



Tottenham Central School Newsletter

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Week 8 - Term 4

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Tottenham wins the Gobondery Shield!



Reminders



Education &
Communities

November

Tuesday 26th
School Swimming Scheme starts

Wednesday 27th
Gobondery Cup

Assemblies

Friday 13th December

P & C meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month in the school library at 7.30 pm.

Everyone is very welcome to attend

The next meeting is

Tuesday, 17th December
(to be confirmed)

Principal's Message

Last week Tottenham Central School hosted two terrific events. The first was the Gobondery Shield which is an annual event where students from Tullamore, Trundle and Tottenham meet and participate in a range of activities. The day was action packed with students involved in various sports events at school and at the Tottenham Pool, as well as a trivia quiz, BBQ dinner and disco to complete the day. After tallying the points from all games, Tottenham was announced as the winning team! Congratulations to all students, you have obviously played well! My thanks to Mrs Sarah Lindsay and all teachers for their efforts in ensuring the day proceeded smoothly. Our students upheld the Tottenham tradition of being good hosts to our visitors, as well as participating with enthusiasm, good sportsmanship and displaying their very friendly natures. Well done to all students!



The second event held last Friday, was the 4Ts Music Workshop held at the Tottenham Memorial Hall. Our budding musicians were joined by a large group of students from Trundle, Tullamore and Trangie for tuition with Martin Lee, Justin Screen and tutors and teachers from the other schools. The students were also joined by 'The Late Notes' who added another important dimension to the day. This was a fantastic opportunity for all students to improve their skills and play their instruments together in large group. My thanks to 'The Late Notes', and special thanks to Mrs Susan Larkings for coordinating this outstanding event!



The next few weeks of Term 4 will continue to be busy. There are numerous events to look forward to. This week many primary students will enjoy the School Swimming Scheme which starts on Tuesday. Secondary students can look forward to the Gobondery Cup on Wednesday. Next Tuesday the 3rd of December, Stage 4 students will be involved in a Science Rocket Day at Tullamore Central School. This is an exciting event with Stage 4 students from Tullamore, Trundle and Tottenham Central Schools competing against each other to see who can produce the best rocket. Our best wishes to all students who will be involved in these events.

Class teachers are also writing student reports and making arrangements for a range of activities and events so that we can end the year on a really positive note.

Have a great week!

Steve Garriock

YOUR SAY

You are encouraged to use this space to give us any feedback on things which you feel you need to: congratulate a student, teacher or parent: let us know what you think of the newsletter format; make a suggestion or request.

Signed: _____

School News

KINDERGARTEN 2014 PARENT SESSION

There will be a meeting in the library on Wednesday afternoon, 27th November, at 2.30pm for parents who have children starting Kindergarten next year. Enrolment and other necessary forms will be given out at this time. If you can not attend this session, let me know and I can get the forms to you.

Thank you.

Amanda Smith

MERIT SYSTEM

Congratulations to Alice Radford, Anneka Lees, Ashleigh Horsburgh, Caitlin Adam, Hugh Weber, Sarah Mills, Tom Hopkins, Samantha Harley, Grace Barbary and Bree Adam who have recently achieved Gold in the Merit system. Congratulations also go to Lachie Makim who has achieved Bronze. Well done.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 students will be participating in a week of Work Experience in Hornsby 2nd – 6th December. We wish them luck as they undertake this great adventure.

L Jarvis

REMINDER - MEDICAL RECORDS UPDATE

Please fill out this form and return it to us regardless of whether or not your child has an allergy or medical condition.

We need this form completed for **all** students. It is important that we have these forms to update our medical records and ensure we have the most up to date information on students' health. All parent/caregivers should have received a copy of the new medical form, for each child, in the mail. If you haven't already done so, could you please fill out the form/s and return to us as soon as you can. We would like to have all current records updated before the end of term.

If the form/s weren't received or have been misplaced please contact the office for additional forms.

We appreciate your support as we collect this information, and if you have any questions please call the school.

