

Tottenham Central School Newsletter

Principal: Amanda Thorpe

Week 3, Term 4

Thursday, 8th November, 2018



Principal's message

GRIP Leadership

Last week Miss Elwin took Lachie, Michelle and Rhiannan to a GRIP leadership conference in Dubbo.

The GRIP Student Leadership Conference is unique in that it concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as school leaders. The style, topics, and content of this conference all focus on what the students can do right now. The conference goal is that students leave the conference with a clear vision, a solid understanding and dozens of ideas for their time as a leader.

Next year, the Primary SRC will also be participating in a GRIP leadership conference.

Cooler Classrooms Program

The NSW Government is investing funding to improve learning environments for students.

As part of the Cooler Classrooms Program, Public Works Advisory have been engaged by School Infrastructure NSW to visit each school forming part of the program. The purpose of the visit is to inspect, assess and document the current condition and suitability of all existing air cooling and heating equipment and associated electrical infrastructure. All learning spaces and libraries will be inspected regardless of whether they currently have air cooling/ conditioning installed. Our school will be site assessed this month.

Connecting Country Schools

Our new Wi-Fi equipment and plan has been approved and the next stage has commenced. The full installation should be completed by the end of the term.

Our design includes:

- New Wireless Access Points (WAPs) to be installed in all classrooms and in outdoor learning spaces in order to maximise wireless performance and coverage.
- Any additional hardware will be supplied and installed, such as network switches and/or cabinet racks.
- New cabling.

School Swimming Scheme

School Swimming Scheme is due to commence in Week 6. We are holding off on sending out permission notes until the pool opening date is confirmed. Once this information is available, notes will immediately be distributed.

Wiradjuri Language and Culture Camp

Earlier this week Kayla and I were at Lake Burrendong for the NSW AECG Wiradjuri Language and Culture Camp. Activities included language, dance, artefacts, history, art etc. It was a fabulous two days of learning and making new friends. This camp will be held again next year and both Kayla and I highly recommend signing up for it when the opportunity becomes available.



Reminders:

Buses: if your child isn't planning on going home on the bus, please notify the bus driver or teacher. This information helps us efficiently move everyone on at the end of the day.

Hats: please remember to send your child to school with a broad-brimmed hat. The weather is warming up quickly (except for today... I am freezing)!

Amanda Thorpe
Principal

School news

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Focus Area, Term 4, Week 5

PBL Focus:

- encourage others
- use appropriate language
- be polite
- accept the differences in others

Your assistance encouraging these expectations at home would be appreciated.

Parents and students are reminded that certificates achieved from other aspects of school-life, eg sport, Creative Arts etc, can be "traded" with their class teacher for an Achievement.

It is also important to note that Achievements and Merits can not be reissued. Please keep them somewhere safe, ready to trade.

Wristband recipients for Week 4:

Secondary Excellence – Michelle Harding, Respect- Isaac Noakes, Responsibility – Bailey Cross. Congratulations to these students.

Primary debating

Good luck to our primary debaters, tomorrow, as they take on Forbes Public School. The topic is "that Australia is a healthy nation". The debate will be in the library at 11:30am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Year 10 Days

This Tuesday, 13th November, Year 10 students will be involved in their Orientation day at Peak Hill. This will involve all Year 10 students across the WAP schools meeting and finding out what to expect next year. On Thursday, 15th November, the Year 10 students will again travel to Peak Hill to participate in the VET Induction Day. Students will spend time going through what is expected of them when they complete their VET subjects in Stage 6.

Year 6 to 7 Transition Days

On Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th November all of Year 6 will be invited to participate in the Year 6 to Year 7 transition day. More information will be sent home closer to the date.

Secondary Examination Timetable

Included in the newsletter are the Stage 4 and 5 Examination timetables. Students will be sitting their examinations in Weeks 5 and 6.

NAIDOC assembly

Our NAIDOC assembly will commence at 2pm tomorrow. All classes will be presenting a short item, Harrison and Nick will deliver their NAIDOC public speaking speech and Kayla will give a report about her excursion to the NSW AECG Wiradjuri Language and Culture Camp.

