

Monday, 27 March 2017

From the Principal

What a great weekend! A huge thank you to all those involved in creating a fabulous showcase of talent, family fun and activities for all. We had a lot of our community through our gates over the weekend and this has been yet another positive showcase for our school. A personal thank you to our P&C, our school staff and students and families for yet again strongly supporting our school. This by far was the best fete I've ever attended. Opened by Lord Mayor, Mr Peter Blackmore, the day was complimented by perfect weather.

Thank you too to our P&C for the catering of our Art Show, the canapes were truly delicious and many comments were made during the night about both the food and the friendliness of our lovely wait staff. The Art Show was very successful with many pieces sold, a lot of them being our kids art work. Visitors to the gallery were very impressed by the variety of student art work and the professional pieces.

We've got great things happening over the last two weeks of this term. Report cards went home last week and parents are more than welcome to chat with teachers regarding how their children are progressing. Tomorrow our students are participating in the Cross Country and next week we'll finish off with our Easter Hat Parade on the last Friday. Families are more than welcome to join us for both events.

Until next week,
Donna Stackman

Positive Behaviour for Learning PBL

PBL Affirmation for the Week
I can get along with others

Important Dates

Week 10	
Monday 27 th March	Voluntary School Contributions invoices sent home today
Tuesday 28 th March	School Cross Country Parent Volunteers needed
Wednesday 29 th March	School Disco
Thursday 30 th March	Playgroup 9.00-11.00am
Week 11	
Wednesday 5 th April	Stage 1 Glenrock Excursion
Thursday 6 th April	Playgroup 9.00-11.00am
Friday 7 th April	Easter Hat Parade Last day Term 1
Term 2	
Week 1	
Monday 24 th April	Staff Return Term 2
Tuesday 25 th April	ANZAC Day
Wednesday 26 th April	All Students Return Term 2
Thursday 27 th April	Playgroup 9.00-11.00am
Week 2	
Wednesday 3 rd May	OZ Opera performance First Day CUBS Program (Kinder 2018)

Cross Country - Parent Volunteers needed

To our Tenambit School Community, our annual cross country event is Tuesday 28th March. It will be run during the morning session at Tenambit Public School. This is for all primary school students and Year 2 students who have already turned 8 OR will be turning 8 this year. A course will be marked out and I am hoping for parent volunteers to stand around the course ensuring students run the course properly and possibly to write down top 4 finishes. If you could let me know if you are available by contacting the office that would be great.

Notes in Circulation

- Year 7 2018 Expression of Interest High School Forms – need to be returned as soon as possible as they are now overdue
- Voluntary School Contributions invoices sent home today with students

School Disco



This term's school disco will be held in Week 10 Wednesday 29th March. The theme is black and white. On the night students will be able to pre order party sausage rolls and party pies at a cost of \$1.50 each, there is an option to have potato in

your pie for no additional cost. Pre-orders must be returned by Friday 24th March to the school canteen with money. **Please note: orders cannot be placed on the night of the disco.**

Entry is \$2.00.

Time: Infants 5:30pm - 6:45pm

Primary: 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Student Art Work

Student art work from last weekend's Art Show, is available from the office for purchase. Please pop into the office to get yours if you've not been able to over the weekend. They'll be available this week only.

Stage 1 excursion to Glenrock

On Wednesday, 5th April 2017 Stage 1 will be going on an excursion to Yuelarbah Track - Glenrock.

The cost of the excursion is \$15.00 per child. On the excursion, the students will start at the Yuelarbah carpark (off Burwood Road, Kahibah), walk the Yuelarbah track through Glenrock to explore a variety of environments, finished with activities at the creek.

Parent helpers are welcome but need to make their own way. Please see your child's teacher if you would like to come along. If you are unsure please ask your child's classroom teacher or the office staff.

Full school uniform must be worn and a full packed lunch as there is no canteen.

Money and notes are due back to the office this week.



Easter Hat Parade

Friday 7th April 2017

Tenambit Public School Easter Hat Parade will be held on Friday 7th April 2017. The parade will start at 12:15pm under the COLA.

Students and parents to make their hats at home and bring them along on the day.

All parents, caregivers and families are welcome.

