

Toora Bungles



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Nurturing & Tailored Environment – Transition to School



Simultaneous Story Time with students from Tooraweenah Public School and Preschool

Transition to School starts Monday 17th June for any Kindergarten students who will be, or are considering enrolling in Kindergarten 2020 for Tooraweenah Public School.

This is an opportunity to find out more about the school, and the unique and tailored setting that we offer our students. Transition students come to school on Mondays until mid-Term 4 and join into the K/1/2 classroom becoming familiar with routines and

developing confidence to start their school journey. They participate in games and activities which they

collect in their scrapbook, taking this home every week to share with parents their experiences from the day.

We have had very positive feedback to the transition program in the past years and would like to welcome and encourage new families and students to experience learning in our nurturing and tailored environment with high staff to student ratios.

Many parents often wonder how students interact socially in small schools. Students at our school play in the playground across all ages much like a big family. The older students relish in taking leadership roles and look after our younger students.

If you are interested in enrolling in our Transition to School Program or know of someone who may be interested, please contact Karen Smith on 68481073 or karen.thomson1@det.nsw.edu.au for an enrolment form and information package.

Community Revitalisation Workshop - Thursday 27th June 2019

The Community Revitalisation Workshop has been rescheduled for Thursday 27th June 2019 commencing at 6.30pm. The Venue will be advised when you book to attend. Allan Parker will facilitate the community workshop with a focus on community driven change. Allan aims to equip communities to act on what the community can do, to facilitate change.

The workshop will explore innovation and result in new goals and new ways to network together in the community.

The workshop is a gathering, rather than a meeting, run as an informal conversation that also crosses generational boundaries.

If people are interested in attending they can contact Amanda via email:

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**Next Clinic: Thursday 20th June
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Tooraweenah Public School

Coonamble Gala Day

Students from years 3-6 nominated to participate in the Small Schools Team for Netball and Rugby League at Coonamble. It was very pleasing to see so many of our students put their hand up for the challenge and participate with such great sportsmanship on the day.

Our students joined with Carinda, Quambone and Marra Creek to form the Small Schools Teams for the day. Mrs Peart, who supervised the rugby league, reported that the Toora kids represented the school with pride. Special mention going to Jahkaia Hughes who showed outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you to the staff and parents who transported students and played an active role in supervising, coaching and refereeing at the Gala Day.

Billionaire Boy

It is always a great experience to watch live theatre and the performance of Billionaire Boy at the Dubbo Regional Theatre, was no exception. Students were enthralled by the set design changes and story being told through acting and music. Thank you to Craig Dowsett who transported the students to Dubbo and to the staff for their help in supervision and organization.

Mark Pitts- Fitness and Rugby

Coaching by Mark Pitts is our Friday sport for Term 2. We are fortunate to have a coach of his calibre live locally and make available his fitness facility for some of our lessons. This program is supported by a sporting schools grant.

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN assessments have been completed online. I have been impressed with the students' persistence and work ethic in completing these assessments. We look forward to using this assessment in combination with school assessments to help determine teaching and learning goals for the students.

Easter Colouring in Competition

Congratulations to Lexi Trickey who was the second place winner in the Gilgandra Newsagency Easter Colouring in Competition. Well done, Lexi!

Cross Country



Cross Country competitors

The Tooraweenah Cross Country was held recently at the Tooraweenah Golf Course. Parents and community members came along and supported the students. Congratulations to the students who were

the Cross Country Champions on the day:

Juvenile Boy 1000m Sam Trickey
Juvenile Girls 1000m Holly Wykes
Junior Boy 2000m Jahkaia Hughes
Junior Girl 2000m Lara Duff

Special mention must also go to Daisy Wykes who competed for the first time in the 2000m race and as an 8 year old, came 2nd against the 8, 9 and 10 year old girls. A very gutsy effort indeed!

Technology Open Classrooms



Tallis, Brock & Darcy coding with LEGO We do 2.0

We welcomed parents as well as patron, Mrs Pike into our technology classroom on Friday. Our guests were amazed at the skills of the students in building and coding Lego We Do 2.0 and coding the Dash robots. Thank you to Petria and James Cameron for providing their expertise during technology lessons.

John Fleming Excursion

Students and staff travelled to Gilgandra Public School for Mr John Fleming's Term 2 visit. Thank you to Gilgandra Public School for once again welcoming our students into classrooms. Mrs Jenkin and students in the Years 3-6 class were observed by Mr Fleming and other staff for their Narrative writing lesson. It is fantastic to see the students developing such outstanding skills in writing. Mrs Smith and Mrs Jenkin found the professional development opportunities in observing other teachers use the Fleming techniques in their classrooms highly beneficial. Professional Learning led by Mr Fleming after school allowed the staff to have some questions answered and clarify their own use of the techniques. Thank you to parents in assisting the school with transport and therefore allowing us to take advantage of these opportunities for our school.

