## **TURRAMURRA PUBLIC SCHOOL**

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## **Principal's Message**

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

The bushfire season is here and I want to share our plans with you so that you are aware that the School has a plan in place in the event of a bushfire near our school. Our School is categorised as a Category 2. Our front boundary sits within a high fire zone.

As part of our operations and our Work and Safety Policy we have to review our plans annually. In most cases the students would be sheltered at school and kept indoors to limit smoke inhalation. In the event of a fire approaching the school we will evacuate by bus to Pymble Public School. Parents will be notified via the Skoolbag APP. Collection information will be posted in this message.

This is a timely reminder that it is time to review your own fire safety plans at home. Many of our families live within the Category 1 Zone (this is the zone that Turramurra High School is part of).

Our Prefect Elections for 2021 were held last Thursday. This was announced to the children on Monday. This is always a time for elation and for some disappointment. We will have had this discussion with the students and reassured them that there are other opportunities to lead next year. Thank you Year 5 teachers for your work with this. Congratulations to our Prefects for 2021 they are: Juliet Johnson, Leila Terzian, Sarah Moore, Naomi Whitehouse, Sophie Jackson, Harvey Broadbent, Remi Gillam, Tian Guo, Max Machhaus, Harry Ross. I was extremely impressed by the quality of all the speeches

the students presented last Thursday. They showed great knowledge of the Prefect role and the pride they have in their School. Well done to all involved.

Sport Captain nominations will be held very soon and will be announced prior to Presentation Day.

The Year 6 Mini Fete is this Thursday, please remember to send a small amount of cash with your children so they can participate and enjoy the fun activities that Year 6 have planned. Unlike other years there are no food items to be purchased but many exciting and challenging games and raffles. Well done Year 6.

Over the weekend the area for the new OOSH build was cleared in readiness for the new build. I do hope to see some action on the ground in the coming months. There is a considerable amount of preparation in all this and I have been very busy working with the Department to get this off the ground. It will be lovely to see this finally come to fruition. This area remains as "out of bounds" for students in school hours. It is a part of OOSH activities on some occasions.

Children were reminded about bike permissions yesterday. Children must collect a permission to ride form from Mrs James and read and sign the expectations on the form. They must be 10 years and over to ride unaccompanied. It is perfectly fine for children to ride to school under adult supervision.

## Planning Ahead...

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26 <sup>th</sup> November	- Year 6 Mini Fete
27 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul> <li>Last day to hand in awards for Last Medal Assembly</li> </ul>
28 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul> <li>TPS Trivia Night – POSPONED Until end of Term 1, 2021</li> </ul>
1 <sup>st</sup> December	- THS Open Day for Year 7
10 <sup>th</sup> December	- Presentation Day
	Last day for Toys 'n' Tucker
11 <sup>th</sup> December	- Last Canteen
	Year 6 Farewell
14 <sup>th</sup> December	- Medal Assembly – last for 2020
	- Celebration of Learning
15 <sup>th</sup> December	- Class Parties
16 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul> <li>T Factor – Last day of School for Students</li> </ul>

All classrooms now have a special box for the collection of Toys and Food for our annual Toys 'n' Tucker food drive. These will be collected on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Please look at the item suggestions later in the Newsletter and send some items with your children to this worthy cause.

This is the last week for Scripture and Ethics classes for the year. Thank you to our instructors they have managed restrictions, closures and re entry so well. Sadly, we are unable to thank them at our Morning Tea this year. We certainly appreciate all they do at the school for your children. Best wishes to you all until next year. Have a wonderful Christmas.

The note for the 2021 Swimming Carnival has been sent home in readiness for this great event. It is good to have this all finalised before the end of the year.

All lost property from the 3-6 area was sent home on Friday. This did include a number of items from K-2.

The fundraiser for our ex-student 'Ride for Richter' has been postponed until 2021 in Term 1. The organisers understand that it is too busy a time right now. They are hoping that parents may be more inclined to join in the New Year. This is a school condoned event but has not been organised by the School or the P&C but we would love you to support this important cause to improve the quality of one young man's life.

Have a great week,

#### **Margaret Foott**

Principal

## Library News

#### Borrowing

Please note this is our last week for borrowing! In Week 8 we will be asking for your help to ensure all books are back into the TPS Library to prepare for next year.

#### **Overdue Books**

Many thanks to those students who have returned their overdue library books! Please ensure all outstanding books are returned to the library as soon as possible. Lost books can be paid for at the school office.

## Amanda Kynaston and Shelley Warren

**Teacher Librarians** 

## From The Office:

Please notify the Office or Mrs Foott if you have a child who will not be returning to TPS in 2021.

When sending an email to school regarding your child please put their class on it so we can forward your message on accordingly.

## The Year 6 Mini-Fete is next Thursday!!! (Thursday, 26th November)

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

Lots of games, guessing competitions, face painting, lucky dips, hair spraying, noodle jousting, competitions and much more!

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

## Achievement Awards Years K-2:

KY	Zane Hemingway	Archie Selby	
KG	Edie McHUtchinson		
KR	Oliver Cameron Ryan Chelsey Ren		
KO	Ava Gordon		
KB	Ellie Macken		
1N	Jana Verster		
1B	Charlotte Hutchinson Derek Li		
1M	James Stafford	Mira Malik	
2V	Marianne Mai	Daud Jan	
2K	Will Brown		
2M	Pippa Fisk	Patrick Macken	
	Hannah Hedjripour	Charlie Calvert	

## Achievement Awards Years 3-6:

4B	Eddie Wang	Lulu Ennis
	Tahlia Fedeli	Caitlin Norton
5J	Jacqueline Bosnich	Daniel Basiri
	Toby Botes	Emily Allen
6D	Oliver Schneider	Tanna Kotulic

### The Gnome's Garden:

These are the Gnome's Garden sunflowers.

