

# TURRAMURRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

# Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 10

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

End of term is days away. Thank you for a great term and supporting us in some very different practices.

Our 3-6 students had a great day on Monday at their Mini Athletics Carnival. It was lovely to see everyone having a go. Ribbons were handed out on the day. Well done to all our winners. A huge thank you to Miss Nolan and Mr DJ for their organisation.

K-2 will have a fun Athletics Day as part of the last day of term. Lots of running races and novelties to keep the day running well.

Please be aware that the COVID restrictions for parents onsite have not eased and they look to remain in place for some time yet. If you need to visit the School you must enter via the Office and sign in. We are required to keep a record of all visitors no matter how short your visit. It is preferable to speak to your teacher via a phone call if at all possible. Teachers will remain on duty at the gates into Term 3. We will let you know when this changes. This also means that we continue to ask that you keep your children home if they are unwell. I know at times this is difficult but we do not want to have to close the School if we have an outbreak. Teachers will request that you collect children who present with runny noses and cold symptoms even if they are mild. We are aware there are some children who are asthmatic or suffer with sinus issues, please let your teacher know so they are aware and we will accommodate.

Sadly we farewell Mrs Angela Pak (School Counsellor) this week. She has been a wonderful and very valued member of our School Team. She will be moving to another location. We wish her all the very best. She will be missed by us all. Next Term we have a new Counsellor who will work Mondays and

Thursdays. There will be a comprehensive handover for students continuing with our counselling service. The Learning and Support Team is also here to support this transition.

Mr Rennie will return to onsite learning next Term. He will work with the students he was seeing in Term 1.

It has come to my attention that parents are collecting their children when leaving early from the K-2 classrooms. The correct process is to email the Office and we will ensure the child is at the top Office ready for collection. The leave early form will be completed and filed by the Office. If you are collecting sick children they will be sent to the top Office for collection as we have always done. This is to try to limit parents on-site as much as we can. Please be diligent with all visits to School and only access when absolutely necessary.

Our teachers are working with Mrs Harrison to deliver assistance with Multi-lit next Term. These students have had additional help from our support casuals this Term. The extra help is of great benefit to assist with reading.

Next Term the Canteen will open for over the counter sales at recess and lunch. There will be limited products but we hope this will be another small step to normality.

Code Camp is back next Term on Wednesdays as are Art classes on Mondays. Please make sure you have enrolled if you wish to attend. Please be very diligent with social distancing when collecting from these classes. Code Camp instructors will drop to OOSH and the front gate. Art classes can be collected by walking down the driveway near the Office and waiting outside. Do not enter the rooms at any time. The Teacher will send the children out to you.

## Planning Ahead...

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

- End of Term 2  
- Students return for Term 3 – Winter uniform

Dance Classes after School will also commence. We ask that parents collect from the side door facing the Uniform Shop so you are able to social distance. Please enter via the side driveway (next to the Preschool) to avoid passing OOSH.

Please do not enter the Hall at any time. The Dance Teacher will deliver to the door.

Our netball rings are up and ready for use. I look forward to seeing our netballers and others enjoying another activity in the playground.

The Crazy Hair and Sock Day was a great success with over \$700 raised to assist with the Year 6 farewell. Thank you Megan for all your assistance with this and with the Quelch sticks available at our Carnivals. The K-2 students will be able to purchase these on Friday as part of their Carnival and any surplus will be offered to 3-6 students. (\$2 each)

Have a wonderful relaxing holiday. I know my staff are looking forward to a well-earned rest. I can also see that our students are really in need of some down time too. We will welcome everyone back on Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>. Teachers are completing a lot of training on Monday prior to students returning.

Have a lovely last week

**Margaret Foott**  
Principal

### Crazy Hair and Sock Day



### Message from the Deputy Principal

#### Positive Behaviour for Learning

Turrumurra Public School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning School. Our School expectations of Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best are deeply entrenched across the school. Our focus since returning to school has been to re establish classroom expectations and routines.

From the beginning of next Term, we will continue to work on building classroom expectations and shifting some of our focus onto our wider school expectations. From the beginning of Term 3 we will be looking at "Taking Care of our Belongings" and "Wearing our School Uniform with Pride".

In order to support the School, we ask that you make sure that all your children's belongings are clearly labelled. If belongings are labelled we are able to return them.

When our students return to school at the beginning of Term 3 they will do so wearing their Winter school uniform. See the picture below. We ask that students wear black school shoes or sneakers with their school uniform. No jewellery such as long earrings, bracelets and necklaces. A reminder that student's hair should be tied back if sitting on the shoulders. Children with very long fringes should clip their hair back.

Term 3 is a great opportunity to get back into the habit of taking care of our belongings and wearing our school uniform with pride. We thank you in advance for all your support and enjoy your Winter break. Stay Safe.

**Jacqui Gordon**  
Deputy Principal



### From The Office:

Please do not make POP payments after this Wednesday (1<sup>st</sup> July) as we are unable to process them during the school holidays.

A mobile phone has been found on Kissing Point Road. If you have lost your phone, please contact the School Office for more information – **9983 9455**.

For your information a new COVID-19 testing clinic is now open at Hillview Community Health Centre (on the Pacific Highway) entrance on Boyd Street. This is a walk in clinic open from 8.00am – 4pm seven days a week and is able to test children. No appointment is necessary, testing is free and no referral from a GP is needed.

Enjoy the holidays!

**The Office**

### Sport News:

Year 3-6 enjoyed a fun filled Athletics Carnival yesterday with lots of fun had by all!

Friday it will be the turn of K-2 with the following events and activities. A reminder that no spectators are allowed.

For K-2

- 50m → 5yr olds
- 60m → 6yr olds
- 70m → 7 yr olds
- 100m → 8yr olds

Rotational Activities

1. Mini hurdles
2. High jump mat
3. Long jump in sandpit
4. Shot put with small balls
5. Discus with soft frisbees
6. Relays
7. Javelin with vortexes
8. Parachute
9. Balls
10. Fitness
11. Dance



### Music News:

After much waiting and anticipation, we are starting Choir and Recorder again next Term!!!

Please see below for a reminder of our rehearsal timetable:

- Before School Monday – Senior Recorder Club, 8.15am
- Before School Friday – TurraSingers, 8.00am
- Monday Lunchtime 1.00pm Turra 5
- Tuesday Lunchtime 1.00pm Turra 3
- Wednesday Lunchtime 1.00pm Turra 6
- Thursday Lunchtime 1.00pm Turra 4

Year 4 Recorders

Students in 4B, 4H and 4N will need a recorder for their music lessons from Week 1, Term 3. Please find the recorder you purchased earlier in the year or if you haven't got one yet, please purchase from the Office for \$10.

**Kiralee Strahle**  
Music Teacher

**Library News:**

**The 2020 NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge**

Congratulations to the following students who have now successfully completed the PRC !

Aiden Saretzki	Koby Chandler	Gemma Selby
Harrison Backhouse	Lilian Bayl	Riley Brook
Xavier Clutterham	Benjamin Corner-Rutgers	Gabrielle Georgiou
Harriet Granger	Syed Daud Jan	Marianne Mai
Poppy McCosh	Marylisa McDermott	Lula Morris
Willow O’Bryan	Annabel Penna	Miles Powell
Nathaniel Ren	Rhys Reynolds	Simran Sambrane
Levi Scalley	Kian Petersen	Andras Sved
Sierra Swift	Douglas Whitehouse	Ruben Winet

Well done!

The PRC challenges students to read **frequently** and to read **widely**. Students can complete the Challenge this year by reading 20 (Years 3-6) or 30 (K-2) books by 28<sup>th</sup> August.

Once read, books can be registered on the PRC reading log sheet or online. Students use their Computer lesson username and password to login. Please visit the following site to record books, view booklists and access other relevant information:

**Overdue Notices**

Please return all overdue books to the library by the end of the week.

Students are able to borrow a book for the holiday break!

Remember to read, read, read!

**Amanda Kynaston and Shelley Warren**  
Teacher Librarians

**Achievement Awards K – 2:**

KR	Thomas Reardon	Daniel Bentley
KB	Elise Antonio	Skye Bin
KY	Adalyn Xiong	Ellie Boers
KO	Sebastian Leyshan	Ava Gordon
KG	Edie McHutchinson	Mason Brook
1T	Abigail Linklater	Cicely Payne
	Ethan Fackerall	
1M	Jonah Grove	Michaela Ma
1B	Eve Edwards	Jason Li
	Eadie van de Giessen	Charlie Toth
2M	Matthew Millar	Anna Mutch
2K	Claudia Dean	Dean Barter
	Charlie Crowden	
2V	Douglas Whitehouse	Poppy McCosh
2R	Giselle Munter	

**Achievement Awards 3-6:**

3L	Cerys Easton	Benji Lee
	Benji Lynas	Kate Pan
	Maxim Skarchewski	Sophia Tewater
3R	Holly Clark	Charlotte Cole
4B	Sienna Sprague	Ethan Hamer
	Sigmund Bilyk	Caitlin Norton
	Arnav Sehgal	Piper Stratford
	Beatrice Dean	Lulu Ennis
	Hannah Waring	Chloe Grove
4H	Skye Wilson	Alex Chen
	Kase Willis-Jansen	Samantha Wassell
	Charlotte Fagan	Lucas Horsley
5J	Scarlett Burton-Bell	Emily Allen
	Daniel Basiri	Divij Singla
	Nicholas Yastreboff	Neilson Wang
	Xavier O’Bryan	Hanna Sved
5R	Lochlann Duggan	James Zhang
	Naomi Whitehouse	Remi Gillam
5S	Lily Bell	Sophie Jackson
	Wilf Sunderland	Bradley Merrell
	Adelaide Butler	Eric Zhang
6D	Helia Sharifi	Jimmy Thebridge
	Lia van Wyk	Jacob Welch
	Oliver Schneider	Sylvia Lu
	Alfie Sunderland	Eden Livesey

## **Ethics:**

Would you or someone you know like to be an Ethics Teacher for TPS? We have many children on our wait-lists + our current teachers are not all able to volunteer this year. Without new volunteers many of the children will miss out next year.

