

Tottenham Central School



Principal: Amanda Thorpe

Week 3, Term 4
Thursday, 29 October, 2020

Principal's message

World Teacher's Day

Tomorrow is World Teacher's Day. Teachers (with support from parents and carers), have ensured education continues across the country this year, despite major challenges. It has reinforced the significant role teachers play in the lives of children and students, their families and communities. Thank you teachers - you are amazing!

Drought Staffing Maintenance

On Monday, the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning, Sarah Mitchell, announced the government will again provide staffing maintenance for the 2021 school year for identified drought affected schools following the same commitment in 2019 and 2020. Tottenham Central School has been recognised as being located in a drought affected area. This announcement locks in staffing numbers at drought impacted schools until 2023.

Agreement signed between NSW AECG and DOE

The 'Partnership Agreement 2020-2030, Walking Together, Working Together' recognises the critical need for the department and the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (NSW AECG) to work together to achieve the aspirations and hopes of Aboriginal communities and learners across NSW.

It is a commitment showing how the department and NSW AECG will work together, and recognises the NSW AECG as the peak advisory body to the department on all matters relating to Aboriginal education.

Signing a Partnership Agreement between the department and NSW AECG for another 10 years, provides the department with the continued commitment to listen and hear the voices of our Aboriginal communities, Aboriginal students and our leaders of the future.

Visit [Working in partnership with the NSW AECG Inc.](#) to access the Partnership Agreement.

Breakfast Club

Viv, our school chaplain, has started a breakfast club. The breakfast club is funded by 'Young Life Australia', and will be open from 8:30am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. At this stage, our breakfast club will be open for, and prioritised for students in Years 5-12, however, students in K-4 who need breakfast won't be turned away.

2021 NSW Term and Vacation Dates

Term 1 (Western division) – Wednesday 3 February to Thursday 1 April

Autumn vacation – Monday 5 April to Friday 16 April

Term 2 – Monday 19 April to Friday 25 June

Winter vacation – Monday 28 June to Friday 9 July

Term 3 – Monday 12 July to Friday 17 September

Spring vacation – Monday 20 September to Friday 1 October

Term 4 – Tuesday 5 October to Friday 17 December

School development days

Western division – 3 February, 4 February 2021, 19 April, 12 July, 17 December 2021.

Amanda Thorpe, Principal

School news

SRC Report

Congratulations to the following award winners:

- Shooting hoops K/1 - Arlie Baker and Nicholas Veech
- Shooting hoops 2/3/4 - Kate Attenborough
- Shooting hoops 4/5/6 - Connor Bulloch
- Shooting hoops Secondary - Kyan Handsaker

Our Shooting Hoops Basketball competition started last week and was completed yesterday with winners decided. Students were challenged to shoot as many hoops as possible in 1 minute, from the set distance for their class group.

SRC EVENTS - COMING SOON:

- Book Week Dress Up - Thursday, 12 November (Week 5). We can finally have a book week dress up parade! Have a rummage through your costume collection and come dressed up as a book character. Prizes will be awarded!
- Christmas Dress Up Day - Friday, 20 November (Week 6). Dress up and bring a gold coin donation for the 'Coins 4 Santa Sacks' fundraiser, to go towards 'Doing it for Rural Kids'
- The Great Handball Open of 2020 - watch this space for future announcements.

From the SRC



K/1/2 Excursion

The K/1/2 students will be travelling to Dubbo on Tuesday, 24 November for their excursion. We will leave at 9am and return around 4pm. During the day we will see a performance of Alison Lester's story 'The Magic Beach' at the Regional Theatre, and then have a look at a classroom from 1950 at the Cultural Centre. Permission and medical notes will be sent out at a later date. The cost of the excursion will be \$20 per student.

Amanda Smith and Susanna Horsburgh

Primary news

Primary Music

Whilst Mr Screen is on leave this term, I have the pleasure of working with the three primary classes for music. K/1 have been refining their boom whacker skills.

2/3/4 have been working together to meld the ukulele with percussion instruments, and 4/5/6 are making beautiful music with the glockenspiel.

Watch this space for more pictures in the coming weeks!

