

NAIDOC WEEK – Aboriginal Elder, Uncle Ralph Naden



Tooraweenah Public School and Preschool were very privileged to have a special visit from Aboriginal Elder, Uncle Ralph Naden from Balladoran during NAIDOC week. Uncle Ralph kept students and Preschoolers enthralled with his

music, magic and special stories. The children had many opportunities to engage with Ralph either by wearing some beautiful emu feather headpieces, playing the didgeridoo or clap sticks and other musical instruments. There were many smiles from the children and we would sincerely like to thank Uncle Ralph for visiting Tooraweenah and sharing his expertise and knowledge of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait culture during NAIDOC week.

Celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. Tooraweenah Public School celebrated NAIDOC Week during Week 10.

Sonia Bonham and Sarah Worner Tom Quilty Success at Imbil QLD

Success, for Sonia Bonham and Sarah Worner during the Tom Quilty National Endurance Ride in Queensland at Imbil. Sadly, Lara's horse came in lame, at the end of the first leg.



Pictured left is Aboriginal Elder, Uncle Ralph Naden speaking with students, above left Uncle Ralph painted markings on Xander's arm,

right, Uncle Ralph led the boys in a Kangaroo dance.



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NAIDOC WEEK & SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN!

NAIDOC Week is a special time to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements and is an opportunity to recognise the contributions Indigenous Australians make to our country and society.

Please join us for the following events in the Gilgandra Region as we celebrate NAIDOC Week and enjoy the School Holidays!

Monday, 3 July - Flag Raising Ceremony

**Tuesday, 4 July - NAIDOC Bingo and Trivia + School
 Holiday Lego**

Wednesday, 5 July - Indigenous games @ McGrane Oval

**Thursday, 6 July - Elders Luncheon + Engineering @ the
 Library**

Friday, 7 July - Community Event @ Hunter Park

Monday, 10 July - Aerospace Academy

**Tuesday, 11 July - Aerospace Academy + School Holiday
 Lego**

**Wednesday, 12 July - Chunky Knitting + Tote & Logo
 Design**

**Thursday, 13 July - Inflatable World + Engineering @ the
 Library**

Friday, 14 July - Lego Day

For more details on each of these events and activities, head
 to gilgandraregion.com.au/events

LOCAL ROAD INFORMATION

Road maintenance will continue on John Renshaw
 Parkway and will commence on Tooraweenah Mendooran
 Road shortly.

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Council is closing the doors and handing over the keys to
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 will be welcomed by new management > CAFFEINITY Coffee
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As we wrap up Coffee @ CHC we would like to thank all of
 the stockists, staff, and the local community for their
 support and assistance activating this new space.

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 transition into new management, we look forward to the
 re-opening and seeing this space activated as CAFFEINITY
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Around The Traps ☺

Tooraweenah LPO

The rainfall for the month of June to date (29/6/23) was 28.2mm over 7 days.

Tooraweenah Lions Club

Toora Lions will be having a meeting on Wednesday the 5th of July 2023, 7.00 for 7.30pm at the Mountain View Hotel, please book in with the Hotel on 6848 1017

Community BBQs

The Tooraweenah Public School hosted the community BBQs in June and the Tooraweenah P.A & H Association will be catering during July. Come along to have a great night out and support the Show during July.

Proceeds from the July BBQs will be assisting with running costs of the 2023 show on October 21st.

Biggest Morning Tea

Tooraweenah Trading Co hosted the biggest morning tea in front of the shop on Saturday the 27th of May. The financial results were astounding for our village. The total money raised this year was an overwhelming \$2,576.10

Thank you everyone for your continued support of this worthwhile cause.

Mountainside Beauty



Mobile hairdresser will be in Tooraweenah 2nd July and

13th August at Mountainside Beauty and Massage. Call Emma for an appointment 0439 470 549. Hair cuts for men, women and kids. Hair colours. All things hair.

Can You Help Please?

Family History—Dowd. Alicia Lane is seeking information and photos local Tooraweenah district residence may be willing to share on her Nanna — **Beverley Buckley, nee Dowd**. Her mothers name was Jean Dowd, her father Stanley Dowd. Siblings were, Colin, Robyn and Brenda. If you can help please contact Alicia via [Email: thelanes@live.com.au](mailto:thelanes@live.com.au) Thank you.

Arthur Butler Museum — Mark Pitts Reports!



We aim to enjoy each others company, promote Tooraweenah's rich aviation history and also encourage tourism by land and air.

With the success of the Winging Down The Castlereagh ringing in our ears, the Arthur Butler Aviation Museum will be holding our meeting very soon and we are calling on the community to join our committee at any level.

Please give me a call, Mark Pitts on Mobile: 0407 962 628 if you would like more information about joining our team, to help profile our outstanding aviation history and the establishment of the Arthur Butler Museum.

👉 Diary Dates 2023 ☺

*Take Time out!!
Relax and Enjoy Life!*

July

Saturday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Community BBQ'S — 6pm
Tooraweenah Show

Monday 3rd to 14th July
Naidoc Week And
School Holiday Fun
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August

Wednesday 2nd
Grandparents Day
During Education Week
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Tooraweenah Preschool, 'Developing Wings of Independence' Marie Gale (Jacobsen)

We have had so much fun investigating, discovering, experimenting, and exploring together.



Pictured is Isaiah, his chicken friend, playing in the sandpit!

We have been fortunate to be able to enjoy our outdoor environment as much as we have, and we have loved having Miss Shannon's chickens, of all sizes and colours, visit us, including some of 'our' chickens that we hatched in the incubator earlier in the year.

"Jasper" is a sure favourite, and some new little friends had a great time getting cuddles from friends and playing in the sandpit!

Each week we enjoy our Bush Preschool programme with a parent helper, checking out the natural world and our environment to see if there have been any changes in the paddock, at the mountains and down at the creek.

We check the progress of the baby Galahs in the big tree, keeping an eye out for them sitting next to each other and watching us. We see the native bees buzzing around their hive in the tree and check out what the ants are doing at two giant ant nests as we make our way down to the creek. We found several yabby claws along the edge of the creek, some tiny 'fish' (or water bugs?) swimming in the water and watched some large water birds feeding a little further down. Friends have enjoyed 'fishing' with some long reeds and making boats with leaves and sticks, and seeing how far they float down the creek.

We also enjoy reading with Tooraweenah School students each



week.

Our school friends read to a different preschool friend each week, with fun stories and adventures shared. Our school friends, including our Kindergarten friends are certainly very clever at reading and everyone enjoys a good story! We are so lucky to be able to do this and share this wonderful experience with our big school friends. We enjoy reading on alternate days to our Bush Preschool so all our preschool friends can enjoy both.

There was huge excitement the other week with the arrival of a new fish



tank for our preschool fish, Broccoli and Bella. Lots of friends helped Miss Shannon set up the new fish tank,



and then emptied the old one and transferred the fish to their new, bigger and fancier fish tank. As Eloise said, 'It even has a waterfall!'. Everyone agrees that the fish seem a lot happier now they have more room in their new home and they get checked even more often because we can see them much easier and they like swimming to our fingers as we point to them.



Several friends started building towers with wooden blocks. This engineering feat soon caught on, with the investigations

continuing over the following days. Once the tower is a bit taller, friends used their thinking caps and decided to use stools and even chairs to help them reach the top as they continued to build it higher and higher. Miss Marie then got the step ladder and helped friends as they stretched out to



build the tower even higher! We were all so very proud of this amazing building effort from everyone: we left the tower there all day, even showing the school staff our tall tower with great pride when they popped into the staff room. It certainly was a massive team effort and gave everyone a huge sense of success and achievement. Great job friends!

Everyone was so excited to have created this massive tower together, and it was certainly built very strong as it stood proud and tall all day long!

We have had fun experimenting with different items on the light table and using paints and crayons creatively to make and create some amazing artworks and masterpieces. A great deal of thought and detail have gone into these works of art. We also used our paint brushes and water to paint some unique rocks that Miss Shannon



brought in and discovered some (opal) colours in them, which was an amazing find. This certainly had the children rather intrigued and more investigation took place.

We wish everyone a happy, safe and relaxing school holiday break and look forward to seeing everyone again from Wednesday 19th July 2023.

Hints From The Dog House with Brendan Butler



A good worker in any business is obviously invaluable and it makes sense that we would make sure that they are properly trained to undertake the work that is required in that business. While a work dog can't be compared to a human employee, it is often said that a clever and well trained dog can be worth multiple workers when it comes to doing stock work on a farm.

A Dogs ability to quickly get around a mob of sheep, cattle or even wild goats is probably better than a person on a quad bike because of their ability to get into tight spots that we just aren't able to get to, and their speed and agility in

the yards just can't be matched by a human.

So, if we are inclined to want to use our four legged mates as workers then it makes sense to go to the trouble of training them properly so that the work can be done efficiently and without drama.

Most stockmen who use dogs have some method of getting their work dogs trained to a certain standard, but there are also a lot of dogs that

have good ability but are poorly trained.

One of the best ways to learn how to properly train a work dog is to attend a dog training school, such as the day held in Tooraweenah back in March, conducted by GARY WHITE, pictured top left.

Tooraweenah was fortunate to have been able to secure the services of Gary for that popular, sold out training day, and the good news for us is that Gary will be running another school, this time for started dogs, over 2 days in mid September.

More information in next months bungles.

Happy Mustering.

Brendan Butler. Oakfield Kelpies

CWA Chatter with Cath Waller



Hi to all, the woollies have had to come out this past week.

A very successful CWA Conference was held in

Bathurst with lots of things happening.

Our Branch won the State Ag & Environment Report Award. Pictured are members who attended the June meeting with the Certificate, recycled article and Plaque, which we can retain for the next 12 months.

Members who went to Malaysia reported it was a very buisy time with lots of walking, meeting wonderful generous people and enjoying the Malaysian food. Our monthly markets continue on the 3rd Saturday each month 9am

to 1pm. Please ring Denise for a stall. Wednesdays are always our Sip 'N' Sew days 10am to 2pm, do come along for a cuppa and a chat.

Tooraweenah Branch will host the Macquarie Group Council meeting on July 31st. Upwards of 30 members from across the region will attend. The final Menu will be arranged during our July meeting.

Next meeting is Wednesday July 12th 9.30 am for 10am start.

Bye for now Cath Waller. Publicity.



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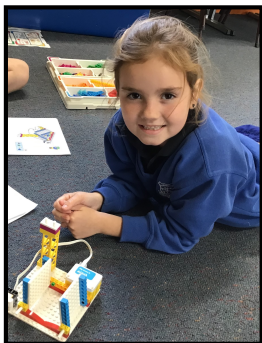
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Billy and Uncle Ralph play the didgeridoo.

Tooraweenah Public School with Principal Karen Smith

Tablet Robotic Kits STEM T4L



Students across the school have been enjoying engaging in STEM learning through the tablet robotics kits from the Department of Education's STEM T4L library.

Pictured is Maddison Jenkin,

completing challenges with Lego Spike Essentials.

Students in Kindergarten were building a motorised Lego model of a cave car using Lego Spike Essential kits. Students in 1/2/4 completed this task previously and were then challenged to modify their cave car to enable the lights to pan back and forth automatically. This was a great challenge for our older students and Petria commented that students were very creative with their solutions. Great to see problem-solving in action! Students have learned many skills in coding, following step-by-step instructions and visual literacy skills using these Lego Kits. We look forward to borrowing the kit again in the future. The next kit we borrow will arrive early in Term 3 and is a NEW kit called Aeroponics.

