

Tottenham Central School

Encouraging all in the aim to Better Our Best

Monday, 1st December, 2014



YEAR 6 TO 7 ORIENTATION

Last week our 2015 Year 7 students participated in two orientation days on Monday and Friday

They were able to 'taste' life as high school students and attend classes with their peers from next year.

The students are pictured here with zip tags they made in Industrial Arts.



WEEK 9 – TERM 4

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www.tottenham-c.schools.nsw.edu.au

REMINDERS

Tuesday 2nd - Stage 5 excursion to Dubbo

Thursday 3rd - Stage 4 Rocket Day
Year 12 Graduation and farewell dinner

Friday 5th - Secondary reports home
Christmas assembly

Sunday 7th - Sec. leave for Coffs Harbour

ASSEMBLIES

Friday 5th December

P & C MEETINGS

P & C meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the school library. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Next meeting:-

Tuesday, 16th December **TBC**

Principal's message

Last week was the start of the primary swimming scheme. Mrs Meggan Adam has reported that all students have already shown great improvement and that they have really been enjoying the opportunity. Water safety is so important and I really appreciate the efforts that Mrs Adam, Mrs Lindsay, Mrs Attenborough and Mrs McFadyen are making to ensure that our students are water safe, ready to enjoy time in the pool over the summer holidays.

My congratulations go to Leonie Jones who successfully completed her Work Experience in Sydney last week. Leonie worked in a nursing home at Chatswood. Throughout the week Leonie displayed an excellent attitude and was an outstanding representative of Tottenham Central School. Well done Leonie! This work experience program is organised in conjunction with the Hornsby Rotary Club, who have for many years generously supported Tottenham Central School's Year 10 Work Experience Program. Our thanks go to Hornsby Rotary Club for their on-going commitment to this program. Many thanks also to Mrs Lynette Jarvis for maintaining this link with Hornsby Rotary Club, and for preparing Leonie for her work experience and driving her to and from Sydney.

My congratulations also go to Sam Jackson who successfully completed his third week of Work Placement at DK Little Engineering in Dubbo last week. Sam should be very proud of himself. The owner of the business was very impressed with Sam's positive attitude and work ethic. Well done Sam!

Also last week, we hosted successful Year 7 Transition Days and a Parent Meeting for our Year Seven class of 2015. The 2014 Year Six students really enjoyed the opportunity to participate in some secondary classes. Our current Stage 4 students should be praised for the warm and friendly welcome that they gave to their new classmates.

This Thursday, Stage 4 students will be involved in a 'Science Rocket Day' at Tullamore Central School. This is an exciting event. Stage 4 students from Tottenham, Tullamore and Trundle Central Schools compete against each other to see who can produce the "best rocket". I am sure our Stage 4 students will have a great day!

Over the next few weeks of Term 4, there are numerous events to look forward to. Planning and preparation for these events is well underway. Next week secondary students will be enjoying their major excursion to Coffs Harbour. Mrs Lindsay has organised a very comprehensive itinerary- with students participating in many enjoyable activities, and visits to places of interest, on the North Coast of NSW.

Please add these important dates for the last weeks of Term 4 2014 to your calendars:-

Secondary Graduation Dinner - *Thursday, 4th December*

Secondary Excursion to Coffs Harbour - *Week 10*

K - 6 Disco - *Tuesday, 9th December*

Whole School Christmas Assembly - *Friday, 5th December*

Presentation Ceremony 9.30am - *Wednesday, 17th December*

Last day of Term 4 for students - *Wednesday, 17th December*

Finally, it is expected that all students in Stage 4 & 5 will be able to take their Semester Two reports home this Friday.

Have a terrific week!

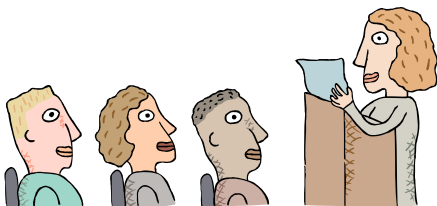
Steve Garriock



PRESENTATION CEREMONY

On Wednesday, 17th of December, the school's Presentation Ceremony will be held at the Tottenham Memorial Hall commencing at 9.30am.

