



Thursday 10—24 August, 2017



# Tambar Springs

Public School



## Newsletter

Term 3 Week 4 –6

### EDUCATION WEEK 2017

The Education Week theme of I Learn, We Learn, is a celebration of each schools' commitment to ensuring:



System-wide improvement Every student, every teacher, every leader and every school will improve every year.



High expectations for all A culture of high expectations for our students and our educators sets high standards, which leads to high achievement.



Personalised student learning By teaching to the strengths and needs of each individual, students will be better able to reach and exceed their potential.



Wellbeing Every student will be known, cared for and respected. Creating stronger ties with local communities Parents and carers are our schools' partners in the education and wellbeing of each student.



Partnerships with local businesses and industry create opportunities for our students to contribute to and thrive in society.

Our Education Week celebrations were wonderfully supported by our school community. Our students were extremely excited to be able to share with our visitors the great work that has been accomplished in preparation for Luscious Lunches. Our students proudly displayed their work ethic and talents. We hope you have enjoyed Education Week for 2017 and have had a chance to pat your child on the back for their achievements and efforts.

### Main photo:

Georgia, Millie and Amarni working together to prepare CWA Nepalese luncheon.

### Dates to Remember

#### August

- 9 Springing Into Kinder starts
- 14 Small School's Athletics Carnival hosted by Tambar Springs Public School
- 18 Quiz Worx at Mullaley
- 20 St3 Canberra Excursion
- 22 –24 Ag-Quip

#### September

- 4 NAPLAN Readiness Test & Teddy Bears Picnic
- 6 Aladdin Children Concert
- 14 School Photos
- 22 End of Term



## NAPLAN Online Readiness Test 4th September

Our school will participate in the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test on 4th September. There is a lot of information for schools, students and parents on the [NAPLAN Online transition website](#). The school readiness test is a '**practice run**' for schools to assess their technology as we prepare to transition to NAPLAN Online. It provides an opportunity for schools to become familiar with the NAPLAN Online assessment platform but is not an assessment of student ability.

## CWA Luscious Lunches

During our Luscious Lunches day our school hosted the CWA Nepal Luscious Lunch. Our school and the CWA worked collaboratively to plan and deliver the celebrations for Country of Study—Nepal. Our students worked together with Mrs Martin and Mrs Twidale to prepare a 2 course Nepalese lunch for our visitors to enjoy. Our Kinder students spoke about their favourite pictures from Nepal and Georgia presented her research PowerPoint to inform our visitors about many aspects of Nepal. Mrs Worley delivered a speech about the important role women play in developing the country's agriculture business through to their leadership positions in government and she made comparisons between these women and the Tambar Springs CWA members. I would like to thank Carmel and Esma for all their support and organisation during this event. The CWA ladies from Curlewis kindly presented certificates and books to our students and they donated two books to our school library. Esma informed us about the winners of the CWA Colouring in Competition. Millie was a lucky recipient of a Kindy Award.

## Enrolments for 2018

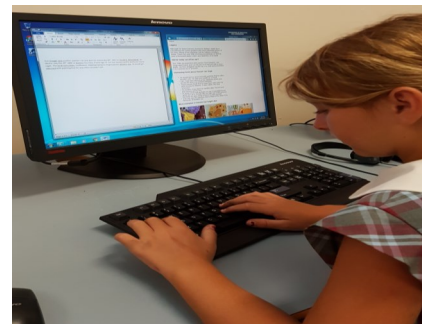
Enrolments for 2018 have commenced. Thank you to those people who have already indicated their children will be attending Tambar Springs next year. Please encourage anyone you know who has children commencing school in 2018 to advise the school so that we can accurately commence planning. Students attending local preschools will receive packages promoting our school, highlighting our achievements and inviting them to consider Tambar Springs. If you require an information pack, please contact our school.

## Small Schools' Athletics Carnival

Our school hosted the 2017 Small Schools' Athletic Carnival on Monday 14th August at Wolseley Oval in Gunnedah. We enjoyed a sunny day with very keen competitors for each event. I would like to thank all the parents helpers for their assistance throughout the day. I would also, like to thank Carroll School for hosting the canteen and BBQ during this event.