Meggan Adam- NAIDOC Coordinator

**Gobondery/NARRAF Tennis Gala Day**

Last Friday James O, Ben, Emily, Lucy, Digby, James M, Maddi and Kayla participated in the Gobondery/NARRAF Tennis Gala Day against students from Tullamore, Warren, Trangie and Narromine. All students played very well throughout the day in their doubles and mixed doubles games. Thank you to Michelle, Elias and Mrs Martin for umpiring. Tottenham placed second in the Handicap Trophy behind Tullamore.

ONLY 6 LEFT IN STOCK

until our order for 2019

- FIRST IN GETS THEM

**Excursion/swim bag**

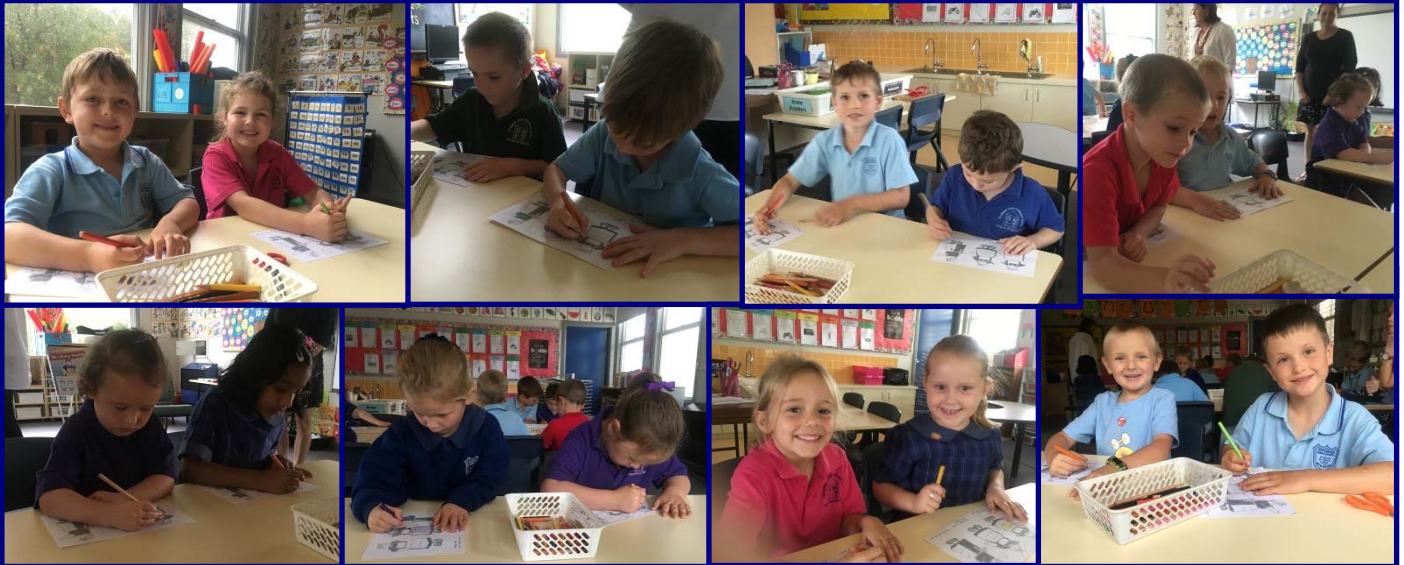
Waterproof, straightforward and to the point, this bag is an excellent alternative when you only need a few essentials. Length: 46cm Width: 36cm

\$6.00

Primary news

Kindergarten Orientation

Yesterday we held our first orientation session for Kindergarten 2019. Lots of smiles!!



K/1/2 Excursion

On Tuesday, 6th November, K/1/2 went to Wambangalang Environmental Education Centre. All the students had a fantastic time and participated in a number of different Aboriginal activities. We went on a culture walk, painted boomerangs, listened to a Dreamtime story, looked at tools and weapons that Aboriginal people used to use and patted the pet carpet python, Gari Gadi. More photos will be upload onto the school's website in the coming days.



