



A school that provides a professional, stimulating and challenging learning environment

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Mr John Southon

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APC&I

Mrs Leanne Budd



Reminders:

This Week

Mon-Fri 1-5/12/25

Intensive Swimming

Work Experience Yr 10

Tuesday 2/12/25

Open Classroom K/1/2

Wednesday 3/12/25

Yr 7 Transition

Yr 11 Peak Hill

Wed-Fri 3-5/12/25

PSSA Cricket Trials

Thursday 4/11/25

Sec Games Afternoon

Next Week

Mon & Wed 8 & 10/12/25

CS Girls Cricket

Yr 10 Transition

Tuesday 9/12/25

Presentation Night

Wednesday 10/12/25

Gobondery Cup

5/6 Excursion - Orange

Thursday 11/12/25

Icecream Day

Friday 12/12/25

Whole School Assembly

P&C

President

Mr B Kerin

Vice President

Mrs H Orr

Secretary

Mrs R Walter

Treasurer

Ms J van Akker

PR Officer

Mrs J Randall



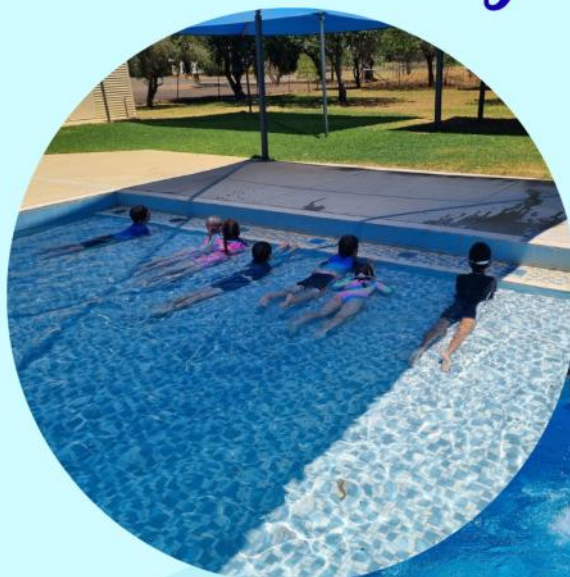
Education & Communities

Trundle Central School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 8

1 December 2025

Intensive Swimming Program



Students are developing lifelong water skills with our Intensive Swimming program run by three very experienced staff members.



Principal's Message

This week is intensive swimming and Year 10 work experience all week, PSSA Cricket Trials Wednesday and history games night Thursday.

Work experience is vital for two main reasons:

- Students gain an insight into the expectations and challenges of the workplace. Unfortunately, many in this generation are wrapped in cotton wool and melt like the Wicked Witch of the West when that terrible word no is said to them. Exposure to the workplace allows a healthy dose of the medicine perspective.
- Good hard-working students often gain valuable contacts that can lead to the offer of employment. This is especially vital for our students because opportunities locally can be limited.

Unfortunately, like most things, isolation from major population centres (Parkes is not a major population centre) makes it more difficult for our students. They often need accommodation and transport. City kids need a bus pass! I write to our political leaders pleading for equity for country students, but the battle continues as the sandstone divide is as strong as ever. Maybe now that Barnaby jumped off the leaky boat SS Nationals, change may occur.

It is not too late to consider our school. Transition is important but non attendance does not stop an enrolment. The enrolment process starts with a conversation; it is not dependent on where you live if coming to our school is a viable option.

Once again, we have all teaching, support, and administration positions filled for 2026. We will, again where possible have secondary teachers teaching specialist topics in Primary. Why wouldn't we when we have these skills within our school? We will also be running a flexible curriculum allowing students to be accelerated in the core

areas of literacy and numeracy when appropriate. School to Work and Interest Electives continue in High School. The advantage with a school such as ours is we are big enough for healthy academic competition and social interaction but small enough that every student is genuinely known and cared for.

A strong public education system is vital for social cohesion across our country. I have seen numerous students become the first one in the family to break the welfare cycle through public education. Also, numerous examples where students have their lives under more control and are more aspirational than their parents because of the school. Educational opportunity should not be determined by geography or parent's income in a wealthy country such as Australia. However, I wonder if it is a level playing field in terms of the media creating a perception of public education. Public schools openly report all incidents, but private and some catholic schools foster a culture that allows incidents to go un-reported. I know of incidents in expensive private schools where students have been expelled for possession of illegal drugs, but nothing makes the media. I have had family members bullied continually and paid thousands for the privilege in so called elite schools. Again, nothing in the media. However, the popular media almost prowls the records and communication of public schools because we are easy targets and will not or cannot defend ourselves. When thinking about the credibility of the various systems, ask yourself what you know and how have they dealt with issues in the past.

The news that the Trundle Children's Centre has been successful in obtaining over three million dollars for a new centre is amazing for education in Trundle and potentially life changing for children. Educational research clearly identifies the years 0-5 as vital for the acquisition of foundation literacy and numeracy skills and speech and language development. The staff are currently achieving great things, but they must be hampered by the fact that the centre is not purpose built. The upgrade of the centre solves another piece in the educational puzzle for Trundle for young families considering moving here. An outstanding early learning centre with potentially extra capacity, an

Principal's Message

even better central school and a catholic alternative. The sealed road to Parkes and Forbes just got shorter.

No response from council unfortunately on my enquiry on why the Elvis festival receives continuing support but ABBA could not be supported. Considering the benefits ABBA brought to our town and the students at this school, the relatively small outlay considering the extent of funding for Elvis, I thought it was a reasonable question.

John Southon
Principal

PARKES ROTARY CLUB CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The Parkes Rotary Club has agreed to let Trundle Central School keep all the money from local ticket sales from their Christmas raffles.

1st Prize \$1,000 voucher

Cunninghams IGA

2nd Prize \$200 voucher

Cunninghams IGA

3rd Prize \$100 voucher Parkes

Services & Citizens Club

4th Prize \$50.00 voucher

Cunninghams IGA

Tickets are available from the office, \$2 each.

Drawn 19th December .

**An outstanding
gesture from Rotary!**

PLEASE RETURN ALL GUITARS

**BY FRIDAY
12 DECEMBER**

Thank you



COMMUNITY INVITE
TO
TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

*P*RESENTATION
NIGHT

TRUNDLE MEMORIAL HALL

TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER

6.30PM



Antique Style Hall Stand

HANDMADE

by **Warwick Rippon**

This beautiful piece is an antique style hall stand made from recycled oregon. The leadlight was salvaged from an old building and donated by Glen Woods from Woodstock.



KINDLY DONATED TO THE SRC TO RAFFLE OFF IN TERM 4.



TICKETS SOLD AT
THE FOODSTORE, HARDWARE
AND PRESENTATION NIGHT.

**DRAWN PRESENTATION NIGHT
TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER 2025**



Pictured-Mr Warwick Rippon and daughter Emma Rippon

TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

invites
parents, carers & community members
to

K-12 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER

10:30AM

under the COLA





TCS Food Technology students are hosting an ice cream day at lunch time on the
Thursday 11th December - \$3.50 each

For Trundle Central Students only.

Please return your order form with correct **payment by 5th December** to the front office.

Cash payment only please



TrundleRocks – 11th December 2025 —\$3.50 each

Name: _____

Year: _____

Please circle **ONE** flavour below:☐

M&Ms Party

☐

Gummy Bear Hug

☐

Milo Crunch

☐

Original with chocolate, strawberry, caramel or no topping

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TRUNDLE MART

SCHOOL MENU AVAILABLE
MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY

HOT FOOD

Plain Beef Pie	5.50
Cheese and Bacon Pie	5.50
Plain Sausage Roll	5.00
Cheese and Bacon Sausage Roll	5.00
Tomato or BBQ sauce	50

SANDWICHES

Cheese	3.00
Ham, Cheese and Tomato	6.50
10c extra toasted	6.50
Corned Beef and Pickles	7.00
Corned Beef/Ham/Chicken & Salad	6.00
Salad	

WRAPS

Chicken and Salad	7.50
Ham and Salad	7.50
Salad	6.00

DRINKS

Popper	2.50
Sunshine Punch / Apple	
Mumblepeg Juice	3.50
Orange / Orange & Passionfruit	
Moo Milk	
Strawberry / Chocolate	2.50

PLEASE HAND LUNCH ORDER BAG TO FRONT OFFICE
BEFORE 9AM.

