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Trundle Central School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 6

16th August 2021

WSSA Athletics Champions



Congratulations to Mikayla Penny who was awarded 11 Years Girls Champion and Vashti Williams who was awarded Junior Girl Champion.



Congratulations to all primary participants in Western Area Athletics.
You made us proud!

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Principal's Message

Last week, we received the news that Dubbo was averaging 21 active cases of COVID -19 per day. Dubbo is no longer a week's ride away on a fat horse, with modern cars it is one of our retail and medical service centres. Therefore, we must take an outbreak in Dubbo as a serious threat to Trundle. I am very pleased the NSW Premier has made the decision to place the whole state into lockdown. This does not mean I do not have enormous compassion for those whose income will be affected by this decision. However, this current variant of the virus is playing first grade in the city, previous variants only made the bench for the Woodbridge Cup. We must beat this virus by not allowing it to spread as easily through lockdowns and getting vaccinated.

Our school has now moved to Level 4 restrictions. This means:

- Only children of essential workers, with absolutely no other care option should attend school.
- Our school will be providing hard copy lesson packages to students.
- The school will be operating with minimal staff on site.
- All people over 12 must wear a mask indoors at school.
- Year 12 trial exams will be postponed or have a modified delivery.

During these times, it is essential that we take our advice from credible sources. In the seven years I have been in Trundle, the ratio of truth to exaggeration or just plain lies in town gossip is about 70:30. You can work out which number is truth, and which is the other. The Department of Health website is updated regularly and is the best source of information. The school's Facebook page and Newsletter are a combination of Department of Education and Health information.

The reason I am particularly pleased for blanket

orders is the most frustrating aspect of previous health orders is that many of the restrictions did not seem to pass the common-sense test. People could attend school or work during the day if they have visited Dubbo, but after hours we are asking the same people to stay at home. I was able to sit at a club whilst consuming my lemonade, but I cannot stand up at the same table. An adult could travel to Sydney for a genuine reason such as a medical appointment, upon return they need to self-isolate, however their children from the same house could attend school. The Chief Health Officer constantly tells us, the Delta strain of COVID does not discriminate in terms of age, so I struggle with the logic.

If we sit and forensically pull apart every restriction, we can find aspects we do not understand. However, I wonder if this is productive for our mental health and that of our children. Technology has made us more informed, but the casualty could be trust in governments and health professionals. Blind community obedience is not the answer, as history is littered with disasters it has caused, but I fear our societal lack of trust and unfortunately a degree of arrogance amongst some groups, is prolonging the pain of COVID. At this point we just need to comply with the orders as rural health systems will not cope with a major outbreak in smaller towns such as Trundle.

Australia has a very active anti-vaccination group who always express the view that it is their human right not to vaccinate. I absolutely respect the right to choose to a degree. I wonder if these crusaders of human freedoms can explain what my human rights are in terms of stopping the spread of this virus. For a structured, peaceful society, some freedoms need to be taken away. The law tells us to stop at a red sign. The sign does not have the power, it is the law and the perceived consequences of not stopping. I wonder if the current COVID outbreak falls into this category as well.

This is the era of the cancellation. Western Area Athletics has been postponed to a date to be advised and the free dental check-up planned for this term has also been postponed. When I made the decision to postpone the dental van, I considered real and perceived risk. Perceived risk is how people interpret us holding events during

COVID outbreaks. The risk may be small, but I cannot have the public believe that the school does not take the COVID crisis seriously. Naturally, balancing this is the cost to students of not having this service. In any decision 50% of people agree, 20% disagree, and 30% have no opinion. Therefore, I can never completely win.

The Salvation Army has donated several pairs of new school shoes. These are available from the school. A donation would be appreciated for these shoes, but not compulsory. My goal is every child regardless of circumstances starts school in school uniform, new shoes and with correct equipment. My philosophical view of education is based on equality of opportunity and I thank the Salvation Army for this amazing donation to our community. As I have said previously, it is no shame to ask for help when it is genuinely needed. The absolute shame is your children presenting to school without correct shoes and equipment. All requests for help are kept completely confidential.

Our school will be converted from florescent lighting to LCD lighting soon. This will cause some disruption to classes, but our students are well used to construction noise. The new light emits a brighter, clearer, white light which will improve learning conditions and use less power. Other construction projects starting soon are an additional School to Work shed, replacement of bitumen and covered walkways. These are all

COVID dependent. There have been considerable improvements in the school in the last few years. The reason is very simple. I passionately believe geography should not determine the facilities our children have available.

John Southon
Principal



Primary and Secondary

As a school, the staff will work hard to adapt to the quickly changing conditions of the COVID-19 crisis. As the impact of COVID-19 evolves, our school will continue to place the highest importance on supporting our students, the teachers, the parents and guardians and the wider community during these uncertain times.

Gobondery/NARRAF Athletics – 4th August

Congratulations to Vashti Williams who was awarded Junior Girl Champion and Mikayla Penny who was awarded 11 Years Girls Champion.

Congratulations to Thomas Sanderson who was Junior Boy Runner Up Champion.

