Tottenham Central School

Principal: Angela Bush

Week 1 Term 3 Thursday, 17 October 2024



Principal's message

Welcome to Term 4 and the final countdown of the year.

I want to take a moment to remind everyone about the importance of our core values: excellence, respect, and responsibility. These values are not just ideals we talk about but actions we expect to see in every classroom, on the playground, and throughout our school community. Unfortunately, we have seen some students returning to school unsettled after the holidays, with numerous incidents of inappropriate behaviour occurring in both primary and secondary areas. I understand that the unstructured nature of holidays can make it difficult to adjust back to school routines, but it is crucial that we regain focus immediately. School is a place of learning and growth, and we all need to work together to ensure a calm, respectful, and productive environment.

Being at our best and having respect for others is key to creating a positive atmosphere where everyone can thrive. For those who struggle to meet these expectations, consequences will follow. If poor behaviour continues, students will be placed on monitoring cards and further disciplinary measures such as class isolation or suspension may follow for persistent disobedience. These are not steps we want to take, but they will be necessary if behaviours don't improve. I am confident, however, that with support, we can quickly address these issues and get everyone back on track. It's important to note that students placed on monitoring cards, whether in primary or secondary, may miss out on the many exciting extracurricular events scheduled for this term. Let's ensure we all make the right choices so that we have a positive end to the year.

This term also brings with it some exciting milestones, particularly for our Year 6 students. Our Year 6 transition program is designed to give these students a real taste of what life will be like in secondary school. They'll follow the Stage 4 timetable to gain a deeper understanding of how high school operates, providing them with a head start and helping to ease the anxiety that often comes with this big step. The transition dates are as follows:

Monday, Week 2 (October 21)

Homeroom Period 1 Maths Period 2 English Period 3 Music Period 4 History Period 5 Visual Arts

Tuesday, Week 6 (November 19)

Homeroom Period 1 Maths Period 2 PDHPE Period 3 Science Period 4 Science Period 4 History

Wednesday, Week 8 (December 4)

Sport
Period 1 English
Period 2 Maths
Period 3 Geography
Period 4 Science
Period 5 Sport

ENCOURAGING ALL IN THE AIM TO BETTER OUR BEST

There will be no transition in Week 4 due to the excursion, but we expect Year 6 students to engage fully with the program on the other days. This is a valuable opportunity for them to build confidence and learn about the expectations in secondary school.

We're also looking forward to welcoming our future Kindergarten students, with their transition program starting in Week 3. This is always such an exciting time, and we're thrilled to help these young learners begin their school journey. For many families, this is a momentous occasion, and we can't wait to share in that excitement.

This term is packed with events and opportunities for students of all ages. Next week, we have Musica Viva, an enriching experience where students can enjoy live music and explore different genres and cultures. On Friday, we'll also be hosting Grand Friends Day, which is always a highlight of the year. It's a wonderful chance for students to invite their grandparents or special older friends to visit the school, see what they've been working on, and share a morning of fun and connection. On Wednesday evening, we will have the Burgoyne Debate in partnership with the Lions Club, a fantastic opportunity for our students to showcase their debating skills with the battle between Year 5 and 6.

Finally, a reminder that our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 22 at 5 pm in the staff meeting room. This is an important gathering where we discuss upcoming events, school initiatives, and ways the school community can continue to support our students and staff. I encourage you all to attend, as it's a great way to stay involved and contribute to our school's ongoing success.

As we embark on this busy term, let's all commit to excellence in everything we do. There's so much to look forward to, and I'm confident we will finish the year on a high note.

I look forward to celebrating our achievements and planning for an exciting 2025!

Angela Bush - Principal

Years 3-6 Swimming for Sport begins in Week 3!

You swi shi and fee mo



You will need your swimmers and a rash shirt (or t-shirt), a towel and your pool entry fee! \$2 spending money is allowed for lollies / icy cup.

Friday, 1 November!



School news

Calendar Artwork

Here are samples of this year's artwork. K/1/2 are doing Birds.

3/4 are doing Robin Mead Sunset Landscapes. 5/6 are doing Patchwork Landscape Drawings.

There are many items to choose from to put your child's artwork on. They are a great keepsake and make wonderful Christmas presents.

The order forms have been sent home with students and are to be returned by Wednesday, 30 October with cash payment to the school.

If you have any questions please contact the office.

