What’s happening at your school

Principal’s Message
Welcome back for Term 2. All the staff are looking forward to a new term and supporting your child with their learning.

Friday’s Cross Country was a major success. It was great to see the students compete to the best of their ability demonstrating great sportsmanship. A big thank you to the P&C who catered for the day, Mr Aitken, Mrs McIlwain and Mrs Boney for their organisation of the day.

Thank you to the 19 students who participated in the ANZAC Day March and Service on Saturday. You marched with great pride and sat respectfully throughout the service, which was noticed and commented on by those in attendance on the day.

The “Totally Proud and Strong” project excursion for Years 5 and 6 will be occurring this Wednesday. This project will run throughout the term and provide engaging and interactive learning activities for the Years 5 and 6 students.

The Tingha Public School Strategic Plan for 2015-2017 and the Annual School Report for 2014 will be available for viewing on the website from this Friday, 1st May. If you do not have access to the internet and wish to have a copy of these documents please contact the school.

Melinda Partridge.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
Tingha Public School has an ongoing commitment to Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL). PBL is a school-wide approach to teaching, learning and celebrating behaviour and the effective and consistent management of misbehaviour.

PBL is based on Tingha Public School’s four core values of Strong, Proud, Respectful and Safe.

Every fortnight we have a new focus for PBL. This term’s PBL focus is Pride. We will be looking for students who: keep their areas clean, wear their uniform, always do their best, stand tall and make eye contact and praise themselves and others.

The PBL focus every fortnight will be discussed with the students at assemblies and lessons will be taught in every classroom.

What if my child has to be away from school?
If your child has to be absent from school, you must provide a reason for your child’s absence. Absences can be explained by

* Sending a note to the school
* Contacting the school via electronic means eg text message or email
* Telephone the school or
* Visit the school

The principal has the right to question an explanation given for a child’s absence.
ANZAC Day March
It was wonderful to see our students participating in the ANZAC Day march.

Cross Country
A huge thank you to Sarah and Kirinari who gave out free bottles of water to all competitors.

Some of our Junior boys in action.

Damian crossing the line.

Junior Girls Runner Up Andrea and Junior Girl Champion Kyra with their awards

Leo, Dennis and Thomas who received vouchers from Kirinari for the fastest time in each age group.
After school visits

Please Note: If your child is not going home as normal after school but to another child's house, we need a signed permission note from you stating this otherwise they must go home as normal. It is our obligation to make sure your child gets home safely.

Chicken Pox

We have been made aware of a case of chicken pox. Below is information from NSW Health.

What are the symptoms?

Chickenpox begins with a sudden onset of slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash.

The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs.

The rash appears over three to four days. At any one time, the lesions of the rash vary in stages of development.

Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus.

Most people recover without complications, but sometimes the infection can lead to serious complications, such as pneumonia and inflammation of the brain. Rarely, the infection can be fatal.

Persons who are previously vaccinated can still get chickenpox. If chickenpox occurs in a vaccinated person it is usually mild and less contagious than in an unvaccinated person.

Students with chicken pox should not attend childcare or school until at least five days after onset of the rash and all the blisters have dried.

ANZAC Assembly

Thank you to Bob Clarke, Audrey McArdle, Bill Byrnes and John Scanlon who conducted the school ANZAC Service at school last Thursday. We really appreciated them giving up their time to help our students learn more about what ANZAC day is all about.

Attendance

If your child is late to school please bring them in to the Office and sign a late note. If it is not recorded your child will be marked as absent.

Totally Proud & Strong

The “Totally Proud and Strong” project excursion that was postponed last term for Years 5 & 6 will take place on Wednesday. A new note was sent home last week. Please return the Permission Envelope to school by Wednesday. The bus will now be leaving the school at 10am not 10.30 as stated on the note. Students will be visiting the Community Garden from 10.30am - 11.30am. Students will eat recess/fruit there. They will then visit BEST Tree Tenders Nursery from 11.45am - 1.30pm. They are supplying the students with a steak sandwich for lunch and they will be planting some vegies etc. Students will then visit the Linking Together Centre for a short break before returning to school at 2.30pm.

Deadly Australians

Next Tuesday 5th May, the school is being visited by Deadly Australians. Students will be shown different types of reptiles that are dangerous and will learn what to do if they ever come across them. There is a cost of $5.00 per child or $10.00 per family.
Zone Cross Country
Good luck to those student who have been selected for Zone Cross Country at Ashford next week.
A letter and permission envelope have been sent home today. Please return the envelope as soon as possible.