National Simultaneous Story Time

Our students joined over 1,085,587 participants across Australia and New Zealand in reading Alpacas with Maracas, the biggest National Simultaneous Storytime ever! The Preschool and School students enjoyed the story and were very keen to have a turn with the maracas.

Y-PEP

Students have been participating in child

protection lessons with Mrs Jenkin and Y-PEP instructor Andrew. Students have participated in lessons in small groups and are learning about important child protection topics such as sense of self, power in relationships, recognising abuse and protective strategies at age appropriate levels. These topics cover conversations and activities around rights of the child, similarities and differences, trusted adults, warning signs, body parts, types of abuse, secrets, safe and unsafe situations and No Go Tell strategies.

Karen Smith

Relieving Principal

Tooraweenah Public School

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Some of the Small Schools' Sparklers Netball team

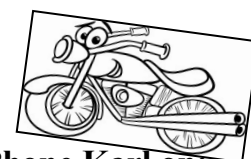


The 5/6 Barbarians Team Tallis & Brock pictured far right



Years 3/4 Barbarians Team Jahkaia pictured centre

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Around The Traps

Tooraweenah LPO

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Please ensure you use your correct mailing address to speed up sorting and delivery, make sure your mail has been correctly addressed and you put the appropriate amount of postage on larger letters.

If you require parcels to be delivered to your door by the mail contractors, your suppliers need to be advised of this as the default option usually requires a signature on delivery and to be collected from the post office. In today's changing world of online purchasing, many parcels are able to be delivered but the receiving roadside mailbox is far too small. A reminder that the Tooraweenah Post Code is 2817

Pub Community BBQ's

The May BBQs at the hotel were run by a Tooraweenah community group, raising money for the installation of playground equipment at the Recreation Ground. Thank you to all who assisted in any way during the month. The June BBQ's are to be run by the Tooraweenah Town Fire Brigade, why not roar in for a great feed supplied by the fire fighters of Tooraweenah. Watch the local notice boards for menus.

Lions Clothing Bin

Residents who take advantage of the Lions

Clothing bin are reminded that it is for clean clothing and if anyone has clean blankets or Doonas not being used we can find them a home in the cooler weather. Thank you for your support.

Biggest Morning Tea

Tooraweenah's biggest morning tea was on again on Saturday the 18th of May, outside Tooraweenah Trading Co from 10am. J N J's coffee van was in attendance. Nearly \$800 was raised for the Cancer Council. Thank you to the community for your generosity in such hard times.

Tooraweenah Community Health Clinic

Their next visit to Tooraweenah is on **Thursday 20th June, 10am –12noon** in the Tooraweenah CWA Rooms.

The Clinic will be coming under a review during July, so please use this important service that is available for everyone.

Dust Buster BBQ's

Congratulations and a very big thank you to Kristy Cosier and her team for a job well done in arranging and coordinating the Dust Buster BBQ's across the Shire.

It was wonderful to see more than 150 people attend each of these events to connect with family, neighbours and friends, have some fun

and return home a little less drought weary. Undertaking this most valuable role Kristy, has been appreciated by everyone. THANK YOU!

These events were supported by Gilgandra Shire Council through funding from the Australian Government as part of the Drought Communities Funding

Tooraweenah Lions Club "RUBY" Annual Changeover Saturday 12 June 6pm for 6.30 Tooraweenah Memorial Hall

This annual event is a great opportunity to join with Lions Club members to reminisce, acknowledge and celebrate 40 years of outstanding service across the Tooraweenah community and beyond.

Please, pick up your phones and call Kathryn Larkin on 0400 471 648 and book for this their Lions Club "RUBY" celebration, share a delicious 3 course dinner and enjoy good company, live music and entertainment.

Tooraweenah CWA



Hi to all.

Several of our members attended the Biggest Morning Tea on Saturday the 8th of May and also the Drought Buster BBQ on Sunday 9th May. These activities were a great time to catch up and reconnect. Thanks to all the members who provided slices for the day. Sue and Denise attended the State Conference in Albury and will share everything that happened during the June meeting. The Drought Vouchers given out by the Branch before Christmas have now closed. The funds that remain will be used around the Tooraweenah area.


Our next meeting will be on Wednesday the 12th of June at the Next Grind.

Following the meeting Narelle Rodway will join us at the Coo-ee Heritage Centre for a guided tour of her Photography Exhibition "Hidden Tiger, Crouching Dragon".

It will be great to see you all there.

The 'Sip & Sew' get-togethers continue every Wednesday in the Tooraweenah CWA Rooms and anyone is welcome to come along.

Cath Waller, Publicity Officer



Yule Tide Lunch

(Christmas in July)
Mountain View Hotel

Wednesday 10th July 12 noon

All ladies are invited for a friendly outreach day.

Roast, Dessert Coffee/Tea \$20

Presentation by Sue Armstrong
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Office of Environment & Heritage

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Farm Innovation Fund customers will have interest charges refunded for the 2017/18 financial year and the 2018/19 financial year.

For more information go to;

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For Mental Health Information and support:

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Water Infrastructure Rebates

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The scheme will close 30/06/2021 or when funding allocation is exhausted, whichever comes first.

