

Tottenham Central School Newsletter

ENCOURAGING ALL IN THE TEAM TO BETTER OUR BEST



Principal: Amanda Thorpe

Week 6, Term 4

Thursday, 22nd November, 2018

Principal's message

Professional Learning

This week Ms Fitzalan and myself attended PLAN2 training which we will be implementing the use of in our school in 2019. PLAN2 can:

- record student progress against the learning progressions
- link to NSW syllabus outcomes
- integrate with assessments such as Best Start Kindergarten and Best Start Year 7, where results will be automatically pushed to the platform.

How we will be using PLAN2:

- Assessing and recording – assessments such as revised Best Start Kindergarten will automatically record information into the platform. In-class assessment results or teacher observations can be added, to keep track of where each students learning is at.
- Reporting – in time, on PLAN2, parent and teacher reports can be printed on-demand.
- Planning and programming – The information in PLAN2 can be used to inform learning plans, for a whole class or individual students. Principals and executive can also use PLAN2 to inform school planning and budgets.
- Evaluation – Over time, PLAN2 provides important information on how students have progressed, or where they still need to improve. This information can help teachers to identify patterns, evaluate what works best, and strengthen practice in response.

Mrs Baker attended Science professional learning to assist our staff in the transition to the new Science syllabus.

Mrs Lindsay attended Best Start Year 7 training. Best Start Year 7 is a new literacy and numeracy assessment package for schools to use in the first five weeks of Year 7. It is designed to:

- provide teachers with consistent and up-to-date information about new students' skills and abilities in literacy and numeracy

- identify students at risk of falling behind
- help inform targeted teaching and intervention strategies.

The assessment package will include links to syllabus, the learning progressions and support material.

NSW Life Saving 'Beach to Bush'

Today we had a visit from the NSW Surf Life Saving 'Beach to Bush' Program. 'Beach to Bush' was started in 1994 and aims to educate young people about safety at the beach and other aquatic environments. It was born out of research in 1994 that showed 50% of people rescued from the surf live more than 50km from the beach.

The skills and safety lessons focused on surf conditions and how to stay safe when visiting the beach but can be applied to any type of water situation, including rivers, dams, creeks, pools or other waterways.

Students received vital water safety tips by taking part in an interactive presentation which had a focus on swimming between the red and yellow flags, always following safety signs and looking out for each other while enjoying the water.

Work Placement and Work Experience

This week Joel is on work placement in Dubbo at Agriweld. Next week Year 10 are off to Hornsby for their week long work experience. We look forward to Joel and Year 10's recount upon their return.

Amanda Thorpe
Principal

School news

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Focus Area, Term 4, Week 7

PBL Focus:

- right place, right time
- invite others to join in.

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.

Well done to Abbey, Kayla A, Marty, Elle, Max, Digby, Bree, Fergus, Lucy, Harry R, Nathan and Alex who received Merits at Monday’s morning assembly.

Wristband recipients for Week 6: Secondary Excellence – Lachie Makim, Respect- Michelle Harding, Responsibility – Elias . Congratulations to these students.

Year Book Cover Competition 2018

It’s that time of year again when our school’s yearbook is being planned. We are looking for creative and colourful entries for this year’s cover, but they MUST meet the following criteria:

- Be on an A4 page
- Have a border around the edge of the page (no more than 1.5cm)
- Have the words “Tottenham Central School 2018 Yearbook” somewhere on the page
- Be interesting and have colourful illustrations

Entries are to be left at the office NO LATER THAN Friday 30th November (Friday Week 7). Thank you.

Chrissie Baldwinson

Year Book Organiser

**Uniform order**

Order forms are included in this newsletter.

Please return forms and payment before

Wednesday, November 28th.

Anticipated delivery is Week 9.

Gobondery Shield

Notes and dinner orders need to be returned to the school tomorrow.

Swimming nomination forms

All students turning 8 and older in 2019 will have received a swimming nomination form and permission note for the swimming carnival next year. These notes need to be returned to school as soon as possible to assist with planning for the swimming carnival in 2019.

Thank you

Book Club

Last Book Club orders for the year are due back to school before Friday, 30th November. Please make cheques payable to Tottenham Central School. Thank you.

**Secret Santa**

This year all primary and secondary students will be participating in ‘Secret Santa’. The name of the recipients will be sent home next week. The amount is limited to \$10. Please wrap the gift and send to school with the recipient’s name on it. The gifts will be given out at class parties on Tuesday, 18th December.



Primary news

Kerri Parkes Western Debating Challenge final

Tomorrow, the grand final of the Kerri Parkes Western Debating Challenge will be held at Tottenham Central School in the library at 10am. The debate is between Forbes Public School and Millthorpe Public School. Everyone is welcome to attend.

