

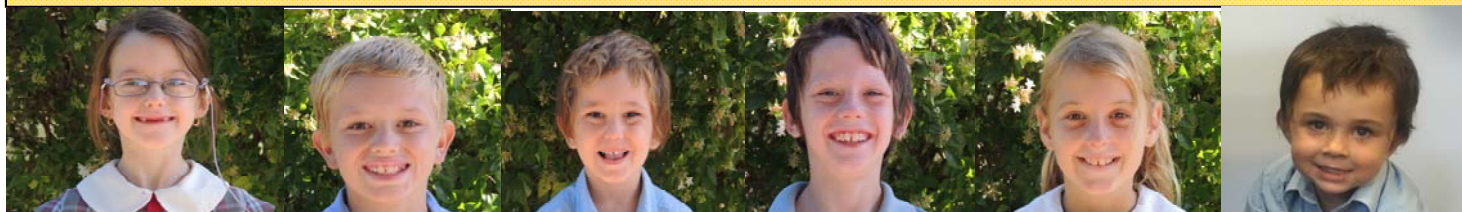
# Tambar Springs Public School Newsletter



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### For your Diary:

Fri 12th Feb	Small Schools Swimming Carnival Gunnedah Pool
Sun 14th Feb	Valentines Day
Mon 15th Feb	Book Club orders due back
Wed 17th Feb	School Education Director Mark Young visits our school
Wed 9th Feb	Luscious Lunches
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### Kindergarten Welcome

A big welcome to our new Kindergarten student, Dane. Dane is loving school and his favourite thing to do at school is threading beads. A huge welcome back also to all of our parents and families for what will be an exciting year!



### Message from the Principal

Term 1 has already been very busy for staff and students at Tambar Springs Public School. The students have enjoyed a busy and tiring day at Mullaley Public School, listening to the Gold Coast Titans players giving a talk on wellbeing. The talk focused on the importance of drinking water to keep our bodies hydrated, children needing to have at least 10 hours of sleep per night and the importance of good friendships. The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed listening to and interacting with the Titans.

Staff have been busy planning for the year ahead, including developing teaching programs, discussing ideas for excursions and communicating with other professionals to ensure we provide an education for our students which is engaging and student centred. On Thursday afternoon, I presented a professional learning session to a group of teachers from primary schools. The focus of the professional learning was on literacy learning in Kindergarten. The visiting teachers were amazed to see the fabulous resources and all commented on how well-mannered TSPS students are.

### School Office Hours

You may or may not be aware that the office hours have been reduced to 7 days per fortnight. Mrs Vince will be in the office and/or library every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and every second Tuesday. On the days the office is unattended it would be greatly appreciated if calls could be limited to recess (11.00am—11.25am) and lunchtime (1.00pm—1.45pm) so as to minimise the disruption to class and learning time. Thank you for your understanding.

### Titans Visit at Mullaley Public School

Last Friday Mrs Sipple and Mrs Vince transported students to Mullaley to join with other students from Mullaley and Premer, to meet members of the Gold Coast Titans NRL team. They spoke about wellbeing and self-care. We were able to ask questions and played games, then had recess with the other schools before travelling back to Tambar Springs. A great morning was had by all, we were given an autographed football and a bag of team goodies to share.



### Small Schools Swimming Carnival

Our school will join with students from Mullaley, GS Kidd, Curlewis, Fairfax, and Carroll for our annual swimming carnival tomorrow at the Gunnedah Pool. Students are to be transported by parents to and from the carnival, and have a parent guardian present to take them to the bathroom or canteen.

Students cannot for personal safety reasons attend these without being escorted by a person over 16. Students are required to be at the pool by 8.45am for marshalling into their teams, and will compete in the usual two teams, Mooki and Namoi. The swimming carnival is a normal school day, so attendance is compulsory unless an acceptable reason in writing is provided by parents.

A program has been sent home today with your child.

### Book Club

Orders to be returned to school no later than Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. Books will be delivered within a week of orders.