Secondary sportspeople of the week

Kayden Charlton Little, Ryan Dorman, Tyrone Kirk and Daniel Smith



Work for students will be ready for collection from the school on Tuesday, 17th August from 1pm. Each student will receive an individual envelope with school work for the week. What is not collected by the end of the day will be posted by mail.

Parents, please follow COVID rules for social distancing, wear a mask and sanitize.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more updates.

TERM 3	Week 6 Level
Chloe	5
Josh	4
Lucy	4
Tyrone	5
Haley	5
Mia	5
Jess	5
Iris	5
MacKenzie	5
Ben	4
Alice	5
Kayden	5
Corey	3
Cooper	5
Ella	3
Max	4
Dani	5
Jack	4
Daniel	4
Nicholas	4
Narella	5
Harry	5
Jake	4
Laney	5
Sam	4
Zachary	4
Jason	5
Hannah	5
Blair	4
Jim	4
Kiera	5
Paddy	5
Noah	3
Miranda	4
Ryan	4
Grace	5
Xander	5
Casey	5
Alex	5
Aliethea	5
Jordan	5
Jennet	5
Aidan	4
William	5
Matthew	3
Dylan	4
Hamish	4
Jaxson	4
Ashlee	4
Nicholas	4

What do the levels mean?

Level 3 = 0 - 14 pink slips

Level 4 = 15 - 29 pink slips

Level 5a = 30 - 44 pink slips

Level 5b = 45 - 59 pink slips = 1 hot chocolate

Level 5c = 60 - 74 pink slips = 1 hot chocolate & blue award

Level 6 = 75+ pink slips = Mufti Day , Broze Award
and invite to the reward trip (end of each semester)

* means the student has received the reward

Secondary Assessments & Homework

**All assessments must be submitted to the teacher before 8:55am on the due date.
Penalties will apply after this time.**

YEAR 9/10 SUBJECT	DATE GIVEN	DATE DUE	In Class or At Home	TOPIC
PASS	30 th July	3 rd September	In Class	Coaching
PDHPE	30 th July	15 th September	In class and at home	Empowering Safe Choices
Agriculture	2 nd August	13 th September	In class and at home	Fruit Tree Production
YEAR 8 SUBJECT	DATE GIVEN	DATE DUE	In Class or At Home	TOPIC
Maths	26 th July	15 th September	In class and at home	Fractions, Decimals and Percentages Algebraic Techniques and Equations Area Investigation
Science	26 th July	16 th August	In class	Group Research Project
YEAR 7 SUBJECT	DATE GIVEN	DATE DUE	In Class or At Home	TOPIC
Maths	26 th July	15 th September	In class and at home	Fractions, Decimals and Percentages Algebraic Techniques and Equations Area Investigation

Community

TRUNDLE GOLF CLUB NO COMPETITION GOLF THIS WEEKEND 2 PLAYERS CAN EXERCISE TOGETHER PLEASE BE COVID SAFE

WALKERS ARE WELCOME

A REMINDER THAT VEHICLES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON TRUNDLE GOLF COURSE

TRUNDLE BUSH TUCKER DAY RAFFLE 2021



Prize 1

2 Nights Glamping Glenayr Farm, Mudgee.

Glamping for 2 people in a beautiful bell tent for 2 nights mid week.
Kindly donated by Glenayr Farm Mudgee
Valued at \$400



Prize 2

Trundle Bush Tucker Camp Oven

Kindly donated by Trundle Bush Tucker Day
Valued at \$360



Prize 3

Wanderer 12 Piece Enamel Dinner Set

Wanderer 2.5L Whistling Kettle

Wanderer Getaway Camp Chair

Hot Shots Bag of kindling

Kindly donated by BCF Dubbo
valued at \$133.95



Family Day Pass
2 x Adults 2 x Children



Prize 4

Family Pass Taronga Western Plains Zoo

2x Adults 2x Children

Kindly donated by Taronga Western Plains Zoo Dubbo
valued at \$136.80

Prize 5

Oztrail Enamel Campsite Cook Set

Kindly Donated by Blue Sky Outdoor Forbies

Rip n Rub Seasoning Starter Pack

Kindly Donated by Rip n Rub Seasonings

Valued at \$119.95



Prize 6

Fruit & Vegetable Hamper

Kindly donated by Trundle Mart

Valued at \$25



DRAWN ON THE 4TH SEPTEMBER at BUSH TUCKER DAY

Facebook www.facebook.com.au/trundlebushuckerday Website <https://www.trundlebushuckerday.com/>

THINKING OF SELLING YOUR HOUSE OR LAND?

Now may be the time!

Trundle is just too popular - AJ Pike is running low on stock!

WE INVITE YOU TO CALL US FOR AN APPRAISAL



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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, Cereal and Fruit daily
- Pancake days on random occasions



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*Your friendly Club,
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community*

CHINESE RESTAURANT open Wed-Sun for lunch & dinner

HAPPY HOUR Monday to Friday from 5pm to 6pm

MEAT-TRAY RAFFLES Wednesdays (Men's Shed) & Fridays

MEMBERS BADGE DRAWS Wednesday and Friday
you must be in the Club to win – minimum prize \$1,000, jackpots twice weekly

BEAUTIFUL 18 HOLE GOLF COURSE
golfers, walkers, nature lovers – all welcome!