

Term 2 Week 1 Newsletter

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

From the Principal

Welcome back!

Welcome back to Term 2. This term will be a very busy term for some students as we have a lot of school activities and extra-curricular activities happening all through the term. Please keep an eye on our school newsletter and our social media accounts for the latest on what is coming up.

ANZAC Day

Thank you to all the wonderfully dedicated students, parents and staff who attended the ANZAC Day march yesterday, I even spotted some of our staff at the dawn service at Maitland Park! It was great to see so many of our families take the time to acknowledge and pay their respects to all who have served or are currently serving in our armed forces. Well done to everyone who proudly represented our school. With a couple of days until our school ANZAC service, parents might want to take the opportunity to discuss the meaning and history of ANZAC Day with their children to compliment what they are discussing in class.

Stage 2 Camp

Students who have not already returned their Expression of Interest note and deposit and are planning on attending this fantastic excursion must return these before the end of this week. Final numbers MUST be confirmed Friday with the Great Aussie Bush Camp.

Monday Assemblies

This term we have changed the format of our assemblies. We will be having weekly assemblies every Monday, with an infants and primary assembly. Our infant assemblies will begin at 12:50pm and our primary assemblies at 1:25pm. Each assembly will be half an hour in duration and will follow the same frame work as our assemblies in Term 1. Our first assemblies will be next week, Monday 1st May.

Staffing Changes

This term we officially welcome Miss McKinnon to Tenambit Public School, who has joined us from Kurri Kurri Public School and will be Stage 3 Assistant Principal. Miss McKinnon visited us for a couple of days last term and is looking forward to working with our outstanding students, especially the Stage 3 students.

Mrs Nadine Cameron will be taking 5/6B for the remainder of the year as Mrs Brathwaite takes up her new role as Assistant Principal at Pelaw Main Public School. 5/6B will become 5/6N for the remainder of the year.

Miss Amberlee Thompson will be taking 3/4P for the first four weeks of the term as I step up into the Relieving Principal role while Mrs Stackman is on leave.

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

On Friday 12th May, we will be hosting an afternoon tea for all the special ladies in our students lives, this can be Mum, Grandma, Nan, Auntie or even the neighbour! We would love to see you there. Afternoon tea will be in the hall from 2:30pm, there will be light refreshments and our students will provide the entertainment.

Have a great week

Luke Potts

Relieving Principal

Positive Behaviour for Learning PBL

PBL Affirmation for the Week
I can play in a positive way

School Calendar 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 9.00am-11.00am
Friday 28 th April	Whole school ANZAC Assembly 10.00am
Week 2	
Wednesday 3 rd May	OZ Opera performance First Day CUBS Program (Kinder 2018) 9.00am-11.00am
Thursday 4 th May	Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Week 3	
Tuesday 9 th May	NAPLAN
Wednesday 10 th May	NAPLAN CUBS Program 9.00am-11.00am
Thursday 11 th May	NAPLAN Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Friday 12 th May	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
Week 4	
Monday 15 th May	P&C Meeting at 6.00pm
Tuesday 16 th May	Zone Cross Country
Wednesday 17 th May	CUBS Program 9.00am-11.00am
Thursday 18 th May	Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Week 5	
Wednesday 24 th May to Friday 26 th May	Stage 2 Excursion – Great Aussie Bush Camp

Notes in Circulation

- **Oz Opera permission notes**
- **Stage 2 Excursion Great Aussie Bush Camp Expression of Interest notes**
- **Intention to apply Opportunity Class Year 5 2018**

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.

Registration is now closed for the first intake commencing next Wednesday 3rd May. Registration forms are available from the school office so you can still register for further intakes during the year. The next intake will be in Week 6, Wednesday 31st May.

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.

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.



Pictures from our Easter Hat Parade last term!!



Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2018

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2018, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **26 April 2017** in a printed application information booklet and at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5> . The application website opens on **26 April 2017** and closes on **Friday 12 May 2017**. No late applications will be accepted.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after **26 April 2017**.

You must submit only ONE application for each student. Copies of the Intention to apply have gone home with Year 4 students today. If you do not receive one and would like more information please contact the school. A copy has been attached to the newsletter as well.

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Dear Parent/Carer

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These classes help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 26 July 2017**.

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Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO AN OPPORTUNITY CLASS. This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE.

Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2018

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I am interested in applying for opportunity class placement in 2018

Yes ☐ No ☐

I have internet access and will be applying online

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OR

I do not have internet access and will use a public library to complete the application

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Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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