

Tuesday, 12 June 2018

From the Principal

Hello everyone and welcome to Week 7. We're now on our way to the end of term with only four weeks to go. They'll fly by I'm sure.

I trust you had a lovely, if damp, weekend. While it's lovely to see the rain here, it'll also be nice to see sunshine for a few days to let our kids run and play on our playground. Unfortunately it's been far too wet for the last few days to do so.

Our school disco is on again soon and we are keeping our evening times. You, as parents indicated your preference for this through the participation in our Face Book poll with 67% of you voting for keeping the evening format. Many thanks for your votes.

Mr Potts and I attended the EduTech conference last week and listened to great speakers from around the world, participated in workshops conducted by expert teachers and industry leaders in new technologies and visited far too many vendor stalls with lots of things we'd love to get for our children to experience (from drones, learning programs and platforms, Maker Spaces, innovative furniture and classroom design, STEAM technologies, Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality, holograms and the use of current and future technologies), the list was endless. Thankfully the credit cards were left behind or we'd both be seriously in debt. What we did come back with however, was lots of ideas to ensure our children are not left behind in knowledge and skills needed for the future they will be inheriting.

And finally, don't forget our next P&C meeting is on Monday evening. All our families are welcome to attend and participate in the many things our P&C do for our school.

Until next week,

Donna Stackman

School Calendar Term 2

Week 7

Wednesday 13 th June	CUBS 9.00am-11.00am
Thursday 14 th June	Star Struck Performance Jenny Aitchison visit to Stage 2 Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Friday 15 th June	Star Struck Excursion PSSA Boys Soccer
Saturday 16 th June	Star Struck Performance

Week 8

Monday 18 th June	P&C Meeting at 6.00pm
Wednesday 20 th June	School Disco
Thursday 21 st June	Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am

Week 9

Thursday 28 th June	Stage 2 Excursion Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Friday 29 th June	Reports go home

Week 10

All week	NAIDOC Week
Thursday 5 th July	Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Friday 6 th July	Last day of term 2

PBL Affirmation for the Week

"I can follow teacher instruction"

ASSEMBLIES

Infants: Monday 2.25pm

Primary: Friday 2.25pm

P&C NEWS

Photo Competition - Thank you to everyone who has entered our #iamtenambit photo competition so far this year! It has been great to see our Tenambit students and their families get behind this competition! We have a new theme that will run over the month of June and some of July as well (because of school holidays). Our next theme will be I am tenambit reading! We would love to see pictures of students reading! This could be doing your home reader or a special book that you have been reading as a family! We will have three prizes for this competition: 1st Prize - A \$20.00 voucher to use at Harry Hartogs bookstore and a book prize

2nd and 3rd place - a book prize

Our book prizes have been generously donated by Harry Hartogs at Stockland Greenhills and there are some exciting titles to choose from!

As always, to be in the running, simply send your photo to tenambit-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au with #iamtenambitreading in the subject line. Winners will be drawn at random during Week 1 of Term 3!

P&C Meeting

At our last meeting a motion was passed that the P&C will commit the majority of our funds to provide shade structure over the playground equipment and will continue to fundraise to address any balance of funds required. We know that this has been a long time coming, however, the amount of money needed was much more substantial than first thought (due to the scale of works needed as well as supporting expert reporting). The P&C is committed to providing a high quality shade structure that will provide sun protection to our students for many years to come. Once a provider has been chosen, we will be able to share even more information with you. We thank you all for your patience with this matter and look forward to your support as we continue to raise funds to support this and other projects that will enhance the school for our students.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 18th June at 6.00pm in the school library. If you would like to come along, please feel free!

Creative Arts Festival

Our Creative Arts Festival is fast approaching! We are all becoming very excited as we can see the day taking shape. Over the next few weeks, we will include a "How to get involved" section in the newsletter, for anyone who would like to participate or join in what will be a great day. For this week, if you would like to be involved there are three things we currently need -

1) There are still some spaces available for Market Stall holders. If you know anyone who makes their own items they would like to sell, please encourage them to talk to us or look at the Tenambit Public School Facebook page for more information.

2) We are looking for performers who might like to donate their time to showcase the wonderful talents that we have in the area! If your child attends a dance/singing/music/gymnastic studio, suggest to them that we are looking for performers. It will be a great chance to show the spectacular work that they do. Expressions of interest for performers are available from the school office.

3) We will be holding a P&C Creative Arts Festival Sub Committee meeting on Wednesday at 2.00pm in the school office. If you would like to know more about the day or feel you could contribute, please come along or speak to a P&C Member.

Canteen News

A quick thank you to all of the people who participated in our 2018 canteen survey! We had a great response and we were able to get some great feedback so thank you for helping to shape the direction of our canteen. One of the things we noticed was that we need to share some more information about the Healthy Schools Canteen Strategy. We are working with Mrs Stackman towards hosting an information evening for parents early next term where we will be able to give more detailed information. There is some basic information at the back of this newsletter.

New Menu

To start accommodating these changes, the canteen will have a new menu starting at the beginning of Week 8, these will go out today in your child's school bag and will be available on the school app and the schools website. More changes will come as we gather more information and feedback from the students. The changes to the menu have been made to meet the strategy targets as well as encourage healthy choices. If you have any questions or concerns, please stop by the canteen or our next P&C meeting to discuss.

Disco Food Orders

Order forms for hot food for our school disco have gone home today. The P&C will be selling party pies and party sausage rolls to help keep our students warm on the night. Pre order is essential and order forms will need to be back by this Friday 15th June to secure your child's order. There will also be a small selection of over the counter snacks and drinks available on the night.

Meatball Subs for Sale

The Canteen is going to trial special lunch orders to introduce some variety to our canteen lunch options! To begin this trial the canteen will have Meatball Subs with an Italian tomato sauce available for order during Week 8 and 9 of this term. Meatball Subs will be available at lunch time only and will be able to be ordered over the counter and through Flexi Schools. Cost \$3.50.



Creative Arts Festival

Planning is well under way for our 2018 major fundraiser, The Tenambit Creative Arts Festival. The Festival will be held on 25th August and we are after market stall holders! If you or anyone you know may be interested, please encourage them to fill in the expression of interest form on the Tenambit Public School Facebook page or contact the office for a copy.

SAVE THE DATE



There will be an upcoming performance of 'The Magic Flute' by Opera Australia on Friday 10th August. Cost for the incursion will be \$8.00 per student. Permission notes will be handed out in the near future.

1/2 Green

Do you have a jar full of spare buttons at home and don't know what to do with them? 1/2 Green are going to be using buttons in class during Term 2 and 3 and we would appreciate any donations of buttons to our collection. Any buttons are suitable - any size, any shape, any colour. The more buttons we have the more successful our activity will be. Buttons can be handed to Mrs Veale at any time. 1/2 Green appreciates your support.



Stage 2 Excursion to Hunter Valley Zoo

The Stage 2 Excursion to Hunter Valley Zoo is fast approaching and payments must be finalised by no later than Thursday 14th June. Unfortunately the excursion may need to be cancelled if the number of students paid after this date falls below the minimum requirement.

SCHOOL DISCO

This term's school disco will be held on Wednesday 20th June.

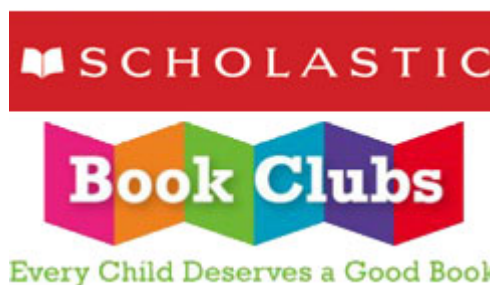
Entry fee is \$2.00.

Infants (K-2): 5:00pm - 6:15pm

Primary (3-6): 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Students safety

Due to safety concerns, any students who are catching a bus from our school to Maitland High School, must stay with the teacher on duty, and not roam around the school once they arrive at the High School. Thank you for your cooperation.



Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club orders went home last week, with orders needing to be finalised online by **Wednesday morning, 20th June.**

Please note due to our new systems, it will be a requirement that all book club orders are to be placed online by parents. We can no longer accept payments through the school office. Deliveries of books will be as per normal.