Special guest appearance



'Best Hat' competition

Easter Hat Parade

Friday 7th April 2017

This year there will be a 'Best Hat' competition for parents and caregivers. If you would like to participate in this, make your hat and drop it off to Miss Wright's classroom (2W) on Wednesday 5th April by 3.00pm. Hats can be picked up on Thursday 6th April ready for the parade on Friday. Please label your hat with your name and your child's name.

The winner will be announced on the day.



Staff Changes

We're very happy to welcome two new executive staff to our Tenambit Team, Mr Luke Potts and Miss Conni McKinnon who were successful at interview. Mr Potts is already at our school as our Stage 2 Assistant Principal and he'll continue in this role and Miss McKinnon will start next term as our Assistant Principal for Stage 3. Miss McKinnon will be visiting with us on Wednesday, please take the opportunity to welcome her to our school if you see her around.



We'd like to thank Mrs Melissa Braithwaite for her role as Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 3 and her outstanding work in the role.

Sadly, at the end of the term we will say farewell to Mrs Kristy Robinson. Mrs Robinson has successfully gained a promotion position at Tarro Public School. While she's very excited about her new role, she's also going to miss us. We're very proud of her and we know she'll do an exceptional job at Tarro. She's been an important part of our school team for some years and she'll be greatly missed by both students, families and staff. Mrs Robinson will continue to lead our Star Struck team for Tenambit for the remainder of the year and support our stars through their performances.



CUBS – Coming Up To Big School

Our CUBS Program will be commencing at Tenambit Public School on Wednesday 3rd May at 9.00am.

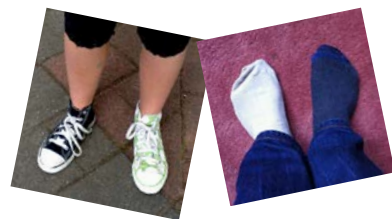
This is a school readiness program for children commencing Kindergarten at Tenambit Public School in 2018.

There will be an information session for parents towards the end of term.

Registration is now open at the office. Registration forms are available from the school office.

Odd Feet Day Year 6 Fundraiser

Term 1 fundraiser will be held on Thursday 6th April (Week 11). Students are able to wear odd socks, odd shoes or a combination of both. It is a gold coin donation with all proceeds going towards the Year 6 farewell.



TENAMBIT P&C NEWS

Fun Day Raffle

Our Fun Day Raffle was drawn on Saturday by the President of the Maitland Art Society. Congratulations to the following winners:

- 1st Prize: Faith Emmingham
- 2nd Prize: Steve Proctor
- 3rd Prize: Robyn Michalczyk
- 4th Prize: Logan Budden

Sponsors

We would like to thank the following businesses for their generous donations towards our Fun Day

Mealy's Café – Morpeth

Miss Lilly's Lollies – Morpeth

East Maitland Golf Club

Taronga Zoo

Harvey Norman – Bennetts Green

Rebel

Tenambit Butchery

McDonalds

Bunnings

The Slade Family for donation of the framed Olympic Uniform

Thank you for all the support from our school community – it was a great day!!

Canteen News

The following foods will be available at our school disco on Wednesday night –

Drinks	\$2.00
Lollies	20c & 50c
Jellies	50c
Icecream	\$1.00

Pre-ordered food will be available for collection.

There are a limited number of showbags available for sale for \$6.00. The choices are Smencils and Great Inflate.

The new Winter Menu will commence in Term 2. Copies will be available next week.

Opera is coming to Tenambit!



It's not every day we get to go to the opera. On Wednesday 3rd May (Week 2 Term 2) Tenambit Public School will host a performance of El Kid. Oz Opera, the touring arm of Opera Australia, has partnered with Deaf Children Australia to present the NSW Auslan schools tour of El Kid.

The opera will be a shadow interpreted Auslan performance with the Interpreters being involved as performers on the stage and in costume, rather than standing to the side of stage. This innovation offers the audience members, both hearing, hard of hearing and deaf, with a better performing arts experience.

The classic tale of Billy Goats Gruff meets the popular music of Carmen in this opera/fairy-tale mash-up for school children

He's just a kid. El Kid, in fact, but the other goats don't think he's got much to offer. When they all head out to attend Seville's biggest Fiesta, no one thinks little Diego will have a part to play. But in opera, it's often the outsider who comes in to save the day, and before the party's over, Diego will prove he's no silly goats gruff.

This 50-minute opera explores the courage you find when you believe in yourself, using the popular tunes of Bizet's Carmen to introduce the drama of opera to primary-school aged students.

