Upcoming Events

August
11-12 Year 4 & 5 Camp
12 Lockyer District Sports Carnival
15 Rescheduled P & C Meeting @ 7pm
16 ICAS Maths Assessment
16 Toogoolawah High School Open Day & Careers EXPO
19 Picture Products orders due back at school
22–26 Book Week—Class activities on display in the library
22 Book Week Dress-up Day
22–23 Book Fair in the Library
25 Indigenous Art Workshops with Arthur Conlon
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26 Premier’s Reading Challenge Record sheets to be returned to school.
NEW ASSEMBLY FORMAT

At last week’s Staff Meeting our weekly Assembly format was reviewed. From this discussion it was decided to make some changes to the presentation and the seating arrangements. These changes are to begin next week when we meet for Assembly.

◊ Classes will enter the hall first and organise their seating.
◊ Parents and Family Members are asked to wait at the Basketball area while this is happening. Parents and Family Members will be invited to join Assembly once this is organised.
◊ Seating will be set up for Parents and Family Members at the back of the hall.
◊ At the conclusion of Assembly, Parents and Family Members are asked to again wait in the Basketball area while teachers dismiss their class. Students will then come to the Basketball area once they have been dismissed.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITY AREA—WRITING

Our focus for all of Term 3 is on one of our School Improvement Priority Areas of Writing. We have analysed our school data and are specifically targeting:
⇒ Sentence structure
⇒ Paragraphing

These concepts will be addressed a) at Staff Professional Development sessions as part of our weekly meetings and b) within specific class lessons. Teachers are also engaging in Professional Development sessions this term for Functional Grammar.

All of these sessions are being led by Mrs. Sharon Cowley who is a trained Functional Grammar Tutor. Mrs. Cowley is also explicitly teaching these concepts to the classes she works with as part of the Investing for Success improvement plan.

Students have been learning that there is more to identifying a sentence as starting with a capital letter and ending with a full stop. Following is a Rubric students have been using to help them both write more mature sentences as well as help them proof read their work and identify where they can make improvements.

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BEHAVIOUR FOCUS—TERM 3:
GETTING ALONG

YOU CAN DO IT:

This week our focus is about learning to be tolerant.
Students will be able to:

1. State the meaning of the “Being Tolerant of Others” Habit of the Mind and how not judging people by their appearance or actions can help them get along.

2. Identify judgemental thoughts that prevent them from making friends with certain people.

RULES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Exercise self control
2. Play fairly

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RESCHEDULED
P & C MEETING

The P & C meeting for this month will be held next Monday 15th August at 7pm in the school staff room.
The date change is due to last Monday’s public holiday.

All are welcome to come and join in this meeting.

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Success in today’s world — and tomorrow’s — depends on being able to understand, appreciate, and work with others.

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NATIONAL CONSISTENT DATA COLLECTION

AS PER THE INFORMATION IN LAST WEEK’S NEWSLETTER—PARENTS ARE ASKED TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL BY THURSDAY 11 AUGUST SHOULD THEY NOT WISH TO HAVE THEIR CHILD INCLUDED IN THIS YEAR’S DATA COLLECTION.

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NATIONAL TREE DAY

Our school celebrated National Tree Day on Friday 29th July with all classes planting small trees. Thank you to the Somerset Regional Council who kindly donated the trees for the event.
Thank you also to Seymours Toyota who once again donated shirts and gardening gloves for the event.
Book Week
Theme: ‘Australia: Story Country’
22nd August to 26th August, 2016

Countdown to book week
Only 12 sleeps until dress-up day

Breaking news!!!

Indigenous Art Workshops—Prep to Year 6
To help celebrate Book Week this year, our students will all be attending a 1 hour indigenous art workshop conducted by renowned artist, Arthur Conlon. The workshops are to be held over 2 days to ensure all classes can attend. The workshops will be held on Thursday 25th and Friday 26th August. Students will create their own works of art during the workshop.

Arthur is a 47 year old indigenous artist who travels throughout Australia teaching students about aboriginal culture through art.

There will be no cost for students.

Book Fair
A Book Fair will be held in the library from Monday 22nd to Tuesday 23rd August. The Book Fair will be open from 8:20am until 3:30pm.

Dress-up Day
The dress-up day will be on Monday 22nd August and children can come dressed as a book character from their favourite book or in the theme of ‘Australia: Story Country’. The costumes will not be judged, but there will be a book draw for all the students who come in costume.

If you are looking for ideas to dress your child, one of the short-listed books may give you an idea. These are on display in the library. They will not be available to borrow until after Book Week but parents are welcome to come and browse in the library for ideas.

Family members are invited to come along to join in the fun. After the parade you are welcome to visit the library to view the students’ art activities and shop at our Book Fair.

Class- Book Week Activities
To emphasise the importance of this week, classroom activities will be undertaken and all students will complete an art activity based on one of the Children’s Book Council Short-listed books. These will be judged and displayed in the library during Book Week. Placegetters will receive a book prize and Highly Commended will receive a certificate.
Pictureproducts Fundraiser

All orders for the Pictureproducts fundraiser are due back at school by Friday 19th August 2016.

Order Form

Name

Number of items required:-

Plates:-
Clocks:-
Ceramic Mug:-
Plastic Mug:-
Mousepad:-
Tablemat:-
600ml Water Bottle:-
400ml Water Bottle:-
2017 Calendar:-

More order forms will be available from the School Foyer if needed.

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ArtsLink Performance—’Star Struck’

Term 3 ArtsLink performance is ‘Star Struck’ and will be held on Friday 2nd September. Cost is $8.00 per student. Payment for the performance is due by Thursday 1st September.

Starstruck is a show for all ages bringing the culture and science of the land together through exploring the astronomy of the Northern and Southern constellations.

Choreographer/Producer Liz Lea worked with astronomers and scientists based at Mount Stromlo Observatory to develop this work in association with AusDance. Through contemporary dance, sound and film, this production brings an innovative insight to the science of the stars and our skies, black holes, exploding stars and observing new galaxies. The work includes Cygnus a solo dance inspired by the legend of the Northern Constellation lying on the Milky Way, a duet responding to a description of the Big Bang, and two different films and experiments with light.
Community Notices

Toogoolawah Pictures

**Sat., 13th Aug**  
Doors: 7.00 pm  Movie: 7.30 - 9.40 pm

**Sat., 20th Aug**  
Doors: 7.00 pm  Movie: 7.30 - 9.40 pm

**Child to High School:** $6  
**Adult:** $8  
**Family:** $25

Snack Bar. Hot Dogs & Pop Corn
Alexandra Hall, T’wah
Inquiries: 0438 149 954

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**Esk & District Cricket Club**

**ANNUAL/GENERAL MEETING**

**Thursday, 18th August, 3.30 pm**

McConnel Park, Toogoolawah

Present & New Members Welcome Players to bring cricket gear to hold a social match.

BYO afternoon tea