



Thursday 18 May 2017



We would like to thank Miss Birkett for her dedication to teaching. She has demonstrated all aspects of her Prac Teaching Placement at our school this term. We would like to wish her all the best in her endeavours completing her teaching degree and career. We hope to have her at our school in the near future as a qualified teacher.



On Thursday 18th May, our students travelled to Carroll to participate in the joint cross country day, ably organised by Carroll Public School, involving Carroll, Somerton and Tambar Springs Schools. Our pocket rocket, Millie Nelson, did the school, and herself proud, by showing her tenacity and grit, while competing in the infants 1km race. We cheered excitedly as Millie stretched out and finished a comfortable second, ahead of approximately 15 other 5, 6 and 7 year old girls and boys. Many thanks to Tash for

transporting the girls all the way to Carroll and back again. We extend a big thank you to Carroll School students, staff, and extended community for ensuring the event was so well run, and offer our congratulations to all the competitors and supporters on the lovely sense of sportsmanship, friendship and inclusivity that encapsulated the whole day.

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Newsletter

Week 1 Term 4

Main photo: Updated Library

Our girls enjoying spending time reading and researching in the library.

Dates to Remember

May

- 18 **CANCELLED** Athletics with Carroll School-Gunnedah
29 Playgroup

June

- 9 Small School's Cross Country
9 Athletics with Carroll Public School-Gunnedah
16 Area Cross Country - Coolah
29 Small School's Athletics Carnival hosted by Tambar Springs Public School

July

17-21 NAIDOC WEEK

Waste Management Workshop

On Friday 12th May, our school welcomed Steph from the Sydney Waste Management team to talk to us about managing household waste. Steph taught the girls how people from across our community can recycle their waste products. Steph was very impressed by our schools management of food scraps. She visited our chicken yard, vegetable patch, green house and worm farm. Steph stated that our worm farm was the healthiest she has ever seen. She also informed us about the types of foods worms like to eat, we learned their favourite food were banana skins.

Students Ideas into Actions

After NAPLAN was complete our students painted the outdoor tables, COLA poles and garden borders, as a treat. They completed the job with precision and their work looks amazing. They have also created new ideas about painting a chess board and twister board on the concrete, and drizzle paint over the tables to create a more effective learning area.



Chickens' Day Out!

(Georgia Nelson)

This morning Mrs Worley and us three kids went up to the chook pen and decided to do something, we decided to get star pickets and a garden net, we put the star pickets in the ground then put the garden net over the top. Then we looked at the chooks and went and caught them. Then we transferred the chooks in the garden bed. So now the



chooks are up there having a great time weeding the garden bed and scratching around. They absolutely love it! Now we hope it's weeded and done nicely. Thank you chooks for helping us out! What an excellent extra pair of hands.

FOR SALE

**Fresh Free Range
Eggs**

\$6 a dozen

**To raise money for
Stage 3 Excursion**



Science—Living Things

(Miss Birkett)

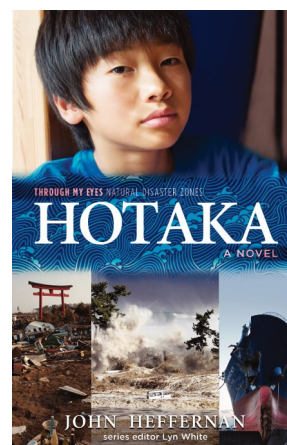
Over the past four weeks the students of Tambar Springs have been learning to identify and address the needs of living things and how they have adapted to survive in certain habitats. Millie and Amarni have discussed and drawn how they can meet an animal's needs to ensure survival, and have created their own pets out of clay to demonstrate how they will keep their pet alive. This knowledge has then been transferred during this week as the girls have begun to focus on plants and their needs and how we can care for them, such as when gardening. While the younger girls have been feeding and watering their pets and getting their hands dirty, Georgia has focused on the behavioural and structural adaptations animals possess to survive in specific environments, with a particular focus on pandas and kangaroos. It is through their learning that the girls were able to monitor and care for the school chickens, compare the differences between chickens and their relative the Tyrannosaurus Rex, and learn how plants receive their needs from water, soil and the sun.



Our worm farm

Author Visit

On Wednesday 17th May, our students and staff visited Premer Public School to participate in a day of writer's workshops and discussions with celebrated children's author, John Heffernan. John has written over fifty books, many of which portray historical or current events of global importance, through the mediums of fictional novels and picture books. John invited the students into the worlds of some of his characters, using language and expression to embellish his rich storytelling. The infant's students used John's well known picture books "The Island" and "The Boot Thief" to inform and prompt their own writing, developing characters using illustration and written word. Georgia was an active participant in a writer's workshop which encouraged students to develop skills in character development, as well as engaging the audience in their writing through the frugal use of language, inducing pace through word choice, and withholding information and withholding information from the reader. John was extremely supportive of the students and the work they produced, offering constructive suggestions to improve individual student's writing. The school now holds a signed copy of John's latest children's novel, "Hotaka: Through My Eyes - Natural Disaster Zones" for our students to enjoy.





Tambar Springs Public School

Luscious Lunch

We invite you to join us for a
Progressive Colonial Style Experience -
A Journey through Time

Wednesday 7th June 2017
Commencing at 11.30am at
Tambar Springs Public School

You will enjoy:

- Damper accompanied by Billy Tea,
- A Roast Dinner
- Homemade Apple Pie and Ice Cream

You will uncover mysteries from
Tambar Springs past, and take a
glimpse into the future of education.

Please R.S.V.P by
Friday 2nd June 2017
at the School Office or
phone 02 6744 2343



Tambar Springs Playgroup 2017
at Tambar Springs School
Monday 12 noon – 2.00 pm

Playgroup Dates 2017

Term 2 May 15th, 29th
June 26th

Term 3 July 24th
August 7th, 21st
September 4th, 18th

Term 4 October 16th, 30th
November 13th, 27th
December 11th



Please come and join us

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**Please be aware Play Group has
changed their times to 1/2 hour earlier.
New times 12:00pm - 2:00pm.**