Tottenham Central School



Principal's message

This Wednesday our primary debating team; Xavier Bryant, Alexandra Lindsay, Bridie Lindsay and Thomas Hewett will be participating in the final of the Western Area Debating Competition. To reach the finals of a competition such as this is an amazing feat, especially when you consider that Mrs Martin has, during the heats and semi-finals, used ten different students. Most schools, including the larger schools in Western Area, would have 'fielded' the same team for each debate. It speaks volumes for the quality of our primary students, and for Mrs Martin's expert coaching, that they have reached the final of this competition. This final debate is against Middleton PS in Parkes on Wednesday - our best wishes to all team members, we trust you will have a good debate!

Last week, Hannah Smith travelled to Parliament House in Sydney to take part in discussions about the proposed changes to the Australian Constitution. Hannah was selected after making a written submission a few months ago. Hannah's selection was an outstanding honour and Hannah has reported that it was a wonderful experience. The discussions involved one hundred high school students from across NSW and focused on 'Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians'. To be involved in these discussions at this level was a great opportunity for Hannah and I am sure she was a worthy ambassador of our school and the wider Tottenham community.



On Friday last week, Mrs Smith's K/1 class went to Dubbo to see the play 'Pete the Sheep' at the Dubbo Regional Theatre. The K/1 students were extremely excited at school before they left, and I am sure they will have enjoyed their day out. My thanks go to Mrs Smith for organising this excursion.

It was really pleasing to hear that the Western Access Program music workshop at Yeoval was once again a huge success. More students from the six WAP schools; Trangie, Tullamore, Trundle, Peak Hill, Yeoval and Tottenham are now taking part. I have heard that the concert performance at the end of the day was a credit to all involved. Well done to our musicians and Mrs Larkings.

Semester Two exams have now been completed by Stage 4 and Stage5 students. Primary teachers have also been testing and assessing their students over the past few weeks. My congratulations to all students on your efforts! Year 8 students successfully completed their ESSA Science test last Tuesday. I am looking forward to hearing about all the good results and reading Semester Two reports.

Many parents, who I hope are now recovering from the pressures of harvest, attended a very entertaining assembly last Friday. It was great seeing the wonderful 'Perspective' artwork that students in Mrs Adam's class created. We also enjoyed listening to Mrs Martin's Year 4/5/6 students reading their letters to a friend, encouraging them to move to Tottenham. Zohe Eames spoke confidently about the 'architectural' work she and other Stage 4 students have been developing in Visual Arts over the last few weeks.

A highlight of the assembly was Leonie Jones receiving her 'Platinum Level - Merit Award'. This is a very well deserved award for Leonie who has worked consistently hard in all areas, all year. Leonie is the first student in 2014 to reach platinum - Congratulations Leonie! My congratulations go to all students who received Merit Certificates, Sports Awards, Bronze and Silver Awards. Special congratulations to the students who received their Gold Award - Chloe Harley, Ollie Lees, Xavier Bryant and Charlotte Lindsay.

Good luck to all primary students competing in the Gobondery Shield at Tullamore this Thursday. I am sure you will all enjoy the sport, pool activities, BBQ and disco.

Steve Garriock

School news

MERIT SYSTEM

Congratulations to William Horsburgh and Laura Harley for having recently achieved Gold in the Merit System. Well done to all of these students.

SECONDARY WELL-BEING DAY

This Wednesday all secondary students will be involved in a Well-being Day. Recess and lunch will be provided but students will need to bring water bottles. Please note this will be a Mufti Day for secondary students.

4/5/6 MUSIC

Could all students please remember to bring their ukuleles to school tomorrow for music.

Thank you

Mrs Baker



BOOK CLUB

Book club orders are due back Monday, 24th November, (next Monday). All cheques should be made payable to Tottenham Central School.

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following students who received merit certificates at last Friday's assembly.

2/3/4 Zanthie Hewett Hayley Roberts
Kate Brown Isabelle Lindsay
Archie Baldwinson Kaleb Miller

Tori Ivory

Robert Adam

4/5/6 Michelle Harding Xavier Bryant
Jasmine Miller (2) Thomas Brennan
Oliver Lees Kira Roberts
Brock Ivory Stewart Jarvis

Secondary

Zohe Eames (2) Faith Miller
Jack Bennett (2) Amy-Lee Wilson

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Today, all Year 2 students and some students in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 have received notes regarding their participation in our swimming lessons which will begin on Tuesday, 25th November, and continue for 10 days (excluding Mondays). Children in Mrs McFadyen's group learn stroke correction and lifesaving. The children will travel to and from the pool by bus, which will cost \$10 per student. They will also have to

The children will travel to and from the pool by bus, which will cost \$10 per student. They will also have to pay **\$2.30** each day for pool entry if they do not have a season ticket.