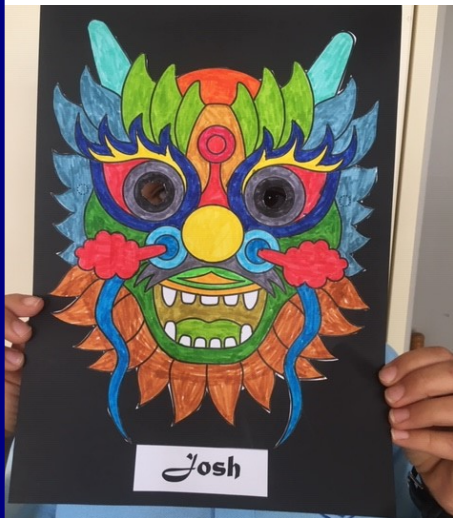
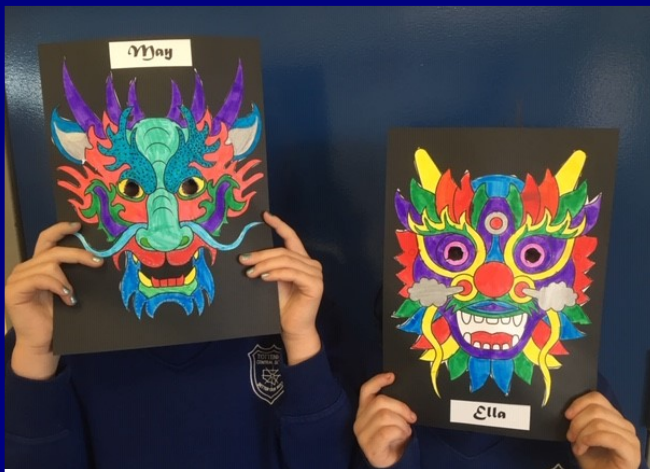
Chrissie Baldwinson



Indonesian Masks

2/3/4 are learning about 'Australia and our Neighbours' as part of our geography study. One country we have learnt about so far is Indonesia. Dances are an important part of Indonesian culture, serving as entertainment, recreation and religious significance. We have decorated these animal masks in colourful colours to represent the many and varied dances performed in Indonesia.





Secondary news cont.

Secondary Assessment Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Term 4 Week 4	Semester 2 examinations	Semester 2 examinations Work Education	Year 11 - N/A Year 12 - HSC examinations

Secondary English and Music news

Stage 4 English has just started looking at various forms of text which convey their messages through the 'personal voice'. The Stage 5 English class is enjoying the exploration of the English concepts 'representation and narrative' through music lyrics.

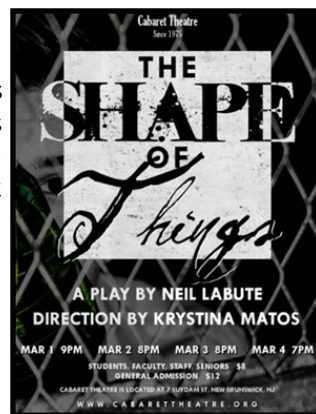
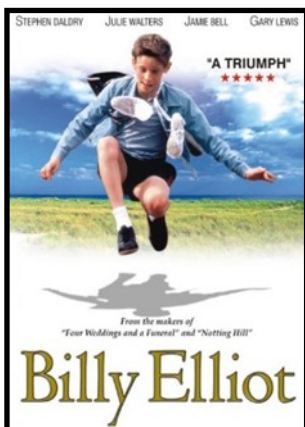
The Stage 4 Music class has been having a great time experimenting with different sounds from around the home – especially the kitchen! - which can then be made into music.

(Pictured below: everyday kitchen items used to make 'music')



Creating their own symbols to graphically represent and notate each sound, the Stage 4 students have had to compose their own piece of music using regular household items. The students were very imaginative and used microwave 'bings', shakers and many more interesting items.

Lachie – now a 2021 Year 12 student in Term 4 – is straight into his HSC year. In HSC Drama, he is undertaking a unit on “Dark Comedy” and is studying two internationally performed plays - “The Lieutenant of Inishmore” and “The Shape of Things”.



Lachie is also beginning his initial preparations for his HSC Individual Project (Performance) to be presented to HSC examiners in mid-2021. In HSC English he has just begun a unit study focusing on the film “Billy Elliot”.

Higher School Certificate Examinations

Friday, 6 November

Hospitality

Kayla

Stage 4 and 5 semester Two Examinations

Next week, Stage 4 and 5 will be sitting their Semester 2 examinations. Good luck to all students.

WAP Study Week

Next week, Lachlan will be involved in the WAP study week where he will be meeting with his coordinators and peers at each WAP school throughout the week.

Geography Zoom session

Last Thursday, Stage 4 spent half an hour on a Zoom session with Stage 4 students from St Phillip's Christian College DALE. The students from St Phillip's Christian College are doing a geography unit called *Interconnectedness*, and they wanted to find out about our community. The students asked our students a range of questions about what happens in our community, and what it was like to live in our community. Our students told them where they lived, what they did and what our weather is like. They also talked about what happens during harvest. We are hoping to have another Zoom session later in the term to find out more about each other's communities. I would like to thank and congratulate our Stage 4 students for being great ambassadors for Tottenham.



Sports news

Tennis Competitions

Williams and Vincent Cup Finals

The Williams and Vincent Cup tennis finals will be played this Tuesday, 3 November commencing at 9am. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, parents aren't able to watch these games. Good luck to all students participating in the finals.

Stage 4 Semester 2 Exams
Week 4 Term 4

	Monday 2/11	Tuesday 3/11	Wednesday 4/11	Thursday 5/11	Friday 6/11
Period 1	PDHPE	Science			Maths
Period 2			History		
Recess					
Period 3	LOTE	English			
Period 4			Visual Arts		Geography
Lunch					
HR					
Period 5				Music	

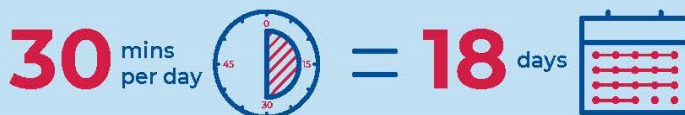
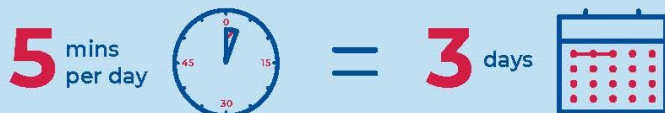
Stage 5 Semester 2 Exams
Week 4 Term 4

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1		Maths	History		
Period 2	Science			Geography	
Recess					
Period 3	Visual arts		Agriculture/ Commerce	PDHPE	
Period 4		English			
Lunch					
HR					
Period 5					

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss days per year



Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

education.nsw.gov.au

Other news



John Barilaro
Deputy Premier

Sarah Mitchell
Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning

MEDIA RELEASE

Sunday, 25 October 2020

TEACHERS TO STAY AS REGIONAL NSW RECOVERS

Support for drought and bushfire impacted regional communities across NSW is continuing through our public schools, with the NSW Government announcing the extension of the Drought Entitlement Maintenance Program to 2023 to keep teachers in rural schools.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional NSW John Barilaro and Minister for Education Sarah Mitchell announced the extension of the program today, continuing the Government's commitment to supporting regional communities hardest hit by drought and bushfires by locking in staffing numbers at local schools.

Mr Barilaro said regional communities need support from governments now more than ever, despite conditions improving across the state and this announcement reaffirms the NSW Government's commitment to boosting jobs in the regions.

"Regional communities have done it tough over the last few years and we know how important our schools are when it comes to keeping life in country towns. That is why the NSW Nationals are committed to providing stability for our students by supporting schools to keep their staff, regardless of fluctuations in enrolments," Mr Barilaro said.

"This program will support our regional kids, keep families local, provide crucial jobs in country towns and keep our regional communities strong. Every additional teaching job means an extra family in town, shopping at local stores and injecting money into local economies."

Minister for Education Sarah Mitchell said the Entitlement Maintenance Program began in 2018, in acknowledgement of the fact that enrolments in schools might have fluctuated due to the relentless nature of the drought, posing the risk of decreasing staff numbers.

"I know how crucial it has been to provide students and families with stability throughout some of the toughest years our state has ever seen," Ms Mitchell said.

"With drought, bushfires, floods and a global pandemic, kids need consistent support from principals, teachers and school staff who they know and trust."

Ms Mitchell added that the schools currently involved in the Entitlement Maintenance Program will automatically have their staffing numbers extended; meaning schools won't have to reapply for these positions.

"268 schools in regional and remote parts of NSW will benefit from the extension of this program, which is a great thing for our country kids," Ms Mitchell said.

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Carmel Melouney | Minister Mitchell | 0428 491 333

Healthy Lunch Box website

A one-stop-shop for everything you need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.



Here's what you'll find on the website:

- Interactive lunch box builder that helps parents and kids plan and pack a healthy lunch with foods they like.
- Lots of quick and easy recipes and snack ideas.
- Informative blogs about healthy eating for the family.
- Sign up to receive the Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter for ideas, updates and recipes.

healthylunchbox.com.au

Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box



NSW Department of Education

Explore the Everyday Maths Hub >

It is easier for children to understand maths when they relate it to something real and see it as part of their everyday life. The Everyday Maths Hub is designed to support parents and carers to bring mathematics into their home, the outdoors and anywhere else their children learn and play.

You can find the Everyday Maths Hub at education.nsw.gov.au/everyday-maths



Calendar

WEEK 3	26 P&C meeting	27	28	29	30 World Teacher's Day
WEEK 4	Nov 2 WAP Study week	3	4 Kinder Orientation	5	6
WEEK 5	9	10	11 Kinder Orientation	12 Book Week dress Up	13
WEEK 6	16	17 School Swimming	18 Kinder Orientation	19	20 SRC Xmas Dress Up

Other news cont.