<https://opera.org.au/on-tour/in-schools/new-south-wales>

The performance time is 1.45pm at a cost of \$7.00. Get in early to secure your place.

Permission notes will be sent home this week!!

Hunter Sports High School 2018

Please find attached to the newsletter the dates and times for the upcoming Talented Sports Program trials for Hunter Sports High School. All students and their parents can also access the information from the website www.huntersports.com.au. Information regarding each individual program can also be found on the website. Students need to complete the Talented Sports Program Application. Applications for 2018 close on 28th April 2017.

New Office Finance System Transition

Tenambit Public School will transition to the new NSW public schools' finance system and a new bank account on 24th July 2017.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept parent or carer payments.

1. Direct deposits: We no longer accept direct deposits into our current school bank account as we prepare to close this account and transition to the new one.

2. EFTPOS payments: We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between 17th July and 24th July 2017. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before 17th July 2017. From 25th July 2017, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.

3. Cash and cheque payments: Between 17th July 2017 and 24th July 2017, we will also not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before 17th July 2017. From 25th July 2017, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact our office on 4933 7196.

Parkrun Saturday 1st April

Tenambit Public School will be continuing with Mr McGaw's tradition of participating in the Maitland parkrun. We will meet students at Walka Water Works on Saturday, 1st April at 7:30am. Mr Manning and Miss Duncan will be running at the event and Mr Potts and Mrs Stackman will be walking the course. Please see Miss Duncan or Mr Manning for a note about registering.



Keeping our kids safe around schools

Your child's safety depends on you



Drop off and pick up by car

Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly.

Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone as children are about.

Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing wig wag lights.

Always park and turn legally around schools. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic.

It's safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.

Walking together to and from school

Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

Always hold your child's hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.

Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road.

STOP! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK! for traffic to your right, left and right again.

LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK! whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.

HUNTER SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL TALENTED SPORTS PROGRAM

YEAR 6 STUDENTS ONLY - TRIAL DATES / VENUES / TIMES

Bring to your trial, a drink bottle, appropriate sporting attire for the activity and food if needed. If at an outdoor venue please bring a hat and sunscreen.

STAGE 1: SPORTS TRIALS SKILL/GAME AWARENESS

MONDAY 8th May 2017

AFL	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am
TENNIS	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am
BASEBALL	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am
TOUCH FOOTBALL	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am

TUESDAY 9th May 2017

RUGBY LEAGUE	-	Allan Davis Oval – Gateshead	-	11.00am – 1.00pm
FOOTBALL	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	11.30am – 1.00pm

WEDNESDAY 10th May 2017

ATHLETICS	-	Newcastle Athletics Field Smith Street Newcastle West	-	9.00am – 10.00am
BASKETBALL	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am
CRICKET	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am
HOCKEY	-	Broadmeadow Hockey Centre	-	9.00am – 10.00am
NETBALL	-	Hunter Sports High School	-	9.00am – 10.00am
SWIMMING	-	Coughlans Swim Centre Warners Bay	-	9.00am – 10.00am
RUGBY UNION	-	Allan Davis Oval – Gateshead	-	9.00am – 10.30am

IN THE EVENT OF CANCELLATION DUE TO WET WEATHER PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR ALTERNATIVE DATES.

STAGE 2: ACAMEDIC & FITNESS TESTING

FRIDAY 02 JUNE 2017

All students who successfully progress through Stage 1 will be required to attend Academic and Fitness Testing on **Friday 2nd June 2017**. Further details to be advised.

All students who attend Stage 1 Trials will be advised in writing if they have been successful through Stage 1. If so full details of Stage 2 will be provided.

TSP FEES FOR 2018

AFL	\$600 per year	Netball	\$700 per year
Athletics	\$700 per year	Rugby League	\$700 per year
Baseball	\$600 per year	Rugby Union	\$600 per year
Basketball	\$700 per year	Swimming	\$700 per year
Cricket	\$700 per year	Tennis	\$800 per year
Football	\$700 per year	Touch Football	\$600 per year
Hockey	\$700 per year		

NB: Fees include Fitness Assessment and individual Reports twice a year and end of year Sports Presentation.

FEES MUST BE PAID FOR IN FULL, FOR THE STUDENT TO BE ACCEPTED IN THE PROGRAM. Talented Sport Program fees are NON REFUNDABLE once enrolled. (Attending)