CONCERT NIGHT DVDS

DVDs of Concert Night are available in the school office. Disk 1: Opening curtain to Intermission, Disk 2: Sound of Music, plus over 500 still photos. \$5 each – proceeds to the school's Merit System rewards.

Term Dates

Term 4, 2013 ends

Wednesday, December 18th for students

Friday, December 20th for staff

Term 1, 2014 begins

Tuesday, February 4th for staff

Wednesday, February 5th for students

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Swimming lessons will begin tomorrow, Tuesday, 26th November, and continue for 10 days (excluding Mondays).

The children participating must bring:

- Swimmers
- Rash shirt
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- **\$2.20** each day for pool entry or season ticket.

No spending money is required until the last day of lessons.

Please contact me at school if you need further information.

Mrs Adam

BOOK CLUB

All Book Club orders are due back to school this Friday, 29th November. Please make all cheques payable to Tottenham Central School.

MUSIC CONCERT

All students of Justin Screen and Martin Lee will be performing a music concert on December, 6th at 4pm in the school library. Please come along and enjoy the music.

Please bring a plate of nibbles.

ODD SPOT.....A CHRISTMAS LAUGH

In 1965 two astronauts on their way back to orbit spotted something in space they couldn't identify. Frantic, they radioed Mission Control. After several minutes of tense silence, engineers at Cape Canaveral began hearing the faint jingle of sleigh bells followed by a harmonica rendition of "Jingle Bells" ... played by none other than the two "frantic" astronauts. The men later donated the harmonica and bells to the National Museum of Space & Aeronautics in Washington, where they now sit on display.



School News

On Friday, 22 November, Tottenham hosted a combined music day. Students from Trangie, Tullamore and Trundle joined us. On the day we had a 3Ts Band and three guitar groups. Thank you to Mr Lee, Mr Screen, Mr Wykes and Mr Capell for their great work on the day. We hope to continue these days in the future.



School Calendar

Term 4

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| WEEK 8 | 25 | 26 School Swimming Scheme starts | 27 Gobondery Cup | 28 | 29 |
| WEEK 9 | 2 December | 3 CHANGE OF DATE Stage 4 Science - Rocket Day at Tullamore | 4 | 5 Talking Tottenham published | 6 |
| WEEK 10 | 9 | 10 School disco | 11 School Swimming Scheme concludes | 12 | 13 Whole school assembly End of year reports sent home |
| WEEK 11 | 16 Class parties | 17 Presentation Day | 18 Students last day of school for 2013 | 19 Staff development day | 20 Staff development day |



P & C Xmas Hamper

The P&C Committee are kindly asking for donations of goods for the Xmas Hamper Raffle that will be drawn Tuesday, 17th December at Presentation Day.

Items can be taken into the school office or left in the basket provided at Foodworks. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
P&C Committee

Come dressed up as who you want
to be when you get older.

Prizes for best dressed.

*I want
to be...*

DAY

**All proceeds go
to help kids
with cancer!**

December 16, 2013

Name: _____

_____ x hot dog/drink/icypole x\$5 = _____

Total enclosed: _____

For those who do not like hot dogs, sausages are
available. Just mention it on the order form.

Fruit flower sticks
made from real fruit
at recess 50c

Hot Dogs in a bun/
Drink/Icypole at
class party \$5



Sports News

GOBONDERY SHIELD

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Gobondery Shield against Tullamore and Trundle last Thursday. All students showed fantastic sportsmanship on the sporting field and also mixed well during the social activities. Thank you to Mrs Martin, Mrs Adam, Mrs Logan, Mrs Attenborough, Mrs Williams, Miss Dwyer and Mr Garriock for their help on the day. We won the shield with Trundle placing second and Tullamore placing third.

GOBONDERY CUP

Gobondery Cup will be held this Wednesday. Good luck to all secondary students who are participating.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL NOMINATION

Nomination forms have been sent home for the swimming carnival next year. These need to be returned as soon as possible. For those parents with 8 year old children in Year 2 it is easier to complete the nomination form now and send it in then see how they go over the holidays. If you feel your child cannot swim in the carnival they can be taken out at the beginning of next year.