3/4/5/6 Excursion

On Monday and Tuesday this week, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 travelled by bus to Dubbo for their excursion. On the first day, the students went to Inflatable World, Royal Flying Doctors and Ten Pin Bowling before heading to the zoo for the Zoosnooze. Here the students did a night walk throughout the zoo to see some of the nocturnal native Australian animals.

On Tuesday, the students went for an early morning walk to hear the siamang monkeys perform their song and to see the tigers up close in their 'bedrooms'. They then went to the Zoo Education Centre where they learnt about animal adaptations and patted some of the zoo's reptiles. After morning tea, the students went around the zoo to see the other animals, before heading to Flipout and returning to Tottenham, very exhausted.

Thank you to all the people involved and Mr Medcalf for coming with us.

Jodie Attenborough & Barb Baker

More photos will be uploaded onto the school's website



EXCELLENCE

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

Secondary news

Science

This week our senior students have been completing study days for their Year 11 and 12 subjects. On Tuesday some of the new Year 12 students (right) were at Tottenham, reviewing report writing and researching in preparation for their Chemistry Assessment Tasks next year. The Chemistry class is currently studying equilibrium reactions and their ability to be reversed under certain conditions.

Stage 5 has been looking at ecosystems and multicellular systems so far this term, and have studied ecosystems using Transect lines in the school grounds. Stage 4 have finished a module on Space and have just started looking at Rocks, including examining some examples of intrusive (granite) and extrusive (basalt) igneous rocks. Both stages are also currently working on assessment tasks, into Ecological disasters and Geothermal Energy Systems respectively.

Secondary Goal Setting and Study – PLEASE HELP!

When considering goal setting, SMART goals are often referred to. SMART refers to goals which are Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Timely. Having goals which are SMART can be helpful to achieve success!

Secondary students each recently identified an Academic SMART goal. What parents will find interesting is that most students identified that in order to achieve success in their upcoming exams they will need to allocate some of their own time at home to completing study. The times ranged from a couple of hours a week to a couple of hours every evening. Study techniques included reviewing the day's work, completing homework and assignments, as well as asking parents for help with questioning.

Students would be grateful if parents could help them by encouraging their homework time, and assisting with asking questions and asking students to explain parts of their work.

L Jarvis



Secondary Excursion

Payment for the excursion needs to be made by Friday 23rd November.

Secondary Assessment Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Term 4 Week 5	Semester Two Examinations	Semester Two Examinations	HSC N/A

**Stage 4 Semester Two Exam Timetable
Week 5 2018**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1	LOTE				
Period 2	Visual Arts		English		
Recess					
Period 3					History
Period 4			Music		
Lunch					
HR					
Period 5					

**Stage 4 Semester Two Exam Timetable
Week 6 2018**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1					
Period 2		Mathematics			
Recess					
Period 3	Science				
Period 4					
Lunch					
HR					
Period 5		PDHPE			

**Stage 5 Semester Two Exam Timetable
Week 5 2018**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1			English		Geography
Period 2			Visual Arts		
Recess					
Period 3	Agriculture				
Period 4				PDHPE	
Lunch					
HR					
Period 5					

**Stage 5 Semester Two Exam Timetable
Week 6 2018**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1					
Period 2					
Recess					
Period 3					
Period 4	Science				
Lunch					
HR					
Period 5		Mathematics			

