## Tottenham Central School

## Principal: Amanda Thorpe

Week 8 Term 4 Thursday, 25 November, 2021



## Principal's message

## Staffing

Unfortunately, the recruitment process for the Principal position was unsuccessful. The position was re-advertised yesterday, allowing enough time for an appointment before the end of the school year.

## Presentation Day - Authority to Publish

As recently advised, our annual school Presentation Day has been moved to Friday, 10 December to enable us to livestream the event. Please be advised that only students with *authority to publish* will be able to be on the livestream. If you have not given permission for your child, he/she will not appear on the livestream. If you would like to change this, please email the school office, *giving permission for your child's image/name to appear on the livestream*.

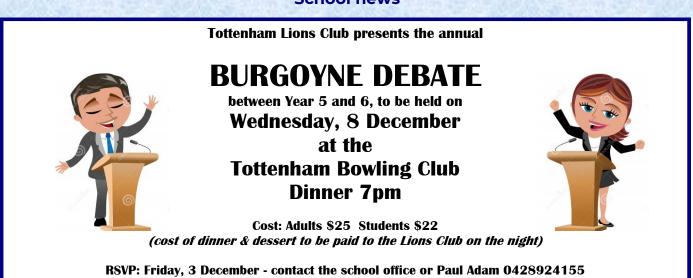
## **External Validation**

Last week, our school underwent the *School Excellence Framework, External Validation* process. Each year, a group of schools are nominated to participate in the external validation process. This provides an opportunity for schools to discuss their judgements about their practice – and the evidence that underpins them – with a panel of peers, external to the school. We last underwent this process five years ago. We were validated at either "working towards" or "delivering' in all elements. In the last five years, we have made outstanding progress, being validated as "sustaining and growing" in the areas of Curriculum, Assessment, Reporting, Student Performance Measures, Effective Classroom Practice, Data Skills and Use, Professional Standards, Learning and Development, Educational Leadership, School Planning, Implementation and Reporting and Management Practices and Processes. We were validated as "excelling" in the areas of Learning Culture, Wellbeing and Resources.

Well done to our staff who have worked extremely hard over the last five years to make improvements to our school, reflect on their practice and ensure continuous improvement. I can assure everyone that our external validation were exceptional, and place our school in a fabulous position for the future.

## Amanda Thorpe - Principal

**School news** 



## School Swimming Scheme update

School Swimming Scheme will continue next week (Week 9), on Tuesday and Wednesday only. There will be no lessons on Thursday and Friday due to staffing commitments. We will complete our

lessons in Week 10. Please note, in the event of bad weather, school swimming scheme will be postponed. The lost days

will be made up at the end. Swimwear MUST be sent in every day regardless of how the weather is looking in the mornings. Thank you.

#### Secret Santa reminder

Each student has received their Secret Santa note. The present limit is \$10 per student. Please wrap and send back to school with the recipients name clearly labelled to be placed under the classroom Christmas Tree.

## **Book Club reminder**

Book Club orders are due back to school by Friday, 3 December. Please make cheques payable to Tottenham Central School.

## 2021 Yearbooks

In yet another extraordinary year, and in the absence of parents and family members being able to attend our Presentation Day where the annual yearbook is usually sold, Tottenham Central School will be providing EACH family with a complimentary black and white copy of the 2021 Yearbook at the end of the term.

Colour copies can still be bought for \$15 each, but these MUST be ordered by calling the front office by **Friday, 3 December** on 68 924 006. Thank you.

## Swimming carnival nomination form and notes 2022

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 8 year old children in Year 1, 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.

#### Year 6 to 7 Experience Day

Tuesday, 30 November, Year 6 will be spending the day in Secondary for their experience day. This is the timetable for the day:

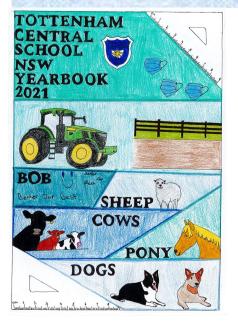
Period 1	Mathematics
Period 2	English/Music
Period 3	PDHPE
Period 4	Technology
Period 5	Science

Mrs Attenborough Mrs Baldwinson Mrs Lindsay Mr Filemu Mrs Radford Congratulations to all our PBL award recipients!

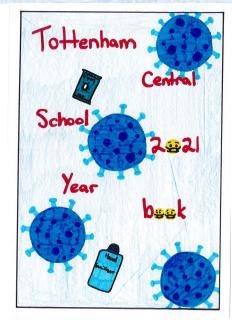


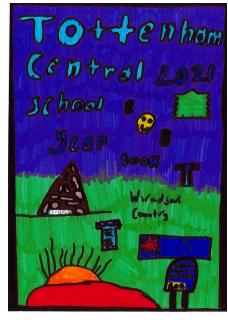


## Some of our fabulous 2021 Yearbook entries!



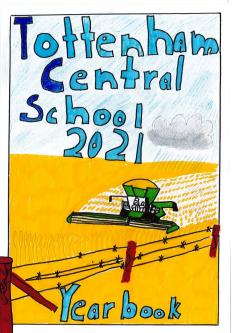
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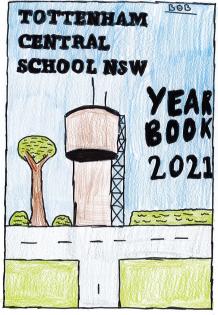












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**Primary news** 

## K/1 Critter Houses

There was a lot of excitement last week when K/1 finally got to make their own Critter Houses. The houses needed to:

- allow the 'critters' to come and go as they wanted
- provide places for the 'critters' to hide.

We also discussed how adding leaves, sticks, bark & stones would give the 'critters' lots more places to hide.





















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## **Secondary news**

## Secondary Assessment

Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Term 4 Week 8	N/A	N/A	Year 11 - English Studies, English Standard Year 12 - HSC Examinations

## **Higher School Certificate Examinations**

Higher School Certificate examinations next week: Monday 29 November Chemistry

## **Physical Activity and Sports Studies**

Bailey and Isaac covered coaching in Term 4. Bailey coached his peers in Year 10 for soccer, and Isaac chose basketball as his sport to teach his Year 10 peers. The class enjoyed the soccer and basketball lessons. We also played golf, badminton and tennis. Isaac and Bailey showed they have good hand eye coordination, and both displayed a competitive streak which keeps our Physical Activity lessons interesting.



## Industrial Arts – Timber

Maddi, Hayley, Kayla and Isaac are progressing well with their bedside cabinet project. They should all have their projects completed within the expected timeframe.



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## Construction

Dominic has been working on his own project that he was able to choose. Dominic provided a drawing, and has been making a stool that can convert to a one step ladder.

On the left is his finished tool box, which was sanded and varnished.

## Hospitality

Thomas has prepared many different dishes this semester, and he has improved since the beginning of the year which is testament to Thomas' willingness to attempt everything.

Here are some of his photos from this semester.



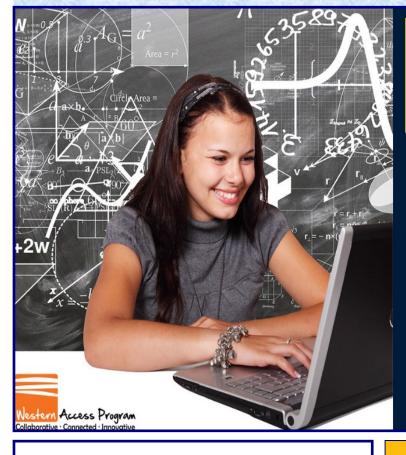






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**Other news** 



## YEAR 10 TRANSITION INTO THE WESTERN ACCESS PROGRAM

## Week 9 EVERY DAY 10-11AM

STUDENTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TEAMS LESSONS WHERE THEY WILL:

Learn about NESA Requirements Learn about Course Requirements Meet Course Coordinators Be inducted into VET Develop skills in using Teams



**MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID** Australia

## 2 DAY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

6TH—7TH DECEMBER 9.00—5.00PM

TOTTENHAM COMMUNITY HALL

MEETING ROOM

## COURSE IS BEING OFFERED FOR FREE INCLUDES MORNING TEA AND LUNCH

To book a spot in the course contact Ros 6895 3301 or lodie 68954311



COVID RULES APPLY

# YOUTH CLUB UPDATE

- Thanks to Kelly and Kayla Anderson for running Open House last week.
- Friday, 26th November:Hayley and Kathy Berryman
- Friday, 3rd December: Shauna and Lib Geppert & Ben Watson

Please make sure the sign-in book is completed as you enter and leave.

Remember, funds are available to run activities, put your thinking caps on. Contact Lynette Jarvis: 0429917913

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Calendar					
WEEK 8	22	23 School Swimming Scheme	24 School Swimming Scheme	25 Preschool Orientation School Swimming Scheme - postponed	26 School Swimming Scheme Canteen
WEEK 9	29	30 School Swimming Scheme	Dec 1 School Swimming Scheme	2 Preschool orientation School Swimming Scheme	3 WAP Graduation School Swimming Scheme
WEEK 10	6 Year 12 Graduation	7	8 Burgoyne Debate	9	10 Presentation Day - Livestream
WEEK 11	13 Christmas Dress Up	14	15 Class parties	16 Last day of term	17 Staff Development Day

## Canteen

Canteen is open this Friday the 26th of November.

Meal Deal!!! Sausage Roll and any drink for \$4.50

Half price Quelch Icy Tubes, 25c each. Apple, Blackcurrant, Raspberry, Strawberry, Orange, Pineapple, Mango or Tropical.

The Salad-of-the-Day is Roasted Sweet Potato Salad with Bacon for \$5.00

Kathryn Klante 0401305002



Principal Miss Amanda Thorpe	Your say
Assistant Principal Mrs Meggan Adam (rel.)	You are encouraged to use this space to give us any feedback on things which you feel you need to:
Head Teacher Secondary Studies Mrs Sarah Lindsay	Congratulate a student, teacher or parent, let us know what you think of the newsletter format, make
P&C President Mrs Sharon Medcalf	a suggestion or request.
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**Contact us** 

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.