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Weekly Newsletter

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Trunkey Public School



Trunkey PS Parents and Citizens' Association

As you are aware, the P&C's first fundraiser for the 2025 year is a Tesselaar Bulb Fundraiser. The bulb catalogue was attached to both last fortnight's newsletter and to the Trunkey Tribune, which is sent out to 100 local community properties. The P&C appreciates all staff and families sharing the catalogues around family and friends. Orders can be placed and paid for online. The fundraiser runs till Friday 11th April and funds received will assist the P&C to continue to subsidise our big-ticket excursions for all students.



I am most grateful that the Trunkey PS P&C Association supports our school events throughout the year. On Thursday 10th April, two of our school captains will be leading the school's ANZAC DAY Commemorative Ceremony, commencing at 11am. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our P&C Association will be cooking a sausage sizzle for the students and visitors to the school to enjoy for a gold coin donation. Please join us for this important occasion.

A date has now been set for the Federal Election – Saturday 3rd May. The Trunkey PS P&C Association will be selling Bacon and Egg Rolls, coffee and tea and a large variety of baked goods on the day. Please let the P&C executive know if you are available to cook and/or assist on the day.

THE STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM

How incredibly lucky our students are to have Mrs Susanne Haussener working at our school in the role of Kitchen Specialist. Every second Friday the students harvest the fresh produce from the school garden and cook delicious dishes planned by Mrs Haussener. Miss Bermingham and Mrs Brown lead the student groups through the recipes and together we all enjoy eating the meals created by the students in the Dining Room. So far, this year, our Infants students have made Tomato and Zucchini Bake, Zucchini Toast and Banana and Blackberry Smoothies. The primary students have cooked Apple Strudel, Blueberry Muffins and Stir -fried Tomato Zoodles.





KIDS' COUNCIL MEETING

Erica and Willow ran The Kids' Council meeting for March and gave the Kids' Council Report at the P&C meeting the following day. The students had many wonderful suggestions to discuss and vote upon with the two most popular suggestions to look into the possibility of a class pet, namely a couple of goldfish in a tank and to convert the secondary sandpit into a play dinosaur habitat. Our student leaders are currently in the process of writing a letter to Pet Barn in Bathurst to request a possible donation to our school. We will keep you updated.

YOUNG LEADERS' EXCURSIONS

Our student captains and prefects were treated to two wonderful days of leadership training last Tuesday and Wednesday, when they attended the Young Leaders' Conference at the International Conference Centre in Darling Harbour and the GRIP Leadership Day at BMEC in Bathurst. Each day complemented the other as Day 1 exposed the students to some incredibly successful Australian celebrities who shared their steps to successful leadership with the audience. The theme of the conference was certainly about the importance of resilience and passion. Day 2 in Bathurst concentrated more on the skills our student leaders need now in order to make a positive difference for others. Values such as caring for others, generosity of spirit and standing up for those who do not have a voice were the powerful takeaways.

As always, our students were well-mannered, deeply involved and interested participants in both days' training.







Charles Sturt University

PRACTICUM STUDENT

We have a teaching practicum student from Charles Sturt University, joining our school staff on the next six consecutive Wednesdays. This is Evie's first practicum, and as such, she will be observing in the classroom and assisting with small groupwork fully supervised by the classroom teacher. We welcome Miss Simpson to our school and am sure she will thoroughly enjoy her time with our delightful students.





FOODBANK

FOODBANK is a not-for-profit organisation that provides breakfast food options for students in both primary and secondary schools across New South Wales. The FOODBANK Breakfast Program does not replace a healthy breakfast consumed at home, but provides additional breakfast items for consumption at school. This service is provided free of charge and is available every school day from 8:30am till 9:00am and throughout the day if required.

The food options available through FOODBANK will vary throughout the school term, dependant upon stock availability. FOODBANK's commitment is to always have a range of cereal, toast and condiments available and fruit, moo boxes and the occasional packet of crumpets, muffins and pancakes will also be available at various times throughout the term as a special treat.



ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL CEREMONY

Due to the Trunkey Creek Community's ANZAC Day March and Commemorative Service being cancelled this year, due to conflicting dates with Easter, our school will be holding an ANZAC Day Memorial Ceremony, run by our student leaders, on Thursday 10th April at 11am.

We warmly invite all school families and community members to the school for this solemn occasion. Formalities will commence at 11am sharp under the COLA area. The Trunkey PS P&C Association has generously offered to cook a sausage sizzle on the day, commencing at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Please join the staff and students in the Library afterwards to view the ANZAC DAY display and memorabilia, including a Memorial Box borrowed from the Australian War Memorial featuring artefacts from Australian Peacekeeping missions over recent years.



Easter Hat Parade

Our School Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday 10th April, at 2pm under the COLA. All Trunkey Public School students, their parents, grandparents and siblings are welcome to join in the fun, as are any Playgroup families and community members.

Please design and make an Easter hat or bonnet with your child / children at home. This ensures all hats will be unique. This is not a competition and as such, no prizes will be awarded. Delivery of all Easter hats to the Multi-Purpose Room prior to 9am on Thursday will be most appreciated.



Easter Egg Hunt



The Easter Egg Hunt will follow at 2:30pm throughout the school grounds next Thursday. All donations of chocolate eggs for the hunt will be most appreciated by the P&C Association. Please send your donations to the School Office by Thursday morning so they can be counted in time for the hunt.

Please also ensure all children have a basket or bag to use during the hunt.

Welcome Mr Cox

Mr Cox enjoyed spending this Monday with our teaching and support staff and students, learning the classroom routines and school procedures in preparation for his Term 2 Relieving Principal position. He also had the opportunity to meet some parents at the school gate on Monday afternoon. Thank you to everyone for the warm welcome you gave to him.

Many thanks are extended to Miss Bermingham for taking Mr Cox's class at Wattle Flat Public School to enable him to visit. Mr Cox will also visit again on Friday 11th April for a hand-over with myself at school to view the School Excellence Plan, student data, learning programs, calendar bookings, school finances etc.

I know you will all assist Mr Cox to settle into his relieving role easily. He is excited to be in this role for Term 2.

As our school is involved in Curriculum Policy Monitoring and an Audit in June, I will come out to school every now and again to assist and to catch up with everyone.



YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
TRUNKEY PUBLIC SCHOOL'S ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE
CEREMONY

THURSDAY 10TH APRIL
11AM



Please stay for a Sausage Sizzle after the ceremony, followed by the Easter
Hat Parade and the Easter Egg Hunt.
Please RSVP to the School Office on 63688648 to assist with catering.

Election Cake Stall

The Trunkey Public School P&C Association will be holding their regular stall on Election Day at the school. There will be many delicious baked goods, bacon and egg rolls and tea and coffee available for purchase. Cash or card is accepted.



See you there!



Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students:

Bella Gee – For always being kind and caring towards others

Charlie Quinley – Enjoying Creative Arts

Marlie Honeysett– Improved concentration in class

Katie Turner – Working well in Literacy



Calendar of Events

Term 1, Week 9 – Meet Mr Cox

Monday 31st March

Visit from Mr David Cox, Relieving Principal for Term 2

Staff training for Second Step (Student Wellbeing) Program for all interested staff, 3:15pm – 5:15pm

Tuesday 1st April

Miss Bermingham on the Infants Class

Wednesday 2nd April

Miss Bermingham on class

Bathurst Library Van Visit

Thursday 3rd April

Playgroup, 9-11:30am with Miss Chapman

Friday 4th April

Library (Miss Bermingham on class)

Mrs Cogdell at the NSW Teachers' Federation

Principals' Conference, Surry Hills.

Term 2, Week 10 –

Monday 7th April

Mrs Cogdell on class. Homework distributed

Tuesday 8th April

Miss Bermingham on the Infants Class, Mrs Cogdell on the Primary class

Wednesday 9th April

Miss Bermingham on class

Thursday 10th April

11am ANZAC Day Commemorative Ceremony followed by a visit to the School Library to view

ANZAC Day memorabilia and a sausage sizzle lunch

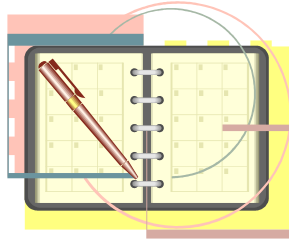
2pm EASTER HAT PARADE

2:30pm EASTER EGG HUNT

Friday 11th April

HCSS Cross Country, Lyndhurst Public School





Dates for Your Diary:

TPS ANZAC DAY Memorial Ceremony – Thursday 10th April, 11am

EASTER HAT PARADE & EASTER EGG HUNT – Thursday 10th April, 2pm

HCSS Cross Country – Lyndhurst, Friday 11th April

TERM 2 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS – Monday 28th April (High Potential and Gifted Education) & Tuesday 29th April (school priorities)

HCSS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – Friday 2nd May

DAY FOR DOLLY – Friday 9th May

DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – Friday 16th May

TRUNKEY P&C MEETING – Tuesday 20th May

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY – Friday 23rd May

COMPASS COMBINED SCHOOLS' CHOIR – Wednesday 28th May

CURRICULUM POLICY MONITORING – Tuesday 17th June

SCHOOL AUDIT – Thursday 26th June



Acknowledging Wiradjuri Country

We acknowledge the Wiradjuri peoples as the traditional custodians of this land, upon which we come together to learn and to grow side by side. We value the diversity of our school community and pay our respects to First Nations Elders, both past and present. We support genuine reconciliation through effective communication and education; that which is based on mutual respect, trust and honesty about the past and within a true spirit of collaboration towards our shared future together.