Canteen

New Menu - refreshed and renewed.

Please find the new menu attached to this newsletter. Also find it on Facebook and, if requested, a PDF copy through email.

Please don't hesitate to ask about any of the items listed on the new menu. If your child has any allergies (i.e. requires GF) please let me know, the TCS Canteen can cater for all.

Kathryn Klante
Canteen Manager
0401305002

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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: _____



We would like to pay our respects and acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land and also pay respect to Elders both past and present.

TCS Canteen Menu 2020

Kathryn Klante 0401 305 002
Facebook, Messenger & Email tottenhamcentralschoolcanteen@gmail.com

Recess & Lunch Orders - written on a paper bag - by 9:30am Friday.

Payment via Direct Deposit of family total to
TCS Canteen (Greater Bank)
BSB 637 000 A/C 7237 895 75
...or cash in order bag ...or account.

Snacks

Oat & Sultana Biscuit - baked fresh	\$1.00
Muesli & Yoghurt Cup	\$1.50
Hummus with Carrot & Celery Dippers	\$1.00
Up&Go Popper (Chocolate / Vanilla)	\$2.00
Apple Slinky - cut fresh	\$1.00
Frozen Watermelon Wedge	\$1.00
Popcorn - Plain	50c
Icy Cup - Tropical Juice	50c

Drinks

Juice Popper (Apple / Orange / Tropical / AppleMango / AppleBlackcurrant)	\$1.50
Juice Can (Sparkling Apple / Sparkling Tropical)	\$2.00
Milk Popper (Chocolate / Strawberry / Plain)	\$2.00
Up&Go Popper (Chocolate / Vanilla)	\$2.00
Water - 250mL	75c
Water - 600mL	\$1.50

Lunch - cold

Sandwiches (Wholemeal / White / GF)	
Works with Chicken	\$5.50
Works with Ham	\$5.50
Works with Roast Beef (Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Beetroot, Cucumber, Cheese, Mayo)	\$5.50
Salad, Cheese & Mayo	\$4.50
Salad & Mayo	\$4.00
Chicken, Cheese, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.50
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.00
Ham & Tomato	\$3.50
Ham	\$3.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$3.50
Cheese	\$3.00
Tomato	\$2.50
Salad in a Box	
*Dressing (Mayonnaise / French Salad)	25c
Chicken, Salad & Cheese	\$5.00
Chicken Drumstick (x2) & Salad	\$6.00
Side Salad - order with or without hot food	\$3.00

Lunch - hot

Toasted Sandwiches (Wholemeal / White / GF)	
Chicken & Cheese	\$4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50
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Roast Beef, Tomato & Relish	\$4.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$4.00
Cheese	\$3.50
Hot Food	
* Sauce (Tomato / BBQ / SweetChilli)	25c
Pie - Beef	\$4.75
Mini Pie - Beef	\$1.25
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Pasta Bolognese	\$4.50
Macaroni Cheese	\$4.50
Fried Rice - BBQ Pork	\$4.50
Chicken Drumstick - baked fresh	\$2.00
Chicken Tender	\$1.00

TOTTENHAM SWIMMING CLUB

– COVID SAFE AND READY TO RACE FOR 2020/21 SEASON!



Tottenham Swimming Club will be making its first splash for the season on Friday afternoon, **30th October** at Tottenham War Memorial Pool.

Our friendly group of parents welcome all returning families and extend a warm invitation to all new families to join in the fun each Friday afternoon.

Reasons to join Tottenham Swimming Club:

- ✓ The NSW Government's \$100 Active Kids voucher covers **ALL** registration costs
- ✓ Supportive committee members can help parents register their children if unfamiliar with Swim Central online
- ✓ Cool down whilst having fun and fitness on a Friday afternoon
- ✓ Spend time with friends in a non-competitive environment
- ✓ Improve your swimming stroke style to become a safer swimmer
- ✓ Enjoy the beautiful facilities of our beautiful community pool
- ✓ **2020/2021 SEASON BONUS – FABULOUS & FREE WELCOME GIFT** to all children who register for Swimming Club.

Remembers, ALL swimming abilities are welcome – ranging from non-swimmers in the *Dolphins* group (who can use flotation devices and noodles) to secondary children who have been swimming for years.

Don't hesitate to contact Chrissie Baldwinson (Swimming Club President) on 0428924375 or Kathryn Klante (Club Registrar) on 0401305002 with any questions – big or small!