School Swimming Scheme lessons were cancelled today due to the poor weather .

A day will be added to the end of the expected finish date to enable the 10 days of lessons to be delivered.

Sport Interest Group

This week for 3-6 Sport Interest Group we will be playing squash. Could students please bring in \$2 on Friday to cover the hire of the squash courts for the afternoon and a squash racquet if they have one. This excursion is covered by the walking note signed at the beginning of the year.

Thank you

Jodie Attenborough

Virtual Reality

This week K/1 students, along with the 4/5/6 class have been using Virtual Reality to explore underwater and the solar system.



Secondary news

Year 6 to 7 Experience Days

On Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th November all of Year 6 will be invited to participate in the Year 6 to Year 7 Experience days. Included is the timetable for both days. Year 6 students need to bring their sports uniform to change into for PE on Tuesday.

Monday 26th November

Period 1	LOTE	Mrs Williams
Period 2	Visual Arts	Mrs Williams
Period 3	Science	Miss Fidock
Period 4	Mathematics	Miss Elwin
Home Room		Mrs Jarvis
Period 5	Geography	Mrs Jarvis

Tuesday 27th November

Period 1	English	Mrs Baldwinson
Period 2	Technology	Miss Elwin
Period 3	Technology	Mrs Jarvis
Period 4	PE	Mrs Lindsay
Home Room		Mrs Lindsay
Period 5	PDHPE	Mrs Lindsay

Parents of Year 6 students are invited to attend our Transition session on Monday 26th November at 3:30pm. Please RSVP to the office by tomorrow if you are able to come.

Work Placement



Joel has been developing his fabrication skills this week during Work Placement. Joel is completing his placement at Agriweld in Dubbo and his employer has said that he has shown initiative and the capabilities to work independently and is a valuable member of the team.

Secondary Excursion

Payment for the excursion needs to be made by tomorrow, Friday 23rd November. If there are any issues with making payment please contact the school. The permission note, medical form, waivers and consent form also need to be returned by this date.

This year secondary students will be participating in their major excursion to Coffs Harbour and Port Macquarie from Sunday 9th December to Saturday 15th December. The students will be doing and learning about the following activities:

- Dolphin Marine Magic
- Mutton Bird Island Aboriginal Bush Tucker & Outdoor Learning Space
- Sealy Lookout, Bruxner park
- Mangrove ecosystems on Stand up Paddle Boards
- Big Banana
- Go Karting at Raliegh Raceway
- Eco River Cruise & Dolphin spotting – Port Macquarie
- Camel ride on Lighthouse Beach
- Riccardoes Tomatoes and Strawberry Farm Tour
- Billabong Zoo
- Port Jet Boat ride
- Tacking Point Lighthouse
- Stoney Aqua Park



Secondary Assessment Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Week 6	N/A	N/A	N/A

Calendar

TERM 4 2018	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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 Gobondery Cup— Trundle	6 →	7 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY 2PM
WEEK 9 SECONDARY EXCURSION	10	11	12 Eddie Woo 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

2019 Calendar dates

Term 1 (western division) – Wednesday 6 February to Friday 12 April 2019

Term 2 – Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July 2019

Term 3 – Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September 2019

Term 4 – Monday 14 October to Friday 20 December 2019

These dates may vary in accordance with Staff Development Days.

Please always check term calendar in the newsletter.

Please note: school zone speed limits apply on ALL school days



Library bag

Sturdy and well-made, these bags are the ideal way to carry and protect borrowed books and other publications. Length: 26cm Width: 38cm

\$6.00



Ankle socks

Neatly turned at toe and heel for all-day comfort, this classic ankle sock is an obvious addition to any uniform. Size 9-12, 13-2-8

\$2.50 a pair



Backpack

Classically well designed, this rugged pack can hold almost everything a student will ever need. Capacity 28 Litres, Height 40cm Width 34cm Depth 21cm

\$25.00



Art Smock

A gingham smock designed to keep art supplies and clothing separate. One size fits all

\$13.00



Hair scrunchie

Add a note of colour when you tie back your hair with these soft fabric scrunchies.

\$1.20



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

UNIFORM ACCESSORIES

Please return before **Wednesday, 28th November**

Name: _____

	Qty.	Price
1. Library bag		
2. Socks (white or grey)		
3. Backpack		
4. Smock		
5. Scrunchie		
6. Swim bag		
Total \$		

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EXCELLENCE

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

We have a meeting coming up soon – keep an eye out for details!

Friday:	Supervisor:
23/11/18	Jack & Rick Bennett
30/11/18	Bailey & Warren Cross



Cogs in our community

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Signed:

