

Tottenham Central School



Principal: Angela Bush

Week 8 Term 3
Thursday, 7 September 2023

Principal's message

Welcome to Week 8 and the downhill slope of the term.

The student attendance rate at Tottenham Central School has seen a declining rate this term. We completely understand that illness and misadventure occur and there is travel required when we live in remote areas. If this is the case and your child is away, please notify the school as soon as you can as it is a legal requirement to justify your child's absence from school. Regular attendance is the cornerstone of academic success, as it provides students with consistent access to valuable educational resources, classroom interactions, and teacher guidance. It is through active participation and engagement in the learning process that students acquire essential skills, knowledge, and social development, preparing them for a brighter future. Additionally, attendance patterns often serve as early indicators of potential academic and personal challenges that students may be facing. By addressing this attendance decline, we can better support our students, foster a positive learning environment, and ensure that every child has an equitable opportunity to realise their full potential. Ultimately, improving attendance rates is not just about numbers; it's about empowering students to build a strong foundation for lifelong learning and success. We appreciate everyone's efforts in ensuring students are at school as often as possible.

Just a reminder that Tottenham Central School expects all students to wear their full school uniform every day. This includes the correct socks and black shoes. On photo day, all but a couple of students had the full school uniform and it looked fabulous. This should be the same each day. Uniforms promote a sense of equality among students and foster a strong sense of belonging and identity within the school community enhancing school spirit and pride. When you get the little things right, the big things follow. Wearing uniform also prepares students for future careers and professions where dress codes are enforced. If you need any assistance in obtaining a uniform, especially black shoes, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

There are lots of events coming up next week to be aware of. Our big event on Thursday is our formal assembly for the term, where we will farewell Bailey Cross as he transitions to life after school. This is a huge achievement, and we look forward to celebrating this accomplishment with you all as well as our other highlights for the term.

Week 9

Monday - Homework Club

Tuesday – Year 5/6 transition and Ice cream fundraiser

Wednesday – R U OK Day + Yellow mufti

Thursday – Year 12 Assembly

Friday – PSSA Athletics and Spring Fair

Have a wonderful weekend.

Angela Bush - Principal

EXCELLENCE

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

School news

Perpetual Trophies

Perpetual Trophies awarded at Presentation Ceremony last year need to be returned to the office to allow for this year's Presentation Ceremony to be organised.

Book Club reminder

Please send your order with payment to the office by tomorrow. Thank you

Sockable Fundraiser reminder

Orders are due back on the last day of this term, September 22 and will be delivered to school by the end of Week 2 next term.

BEAUT Reward recipients for Week 7!

Congratulations to all students who received merit certificates!



PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OUR TERM 3 WHOLE
SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14
LIBRARY 2PM

*We will be
farewelling
Bailey Cross
and celebrating
term achievements*

Tuesday, September 12 is **Ice Cream Day** at Tottenham Central School!



We are fundraising for the Primary Excursion to Lightning Ridge!

Bring your money and enjoy a delicious ice cream cup with your choice of toppings. (M & M's, Flakes, Violet Crumble, Chocolate Chips, Tim Tam, Sprinkles, Ice Magic and many more.

When: Lunch Time

Cost:

Ice Cream Cup - \$3.00

Ice Cream Cup and 1 Topping - \$4.00

Ice Cream Cup and 2
Toppings - \$5.00





SRC DRESS UP DAY

To help celebrate R U ok? Day
the SRC are holding a dress-up day

Date: Wednesday 13th September
Dress: Yellow
Cost: Nil



I'm **here** to **hear**

SRC Great Habit for Week 9



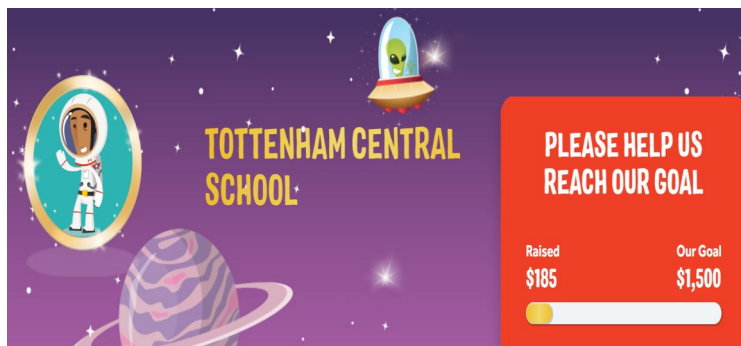

CELEBRATE

THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF OTHERS

Make it a habit to notice when somebody you lead achieves something at school, with sport, or with their hobbies. You can congratulate them yourself, and for bigger things, you can highlight their achievements to others.

SASS Recognition Week

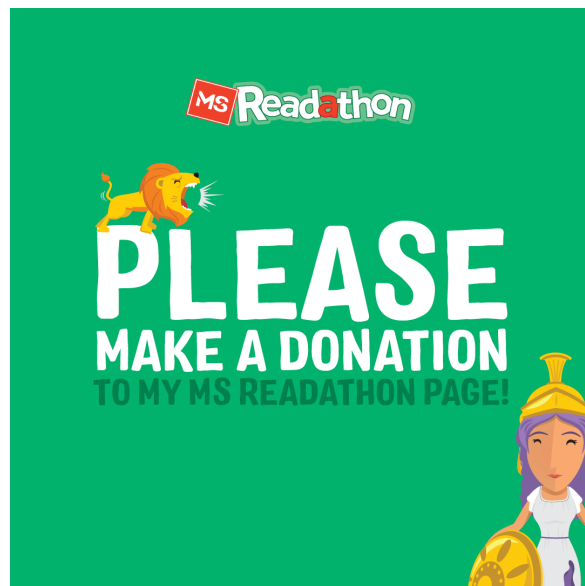
*Thank you to all our School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS)
for everything they do for the Tottenham Central School community!*



MS Readathon Donations

Although the MS Readathon has officially concluded, there is still time to donate! Please follow the link below.

<https://www.msreadathon.org.au/so/77327/4940>



SRC Handball Competition

Over the past few weeks, the SRC have been holding a handball competition at lunch time. This was a knockout competition using 80's rules, with the winner being the first to 3 points.

Our finals were held last Friday and Monday.

In the K/1/2 competition, William Starr had to verse his brother Hugh. The winner was William. Congratulations William.

In the Primary competition, Marty Fulton battled against Kate Radford. Marty was the winner. Congratulations Marty.

The Secondary battle was between Maddi and Billy Simpson, with Billy defeating his sister to take out the secondary division.

The SRC would like to thank everyone who participated.



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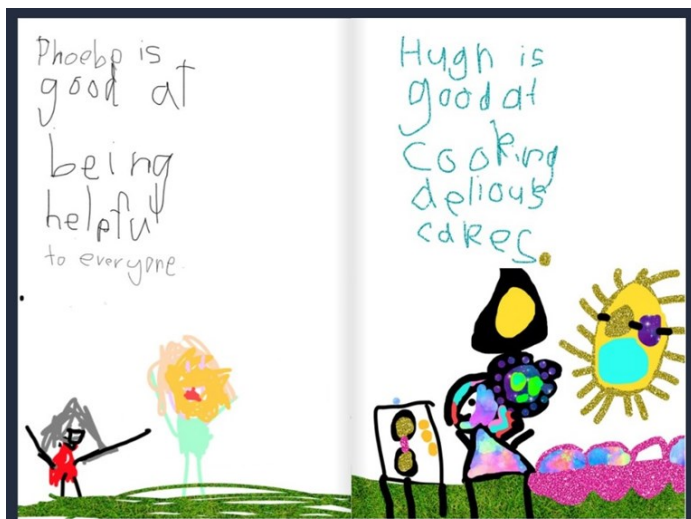


RESPONSIBILITY

Literacy & Numeracy Week

Last week we celebrated Literacy and Numeracy Week, where the students embraced a diverse range of mathematical concepts. Kindergarten students delved into the world of positions, while Year 1/2 honed their graphing skills through hands-on experience with Excel. The Year 3/4 students explored fractions using M&Ms and the Year 5/6 students estimated and then calculated the decimals and percentages of landmass for each state of Australia, turning geographical knowledge into a numerical adventure.



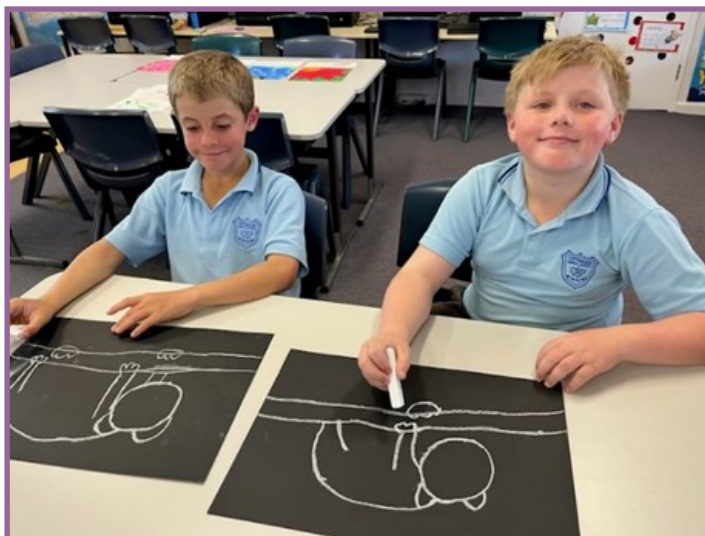


K/1/2 students have been reading books AND working hard to create their own books. Students in Year 1 and 2 created their books using complex sentences. The kindergarten students made up books on Book Creator where they had to describe qualities of themselves, and a friend and then find a what common quality they had with their friend to put into a sentence. They did an extraordinary job! - Miss Moore and Mrs Smith



Students in Stage 2 are learning about native animals in Australia and China. After learning about pandas and watching them in the wild, we listened to this story about Chengdu, a panda who had trouble getting to sleep. Students then drew their own illustration of Chengdu trying to sleep. They used chalk and charcoal to create their artwork, and used the technique of blending to create a 3D effect on the branch. - Mrs Horsburgh

The 5/6 students have been working with the app. Book Creator to create their own story book. They had to consider the target audience, the text and the illustrations that they would use as well as the layout of each page. Some used humour in their stories and others chose a more serious tone, some decided on a factual text. It has been a great learning experience for them to allow their creative abilities to flow. 5/6 students have been keen to showcase their books to the 3/4 class and K/1/2, who have been quite entranced by the efforts of their older peers. It was extremely pleasing to see their excellent results. - Mrs Baker



Secondary news

Secondary Assessment Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Term 3 Week 9	PDHPE, Visual Arts, History	PDHPE, Science	Year 11 - Yearly examinations Year 12 - N/A

Year 5/6 Transition

Next Tuesday 12 September, Year 5/6 students will spend another day in secondary as part of our transition program. They will participate in History, Geography, Science, Music, Mathematics, Technology and PE lessons. The students will need to bring their joggers for PE.

Farm visit

As part of our sheep management unit and wheat pasture production unit, Stage 5 Agriculture and Stage 6 Primary Industry students had a farm visit to "Ellerslie" last Friday. The students helped mark a small mob of lambs and looked at wheat and barley crops. All students did a great job marking the lambs and learnt about what is involved including ear tagging, vaccinating, spraying and using rings on the tails.



Sport news

Sport dates for Term 3

Carnival/Trials	Venue	Date
Gobondery/NARRAF Touch Football/Netball Gala Day	Warren	Friday 8 September
PSSA Athletics	Dubbo	Friday 15 September

Tennis Competitions

The girls' Williams Cup tennis competition (Years 3-4) will start tomorrow and the Vincent Cup tennis competition (Years 5-6) will start next week.

GN Touch Football/Netball Gala Day tomorrow

For those students participating, please find the canteen menu below if you would like your child to purchase recess and/or lunch at Warren.

Other news

Gobondery/Narraf **Canteen Price List**

Hot Food

Hot Dog	\$5.00
Pie	\$4.00
Chicken nuggets (pack of 5)	\$4.00
Sausage roll	\$3.50

Snacks

Chips	\$2.50
Chocolate	\$2.50
Lollies	\$1.00

Drinks

Powerade	\$5.00
Soft drink	\$2.50
Water	\$2.00
Tea/Coffee	\$2.00

YOUTH CLUB UPDATE



Thanks to those members who participated in our recent meeting. Some fabulous ideas were raised.

Here are the two most exciting ones:

TERM 4: Youth Club will be open 7-10pm Friday nights

TERM 4: Youth Club activities will be available for Years 6-10.

Contact Mrs Jarvis for details and membership forms. (0429917913) or visit our Facebook page

UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE:

8/9/23 Shauna & Ben Watson

15/9/23. Bill & Lib Geppert

22/9/23 volunteer

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 17th, 4:00pm at Youth Club, afternoon tea provided

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

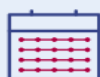
they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight



= **4** weeks

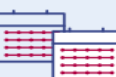


= Over **1** year missed

1 day per week



= **8** weeks



= Over **2.5** years missed

Other news

COME AND JOIN CRICKET BLAST!

Registration is now open for our cricket blast programs. Join us on Friday afternoons at the Glenn McGrath nets and Dundas oval Narromine from 5pm.

Cricket Blast is a great introduction to cricket for girls and boys aged 5-10yrs. Come and learn the skills of the game in a safe, fun and welcoming environment.

Head to our facebook page 'Narromine Junior Cricket' and click the link to register or email us at narrominejnrcricket@outlook.com for more information.



MINGLE IN THE MIDDLE

ALL
AGES

9TH SEPTEMBER 2023
3:30 - 9:00PM
TOTTENHAM SPORTS GROUND

- Movie - Super Mario Bros
- Donna the Astronomer
- Music from Alana Potter
- Outdoor lawn games
- Children's entertainment
- Salt Bush Lamb & Trackin' Good food vans
- Happy Daze Lounge Coffee Van
- Swirls and Twirls icecream van
- Scan the QR code to book your free ticket!
- No phone to scan the code?
- Email: mingleinthemiddle1@gmail.com to book your ticket
- BYO chairs, picnic rug, sunscreen/insect repellent.

Tottenham Welfare Council



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PONY CLUB

Thanks to our instructors who recently travelled to Cudal to meet with the state coaching director and instructors from other zones. Lots of great ideas were shared.

Dates for the Diary:

- September 10th: Rally
-11am start.
- October 7th: Tottenham Gymkhana
- October 29th: Rally



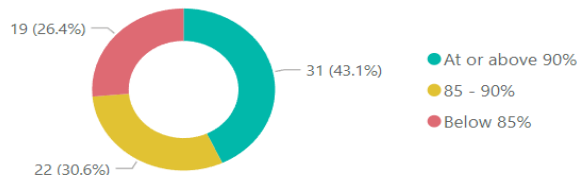
Calendar

WEEK 8	4 SCHOOL PHOTOS	5	6	7 Tim Naden workshop	8 GN Touch/Netball Gala Day -Warren
WEEK 9	11	12 5/6 transition Ice-cream fundraiser	13 RU OK Day - Yellow mufti	14 Year 12 Final Assembly	15 PSSA Athletics—Dubbo Spring Fair
WEEK 10	18	19	20	21	22 Last day of term
WEEK 1 TERM 4	9 Oct Staff and students return	10	11	12	13
WEEK 2	16	17	18 Secondary Graduation	19	20

TCS students attending > = 90% of the time 43.1% vs DoE State 55.8%

School Attendance Level

Attendance Level



Wiradjuri word of the week:

marra marra bula ngumbaay

Meaning: thirteen

Art credit: Max

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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.