It requires 40 minutes of your time on a Wednesday morning...Mums, Dads, Grandparents, friends and neighbours are welcome... it is extremely rewarding and fun! Lessons are planned already for you.

You will be facilitating children to think logically, disagree respectfully and use evidence and reasoning to make decisions rather than act out of habit or peer pressure. Topics are relevant to everyday issues we face in our society. It is a rewarding way to help children develop skills for life.

For K-2, stories, poems and rhymes prompt children to discuss ethical issues such as:

- hurting someone without meaning to
- telling the truth
- being kind
- forgiving
- ownership
- fairness
- empathy

For 3-6, stories, contemporary issues and real life scenarios form the basis of discussions on ethical issues such as:

- selfishness
- how we should treat living things
- promises
- greed
- friendship
- cheating
- voting
- punishment
- homelessness
- teasing
- fairness in society

## **Canteen News:**

A big thank you for last week's helpers.

### **Helpers for this week:**

#### **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020**

Georgie Howard & Sally Robbins

#### **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020**

Minh Dinh & Noush Bentley

#### **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020**

Linh Linh Lee & Neroli Sunderland

Enjoy the school holidays!

Thank you from TPS CANTEEN

**Laura and Haylee**

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## Band News 2020 - Term 2

### Week 10



**HUGE thanks and congratulations to Mr Rowland and to our TPS Band community for surviving and thriving during a crazy Term 2. Best wishes to everyone for a relaxing (music filled!) mid-year break, we look forward to seeing you in Term 3 and hopefully to hearing our bands perform later in the year.**

### BAND REHEARSALS:

Day	Morning Rehearsal (7.50am sharp-8.50am)	Afternoon Rehearsal (3.15pm sharp-4.15pm)
Monday	Junior Jazz	Performance
Tuesday	Junior	Senior Jazz
Wednesday	Intermediate	Junior
Thursday	Performance	Intermediate

**\*\* PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL GATES IN THE AFTERNOON - NO PARENTS ARE TO ENTER THE SCHOOL GROUNDS \*\***

**PLEASE PAY ANY OVERDUE BAND CONTRIBUTIONS** - Thank you to all who have paid promptly. If the first instalment is not paid by the end of THIS WEEK, please note that an **additional processing charge of \$10 per student** will be applied to your account (unless you have the prior approval of the Band Treasurer). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Band Treasurer, Neroli at [tpsbandtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:tpsbandtreasurer@gmail.com)

### Upcoming Band Calendar Dates

#### TERM 3 (21 July - 25 September)

<b>SAVE THE DATE</b>	Friday 11 Sept & Saturday 12 Sept (TBC)	<b>North Shore Music Festival - TBC</b> (Chatswood High School) Junior band (Sat 12/9 approx. 2.30-4.30pm) Intermediate band (Fri 11/9 approx. 7-8.30pm) Performance Band (Sat 12/9 approx. 4-6pm)
Week 2	Thurs 30 July	<b>Band Committee Meeting, 7pm</b>
Week 3	Date TBC	<b>COUNTRY BAND TOUR</b> planning meeting - all Performance Band parents welcome - we will be planning a tour for early Nov 2020

**TPS School Calendar:** <https://turrumurra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/calendar.html>

#### P&C BAND CONTACT DETAILS

Band Director - Mr Tim Rowland: [tpsbands@outlook.com](mailto:tpsbands@outlook.com)

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Band Treasurer - Neroli Sunderland: [tpsbandtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:tpsbandtreasurer@gmail.com)

Band Secretary - Alison Barnett: [tpsbandsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:tpsbandsecretary@gmail.com)

# Do something life-changing this year

Teach ethics at your  
local school



**For around an hour a week, you can teach an ethics class at your local school and help children develop skills for life.**

Ethics classes support children to develop the skills they need to voice their opinions, consider the ideas of others and to make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than habit or peer pressure.

In ethics classes, children discuss ethical issues using an approved curriculum designed for each age group and include topics such as Laziness, Voting, How can we work out what's true? and Imagining how others feel.

Volunteers are needed now to teach ethics classes at a school near you. Training and support is provided.

**Only about an hour a week**

Find out more at  
[PrimaryEthics.com.au](http://PrimaryEthics.com.au)