Mark Pitts Rugby 7's

We had five action packed sessions at sport with Mark Pitts in June. We began with lots of agility based warm-ups, and focused our skills on weaving, fast feet and ball carrying. We then played games of 'Tricky Tries', where we try to score a try before someone tags us. Ball tag was next, where we had to touch people with the ball to get them out. After ball tag, we played one of our favourite games of Octopus/Seaweed. Mark also touched on the idea of sportsmanship, and how this looks while playing fun games and competition games.

How Eggciting!!



Pictured, Hamish, Eloise & Maddison sharing their exciting news!

Our keenly awaited first eggs have arrived! Our chickens have settled in nicely and are now starting to lay. At present, the free-range eggs will be used in the kitchen

garden program, for canteen and shared with families. In addition to the feed mix, our school fruit and food scraps are being collected for our chickens.

Ag@Toora



With cooking lessons in our Ag @ Toora kicking up a notch, students have enjoyed making rice paper rolls in class with Mrs Jenkin. Students peeled, chopped, and grated fresh ingredients and really enjoyed creating a tasty snack with healthy foods.

New Shade Covers - Ag@Toora



The new shade covers on our wicking garden beds have been installed with thanks to our students who lent a helping hand to Carl Holmesby from the Warrumbungle Environmental Education Centre (WNPEEC) and our own GA, Dan Harte. These covers are taller and sturdier than the previous covers and will help to shelter the plants from extreme frost and sun. There were certainly some keen students using the drill!

Pictured above is Carl, assisting Kindergarten student Toby, to attach the shade covers.

Transition to School

Preschool students who are starting Kindergarten at Tooraweenah Public School in 2024 can start our Transition to School Program on Mondays in Term 3. The program operates for 9 Mondays in Term 3 and 5 Mondays in Term 4. Students come to school for a full day each Monday and join the Kindergarten classroom and participate in activities and learn routines. Enrolment and information packs are available from the school office. Please email tooraweenah-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

if you would like an enrolment pack sent to you. Please spread the word to anyone you think may be interested in starting school in Kindergarten for 2024.

P&C May and June Catering

The P&C have completed an epic 6 weekends in a row of catering including 'Winging it Down the Castlereagh', Camp Draft and June Pub BBQs at the Mountain View Hotel. I would like to acknowledge the amazing support for the P&C and school in completing these fundraisers. It has been a huge commitment and inspiring to see our school community come together and fundraise for the benefit of our students. We are very thankful to the P&C, staff, parents, grandparents and wider community, who were all involved.

Save The Date- Grandparent's Day Tooraweenah

Public School and Tooraweenah Preschool will be holding a joint Grandparent's and Friend's Day on **Wednesday 2nd August 2023** during Education Week. All families, friends and community members are most welcome to come along. There will be a concert, morning tea, open classrooms and book fair.

Please put the date in your diary!

Pictured left is Xander French Hughes and below are Rose, Amelia, Bonnie and Eliana, all enjoying the interaction with the chickens.



Tooraweenah Region, Relaxed, & Enjoying Community Life!



1. The girls join in for an Emu Dance with Uncle Ralph.
2. Chickens are the star attraction. Chicken Caravan all aboard, Settled in for the night, Bonnie Alison enjoy the interaction
3. Top right: Friends building with Popoids Construction
4. Bottom left, Hamish & Sam coding with Lego Spike Essentials
5. Ryder, Sophie & Charlie sorting the Animal Counters.
6. Fence Sitters during the Dog Training.



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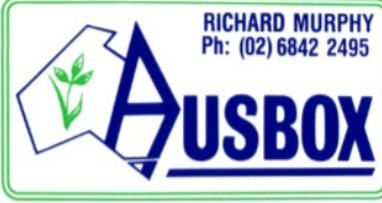


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