Drought Communities Programme Extension.

This funding is now available for farmers, farm workers and farm suppliers, and contractors facing hardship due to drought.

It can be used to spend in local communities or to cover urgent bills such as food, petrol and utilities.

The \$3,000 per household can consist of up to \$2,000 in cash and \$1,000 in vouchers.

The Salvation Army, St Vincent de Paul Society and Rotary Australia World Community Service have been engaged to deliver the assistance.

Eligible households should reach out to these organisations directly to seek financial support (details below).

The Salvation Army

24 hour hotline: 1300 551 030

Website: salvos.org.au/drought

St Vincent de Paul

Hotline: 13 18 12

Website: vinnies.org.au

Councillors Corner



It is Budget time of the year. Your Shire councillors' consider there is a responsibility to do our level best to present and achieve balanced budgets.

Reserves are set aside for future infrastructure projects.

Taking on board community chats, all

councillors advocate in relation to priorities with budget planning and decisions. Rural roads draft 2019/2020 budget is primarily allocated for maintenance and rehabilitation works. New bitumen seals have missed out in the short term.

Tooraweenah Recreation Park is a hive of activity with installation of new playground facilities and oval grandstand, mostly courtesy

of grant funding. On our local tourism front, welcome to our new Caravan Park owners. Investigations and consultations are ongoing in relation to establishing a dump point in Tooraweenah. Take a moment to look at Toora Showground Drought Relief funding infrastructure works, particularly new shelter shed and kitchen, these are real community outcomes. Cr Brian Mockler

Tooraweenah Show

This year's show on Saturday 19 October will be bigger and better. Our committee has lots of new ideas they are putting into action so that you will have more fun than ever before.

There are some new additions to the showgrounds due to the Drought Grant we received through Gilgandra Shire Council and the Government Drought Initiative.

Our local tradespeople have done us



proud. There will be more seating with several grand-



enormous all weather undercover area; in the Pavilion the dining room windows and outer walls are brand new; look for the fans in the dining room and Pavilion and the water



systems are being upgraded. These additions enhance our grounds which continue to be used throughout the year

stands and kitchen tables and benches; a new commercial kitchen with an attached

for not only the Annual Show but also horse events, golf days, parties, weddings and more.

I would like to acknowledge and thank our wonderful committee members. Not only do they do all the hands on stuff, but the Secretary and Treasurer keep the wheels turning. The hard working Stewards organise and refine the show program all year. Special thanks to every-one in our community who helps us at show time and throughout the year. You are the life blood of our Show.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 26 June at 6.30 pm at the Mountain View Hotel. All welcome.

Sue Armstrong President

Lions Roar



Toora Lions 40th "RUBY" annual changeover is on Saturday 15 June 6pm for 6.30pm, Tooraweenah Memorial Hall. Bookings to Kathryn Larkin 0400 471 648 \$45pp BYO. 3 course dinner and live musical entertainment.

Our Club was chartered way back in 1979. We are privileged to have current Charter Lions Members Max Bonnington, John Gale, Sir Jack Parkes and Don Zell.

Amazingly, our membership currently has a similar number to what it was 40 years ago. Pretty good effort for the small village of Tooraweenah.

Ken Gordon will hand over the Presidential reigns to Lester Thurston and his executive team of Kathryn Larkin, Secretary & Jane Gesell, Treasurer.

With winter on our doorstep we have revved up our "wood choppers" and are now taking orders for our Senior citizens and those in need in our community.

A working bee is planned to cut and bag

firewood for sale to visitors to the Warrumbungle National Park.

The Club acknowledges those in our rural community who generously allow us to cut firewood which is our main winter activity. Our versatile catering teams helped out on 2 weekends with the Landcare coordinated Community Drought Dust Buster events at Bearbong and Tooraweenah and then a clearing sale at Toora, the busiest clearing sale Toora Lions has ever experienced.

Slightly embarrassing that the BBQ was sold out, fortunately we were able to source extra drinks on short notice.

A special recognition of Macca McKenzie, whilst he is getting extremely long in the tooth, he is a supreme organiser and tireless in what he does for Toora Lions catering and general Club activities.

In the last 12 months we have welcomed new members and our range of community activities have been many.

We now have 7 honorary Lion cubs courtesy of Will Alison, Jade Zell and Kathryn Larkin.

A reminder, Toora Lions members relish a challenge. We welcome any projects or social activities that any community organisation would like us to support in a constructive way.

Lions Motto, "We Serve". Most importantly we have fun and enjoy the friendship of our community service. *A Lion Mock*

Walkway & Habitat Corridor



Gilgandra Shire Council, Tooraweenah Town Committee CWA members, Lions Club, School and the broader community are working collectively towards the establishment of a Walkway and an Avenue and Habitat corridor of Kurrajong and

Koala Tree species from the GK Rohr, Warrumbungle Viewing Platform to the village boundary. Keep an eye out in the Toora Bungles for progress with this project.

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June 2019

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