CORRECT MONEY WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

PRICES ARE FOR SCHOOL ONLY

Trundle Central School Hospitality students
present...

Trundle Eats

Every Friday in 2025

Orders to the front office by 9am

(Name, Year & Sauce type on lunch order bag)

This week:

Friday 5th Decmeber

Meat Pie \$5

(Tomato or BBQ sauce)

Add a drink for \$2

(juice, strawberry, chocolate milk)

All money raised will contribute to secondary
welfare excursions

Nuggets Weekly News

200 golden nuggets to the SRC for selling Zooper Doopers at recess. This is great on a hot day and they are sugar free.

200 golden nuggets to all our active students. Most students are active during breaks despite the weather warming up.

300 golden nuggets to Miss Morgan. An excellent Kindergarten transition reflecting what students can expect day to day at this outstanding school.

300 golden nuggets to my six new friends starting school next year. You are coming to a great school.

300 golden nuggets to people raising money through raffles. All for a good cause and great prizes.

350 golden nuggets to our students. Check in assessments show students are continuing to gain over one year's progress for one year's schooling.

300 steaming nuggets to students who do not drop even one bite of your Zooper Doopers. Remember the dog. I am wasting away to nothing.

300 steaming nuggets to the weather. Time for rain. The lawn is looking very sick.

300 steaming nuggets to the council. No reply to the school's plea to fund ABBA. Even an AI generated letter is something.

SRC



Primary

Students of the Week

K/1/2 - Samuel Mahoney

3/4 - Lenaya Hesseling

5/6 - Mackenzie Bolam

Mr Burley - Zara Read

Sportspersons - Gracie Emery & Harrison Sutherland



Kindergarten Transition

Our Kindergarten transition students had an incredible final full day last week! The morning was filled with engaging literacy activities, followed by fun numeracy games. In the afternoon, the Year 5 buddies joined in for a festive Christmas art session. With a few brain breaks to keep everyone energised, it was a wonderful day of learning and connection.

To celebrate their participation, every student received an award for completing the transition program, along with a portfolio showcasing all their fantastic work to take home. We are all so excited to welcome this new group of students to our school community next year!



Primary

Parents of 3/4 Students

Attention parents of 3/4 students. We will be making stalactites and stalagmites in class this week. Could parents please send in two empty glass jam jars per student? We would also greatly appreciate any extras.

Intensive Swimming

Intensive swimming lessons are in their final week this week. Our students have greatly benefited from the program so far, developing lifelong skills that are both valuable and potentially lifesaving. We are fortunate to have three experienced staff members leading this important program.

If your child is enrolled, please ensure they bring their swimming gear every day, regardless of the morning weather.

Swimming for Sport

Friday swimming for sport will take place every week until the end of the term. Students are required to bring their swimming gear each Friday,

regardless of the weather. If we need to cancel due to weather conditions, this will be decided during the day and announced on Facebook.

Presentation Night

Presentation Night will be held on Tuesday, 9th December at 6:30pm. We kindly ask all students to wear their full summer uniform, including black leather shoes for this special occasion. To ensure uniforms are clean and fresh for the big night, students are invited to wear mufti clothes to school on this day. We look forward to celebrating our students' achievements together!

5/6 History Excursion

Our 5/6 students will embark on an exciting history excursion on Wednesday, 10th December. Departing the school at 8:00 am and returning by 4:30 pm, the day will include visits to Forbes Cemetery and the Eugowra Rocks site. These visits will enrich their learning about bushrangers and our local heritage. To celebrate the end of Year 6, students will finish the day with ten-pin bowling in Orange, followed by a pizza lunch.

Please ensure permission notes are returned to the front office by Monday, 8th December.