It is expected that all students will come to school, in their best summer uniform, as usual, and will then be walked to the hall at 9.15am. Families whose children have to travel long distances by bus, can, if they prefer, bring their children directly to the hall at 9.15am. Following the ceremony students will return to school for the remainder of the day. Parents who wish to take their children home after the Presentation Ceremony will need to sign the permission note which has been sent home today and return it to school this week.



SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Swimming lessons continue tomorrow, Tuesday, 2nd December. The children participating must bring:

- Swimmers
- Rash shirt
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- **\$2.30** 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

YEAR BOOK

Please note that a selected number of pre-ordered Year Books will be printed in colour this year. Cost for Tottenham Central School 2014 Year Books will be: Colour: \$15, Black and White: \$10. Black and white copies will be available for purchase at presentation assembly in the hall as well as can be pre-ordered, however colour copies will only be printed to order. Orders for colour-copy Year Books close on Friday, 12th December.

SECONDARY EXCURSION

This Sunday 12 secondary students will be boarding a bus and heading off to Coffs Harbour for the week. They will be visiting and learning about the Dorrigo National Park, Dolphin Marine Magic, The Big Banana and Mutton Bird Island. They will also be participating in many fantastic recreational activities.

A reminder that DVD notes need to be returned this week for the excursion.

SECONDARY REQUIREMENTS

A list of requirements for secondary students for 2015 has been included in the newsletter. A copy has been provided to the Post Office/Newsagency to ensure that requirements are available for purchase.

GOBONDERY CUP

Congratulations to the Stage 4 boys who participated in Gobondery Cup last Wednesday.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL NOTES

It would be appreciated if swimming carnival notes could be returned as soon as possible.

School news

K/1 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY ITEM

K/1 will be performing songs at the Christmas assembly in Week 9. If possible could the children please bring some Christmas clothes to change into. Any Christmas t-shirts and or Santa hats /reindeer antlers would be great. Please make sure they are well labelled.

Thank you, Amanda Smith.



CLASS PARTIES

Class Christmas parties will be held on Tuesday, 16th December, during period 4 (12.30 -1:00pm). This day will be a mufti day.

SECRET SANTA

Year 2/3/4 and 4/5/6 classes will be doing Secret Santa this year. Students have received the name of their recipient today. Presents should be approximately \$7 –10 and will be opened during the class parties on Tuesday, 16th December.

K-6 DISCO

The K-6 disco will be held on Tuesday, 9th December in the school library. Times are as follows:-

K, Year 1 and 2 5:30-7:00pm
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 7:00-8:30pm

Cost - \$1.00. Children are also asked to bring a small plate of party food and / or a bottle of drink.

Parents must pick their children up promptly at the end of each disco.



Each week there will be a newsletter article promoting courses run across the Western Access Program. This program is highly successful in delivering a wider curriculum across our schools, maximising student choice and achievement.

VET Construction – James Peter – Peak Hill

This course develops skills for the construction industry ranging from carpentry based projects to levelling and concreting. During 2014, the Preliminary students included Sam Jackson (Tottenham), Jordon Stubbs (Yeoval), James Dunn and Clayton Hartin (Peak Hill). The Preliminary group this year have been working on projects such as the Carry All Toolbox, Oil Stone Case, Bench Hook, Mitre Box and the Saw Horse. Meanwhile, the HSC group comprised of only Peak Hill students - Corey Hando, Chad Hartin, Elliott Learmonth, Marcus Dargan and Bondi Fitzpatrick. The HSC group finished their Construction course by laying a concrete path (see below).