We planted the seeds in Term 3. Last year we planted sunflower seeds in the same spot but there were lots of weeds and vines hanging over them so they didn't get much sunlight and not even a single bud grew.

This year we took all the weeds and vines out so they grew much better. They started with one flower and now we have heaps.

It's really nice to walk in to the Gnome's Garden and see all the sunflowers. They make you feel so happy!

Emily Brown

Leader Gnomes Garden





### Canteen News:

Thanks to last week's helpers. We are taking this opportunity to thank the ongoing support we receive from our lovely local bakery. Golden Bakehouse has been providing free bread to our Canteen, even during a difficult year like 2020 has been. Thank you from the whole School Community

#### Helpers for this week:

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Jacqui Shearer & Kristy Stewart

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Annie Phan

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Victoria Birtles & Lydia Lucs

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Sophie Sadler & John Tarrant

Thank you from the TPS CANTEEN Laura and Haylee

## Electronic Drum Kit For Sale:

Excellent condition Roland TD-1K for sale \$500.

Please contact 0411 850 500. Welcome to try.

## Farewell COVID Plan 2020

To allow the school to have parents attending we MUST adhere strictly to the government and department guidelines and stick to the rules, correct timing and plan. Do NOT arrive earlier than your time and Do Not wait around after.

## Only one parent per family NO parking on the school grounds

- Students Arrive 5:30pm for photos in outside area (In front of year 3, 4 classrooms and staffroom)
   Students gather in front of 3 and 4 classrooms
- Parents will need to sign in and sanitise your hands at the front gate entry or staff car park entry
- Parents will gather in the main staff car park area and remain 1.5 metres (4 square metres apart) apart at all times. Please keep your stay to 10 minutes only so that everyone has a chance to take photos
- Parents Leave by 6:00pm

## Presentation

Only one parent per family

- 6A parents arrive 8:30pm
- Leave 8:40pm take student
- 6D parents arrive 8:41pm
- Leave 8:51pm take student
- 6P parents arrive 8:52pm
- Leave 9:02pm take student

## Thank you for your understanding!



## Band News 2020 - Term 4, Week 7

## IMPORTANT!

Does your child attend OOSH? Please send an email to Mr Rowland THIS WEEK to let him know the days your child is in OOSH, so their end of year Performance Reviews can be timetabled during OOSH times. Please also email Mr Rowland if your child wishes to be considered for Jazz Band in 2020.

## 2021 YEAR 2 INSTRUMENT NOMINATIONS

## DUE BY MIDNIGHT THIS THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

Thank you to the Year 2 students and parents who attended last Tuesday's zoom evening to hear about the TPS program, and importantly, to try out the variety of instruments on offer.

The instrument preference form is available on the Band Website here: <u>https://turramurra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/extra-curricular/bands.html</u>.

You will be notified of your allocated instrument before the end of term, and provided with a list of tutors that you may wish to use. Of course, students/parents are free to choose their own tutor outside of this list.

## LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Junior band put on a wonderful concert on Friday lunchtime under the COLA to a very happy audience. They all had a great time!

Next Friday, the jazz bands will be playing. Unfortunately, parents will be unable to attend as there are still restrictions on entering the school grounds.

Fri 4 Dec	Lunchtime concert - Jazz Band's (Senior + Junior), COLA
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## END OF YEAR REVIEWS

All students currently in the Band Program who wish to continue in 2021 will have an end of year performance 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 at their audition 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 2021 (other than current Year 6 students!), you must notify Mr Rowland and your band manager by email as early as possible.

## BAND COMMITTEE 2021 AND FINAL TERM 4 MEETING

Our final Band Committee meeting for 2020 (with lots of planning for 2021) will be on Thursday 3rd December, at 7pm. 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!

Week	Date	TERM 4 (12 October – 18 December)
8	Thurs 3 Dec	AGM Band Committee 7pm followed by Band Committee Dinner
	Fri 4 Dec	Lunchtime concert - Jazz Band's (Senior + Junior), COLA
9	7-11 Dec	End of Year Performance Reviews, end of tutorials/lessons
		All hired instruments to be returned to Band Room
10	16-18 Dec	NO BAND

## TPS Band Events Calendar 2020 - Term 4

P&C BAND CONTACT DETAILS

Band Director - Mr Tim Rowland: <u>tpsbands@outlook.com</u> Band Co-coordinators - Vicki McMartin & Kerry Medd: <u>band@tps-pandc.org.au</u> Band Treasurer - Neroli Sunderland: <u>tpsbandtreasurer@gmail.com</u> Band Secretary - Alison Barnett: <u>tpsbandsecretary@gmail.com</u>





# Scouting is adventure at 2<sup>nd</sup> Turramurra Scout Group Ages 5-25

Joeys ages 5-7, girls and boys Mon 5:30-6:30pm Cubs ages 8-11, girls and boys Mon 6:30-8pm Scouts ages 11-14, girls and boys, Thurs 7-9pm Venturers ages 14-17, girls and boys, Wed 7:30-9:30pm

#### 2nd Turramurra Scout Group Kate Street Hall Turramurra

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