Tottenham Central School

Principal: Amanda Thorpe

Week 8, Term 4 Friday, 4 December, 2020



Principal's message

Upgrades

Our next three big projects are on the way!

- 1. The next round of classroom LED lights will be installed during the holidays.
- 2. The school will be fitted with new blinds in all internal spaces, also during the holidays.
- 3. Refrigerators are on the way to go in each primary classroom and in a central area for secondary. These will be used to store lunches, particularly on our really hot days.

End of Year Reports

Student's second semester reports will be distributed at the end of next week. I have finished reading them all and it is very obvious that although we have missed extra-curricula activities this year, learning time has been maximised. Please remember that teachers are available for interviews/ questions and check-ins at anytime of the year. Please make contact through the school office.

Swimming Scheme

Congratulations to all students who have completed this year's ten day school swimming scheme. Today was their last day and all students have improved remarkably. We would like to thank Paul Curr for allowing us to use his bus, free of charge and the Bobadah bus drivers for volunteering their time.

Amanda Thorpe, Principal

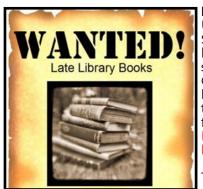




School news

Swimming carnival nomination form and notes 2021

Swimming carnival nomination forms and permission notes have been sent home for the swimming carnival next year. These need to be returned as soon as possible. For those parents with children turning 8 in Year 2 next year, 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.



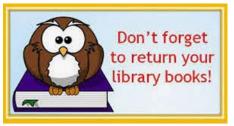
Library update

Unfortunately, it is that time of year. Students will no longer be able to borrow as we must complete a yearly stocktake.

Children who have an overdue book will be sent home a gentle reminder, with the title and author listed, to help them find the book.

Parents, please send overdue books back as soon as possible.

Thank you



K/1/2 Water play

Next Thursday, 10 December, the students in K/1/2 will participate in a water play afternoon for sport. The students will need to bring their swimmers, a rash shirt or old t-shirt, a towel and a hat and shoes that can get wet. Please make sure everything is well labelled. The students can not participate if they are not wearing a rash shirt or t-shirt. Thank you.

Amanda Smith and Barb Baker.

Uniform orders

Thank you to the parents who have sent in and paid for their children's uniform order. We will be sending packs home next week, however, some items are on back order due to our supplier having shipping delays. These items will have arrived before school commences next year and we'll be in contact regarding pick up/delivery of remaining items if your order is sent home incomplete. We apologise for the delay.

SRC Report

SRC EVENTS - COMING SOON:

• TOMORROW - Secondary Handball Competition

Congratulations to the following award winners:

- Merit Awards, for receiving 5 Achievements: Maddi, Tom, Penny, Kate A, Drew M, Adam and Arlie
- Special Awards: The finalists in the STANSW Paper Aeroplane Competition! Dom V, Ben, Lucy B, Connor, Billy B, Billy A and Drew M (absent: Squirrel and Lachlan)



School news cont.

Gobondery Cup and Gobondery Shield

Notes have been sent home for the Gobondery Cup and Gobondery Shield which are to be held next Wednesday and Thursday.

Year 6 to 7 Experience Day

On Tuesday, 1 December, Year 6 spent the day with Year 7 for their experience day. The students participated in a variety of lessons and activities throughout the day, including checking temperatures in classrooms, Maths, History, playing a game of music bingo, writing a simple dialogue in French, and participating in a HIIT and Just Dance session. It was great to see all students getting involved in the lessons.



Primary news - Year 3-6 Lake Burrendong excursion



3-6 excursion

Staff and students are recovering well after a very big three day excursion to Burrendong Sport & Recreation Centre last week.

Activities undertaken included kayaking, grass skiing, archery, slip and slide, low ropes course, mini Olympics and initiative games. The trip also included an excursion to the Wellington Caves. This excursion was heavily subsidised by the school and our P&C, but in particular by our great supporters Robinson Grain Trading Co Pty Ltd.

Year 3-6 excursion!



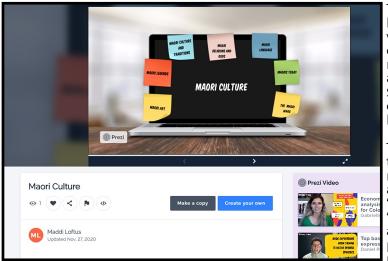
Secondary news

Secondary Assessment Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Term 4 Week 9	N/A	N/A	Year 11 - N/A Year 12 - English Standard Mathematics Standard 2

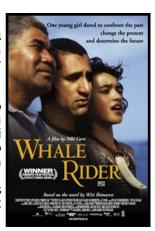
Secondary English and Music news

In continuing to explore how various forms of text convey their messages through the personal voice, the Stage 4 English class has recently been undertaking some background study of Maori culture in preparation for watching the film 'Whale Rider'.



The students have also been experimenting with creating Prezi digital presentations to record their research about Maori culture.

Some of our students even had a go at learning the Haka!



The Stage 5 English class has been continuing to study representation and narrative through music lyrics. Studying different genres, as well as classic songs such as Jeannie C Riley's 'Harper Valley PTA' and Bob Dylan's 'Hurricane', the students are learning to appreciate that musical lyrics can often have powerful messages that are capable of reaching people all over the world.

Stage 4 Music have been enjoying mixing their guitar playing with glockenspiel = fun!

Lachie is busily preparing for his first HSC assessment tasks due this week in Year 12 English and Drama.

Chrissie Baldwinson



Secondary Excursion

Next week, secondary students head to Orange, Bathurst, Wellington and Dubbo for a two day excursion. Final payments need to be paid by early next week and medical forms also need to be returned if they haven't been already. A 'what to bring' list will be sent home with the students.

Year 10 Orientation Day

On Monday, 7 December, Year 10 will be involved in their Orientation and VET Induction day at Peak Hill. This is an opportunity for the students to meet with their coordinators they will have next year as well as the students in Year 10 from the other schools.

Calendar & other news

WEEK 8	30	1 Dec Year 7 Orientation day School Swimming Scheme	2 Last Kinder Orientation	3	4
WEEK 9	7	8	9	Secondary excursion K/1/2 water play	11 Secondary excursion
WEEK 10	In school Presentation	15 Class parties	16 Student's last day	17 Staff Development Day	18

Canteen

Lunch Salad Special ... \$5.50

Potato, Egg & Bacon Salad with Dijon Mustard Mayonnaise

Available to all students, teachers & staff.

Full menu also available for recess and lunch.

Kathryn Klante Canteen Manager 0401305002



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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.

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