

TURRAMURRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 6

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Congratulations Turramurra! The fundraiser on Sunday was a huge success. It was very obvious that our community was so appreciative of the amazing work our RFS and Fire Service do for all of us. To give back is the least we can do. Our students are really keen to help out too with our SRC choosing to assist the Rural Fire Service. This will be held next Monday. Dress in red, orange, yellow or blue and bring a gold coin donation.

Our Country Band Tour was sadly cancelled at the last minute and I am pleased we made the call. It was certainly safer to be at home rather than be travelling with fires in our local area. Please see the Band News for other information regarding this.

Our Year 6 "Schools Spec" group will be very busy this week rehearsing and performing Friday and Saturday. Best wishes to you all. This is certainly a highlight for many and such an amazing Annual Show. Well worth the effort. Thank you Miss Strahle for their preparation.

I have looked at items on the eSafety website this week. It has a number of very useful articles and videos relating to Cyber Safety and mobile device use. Well worth a look.

Thank you to our parent helpers for providing a lovely morning tea for our 2020 Kindy parents today.

It was a lovely opportunity for parents to meet and familiarise themselves with the Canteen and some more information about the School.

Year 6 will be holding their Mini Fete next week. They are very busy planning their stalls. It's always a great day. This year they will get to see the gift they are fundraising for and may get to use it prior to the end of Term. For parents who have been to Band Camp the 'GaGa Ball' game is very popular there. Our wonderful GA's – Mr O'Grady and Mr Cardinale are busy working on this at the moment so we have our very own!

Congratulations to the De Jager Family on the birth, early Monday morning, of their twin girls Evie and Emma. All doing very well. Mr DJ will be on leave for a few weeks once the babies come home. I think he will be needed there. We will look forward to seeing him back with us later in the Term. Mr Phillip Juppín will be relieving for him.

We had two delightful piano recitals at Assembly yesterday. Thank you to Abby Rigney and Rachel Yoon for your wonderful pieces.

Abby Rigney and Kiara Bouteloup also presented some very interesting information regarding palm oil and its role in the decimation of the orangatang at our Assembly.

Have a great week,

The Term is fast disappearing.

Margaret Foott
Principal

Planning Ahead...

Friday 22 nd November	- PSSA TPS v Berowra PS League Tag @ Foxglove Oval Cricket @ Warrina St Oval Softball/T-Ball @ Berowra Oval
Monday 25 th November	- SRC Fundraiser for RFS
Tuesday 26 th – Friday 29 th	- TFactor Auditions, see back of Newsletter for times.
Tuesday 26 th November	- Year 2 Band Information Evening – Hall 7-8.30pm
Wednesday 27 th November	- Year 5 Freshwater Beach Excursion
Thursday 28 th November	- Year 6 Mini Fete - AGM Band Committee – Staff room 7pm
Monday 2 nd December	- Medal Assembly
Thursday 12 th December	- Presentation Day
Wednesday 18 th December	- Last day of Term - Students

Sport News:

Firstly, huge congratulations to Mr (and Mrs!!) De Jager who welcomed Evie and Emma, twin girls early yesterday morning. Mr deJager will be on paternity leave for the remainder of this Term. There will be NO league tag training this week but he has indicated that he would like to come and train the teams next week in the mornings. I will confirm this in the Newsletter for next week.

This is the final round of PSSA summer competition before the Finals. Good luck to all teams and finals teams will be advised this time next week. League Tag will continue regardless as we run friendly games while finals are on.

Have a great week,

Katrina McGuire
Sport Convener

SRC News:

The SRC met to discuss a school fundraiser relating to the recent bush fire crisis and has decided on the RFS as a worthy cause. The fundraiser will be a mufti day, next Monday. Students are invited to wear colours of fire and/or water and bring a gold coin donation. The SRC has made posters that will be displayed around the school and will talk further at lines to inform the other students about the event.

Thank you in advance for your support of this worthy cause.