Thanks, Donna







TOTTENHAM LIONS CLUB PRESENTS
THE ANNUAL BURGOYNE DEBATE

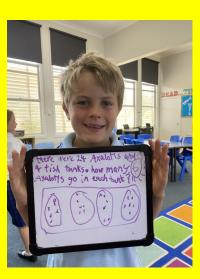
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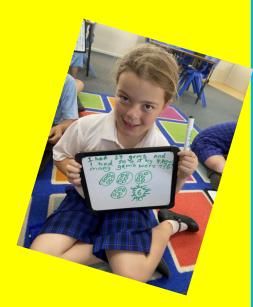
Between Years 5 and 6

TOTTENHAM GOLF CLUB 6:30PM FOR A 7PM DINNER COST \$25 P/P











Welcome to Term 4 from Year 2







Secondary news

Secondary Assessment Schedule

Week due	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Term 4 Week 2	N/A	N/A	Year 11 - N/A Year 12 - HSC Examinations— Mathematics Standard 2

Higher School Certificate Examinations

Monday, 21 October

Mathematics Standard 2

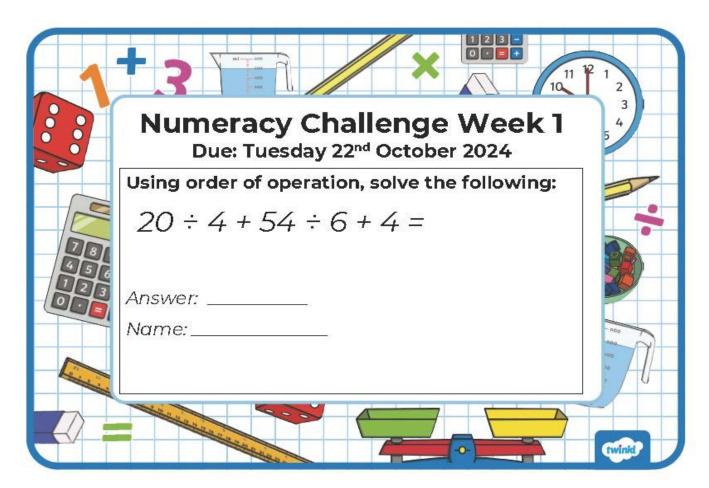
Sport news

Sport dates for Term 4 2024

Carnival/Trials	Venue	Date	
PSSA State Athletics Championships	SOPAC	Wednesday 23 – Thursday 24 October	
Gobondery/NARRAF Tennis gala day	Tottenham	Friday 1 November	
Gobondery Shield – Primary	Tullamore	Wednesday 11 December	
Gobondery Cup – Secondary	Tullamore	Friday 13 December	

State PSSA Athletics

Good luck to Drew and Bailey who are competing at the State PSSA Athletics Championships at SOPAC next week. Drew will be competing on Wednesday in the 12-13 boys 1500m and Bailey will be competing in the 11 – 13 boys Multiclass shot put on Thursday, 24 October.



Community news

Western NSW Local Health District

Aboriginal School based traineeships



Challenge yourself I Make an impact I Shape the future

Pathways to become a qualified health professional and work for NSW Health

If you are currently in year 10 at school, you could be eligible to apply.

School Based Apprentice Traineeship (SBAT) are offered to school students in years 11 and 12 and may count towards the Higher School Certificate (HSC).

Students are required to undertake work experience (preferably in year 10) prior to applying for a traineeship position.

Students complete on the job learning with 100 days paid employment (700 hours) over 2

Eligible qualifications at Western NSW LHD include:

- Administration
- Allied Health
- Assistant in Nursing Dental Assisting Kitchen Operations
- Pharmacy



Open from the 8th July 2024 - 18th October 2024

For further information please contact Melanie Sing Phone: (02) 6330 5985

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EQUIPMENT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF MPHS

We're coming to your community



We're bringing NSW Government services to: Tottenham Wednesday 13 November 2024 9AM - 3PM

Visit our Mobile Service Centre to access services like:

- · Driver Knowledge Tests
- driver licence, mobility parking and photo card applications
- · Working with Children Checks
- · NDIS Worker Checks
- · birth, death and marriage certificates
- · cost of living support and more.

Call 13 77 88 or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

🚅 Find us at: Memorial Park 80 Umang Street n











Calendar

TERM 4 WEEK 1	14 October	15	16	17	18
WEEK 2	21 Year 6 transition	P&C Mtg 5pm	23 Burgoyne Debate PSSA State Athletics Musica Viva in school performance	PSSA State Athletics	25 Grandfriends' Day 10-11:30am
WEEK 3	28	29	30	31 Kindergarten transition 9-11am	1 November GN Tennis Gala Day—Tottenham
WEEK 4	4 4/5/6 Sydney excursion	5	6	7 Kindergarten transition 9-11am	8
WEEK 5	11	12	13	14 Kindergarten transition 9-11am	15
WEEK 6	18	19 Year 6 transition	20	21	22
WEEK 7	25	26	27	28	29
WEEK 8	2 December Whole school assembly	3	4 Year 6 transition	5	6



Word of the week: ngambaa Pronunciation: nga-m-baa Meaning: inquisitive



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