Please only send \$10 for bus to school now, pool entry is to be brought in each day.

Please contact me at school if you need further information.

All children must bring

- Swimmers
- Rash shirt
- Towel
- Sunscreen

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

Mrs Adam



School news

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

Last Monday, I was lucky enough to be given the opportunity to attend the 20th NSW Schools Constitutional Convention for Indigenous Students.

Mrs Larkings and I flew to Sydney on Monday morning to participate in the convention which was held at Parliament House. The convention started with two key note speakers who spoke about the 1967 referendum and the sections of the Constitution affecting indigenous people. Both speakers were passionate about the topics and were interesting to listen to.

After the speeches, the 100 students who attended were split into 6 groups to discuss the possible changes to the Constitution affecting indigenous peoples' rights and lifestyles.

We finished the day by reporting back to the rest of the groups about our views of the topics and voted for the proposed referendum questions. It was an incredible experience and I like to say a huge thank you for allowing me to participate.

WAP MUSIC DAY IN YEOVAL

Eight students attended the music day in Yeoval last Thursday. Below are some photos from the workshops and concert.







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GOBONDERY SHIELD/CUP NOTES

Gobondery Shield notes and money need to be returned no later than TOMORROW and Gobondery Cup notes need to be returned no later than next Monday, 24th November.

Good luck to all Primary students involved in Gobondery Shield this Thursday 20th November. Please make sure your child has a hat, sunscreen and water bottle to take with them to Tullamore.

A menu for the Tullamore General Store is also being sent home. If you would like your child/children to order lunch they need to complete the order and put it in either a plastic bag or lunch bag clearly labelled with the correct money.

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.

Thanks





Agriculture - Jin-Kyung Jung - Trundle



Agriculture is one of the key industries that drive Australia's economy. It has even bigger influence in Central NSW as the livelihoods of its inhabitants are closely linked to farming and its attribute industries. This year, Preliminary Agriculture students studied Agriculture from multiple perspectives - they looked at different internal and external systems of Agriculture and learned about different management practices and strategies in Animal and Plant enterprises. Students also had a chance to observe and analyse various farming practices in a local farm during Farm Case Study unit, through which they applied and linked taught knowledge into practical settings. Students will continue to develop their knowledge and understanding of Agriculture as they progress to HSC part of the subject.

Visual Design – Troy Jones, Trangie

Students in the Preliminary Visual Design course have been working on modules from the fields of Graphic Design, Wearable Design and Product Design. This year our students have designed and illustrated tattoos, created custom shoes and have designed and produced their own lamps. Students have been kept busy designing products for their fictional clients. This term students will be working on label design and packaging. The knowledge and skills developed will prepare them for their individual design project in 2015. Pictured below are some examples of the students' wearable design products.



School calendar

Term 4

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 7	17	18 P & C meeting 7.30pm Cancelled	19 WA primary debating final Secondary Wellbeing and Mufti Day	Gobondery Shield - primary	21 4Ts Rocket Day
WEEK 8	24 Year 6 to 7 transition day	25 Swimming scheme begins	Gobondery Cup - secondary	27	Year 6 to 7 transition day
WEEK 9	1 December	2	3	4 Talking Tottenham published GRADUATION	5 Whole school assembly
WEEK 10 Secondary excursion	8	9	10	11	12
WEEK II	15	P & C meeting 7.30pm TBC	PRESENTATION DAY Students last day for 2014	18 Staff development day	19 Staff development day



CANTEEN NEWS

Woo hoo...weekly specials are back

This week's special is on Wednesday

Chicken burger \$4.70 or Hamburger \$5.50

(lettuce, tomato, cheese and mayo/sauce if requested)

Please text 0499 196 999 or message me on the school canteen Facebook page.

Thanks Kristy



Other news

YOUTH CLUB

Thanks to Wanita Smith for volunteering to run Open House last week. From what I've heard it all went well. This Friday evening we will play with the bubble-soccer balls – more details soon. Thanks to those members who participated in the meeting last Wednesday – some great decisions made!

Next Friday evening we have Bridget and Rick Bennett with the Super Mario evening.

Upcoming activities: Super Mario evening, Face-Painting workshop.



BRAINTEASER PICTURE PUZZLES

What do these pictures say? Answers next week

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what you think of the newsletter format; make a
suggestion or request.
Signed:

Remembrance Day