AECG
There will be an Aboriginal Education Consultative Group meeting this Friday 1st May, at the Health Post.
All parents and carers are most welcome to attend. Attached to the newsletter is a flyer regarding this.

Easter Disco
A big thank you to the P&C members who organised the Easter disco held at the end of last term. This was a very positive way to finish the term.

A message from Symes Bus Service
If your child is not a regular passenger on either of the school buses, but needs to catch the bus to somewhere other than home a note and a fee of $1 per child is required.

Transition to Kindergarten
This term our transition program will run from 9.30am til 1.00pm. Please ensure your child has fruit, a packed lunch and something for recess as well as a water bottle. Please ensure your child also has a sun safe hat for playtime as the school has a “No Hat, No Play” policy.
If you know of any children that will start school next year and are not already in transition please let us know.
If you need assistance in getting your child to school, please ring on 67 233 437.

Medication
If your child has medication to be taken at school, a letter signed by a parent outlining the dosage and time it is to be given is required by the school.

Canteen
Help is needed for the canteen each morning as it has been pretty busy. If you can help out for the 2 hours of a morning to prepare the lunches it would be greatly appreciated.

Sauce Satchets
The P & C have decided to trial the sauce satchets in the canteen at a cost of 15c. The P & C feel that this is a more hygienic method for sauce to be distributed.

Price Increase: Due to a price rise with our supplier, we have to regrettably put up the price of the Dino Nuggets from $1.50 to $1.80, Chicken Crackles from $1.80 to $2.00 and Cheese Sticks from 70c to 80c.
We now also have muffins for sale for 80c each

P & C Meeting
The next P & C Meeting will be on Wednesday 20th May at 2pm in the Staff Room. All interested Parents and Carers are welcome to attend. We are always looking for new members and some fresh fundraising ideas.
P & C News
Thank you to all who sold and bought tickets in the Easter Egg raffle. The winners were:
1st Prize: Emily Parker   2nd Prize: Leon Munro   3rd Prize: Zoe Hannam. A huge thank you to all students who attended the Easter Disco everyone seemed to have a great time.

Scripture
Father God, help me to maintain order in my surroundings, to keep my work areas and environment clean and tidy. Thank you for the ever changing patterns of your worlds beauty. I will not take these wonderful days for granted. In Jesus name. Amen.
Don't be a 'tosser', do the right thing, put your rubbish in the bin.
Genesis 2:15 - Then the Lord God put the man in the Garden of Eden as its carer to tend to it and look after it.
Jill Lute, S.R.E. teacher

Bible Puzzles
Please hand in completed Bible puzzles by Wednesday to Jill Lute, prizes to be won. Puzzles are attached to the newsletter.

Timbrel Team
Thank you to Melody McLaren, Holly Foster and Amelia Roberts, you were absolutely wonderful at the ANZAC Centennial March of Saturday. There were many positive comments on your excellent display of teamwork and talent.
Without talent, nurtured and perfected, the finest instrument would stand silent.

Dance Practice
Dance practice will be in the hall on Wednesdays at lunchtime.
Jill Lute, School Chaplain

Tingha Playgroup
The Tingha Playgroup is held in the old Health Post Building, Guyra Road, Tingha.
Please note sessions now start at 10.00am and finish at 1.30pm on Mondays and Thursdays.
Playgroup is open to all families who have children 0 - 4 years.
Please call the school if you need to be picked up. Everyone welcome so please drop in and have a chat.
Ella Munro
Playgroup Co-ordinator
Happy Birthday!

Birthday wishes go to -

Zachariah Spicer who turned 7 on 24/4
We hope you had a great day!

Kody Bartman who turns 11 on 28/4
Cameron Williams who turns 5 on 4/5
Hope you all have great Birthdays!

PLEASE NOTE!

If you have changed your phone number (home or mobile) or your address could you please let the school know

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

This is required in case of an emergency with your child at school.

School Uniform

The P & C have school shirts, skorts, jumpers and jackets for sale.

Shirts $15.00; Skorts $40.00;
Jumpers $20.00; Jackets $32.00

Please call in at the office to purchase these on Mondays or Fridays only.

These items MUST be paid for at the time of purchase.

ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent or going to be absent, please ring the school on 67 233 437.

If your child is going to be absent for a week or longer please contact the school.

Please check the calendar on our website to keep up-to-date with upcoming events at school

4ever Health and Fitness
Tingha Town Hall every Tuesday 6.30pm. (during school terms).
$10 per person ($5 for students)
All fitness levels, go at your own pace. Fun & Friendly.