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Newsletter

Issue 35 – Tuesday, 12th November, 2019 Term 4 Week 5

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

We are braced for some very difficult fire events over the next few days. We have a very comprehensive fire plan which I do hope is not required but please be aware we are ready. In case of emergency you will receive a message on the Skoolbag APP letting you know arrangements.

Our sympathy goes out to the many school communities in our State that have suffered so much in the past few days. Our SRC is investigating some fundraising to help our very unfortunate friends at schools far and wide in NSW and QLD.

We made the very difficult decision to cancel day 1 of the Band Camp due to the catastrophic fire warnings for the whole State. The overnight stay was unpredictable and I would not want other parents to be making emergency decisions on your behalf. It will be a disappointment for our Band students who have looked forward to this but safety for all is our priority. Our Department has also reinforced the decision to not travel today. We are still planning to proceed with the Wednesday program. Please see the Band information regarding times and arrangements.

Our first Kindy Orientation was held today and the children were very settled and enjoyed the morning. Thank you to our Kindy Teachers for 2020 for their wonderful organisation. Next week parents will be welcomed with morning tea while the children are in class and the following week they will be invited to attend the Baby Proms in the Hall after the session which will end a little earlier at 10:15am.

Congratulations to our State Athletes who performed so well last week. Ms McGuire has named and reported all results in the Sport News

Our Sport Captains were also elected last Friday. They have been acknowledged at Assembly and will learn who will be Captain and Vice Captain at Presentation Day in December. Well done to all our contenders.

Our Captain and Vice Captain attended the Remembrance Day Service yesterday with Mrs Gordon. It was a lovely event with many community members in attendance. Thank you Brodie Shearer and Patrick Schafer for your representation.

Have a great week and make sure you have your fire plans in place at your place

Margaret Foott Principal



Planning Ahead...

Friday 15th November

- PSSA TPS v Waitara PA

League Tag @ Foxglove Oval Cricket @ Auluba Oval

Softball/T-Ball @ Field of Dreams

- ber Last day to hand certificates in for Medal Assembly ber - Year 2 Band Information Evening – Hall 7-8.30pm
 - AGM Band Committee Staff room 7pm
 - Medal Assembly
 - Presentation Day
 - Last day of Term Students

Monday 18th November Tuesday 26th November Thursday 28th November Monday 2nd December Thursday 12th December Wednesday 18th December

Sport News

Last week, 5 of our TPS students represented Sydney North at State level athletics. It was a hot couple of days for all out at Homebush and the students did an amazing job. Thanks to Anthea Thebridge and Jacqui Shearer for regular updates and for a wrap up. We saw some PBs amongst these excellent results. What a huge achievement for these students to even get to State level. Great work, team TPS! Oops, I mean, team Sydney North ©

Marco Naidoo - 3rd in junior boys high jump

Jimmy Thebridge- 1st in junior boys long jump and 4th in 100m boys final Brodie Shearer- semi finalist in the 11yrs boys 100m and semi finalist in 11yrs boys 200m Harlow Wigley- equal 7th in 11yrs girls high jump

Bethany Tate- 16th in senior girls discus and 22nd in senior girls shot put

Sport Captain elections for 2020 were held on Friday. As we told the students, there could only be 4 Captains per house. All students spoke well about their leadership potential and dedication to their school. It was lovely to see such wonderful school spirit. Congratulations to the successful 2020 captains:

Acacia Alfie Sunderland, Marco Gendy, Emily Anderson & Genevieve Callendar

Banksia Nick Howard, Tristan Benjamin, Sophia Garafalo-Stock and Tanna Kotulic

Grevillea Jimmy Thebridge, Oliver Padina, Chrissie Argyropoulos and Sophie Kulmar

Telopea Will Norton, Marco Naidoo, Caitlin Dunn & Harlow Wigley

In the usual fashion, the students will receive their badge at Presentation Day and find out whether they are House or Vice Captain.

There are 2 more rounds of PSSA before the finals season begins. League Tag will continue regardless for 4 more rounds.

Don't forget to sign up for the WEETBIX Tryathlon https://tryathlon.com.au/ if you haven't already. It will be an amazing event ©

Enjoy your week
Katrina McGuire & Reg deJager
Sport Conveners



Jimmy



Bethany



Brodie



Marco

From The Office

We are running our Toys 'n' Tucker appeal again this year. There will be boxes up in the Office and in the Clasrooms to collect your kind donations. There is a list of items later in the Newsletter, please ensure all toys are new and food items are not out of date.

Many thanks

Music News

T- Factor – Auditions will be in Week 7, a timetable will be in next weeks Newsletter.

Kiralee Strahle Music Teacher

International Day of the Girl

Thank you to everyone who participated in helping raise funds for girls in need.

We raised \$693 at the school event. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves!

The Raffle Winners were:

Prize 1 - Event Cinema Family Pass (worth \$84) plus goody pack:

KATE P, 2M

Prize 2 - \$50 Rebel Sports Voucher plus books from Harry Hartog:

ANNABEL A. 2M

Prize 3 - 8 Laser Tag Passes from Strike plus books from Berkelouw:

EMILY B, 2M

Prize 4 - 4 Bowling Passes from Strike, a \$25 Harry Hartog Book Voucher and books:

JUDE S, 3/4T

Many thanks for your support. Billie Lane, 4S.



Canteen News:

Thanks to last week's helpers!

As the end of the year gets closer the Canteen gets busier and busier so it is important to make sure we have enough helpers, especially on Fridays which is our busiest day.

Help Needed!

Thursday 14th November – 1 helper Friday 15th November – 1 helper

Please contact Haylee at the Canteen or 0422 222 601 or 9440 0356 if you can help out.

Helpers for this week:

Wednesday 13th November

Sally Robbins & Ula van Hoorn

Thursday 14th November

Jacqui Shearer & TBC

Friday 15th November

Diana Long, Lydia Lucs & Minh Dinh

Monday 18th November

Min Jiang & Nicole Chenille

Thank you from

TPS CANTEEN Haylee & Laura



Band News - Term 4, Week 5



NO BAND REHEARSALS THIS TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY or THURSDAY

Country Band Tour - WEDNESDAY ONLY, 7.30am Depart



Upcoming Band Calendar Dates				
Week	Date	TERM 4		
5	11-14 Nov	NO BAND rehearsals this week**, except for Performance Band - Usual Rehearsal on Monday pm for CBT attendees only. NO OTHER REHEARSALS		
	13 Nov	Country Band Tour (Performance Band) Depart TPS 7.30am Wednesday 13/11, estimated return 5pm 13/11 - TUESDAY, DAY 1, CANCELLED		
6	18-21 Nov	AFTERNOON Band Rehearsals only (including Jazz) - no morning rehearsals** NO JUNIOR JAZZ BAND rehearsal this week.		
7	Tues 26 Nov	Baby Proms -Performance Band (10:30am and 12:15pm)		
		Yr 2 Band information Evening - Performance Band volunteers, Hall, 7pm-8:30pm		
	Wed 27 Nov	Scripture Christmas Service - Intermediate band		
	Thurs 28 Nov	Band Committee AGM, 7pm Staff room, all welcome, followed by Band Committee end of year dinner		
8	Mon 2 Dec	Medal Assembly - Junior Jazz Band		
	Tues 3 Dec	All Bands End of Year Concert for band families - Hall, 6pm band arrival for 6.30pm concert		
	Fri 6 Dec	Deadline for prospective 2020 Junior Band instrument nomination		
9	9-13 Dec	End of year instrument reviews/feedback for all 2020 band students, one on one with Mr Rowland during regular band rehearsal times. End of tutorials/lessons.		
		All hired instruments MUST be returned to Band Room immediately after Performance Review, and at latest by Fri, 13/12.		
	12 Dec	Presentation Day - THS MPC - Performance Band		
10	16-18 Dec	NO BAND, happy holidays and see you next year!		
2020	6-8 March	2020 Band Camp - SAVE THE DATE!		

^{**} Mr Rowland on Long Service Leave - Weeks 4, 5 and 6. Some changes to band rehearsal times, please check details carefully

SAVE THE DATE: Band Camp 2020 - Fri 6th - Sun 8th March

TPS School Calendar: https://turramurra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/calendar.html

'LOVING THE LOWER HUNTER' COUNTRY BAND TOUR THIS WEEK -WED 13 NOVEMBER

TUESDAY, DAY 1 - CANCELLED

Our Performance Band will be heading off on their short Country Band Tour to Mangrove Mountain this Wednesday. Unfortunately the predicted catastrophic weather/fire conditions have caused us to cancel our plans for performances in the Lower Hunter region on Tuesday. We will continue to notify parents by SMS and email of any further last-minute changes. Huge thanks and congratulations to Liz Maund and Lisa Romero who have organised and will accompany this tour. Thanks too to Mr Rowland and Mrs Davies who will also accompany the Band. We hope you have a band-tastic time, despite the shortened tour!