SRC

Library News

Borrowing and Returning

Please note next week will be the last week for student borrowing (i.e. Week 7). This is to ensure all the TPS Library books are returned prior to the holiday break. Please assist us by returning all overdue books as soon as possible. Notices will be distributed.

Thank You

We wish to thank all the parents who have helped us cover books throughout the year. We really appreciate your effort and time and look forward to seeing you at the Thank You Morning Tea on Wednesday 27 November.

Many thanks,

Amanda Kynaston and Shelley Warren
Teacher Librarians

Achievement Awards: K - 2

KB	Abigail Linklater	Joshua Zheng
	Henry Sunderland	
KY	Abigail Hollard	Ava Morris
	Patrick McNamara	
KG	Lila Miller	Joel Chain
1T	Lola Hor	Clara Kotulic
1M	Mary McDermott	Pippa Fisk
1H	Kian Petersen	Zoe Gao
1K	Charlie Crowden	Amelia Feros
2M	Dominic Alouisa	Eva McNamara
2B	Justin Johnston	Veraj Singh
2G	Sophia Tewater	Cleo Knispel

Achievement Awards: 3-6

3L	Benjamin Murdocca	Ava Eke
	Lulu Ennis	Toby Penna
6D	Zara Kyriakides	Cameron Merrell
	Richard Willis Jansen	Lily Wilde
6J	Gulliver Arnott	Aiden Sadler
	Rose Martin	Ethan Sprague
6P	Kiara Bouteloup	Patrick Shafer
	Alannah Woollard	Annika Stone

OOSH News:

Dear Parents;

Parents are **NOT** permitted to use the School Carpark after 7:30am. This is for safety reasons. Please follow the direction of the School and use the parking out the front of the school on Kissing Point Road. Parents and children should also not be walking through the carpark (in front of the main office) and should follow the schools walkway.

Please remember that OOSH opens at 7am. For legal reasons we are not allowed to accept any children prior to 7am, this includes signing them in early.

OOSH closes at 6:15pm. A late fee is automatically added to all families invoices for any late arrivals.

Breakfast finishes at 7:45am – This is to allow cooking activities to commence straight away and to have enough time to finish the activity.

Thank you,
Chelsea

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. Please keep an eye out for gaps in the weekly Newsletter or Skoolbag messages sent out asking for help.

Help Needed!

Thursday 21st November – 1 helper

Please contact Laura at the Canteen or 0405 424 621 or 9440 0356 if you can help out.

Helpers for this week:

Wednesday 20th November

Julia Fisk & Matt Feros

Thursday 21st November

Alinta Wilson

Friday 22nd November

Rae Tai, Neroli Sunderland & Bec Stratford

Monday 25th November

Fiona Makin

Thank you from

TPS CANTEEN
Haylee & Laura

Farewell Renae Gilmour

**After 10 years of dedicated, enthusiastic &
passionate teaching at TPS,**

Mrs Gilmour is leaving.

She will be missed by so many.

**Please join us to say thank you and give
her a farewell she deserves.**

**When: Friday 6th December from 5pm
onwards**

Where: WEST PYMBLE BICENTENNIAL CLUB

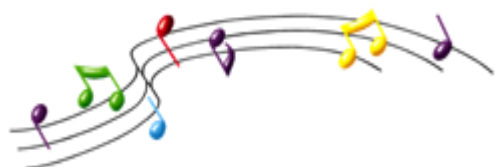
(2 Prince of Wales Drive, West Pymble)

All are welcome – parents, students, teachers

Please RSVP to give an indication of numbers to:

mgn.johnston@gmail.com

**Food and drinks can be purchased on the night
from the bistro and bar.**





Band News - Term 4, Week 6



NO MORNING BAND REHEARSALS THIS WEEK, NO JUNIOR JAZZ



 **Year 2 Band Information Evening next week** 
TUESDAY 26 November, 7.00-8.30pm, School Hall

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, bandcamp@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

Please come to our final Band Committee meeting for 2019 on **Thursday 28 November**, at 7pm in the Staffroom. All Committee positions will be open and we will be calling for new volunteers, particularly to fill Band Secretary and several Band Camp positions. If you are willing to participate in the Committee in future years, to ensure that TPS's excellent Band Program continues, please join us!