Our week in pictures

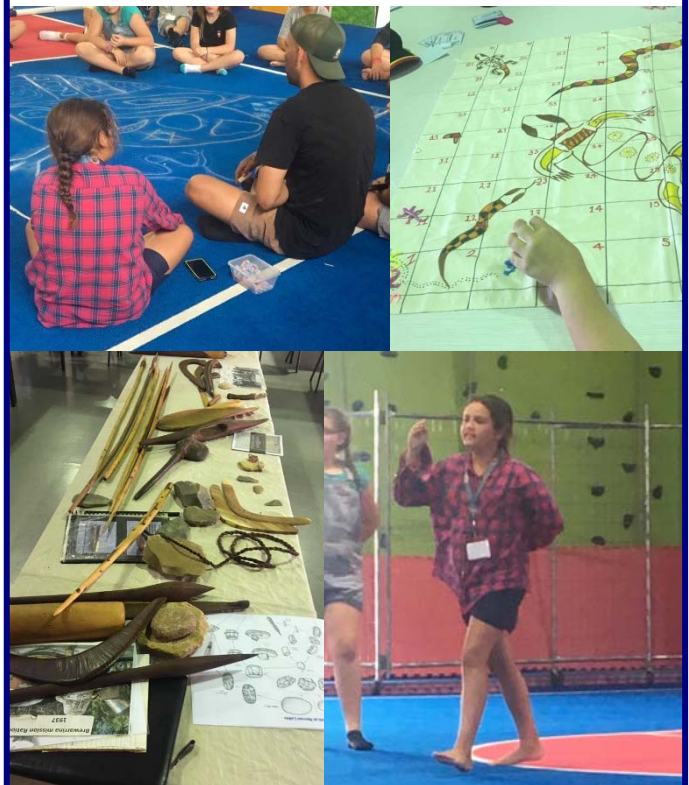


Primary's Halloween discos last Wednesday looked frightful. Thanks to Tanya and Libby for decorating the library. Everyone had a great time.



Last week we had a visit from students from Youth On A Mission who are touring around the district in conjunction with the Generocity Church. They spoke about their visits to farms in the district, the different countries they are from and the experiences they've had so far.

Kayla attended the Wiradjuri Language and Culture Camp at Lake Burrendong



Calendar

TERM 4 2018	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 4	5 3/4/5/6 Zoo Snooze excursion Wiradjuri language & culture camp	6 K/1/2 excursion to Wambangalang	7 Kinder orientation 10-11am Valid Science test-Yr8 St 4 Sth Korea VC - 12:40 - 1:20pm	8 NAIDOC activities Valid Science test-Yr8	9 Primary debate— 11:30 in the library NAIDOC Assembly 2pm
WEEK 5 STAGE 4&5 EXAMS	12 Remembrance Day ceremony at 11am	13 Year 10 orientation day at Peak Hill	14 Kinder orientation 10-11am	15 Year 10 VET induction day at Peak Hill	16
WEEK 6 WORK PLACEMENT	19	20 School swimming scheme starts	21 Kinder orientation 10-11am St 4 Sth Korea VC - 12:40 - 1:20pm	22 NSW Life Saving "Beach to Bush" presentation - K-12, 9am in the library	23
WEEK 7 YR 10 HORNSBY WORK EXP	26 Year 6 to 7 transition day Year 6 to 7 parent information session 3:30pm	27 Year 6 to 7 transition day School swimming scheme continues	28 School performance Kinder orientation 10-11am	29 Gobondery Shield— Trundle	30 School swimming scheme continues
WEEK 8	3	4 School swimming scheme continues	5 Kinder orientation parent session 2:30pm Gobondery Cup— Trundle	6	7 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY
WEEK 9 SECONDARY EXCURSION	10	11	12 Eddie Woo PL at Yeoval CS	13	14
WEEK 10	17 Presentation ceremony 9:30am	18 Class parties	19 Last day for students	20 Staff Development Day	21



NAIDOC assembly
Friday, 9th November, 2pm
 NAIDOC public speaking
 NAIDOC items from each class



L.Jarvis

Friday:	Supervisor:
9/11/18	Jake & Kristy Simpson
16/11/18	Bailey & Warren Cross
23/11/18	Jack & Rick Bennett
30/11/18	Lachie and Michelle Owen



Cogs in our community

Contact us

Tottenham Central School



Nominations for the 2019 Australia Day Awards close **Friday 23 November, 2018.** Forms can be downloaded from the Lachlan Shire Council website www.lachlan.nsw.gov.au or hard copies are available from Tottenham Post Office.

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.

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Signed:

