



# Tumut Public School NEWSLETTER



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## Principal's Message.....

*Knowledge is power.*

*Information is liberating.*

*Education is the premise of  
progress, in every society, in every  
family.*



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### Expenses 2018

Contributions	Family—\$70 Single—\$45
Learning Levy	\$20
Scripture All Years (Exc Catholic Years 3/4)	\$10
Home Reading Yrs K-2	\$15
Handwriting Textbook Kinder	\$11
Maths Textbook Kinder	\$18.50
Maths Textbook Yr 3 & 4	\$13
Maths Levy Yrs 1,2,5,6	\$10
Middle School Levy Yr 6	TBA
Recorder & Book Yr 2 & New students in Year 3/4	\$20
Sydney Yr 4 Excursion Deposit (DUE 9/3)	\$50

**NB: Textbooks and Recorders are not available to  
students until payment is received.**

### Calendar

#### Week 4

Thursday 22 February	Highlands Swimming - Gundagai
Friday 23 February	Scripture classes begin Stage 3 Pool for Sport

#### Week 5

Monday 26 February	Assembly - Stage 3 Presenting
Wednesday 28 February	Open Classrooms - 8.40am - 9.05am
Thursday 1 March	Big 'Vege' Crunch - 10am Highlands Basketball - Boys & Girls
Friday 2 March	Clean Up Australia Day Stage 3 Pool for Sport

#### Week 6

Thursday 8 March	International Womens Day
Friday 9 March	Highlands Soccer Boys/Girls - Batlow Stage 3 Pool for Sport

#### Week 7

Wednesday 14 March	Riverina Swimming
Friday 16 March	P&C Meeting & AGM - 1.30pm Connected Classroom

## FEATURE PHOTO



Year 5 at Tumut Public School going full steam ahead  
with STEAM!!!!

## Meet & Greet Teachers

Tumut Public School opened classroom doors to invite families to come and meet students' new class teachers for 2018.

It was a great opportunity to chat about the future learning in each classroom and to get to know your child's new teacher.

It was great to see so many parents take up this opportunity.



## Reading Groups

Learning to read – consolidating reading skills – improving fluency and comprehension.

This week our Kindergarten students started their formal reading lessons. During this time students learn their single sounds (s, a, t) first and tricky words (these are words that you cannot sound out).

All students K- 6 have a 2 hour literacy block. During this time a balanced approach to literacy is undertaken using strategies such as:

Modelled reading and writing, reading aloud, shared reading, shared or joint construction of writing, guided reading and writing and independent reading and writing.

One of the programs at Tumut Public School is *7 Steps Writing Success*. Find out more at:

<https://www.sevenstepswriting.com/>

We monitor our students' reading levels every five weeks. What we have noticed this year is that many of our students, in particular our Year 1-3 students, have gone down levels over the school holidays. The only way to turn this around is to read every night for at least 10 minutes. Children must read to an adult and it is essential that parents and carers ask questions about the text to ensure that the child has a good understanding of what is read.





## *SRC Induction 2018*

On Monday 12 February, Years 2 to 6 gathered at the Montreal Theatre for the induction of our student leaders for 2018. As a school we are always seeking ways to grow leadership qualities in our staff and students. The assembly at the Montreal was a great way to recognise the achievements of the students selected to lead us this year. It also was a time to reflect on the qualities needed in a leader. Thanks to all of the family members and friends who were able to come and celebrate this occasion with us.