Upcoming Band Calendar Dates		
Week	Date	TERM 4
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 (See attached invitation)
	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, 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>

 **CANCELLED** 

'LOVING THE LOWER HUNTER' COUNTRY BAND TOUR – REFUNDS AVAILABLE

We are all disappointed that our Performance Band's tour was cancelled this year due to the catastrophic weather/fire conditions last week. Thanks to the generosity of the Outdoor Education camp, Clarkes Coaches and the organisers, we will be giving a full refund of the CBT cost to all those who paid. **Please use the online form to provide details for your refund, which will need to be submitted by no later than FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER to allow refunds to be processed:**

<https://forms.gle/ZqZdMQwFbVQcfQ8u8>

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.cyp.nsw.gov.au/Applicants/Application>

For more information, see:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check>

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.**
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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:

- ☑ Performance Band families - complete the online form to apply for your CBT Refund
- ☑ 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)

The Year 6 Mini-Fete is next Thursday!!!

(Thursday, 28th November)

Year 6 are excitedly preparing food ideas and activities for your children to enjoy between recess and lunch. All funds raised go towards a Year 6 gift to the school.

Lots of cupcakes, games, guessing competitions, face painting, lucky dips, hair spraying, noodle jousting, jumping castle, chocolate fountain, drinks, spiders and much more!

Suggested amount for your child to bring is \$10 to \$20 dollars to enjoy food and fun. Maybe they can do some extra chores for you this weekend to earn a few extra dollars!!





*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 pasta (500g)*
- *Pasta sauce*
- *Long-life milk, custard or cream*
- *Tinned fruit and vegetables (425g)*
- *Jam (500g)*

Gift ideas

- ***Pre-school***
 - *Age-appropriate games*
 - *Educational toys*
 - *Picture books*
- ***Children***
 - *Good-quality toys*
 - *Outdoor games*
 - *Sporting equipment*
- ***Teenagers***
 - *Gift cards/vouchers*
 - *Sporting equipment*
 - *Toiletry packs*

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

Help us...

Share the joy



Twilight Christmas Market

Thursday 5th December 2019
5:30 - 8:30pm

Turrumurra High School
Maxwell Street, South Turrumurra
Turrumurrahighschool.com.au

Stunning Jewellery, Handmade crafts,
Delicious Christmas delicacies, Unique gifts & more

Join us and shop local
Entry by gold coin donation
Prizes drawn all evening
Food stalls outside

**LEARN
TO SWIM**

IN THE CHRISTMAS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!



INDOOR HEATED POOL
Lessons for primary aged children,
preschoolers and babies

Holiday Courses – 5 day courses start
Mon 6, 13 & 20 January (AM & PM classes)
Also Saturday classes 4, 11, 18 & 25 January

TERM 1 STARTS TUES 28 JANUARY 2020

TURRAMURRA LEARN TO SWIM
PHONE 9489 4771
48 TENNYSON AVE, TURRAMURRA
turramuralearntoswim.com.au

BOOK NOW FOR HOLIDAYS and TERM 1



TPS Bands cordially invite
Band families and friends to our
2019 end of year concert

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON

Tuesday 3 December

6pm Band arrival for

6.30pm Concert

GOLD COIN ENTRY

TPS Hall



~ T-FACTOR Auditions ~



TUESDAY LUNCHTIME – **YEAR 3** Items

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME – **YEAR 5** Items

THURSDAY LUNCHTIME – **Year 4** Items

FRIDAY LUNCHTIME – **Year 5/6** Items



- **BE PREPARED** with props/music/anything you need
- **Make sure** you have **PRACTISED**
- **GOOD LUCK!!!** 😊 😊 😊