:



Please don't hesitate to contact the school principal for queries or financial assistance.

Library NEWS

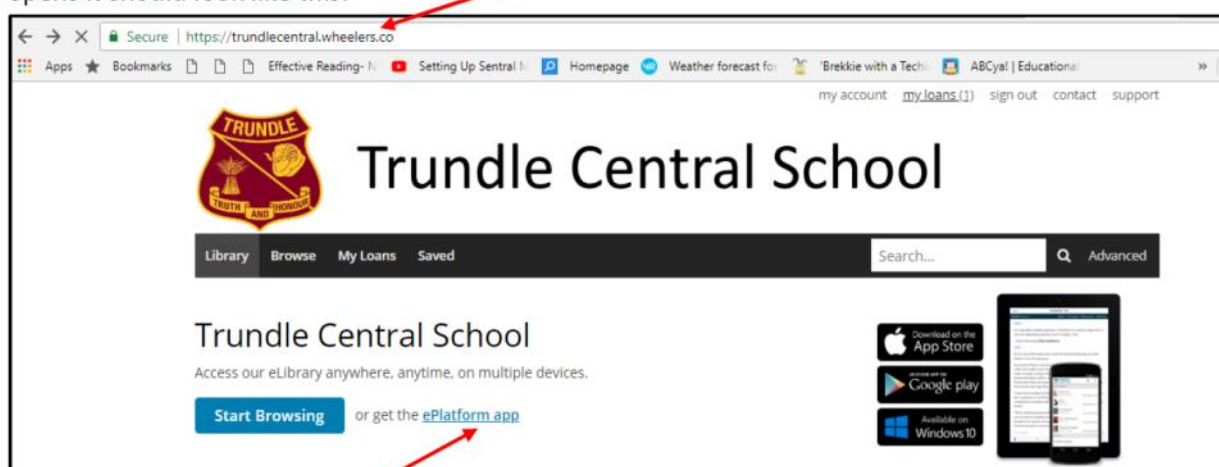
Christmas Borrowing
from home 😊



It's great to have you all on board with our newest Library literacy venture. Our eLibrary of 2,676 electronic books can be accessed in just a couple of steps.

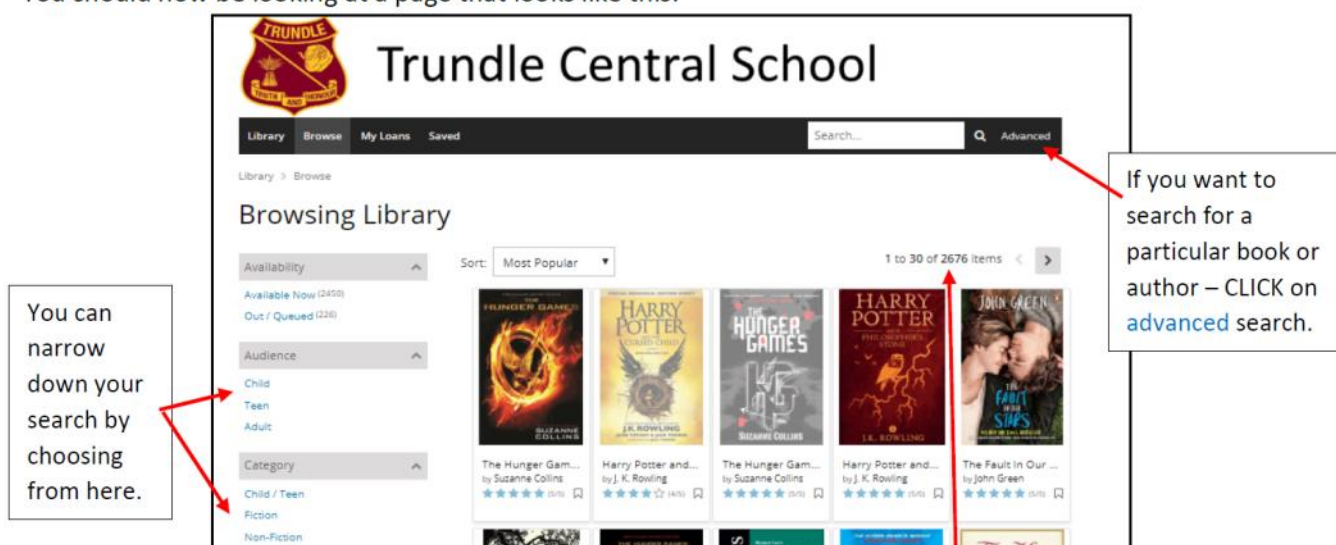
To begin reading books online and/or on a device please follow the simple steps below.

STEP 1: Open a new tab and type in <https://trundlecentral.wheelers.co/> into your browser. When the page opens it should look like this:



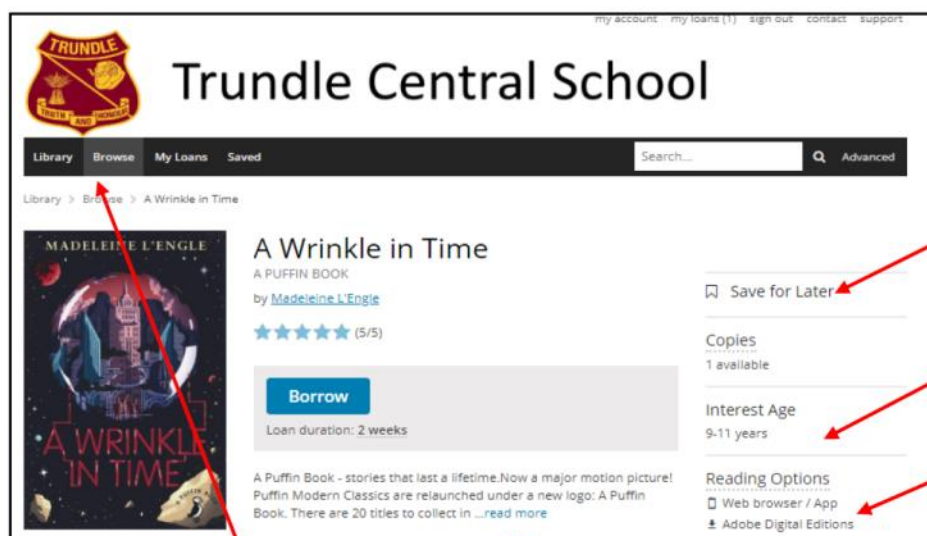
OR you can add the ePlatform app to your choice of electronic device/s (eg. ipad, mobile phone, tablet)

STEP 2: To browse the selection of available books click on the **Start Browsing** icon on the TCS eLibrary page. You should now be looking at a page that looks like this:



STEP 3: On the left hand side of the webpage you have some choices that will narrow down your search by choosing 'Audience' and/or 'Category', OR you can start trawling through the **2676** items available for you or your child to borrow – *See our special parent/carers offer below!*

STEP 4: Click on the book you would like to borrow and a new screen will appear with the book you have chosen to borrow on it – it will look like this:



You can also save something you like for another time.

Interest age is shown here

There are other reading option links here.

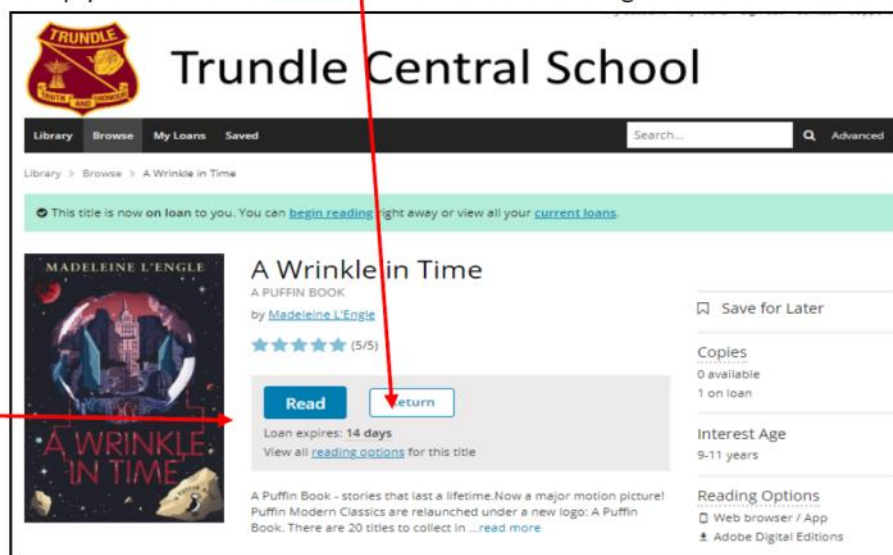
STEP 5: After choosing a book there is information about that book available, so you can decide if you want to borrow it or not. If you want to borrow that book click on the **Borrow** icon. If you decide not to borrow that book, you can choose to 'Save it for later' or go back to 'Browse' at the top of the page, and start again.

IMPORTANT: Notice that the **borrowing time is only 2 weeks**. After the 2 weeks are up, the book is **automatically returned**. If you want to continue reading the book you will need to **re-borrow** it.

STEP 6: Once you click on 'borrow' a page will appear that will ask for **your child's Department 'sign in' or 'log in'**. Simply enter your child's DET user name and password that they use for computer access at school, then a page like this one below will appear:

STEP 7: To start reading just click on the **Read** icon and use the arrow buttons on your computer or device to move through the pages.

To return the book simply click on the **Return** icon and 'Browse' again to choose a **new book** to read.



To read the book click here and use the arrow keys on your device to move through the pages.

SPECIAL OFFER for Parents and Carers!! If you would also like to access our eBook library, please contact the School and our helpful Library staff can add you as a borrower; then you will also be a TCS eLibrary member.

The Library Team 😊 .

Community

Trundle Junior Cricket

In the final game before the Christmas break Trundle Juniors continued their good form when they hosted the Waratahs on Saturday with a convincing win. Winning the toss, captain Paddy Williams sent the visitors into bat. In the opening over Charlie Anderson claimed 2 wickets in consecutive balls including the prized scalp of Waratahs captain Jack Jones. From that point the Waratahs struggled to compile runs. Again Trundle's fielding was terrific and Aliethea Stokes chimed in with a 3 wicket haul to help bowl out the visitors for 46 runs in the 16th over. In reply, Trundle batted confidently and passed the total in the 7th over.

Runs for Trundle: Sam Charlton 15, Paddy Williams 12, Charlie Anderson 6, Charlie Taunton 3, Oliver Dunn 1.

Wickets for Trundle: Charlie Anderson 3, Aliethea Stokes 3, Charlie Taunton 1, Paddy Williams 1

Catches: Paddy Williams 2; Charlie Anderson, Sam Charlton and Reuben Kelly 1 each.

Fielding Points: Kayden Charlton-Little 3, Sam Charlton 2, Aliethea Stokes 1

Karlo's Voucher to Butchers Brew: Aliethea Stokes

Game Ball awarded to Oliver Dunn

Oliver Dunn played his final game for the Juniors as he will be attending Yanko next year. Good luck Ollie and thanks for your effort during your time with the Juniors.

First game back will be 8th February against the Colts at the Association Ground in Condobolin. Training Thursday 6th February 4pm at Berryman Oval.

Merry Christmas team and trust we can continue well in 2020.



School Holiday Activities

Free activities for primary school students at The Reserve Bank Museum

Students will receive an interactive presentation on banknote security features and get a closer look at the new \$20 banknote. They will also be taken on a guided journey through the Museum and learn about the history of Australia.


Cost:
Free (Registration essential)

Booking Information:

- Expressions of interest are now open for the Summer school holiday period.
- For further information, session times, and to register your child please visit the Museum website.
- Registrations will close on 10th January at 5.00 pm.

 museum.rba.gov.au

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It's time to **DUST OFF THE SWIMMERS**

While the drought is making things tough, let's not forget that learning how to swim is a gift for life. So dust off the kids' swimmers, we'll get the pool ready and let's put some smiles on a few faces.



SWIM & SURVIVE SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM 6 January – 16 January 2020



Wonder: 6 months to 36 months | \$52 for 9 lessons
Courage: 36 months to 5 years | \$52 for 9 lessons
Active: 5 years to 12 years | \$74 for 9 lessons

Trundle Pool
Parkes Street, Trundle NSW 2875

Spaces are limited, so please book early.

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Creative Community Concepts Country Drought Tour
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Activities Include:

- **FAST 4 LASER TAG**
- **FAST 4 LEAGUE TAG**
- **FOOTY 4 FUN (0-5 yrs)**
- **FREE BBQ FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS**



Tullamore Swimming Pool

Friday 13th December 4:00pm—6:00pm



Creative Community Concepts



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COUNTRY KICKS HOLIDAY CLINICS

hosted by Rona Jackson
 BA Honours Degree - Sports Coaching

**Friday 10th January &
 Wednesday 15th January 2020**
 Berryman Oval, Trundle

9am - 10am - School Years K - 2
 \$5 inc soccer drills & games, iceblock

10am - 1pm - School Years 3 - 8
 \$25 includes

- league tag drills & games
- swimming pool games
- & inflatable playground
- sausage sizzle, drink & iceblock

Participants to wear sports shoes.
No football boots please

Bookings essential

Contact Rona on 0423 645 731 or
 PM my Facebook page - Country Kicks



**ST AUGUSTINE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
 TRUNDLE
 INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE
 CHRISTMAS**



**At their
 CHRISTMAS SERVICE**

Sunday 22 Dec at 10.30am

**FOLLOWED BY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
 AT NOON IN THE RECTORY ALL WELCOME**

**You are warmly invited to
 St Augustine's
 Anglican Church
 Trundle
 On**

**Tuesday 17 Dec 2019
 at 6.30pm**

For

**A Festival of Nine Lessons and
 Carols**

Everyone is warmly invited.

**Please bring a friend and stay
 afterwards for a cuppa/cordial and
 some Christmas cake.**



**FREE
 EVENT!**

GREASE & OIL CHANGE 2020
 A brain and body workshop for rural men and women

Trundle Memorial Hall

9AM - THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

Forbes Town Hall

6PM - THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY



Georgie Dent is a journalist, author and one of the leading voices for women in Australia. She is the contributing editor of *Women's Agenda*, a columnist in *The Sun Herald* and *The Age*, contributes to *Mate* magazine, appears regularly on television and is a passionate advocate for gender equality and mental health.

Craig Hamilton, a respected sports broadcaster, was hospitalised after suffering a public psychotic episode. He was later diagnosed with Bipolar 1 Disorder. The experience was traumatic, but encouraged him to challenge the stigma associated with mental illness and health.

For catering purposes, please register by 15th February either via Eventbrite: just search 'Grease and Oil Change', or email cherie@thebackroomforbes.com

NEW LISTING**24 Brookview St****\$180,000****3 Bed Home on Large Block with Sheds**

Located a short walk to medical and sporting facilities, schools and shops, this property offers a laid back country lifestyle.

Features include:

- Open plan split level living room
- Roomy kitchen with pantry
- Various sheds and bird aviaries
- Wood burning heater & reverse cycle air con
- New bathroom plus second shower & toilet
- Screened entertainment area • Car port
- 5kw solar panels • Town water and sewer
- Half acre block with rear lane access

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Trundle Central School Breakfast Club:

- Every school day from 8:30am in the Food Technology Room
- All students are welcome to come and eat breakfast for **FREE!**
- Toast, Fruit, and flavoured milk daily
- Pancake days on random occasions

**PROUDLY SPONSORED BY:****NEW LISTING****15 Slee St, Fifield****\$220,000****Near-New Family Home**

This lovely home is only a few years old and has all the modern comforts and amenities. Located on a quarter acre block in the quiet village of Fifield, it's surrounded by lots of room to move.

Features include:

- Four bedrooms, main w walk-in & ensuite
- Large living area w split system AC & bay window
- Modern, bright kitchen & dining
- Three-way family bath • Town water + rain tank
- North facing front verandah • Solar panels
- Fully fenced, landscaped yard
- Carport • Covered entertainment area
- 6x14m lined three bay shed with roller doors

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