Canteen Roster

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Week 7		
Tuesday	12 th June	Molly
Wednesday	13 th June	Karleigh, Kaye
Thursday	14 th June	Liane, Molly, Kaye
Friday	15 th June	Liane, Molly, Nicole, Kaye
Week 8		
Monday	18 th June	Liane, Karleigh, Belinda

The revised Healthy School Canteen Strategy

The NSW Department of Education and the NSW Ministry of Health, the Catholic Education Commission NSW and the Association of Independent Schools of NSW have all contributed to the strategy.

The revised strategy has been informed by a comprehensive evidence report and a consultation process that included canteen managers, school leaders, health professionals, the food industry, school students and parents to understand the barriers and enablers for increasing healthy food and drink choices in NSW school canteens. Download the accessible version of the **discussion paper (DOCX 111 KB)** that was released in July 2016 to inform the public consultation process.

Public schools will transition to the revised strategy over a three year period (2017 – 2019). Catholic and independent schools are also encouraged to participate in the strategy. The transition will be responsive to canteen operating arrangements, product availability, rural and remote locations and community and cultural expectations.

The **Australian Dietary Guidelines** and the national labelling system that provides **Health Star Ratings** (HSRs) on the front of packaged food and drinks forms the basis of the minimum food and drink criteria for the revised Healthy School Canteen Strategy. The new food and drink criteria replaces the traffic light system under the previous strategy.

FOOD AND DRINK CRITERIA	
Target minimum benchmarks for all school canteens	
Everyday food and drinks	Occasional food and drinks
At least 3/4 of the menu	No more than 1/4 of the menu
No Health Star Rating (HSR) cut-off	Health Star Rating (HSR) of 3.5 stars and above
Portion limits for flavoured milk, juice and ready-to-eat meals	Portion limits for all Occasional food and drinks
Display, favourably price, promote and advertise Everyday choices	Occasional food and drinks not promoted at point of sale
 *Sugary drinks are not to be sold in NSW public schools. Schools will be supported and encouraged to achieve higher benchmarks for healthy food and drink options in their canteens.	

What's changed?

- Two categories (Everyday and Occasional food and drinks) will replace the three traffic-light categories.
- There will no longer be two 'Red' food days per term. However, at the discretion of the principal a school may choose to invite the canteen to cater for a special event, such as a school fair, or school celebration. On such occasions, menu items can align with the school's plans enabling the school canteen to be fully integrated as part of the school celebration or special event.

FROM THE OFFICE

Want to make a payment?

Parent Online Payments (POP)

Go to the School's website:

www.tenambit-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and the 'Make a Payment' link will be on the front page.



Once this section is completed, the next section is what you are paying for as per below. If you click on for example, 'Excursions', it will then come up with a comments box to enter what you are paying for.

Payment Options

Please select which items you would like to make a payment or donation for:

- ☐ Voluntary School Contributions
- ☐ Subject Contributions
- ☐ Excursions
- ☐ Sport
- ☐ Creative and Practical Arts
- ☐ Sales to Students
- ☐ Other

Total Payment Amount \$

Payment Details

Fields marked with an asterisk (★) are mandatory.

The process for making a payment is as follows:

1. Fill out all the required fields on this page.
2. Fill out credit card payment details on the next page.
3. Review and confirm your payment details on the confirmation page.
4. Review your payment receipt and optionally print it, or send it as an email.

Student Details

Student Registration Number

If this 9 digit number is on the Statement issued by the school it will be to the left of the student's name.

★ Given Name

★ Surname

Class or Year

Ref. or Invoice Number

This number may be on the top of the invoice or statement issued by the school. It may have the heading Ref:

★ Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)

e.g. 31/01/1980.

Required if only one of 'Class or Year' or 'Invoice Number' are filled.

Payer Details

★ Full Name

★ Contact Phone Number

e.g. 0249512345 or (02)49512345

★ Contact Email Address

Once this section is completed you click on 'Next' and this will then take you to the Payment section to put in your credit card details. You can then print a copy of your receipt or choose to have it emailed to yourself. The school will then receive notification from Westpac the following day about any payments made via the Parent Online Payments and they will be applied to your child's account.

Ensure you complete the mandatory sections marked with an asterisk. You **do not** need to include the Student Registration Number or Ref/Invoice Number.