On the nomination form is the house and colour of the house your child will be in.



SPORTS DATES FOR TERM 4

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| Gobondery Cup – Secondary | Tottenham | Wednesday 27 th November |
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More photos of Gobondery Shield activities:-



Parent tips and brief stories

HOMEWORK AND STUDY

Have your say and tell us what you need to effectively help your child with homework and study. Complete the School A to Z survey:

<http://bit.ly/184BFR3>

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP COMPETITION

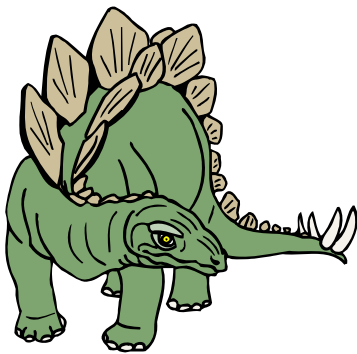
School holiday camp is great. Free school holiday camp is even better! Enter the competition to win a Kids' Holiday Camp for your child and a friend. The prize is valid for summer and Easter holiday camps. Enter the competition:

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/win/>

DINOVENBER

Cute alert! Look at the lengths these parents go to every November to convince their kids their plastic dinosaurs come to life at night and frolic through the house. See the dinosaurs:

<http://bit.ly/1e70E5b>



GUIDE TO TECHNOLOGY TOOLS

The holidays are traditionally the time for the big gifts that kids have been begging for all year. Here's what to watch out for when choosing technology toys for your kids. Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/hu/technology/using-technology/a-guide-to-technology-toys>

FACEBOOK PRIVACY

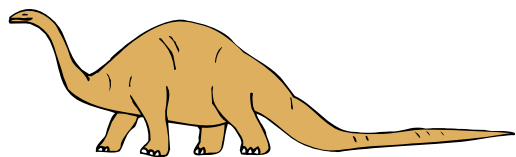
Have a look at this interesting infographic about the biggest Facebook privacy no-nos. Then ask your kids for their top ten: it could be interesting, indeed. Facebook privacy:

http://allfacebook.com/the-best-computer-science-schools-infographic_b126800

THE WORLD'S OLDEST LIVING CREATURE

Care to guess what is oops WAS ... the world's oldest living creature? Here's a quick fact to get you guessing first, then impress your kids.

Science fact: <http://www.news.com.au/technology/science/yearold-clam-ming-worlds-oldest-creature/story-fnjwkt0b-1226759556979V>



Other news

YOUTH CLUB

Thanks to Bridget for her help in running Friday Night's Open House. This Friday evening we have Josh Wilson and Shannon Lawrence on duty.

Youth Club members are all asked to put their name on the roster for the Youth Club's drink stand at the Christmas Tree.

PONY CLUB

Coonabarabran are holding a One Day Event and Combined Training weekend on the 7th and 8th of December. Nyngan Twilight Gymkhana is to be held on Sunday, 15th. Let me know if you'd like a copy of the programs.

A decision is still to be made regarding the date and organisation of our end of year presentation.

TALKING TOTTENHAM

The next edition of Talking Tottenham will be published on December 5th.

Please have all articles and items of interest to the school office
before Monday, 2nd December.



The Western Studio of Performing Arts Tottenham
will be performing their

Jazz

2ND ANNUAL

Ballet

Dance Concert

together with other local talent!

Thursday 28th November
7pm at the Hall

A light supper will be provided
Entry fee: \$15Adults , \$2 child accompanying adults

Raffle \$2/ticket
(Drawn on the night)
1st prize - John Deere Pedal Tractor
2nd prize - Junior Masterchef Cooking Kit
3rd prize– Thermos
4th prize - Avon Pack

Tickets available on the night or at the Post Office

*You must not miss this delightful
night of entertainment!*