Year 2 parents and students - Come along and find out what it takes to be a TPS Band member! Try an instrument and find one that suits you, ready for an exciting year in Junior Band. PLEASE NOTE - IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND THIS EVENING (AND DO NOT LET MR. ROWLAND KNOW IN ADVANCE), YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO JOIN THE BAND PROGRAM FOR 2020

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS ~ OUR BANDS NEED YOUR HELP!

Please consider taking on a small commitment and become part of our fabulous Band Committee. In 2020 we will have vacancies in the following roles:

- Secretary (2-3 hours per term, including attending Committee meetings and preparing/circulating agendas and minutes)
- Band Camp Committee members, both general and medical, to shadow outgoing helpers and continue in future years. If you have a First Aid Certificate and would be willing to work with our existing team and share the load, please contact us, as our medical team particularly needs extra assistants! Band Camp is one of the highlights of the band calendar, and we need YOU to help make it happen.

If you can assist us in any of these roles, job descriptions are available from the band coordinators Liz and Kerry (tpsbandcoordinators@gmail.com) or Band Camp Coordinator Megan Treston, bandcomp@tps-pandc.org.au. Committee meetings are held generally at the beginning of each term, on **Thursday** evenings, starting at 7pm - only five meetings per year!

Band Committee 2020 and final Term 4 Meeting

Our final Band Committee meeting for 2019 (with lots of planning for 2020) will be on **Thursday 28 November**, at 7pm in the Staffroom. Please come along to hear more about the Band program, all are welcome. If you are willing to participate in the Committee in future years, to ensure that TPS's excellent Band Program continues, please join us! All Committee positions will be open and we will be calling for new volunteers, particularly to fill Band Secretary and several Band Camp positions.

REMINDER - Please obtain your Working with Children Check NOW

All parents who will be staying overnight at Band Camp are legally required to have a valid WWCC. The Band Committee strongly recommends that ALL band parents obtain their WWCC Certificate, which is FREE as a volunteer. You may already find that sporting clubs and other organisations that you volunteer with require parents to have this important child protection check. Obtaining your WWCC is a simple online application, and you will receive your Certificate once you have verified your identity in person at a Service NSW office. For the online WWCC Application, go to: https://wwccheck.ccyp.nsw.gov.au/Applicants/Application

For more information, see:

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2020 BANDS STRUCTURE

Our current structure of three concert bands plus Jazz Band will continue in 2020. In future years, if a fourth concert band becomes feasible, we will reintroduce a Senior band. If numbers permit, we will also continue with a Junior Jazz Band in 2020, so please express your interest by email to Mr Rowland: tpsbands@outlook.com

- Participating Year 2 students from 2019 will form the new Junior band (2020 Year 3).
- The present Junior Band (2020 Year 4) will become the new Intermediate band.
- 2019's Intermediate Band (2020 Year 5) and Year 5 Performance band students (2020 Year 6) will form the Performance band.
- Jazz band will continue. All students entering years 4-6 and playing a 'jazz'
 instrument (brass, percussion, bass guitar, keyboard) should inform Mr Rowland if
 they wish to be considered. Entry into the Jazz band will be based on ability and
 instrument mix; however, all are welcome to apply. Please let Mr Rowland know by
 email.

END OF YEAR REVIEWS

- All students who wish to participate in the Band Program in 2020 will have an end of year instrument review/feedback with Mr Rowland.
- Reviews will be with Mr Rowland during usual rehearsal times in Week 9, or as
 otherwise arranged, and is best thought of as a relaxed musical meeting to enable

Mr Rowland to allocate appropriate instrument parts, provide feedback, and select music for each band going forward.

- This is not an audition, as everyone will be placed into a band.
- Students will need to prepare a 30 second piece of music to play during their review timeslot. Please choose and prepare with your music tutor.
- If your child is in OOSH, please email Mr Rowland with details so that their Review can be timetabled for their OOSH day.
- If a student is unfortunately unable to continue with band in 2020 (other than current Year 6 students!), YOU MUST NOTIFY MR ROWLAND and your BAND MANAGER by EMAIL AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

REHEARSAL TIMES FOR 2020

Band	Morning Rehearsal (set up 7.45am) 7.50am sharp-8.50am	Afternoon Rehearsal (set up 3.10pm) 3.15pm sharp-4.15pm
Junior Begin Week 3	Tuesday Brass Instruments	Wednesday Woodwind Instruments
Intermediate Begin Week 2	Wednesday	Thursday
Performance Begin Week 2	Thursday	Monday
Jazz Begin Week 2	n/a	Tuesday

TO DO LIST:

- ✓ Note final Band Assembly performance dates in your diary
- ✓ Note 2020 Band Camp and Band Rehearsal dates in your diary
- ✓ Volunteer for the Band Committee, as Secretary or Band Camp shadow helper or first aid assistant!
- ☑ Obtain or renew your Working with Children Check
- ☑ Notify Mr Rowland by email if your child attends OOSH, for the end of year reviews, and/or if your child wishes to be considered for Jazz Band in 2020

Band Coordinators - new email address

Next year the Band Co-coordinators will be using a new email address, so please get ready to update your Contacts/Address book for Term 1, 2020:

band@tps-pandc.org.au

(Mr Rowland's email will still be: tpsbands@outlook.com)





Here are the things we include in a food hamper. Standard sizes (as indicated) are preferred to help fit everything in neatly. Sadly we can't include chocolate as it's likely to melt.

Shopping list:

- Christmas cake
- Christmas pudding
- Tinned ham (450g)
- Tinned salmon (415g)
- Tea (50pk) or Coffee (100g)
- Milo (small tin)
- Packet of biscuits
- Dried past a (500g)
- Past a sauce
- Long-life milk, custard or cream
- Tinned fruit and vegetables (425g)
- Jam (500g)

Gift ideas

- · Pre-school
 - o Age-appropriate games
 - o Educational toys
 - o Picture books

Children

- o Good-quality toys
- o Outdoor games
- Sporting equipment

Teenagers

- o Gift cards/vouchers
- Sporting equipment
- o Toiletry packs

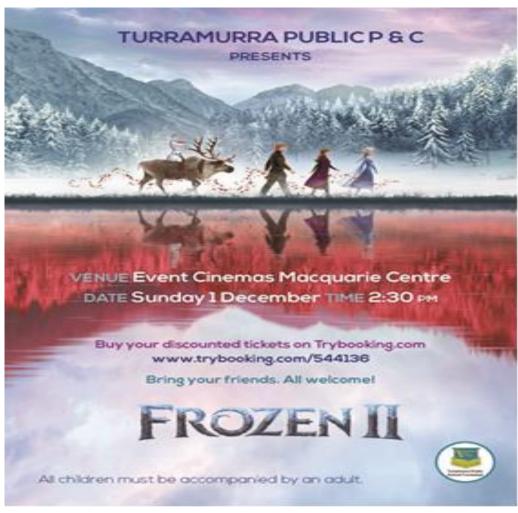
By sharing the joy, together we can make Christmas a happier one for all.

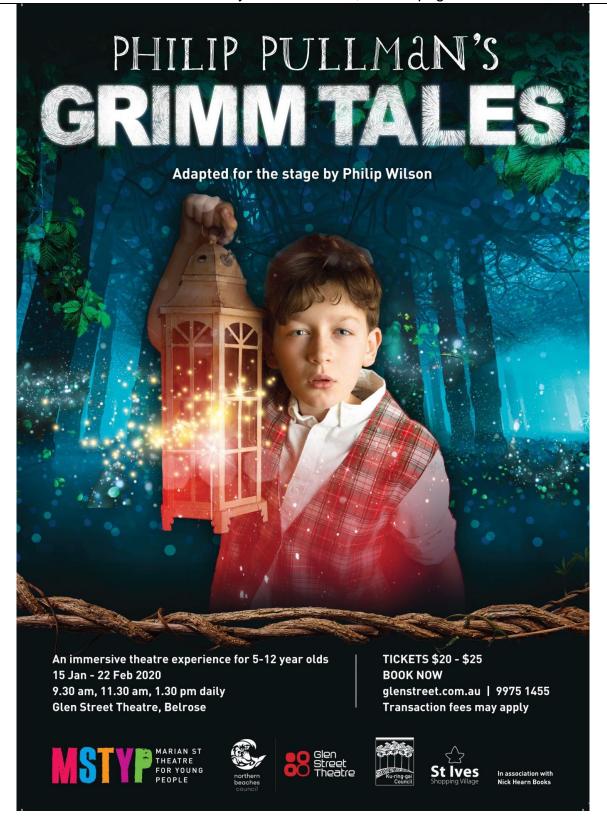
Help us...

Sharethejoy









Safety tips for school zones:



Safety tips for students:



Demerit Points:

* The **Demerit Points** Scheme is a national program that allocates penalty points (demerits) for a range of driving offences. A driver who has not committed any offences has '**zero**' points. If you commit an offence that carries demerit points, the points are added to your driving record.

For further information regarding demerit points please visit: rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/demerits/