Left: Chad Hartin floating a concrete slab (Peak Hill)



Right: Sam Jackson with his Carry All Toolbox (Tottenham)

School calendar

Term 4

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 9	1 December	2 St5 English excursion Swimming Scheme continues	3 School counsellor	4 Stage 4 Rocket Day <i>Talking Tottenham published</i> GRADUATION	5 Christmas Assembly Secondary reports home
WEEK 10 <i>Secondary excursion</i>	8	9 Primary discos	10 Kindergarten 2015 parent information session 2.50pm	11	12 Primary reports home
WEEK 11	15	16 Class parties P & C meeting 7.30pm TBC	17 PRESENTATION DAY 9:30am start STUDENTS LAST DAY FOR 2014	18 Staff development day	19 Staff development day

THE 2015 SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY.

CANTEEN NEWS

This week's special is on Wednesday



Tacos

(meat, lettuce, tomato, cheese)

\$4.70 each



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

Thanks Kristy

Other news

DANDALOO CHRISTMAS SERVICE

This is a service for everyone
- of any denomination -
on the banks of the Bogan at Dandaloo,
this Friday evening,
5th December at 7pm.

Yes! This coming Friday!

Please join us as we celebrate together
God's AMAZING GIFT to us, on the very
first Christmas, all those years ago.....
and afterwards, enjoy supper together!
As we have no idea of numbers, we ask
that you would kindly bring something
to add to that feast!

Phone Julie, 68924163 or
Gwen, 68884022



It's official – it's the first day of summer

Here are some fun and interesting facts about summer.

- France's Eiffel Tower can grow by more than 6 inches in summer due to the expansion of the iron on hot days.
- Icy poles were invented by accident in 1905 by 11 year old Frank Epperson. He mixed soda and water and left the mixture out overnight with the stirring stick still in it. Since the temperature was low, the mixture froze. He patented the idea in 1924.
- Watermelon is not a fruit, but a vegetable.



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: _____

2015 Secondary Requirements:

Secondary students are required to provide the following materials, clearly labelled, for classes in 2015:

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: These are mandatory:

Blue pen	Black pen	Red pen
Highlighter	Lead pencil	Coloured textas
Coloured pencils	Glue stick	USB – thumbdrive
Pencil sharpener	Eraser	Geometry set

Stage 4

Mathematics	1 x A4 Mathematic Grid Book 1 x A4 exercise book Casio Calculator (BOS calculator approved list) \$24 fx-82 AU PLUS – available through school
English	1 x Display folders 2 x A4 240 page Exercise books, stapled with ruled margin – no tear out pages or perforated pages
Science	1 x A4 240 page exercise book
Geography	1 x A4 exercise book
History	1 x A4 exercise book
PD/H/PE	1 x A4 96 page exercise book, sports clothes, joggers
Music	1 x A4 exercise book 1 display folder
Visual Arts	1 x A4 Visual Arts Diary 2 B pencils (range of B's for drawing) Art shirt / paint smock
Technology	2 x Display folder book 2 x A4 Exercise book Covered leather shoes
LOTE	1 x A4 Display folder book

A4 Lecture Notepad
30cm ruler (wooden or plastic – **NOT metal**)

Homework diary – to be provided by the school

Suggested: Two pencil cases – 1 with basic pens, pencils, ruler
1 with textas, coloured pencils

Dictionary & Thesaurus

Stage 5

Mathematics	A4 exercise book Casio calculator (available from school) \$24
English	1 x Display folders 2 x A4 240 page Exercise books, stapled with ruled margin – no tear out pages or perforated pages 1 x Art Diary
Science	1 x A4 360 page exercise book
Geography	2 x A4 240 page exercise books 1 x A4 Display folder
History	2 x A4 240 page exercise books 1 x A4 Display folder
PD/H/PE	1 x A4 96 page exercise book, sports clothes
Agriculture	Display folder A4 Lecture Pad
Textiles Technology	Display Folder 1 x A4 128 page exercise book
Metal Technology	Display folder A4 Lecture Pad
Information & Software	Display folder
Technology	1 x A4 128 page exercise book
Work Education	1 x A4 128 page exercise book Laptop bag/satchel for DER laptops

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