Upcoming Events in Term 4

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Week 8 Mon 1 st Dec to Fri 5 th Dec	Intensive swimming	Selected students
Tuesday 2 nd Dec 2.30pm	K-2 Open Classroom	Parents, carers and family members invited
Thursday 4 th December 4pm to 6pm	Secondary games afternoon 'Surviving the Sphinx' Dinner included \$10	Year 6 students
Tuesday 9 th December 6.30pm	Presentation night Mufti Day	All students and families
Wednesday 10 th December	Year 5-6 History Excursion	5/6 students
Thursday 11 th December	Ice Cream Day	All students (orders & payment to front office by 5 th December)
Friday 12 th December 10.30am	Whole School Assembly	Parents, carers and family members invited
Wednesday 17 th December	Year 6 Farewell Assembly	All students + parents, carers and family members invited
Wednesday 17 th December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner	Year 6 students
Friday 19 th December	Primary Christmas Party at Pool	Students K-6



OPEN CLASSROOM!



Parents, carers, and family members of students in K/1/2 are warmly invited to come and see all of the wonderful work your child has accomplished this year!



Tuesday, 2nd December
2:30PM



Please sign in at the office as you arrive.

We are excited to see you all!



Secondary

Even as we approach the end of the term, semester and year there is still plenty of learning and social opportunities being presented at our school. Week 8.....almost there!

This week we have Year 10 in the real world at work experience. They are trying different areas of employment that they have chosen for themselves, hopefully enabling them to make more informed decisions on their exit pathways from school. We look forward to their return and hearing of their experiences. Thanks to Mrs Morgan for her consistent work in this area with students.

On Wednesday the vast majority of our Year 11 students will be attending Peak Hill for a subjects' day. These days give our students the opportunity to work with their teachers and cohort. Thanks Mrs Johnson for taking the students over.

Thursday we are having a History Club fun night and catered dinner. Not only are our secondary students invited to this, but we are also extending the invitation to all of our perspective Yr 7 students for 2026. Thanks Miss Ranger and Mrs Johnson for the organisation of this event.

Next Monday and Wednesday our Secondary Girls cricket team will be competing in Dubbo. Thanks to Mrs Morgan for the organisation of this, and thanks to Mr Ridges for transporting, supervising and umpiring on these days.

As always please contact me for any questions in regard to secondary matters.

Have a great week

Gerry Capell
Head Teacher
Secondary Studies

Secondary Sportspeople of the Week



Cooper Dunn



Hailey Bolam

Year 10 Work Experience

This week some of our Year 10 students are participating in Work Experience. This is such a variable opportunity because it helps students explore different careers and develop important skills like communication, teamwork and problem-solving. It also builds confidence, independence, and a clearer understanding of what real workplaces expect.

Central Schools Girls Cricket

This year we have a girl's cricket team who will be playing in the state finals in Dubbo on Monday and Wednesday of week 9. We wish them the very best of luck and look forward to hearing about their performance on the field.

Year 7 transition students with their completed aprons.



HISTORY CLUB GAME NIGHT

The History club is hosting an end of year games night. All TCS secondary students and students in Year 6 are invited.

SURVIVING THE SPHINX



WHEN: 4TH DECEMBER

TIME: 4:00-6:00PM

WHERE: TCS LIBRARY

COST: \$10 DINNER INCLUDED



LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025

Library Happenings....



The school library has been a hive of festive cheer and creativity this season! Students have been diving into Christmas craft activities, making beautiful decorations that brighten up our space. Our imaginative play areas are bursting with energy, inviting kids to explore and create together. Across the library, you'll find students of all ages playing games, including exciting rounds of chess that challenge minds and spark new friendships. The library has truly become a vibrant, welcoming place at lunchtimes—a creative and inspiring spot where everyone can connect, relax, and let their imaginations soar. Come and join the fun!

Reminders

Please return all library books over the coming weeks.

Community

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TRUNDLE JUNIOR CRICKET HIGHLIGHTS

TRUNDLE VS WARATAHS

TRUNDLE WIN WITH 8 WICKETS AND 4 BALLS TO SPARE!



GAME BALL GOES TO MATT WALTER

**TRUNDLE 2-87
WARATAHS 8-86**



1ST INNINGS BOWLING

**MATT WALTER
3-3**

**TY PRICE
2-9**

**MANNY ROBSON
1-4**



2ND INNINGS BATTING

**MYALL ORR
17 NOT OUT**

**TOM WALTER
10 NOT OUT**

**ALFRED ORR
6 NOT OUT**



Memorable moments.....

Matty's awesome caught and bowled!

Another great catch this week in the outfield by Charlie!

Charlie and Alfred both hit their first boundaries!



THANKS TO DOUG, SIMON AND TOM FOR UMPIRING, HOLLY, JO AND MATT FOR SCORING & MEG FOR THE WONDERFUL PHOTOS

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YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN
PLAYGROUP
TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL
LIBRARY



DATES:
4th DECEMBER
18th DECEMBER

WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING YOU
AND YOUR LITTLE ONES



68921303

Trundle Medical Practice



Phone: 6892 1930

Last day open

Thursday 18th December 2025

RE-OPEN

Tuesday 6th January 2026.

In case of an emergency contact Trundle MPS
on 68 921900 or

Phone 000 for an ambulance.

Merry Christmas

Trundle Medical Centre
Form: TRUGP-026

Date Created: 14.11.2023
Date Reviewed: 14.11.2026

TRUNDLE COMMUNITY DAY CENTRE

invites

All Day Centre Attendees and Volunteers
to

Christmas activities 10.30-12 noon
followed by complimentary Lunch
12 noon

at the Trundle Services and Citizens' Club
on

FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER 2025

Please wear something to celebrate the Christmas
season!

*Trundle Community Day Centre will
resume
in February 2026*

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Christmas RAFFLES

**TRUNDLE SERVICES & CITIZENS
CLUB**

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
THE CLUB NOW
\$2 EA OR 3 FOR \$5

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**Trundle Parish Anglican Church
Christmas Service Times 2025**

- * Sunday 21st December 2025 - All Saints, Albert - Christmas Service at **11am**
- * Thursday 24th December 2025 - St Augustine's Trundle - Christmas Eve Service at **9.30am**.
- * Thursday 24th December 2025 - St John's Tullamore - Christmas Eve Service at **7pm**.

Trundle Golfers Twilight from the Deck

Sundays

9 holes

**4pm -sign in on the deck
-enjoy a relaxed
afternoon on the course
-finish with good
company and a sunset on
the deck!**

Adults \$15 Juniors \$5

Men Ladies Juniors

All welcome

**Please check fb for
more details each
week**

**FRIDAY NIGHT
XMAS MEAT TRAYS
COMMENCING 28TH NOVEMBER
AT YOUR CLUB
TRUNDLE SERVICES &
CITIZENS CLUB
TICKETS ON SALE 6.30PM DRAWS 7.30PM**



Trundle Parish Anglican Church Service Times - December 2025.

- * Sunday 7th December 2025 - St Luke's, Bogan Gate - Extended Holy Communion at **10.30am**.
- * Sunday 14th December 2025 - St John's, Tullamore - Extended Holy Communion at **9.30am**.
- * Sunday 14th December 2025 - St Augustine's, Trundle - 6 Lessons and Carols (All denominations welcome) at **5pm**.
- * Sunday 21st December 2025 - All Saints, Albert - Christmas Service at **11am**.

ALL WELCOME!

FOR SALE | Prime Land in Prime Position | Realistically Priced at \$65,000**5 Forbes Street TRUNDLE NSW**

1012m2, fenced on the two long sides, water is connected.

Located on the main street of Trundle, opposite Trundle Central School and a short walk to the shops and hotel in one direction, or the golf course/nature reserve in the other.

Enquiries to Sandra at Trundle Real Estate – 0427 347 194.

**Trundle Central School Breakfast Club:**

- Every school day from 8:30am in the Food Technology Room
- All students are welcome to come and eat breakfast for **FREE!**
- Toast, Cereal and Fruit daily

Proudly supported by:



*The William Rubensohn
Foundation*



Wu's Chinese Restaurant Bi-Weekly Meat Raffles 18 Hole Golf Course Function Centre

Pool Comp Tuesdays Bi-Weekly Badge Draws Happy Hour Mon - Wed

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