## Earn & Learn—Woolworths

The Woolworths Earn & Learn Program gives primary and secondary schools the chance to earn amazing school resources. For every \$10 spent at Woolworths you earn 1 sticker. Don't forget to put your stickers in the Tambar Springs Public School box at Woolworths to support our school.





## SAS Staff Recognition Week

SAS Staff Recognition Week In Week 8 this term from 4th– 8th September 2017. Please help us to celebrate and thank our wonderful SAS staff at Tambar Springs Public School. With a morning tea on Monday 4th September.

## Phone Survey

Over the next few weeks you may receive a phone call from our school about completing a phone survey about Tambar Springs School. This information will be used to create the baseline for future directions in our school. Please take part in the short survey to benefit the school. The survey is confidential and will be administered by one of our new employees at our school.

## HEALTHY SCHOOL CANTEEN

The introduction of the revised Healthy School Canteen Strategy increases the availability of healthy food and drink options in school canteens to make the healthy choice, the easy choice. Our school is in the process of planning for a Healthy School Canteen. The Department of Education's strategy has been informed by a comprehensive evidence report and a consultation process that included school leaders, canteen managers, health professionals, the food industry, school students and parents to understand the barriers and enablers for increasing healthy food and drink choices in NSW school canteens.

## Quiz Worx

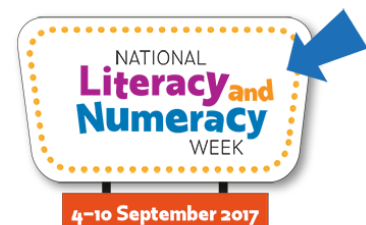
Our school joined Mullaley School for morning tea before participating in the 'Quiz Worx' puppet show. This event was kindly organised by our Scripture Teachers. Our students enjoyed learning about signs and clues which lead you to follow Jesus. Our students actively engaged with the puppet and presenter throughout the show. They joined in singing and actions to answer questions about the Jesus' life.

## Teddy Bear's Picnic

We will be hosting our own Teddy Bear's Picnic at the school on Monday, 4th September commencing at 11:30am. We invite all the children of Tambar Springs and surrounds. The children are asked to bring their Teddy Bears to bring a picnic morning tea and join our fun games and to participate in the Gunnedah Family Support HOME BASE colouring competition.

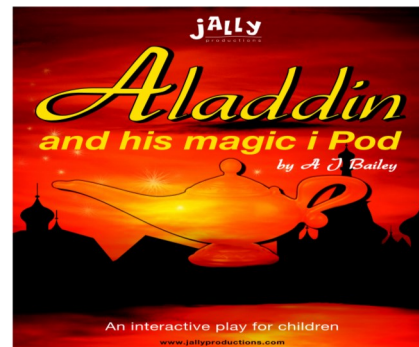
## Literacy and Numeracy Week 4th –8th September.

Celebrations commence on Monday 4th September.



## Aladdin's Children Concert

Gunnedah Shire Council are providing a free Children's Concert at the Gunnedah Town Hall commencing at 9:30am on 6th September. Aladdin and his magic iPod is an interactive and educational play for students. You will receive a permission note next week regarding this event.



## Science Week

On Thursday, 18th August, our students joined pupils from Spring Ridge, Walhallow, Blackville and Premer Public Schools, at Spring Ridge School to participate in Science Week activities, run by the Warrumbungles Environmental Education Centre. The activities were based around sustainability, with one of the highlights of the day being meeting reptiles, amphibians and mammals from the Taronga ZooMobile. Our students also enjoyed experimenting to learn about how temperature causes change in objects (courtesy of Quirindi High School), properties of different soil types (Farrer Memorial Agricultural High School), and conducting a wildlife audit (National Parks). As always, our students represented their school impeccably, and greatly enjoyed engaging with students from across their area.



## Stage 3 Excursion so far.

Georgia is having a great time on the Stage 3 excursion to Canberra and the snow. She met the Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce at the airport where the group took selfie with him. The students have been studying Federal Government this term, so it is amazing they met Mr Joyce—their very first federal minister. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for supporting the school in assisting Georgia on this excursion. Georgia will be giving a full account of the excursion on her return.

