

Monday, 24 October 2022

From the Principal

Welcome to Week 3. We are unfortunately starting another week with a wet and boggy playground. As much as we all love rain, it's time for some sunshine to allow time for the ground to dry out. Although, no doubt then we'll complain about mozzies, sunburn and heat.

A big shout out to all who added to a colourful Friday last week, with funny socks, colourful and weird hairstyles and good cheer. It was a great way to finish the week. Our Year 6 still have some fundraising plans up their sleeves so keep an eye out for what's coming up next.

Miss McKinnon and I have been attending professional learning around high potential and gifted education and the different domains of learning pathways. This will be included in our practices of learning for the upcoming year and our teachers and other school staff will be undertaking learning in supporting students to reach their potential in a supportive environment, something I feel we already do quite well for our children. It's nice to see the Department is now moving to a mindset of "high potential" instead of "gifted" as this is a lot more encompassing for our children. We are looking forward to sharing this with you throughout 2023. In light of this, please don't forget applications have opened for entry to high potential high schools. Please don't miss the cut off date for children who will be entering high school in 2024.

Until next week,

Donna Stackman

LOCKDOWN

Please note the school will be having a Lockdown practice this week.

Year 6 Farewell

The RSVP and payment for our Year 6 Farewell is due Friday 11th November. No late payments will be accepted. A reminder that as part of our celebration on the evening, **Year 6** parents will be welcome to join us from 7:15pm to 8:30pm. **Year 5** parents will be welcome to collect their child at the conclusion of the event at 8:30pm.

PBL FOCUS – WEEK 3

"I can listen"

School Calendar – Term 4	
Week 3	
Tuesday 25 th October	CUBS program 9.15 - 10.15am Stage 2 Excursion – Phoenix Park Farm
Thursday 27 th October	TASH Homework Club
Friday 28 th October	Grandparents' and Grandfriends' Day – 10.00am NO ASSEMBLIES
Week 4	
Monday 31 st October	No Scaredy Cats, Parent Support Program 6.00-8.00pm
Tuesday 1 st November	CUBS program 9.15 - 10.15am
Thursday 3 rd November	TASH Homework Club
Friday 4 th November	Assemblies: K-2 at 12.00pm 3-6 at 1.30pm Cold Rock Ice Cream Day
Week 5	
Monday 7 th November	No Scaredy Cats, Parent Support Program 6.00-8.00pm
Tuesday 8 th November	CUBS program 9.15 - 10.15am
Thursday 10 th November	TASH Homework Club
Friday 11 th November	Assemblies: K-2 at 12.00pm 3-6 at 1.30pm
Week 6	
Monday 14 th November	No Scaredy Cats, Parent Support Program 6.00-8.00pm
Tuesday 15 th November	CUBS program 9.15 - 10.15am
Wednesday 16 th November	Year 5 Leadership Day
Thursday 17 th November	TASH Homework Club
Friday 18 th November	Assemblies: K-2 at 12.00pm 3-6 at 1.30pm
Week 7	
Tuesday 22 nd November	Orientation and Kindergarten Expo 9.15am – 11.15am
Thursday 24 th November	TASH Homework Club
Friday 25 th November	Assemblies: K-2 at 12.00pm 3-6 at 1.30pm
Week 8 (Healthy Harold Visit Tues 29 th – Fri 2 nd)	
Tuesday 29 th November	Kindergarten Orientation 9.15am – 11.15am
Thursday 1 st December	TASH Homework Club
Week 10 (Healthy Harold Visit Mon 5 th – Tues 6 th)	
Monday 12 th December	Presentation Day: K-2 @ 9:30am 3-6 @ 12.30pm
Friday 16 th December	Year 6 Clap Out Year 6 Farewell Last day of school for Term 4
Week 11	
Monday 19 th	School Development Day

Christmas Countdown

Today Christmas is officially 2 months away (62 days) and it will be here before we know it! We are trying to get ahead of the Christmas game this year and wanted to put some information out there for our families.

Christmas Toy and Food Drive - We are getting in early this year to ask for our communities help in supporting families who need a little extra help this Christmas and holiday period. Every year we get to see the amazing generosity of our community and we are hoping this year will be our best ever!

To give an idea of the donations we are after, there are 3 main areas we are looking at:

Gifts - New and unopened toys, books, art and craft kits, kids toiletries packs.

Christmas Treats - chocolates, lollies, puddings, custard, biscuits.

Pantry Staples - pasta and sauces, noodles, tinned food, kids snacks, cake mixes, rice, toiletries and cleaning supplies.

All items can be dropped into the office. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Scott Matthews-Wall at the office.

Santa's Mailbox

We have collected a brand new Santa's mailbox for the school and the word from the North Pole is that it will be set up ready for direct link to Santa from Week 5 (Monday 7th November). All students who send a letter to Santa via our special post box have been guaranteed a reply so feel free to encourage them to get writing.

Nambit the Elf

We have also heard from the North Pole that Nambit the Elf will be joining us again this year. We have been told that he will be arriving in Week 8, ready to start the month of December. Keep a look out for him and all his mischief.

No Scaredy Cats - Kindergarten 2023

A reminder that the No Scaredy Cats program will be running on Monday evenings (6.00pm – 8.00pm) in Weeks 4, 5 & 6. If you have a student starting Kindergarten in 2023 and would like to attend, please contact the office.



Maitland High School Drama Production (Stage 3 Excursion)

Maitland High School is holding a drama production of "Becoming George", performed by their students. Our students have been invited to attend this performance from **11:30am to 2:00pm on Wednesday 23rd November 2022**. The **cost of attending the production is \$2.00**.

Please note: this excursion is limited to the first 50 students who pay and return their note. **Notes and money (cash only) are due by Thursday 10th November 2022**.

"Cold Rock" Day

On Friday 4th November we will be holding a fundraiser for Year 6. We will be selling ice cream with special treats mixed in. These will be available to purchase from our Year 6 students during lunchtime for \$2.00 each.

We are also seeking help from parents to set up for this event. If you are free from 9.00am – 11.00am on Monday 31st October to help us prepare for this great fundraiser, please contact the office.

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To make ordering fast and simple, you can set up automatic top ups in your 'User Profile'.

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1 Place your Order

On the app home screen, scroll down to view your school services such as canteen and uniforms. Then **swipe left and right** to view all available services.

2 Make your Selection

Find the service and press 'Order', then select the items you wish to order.

3 Make Payment

Select your payment option and complete payment to place your order.



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Presentation Day Award Sponsorship

At the end of each year we hold our K-2 and 3-6 Presentation Day assemblies. As part of these assemblies, some students are chosen to receive special awards in areas such as academic achievement, citizenship and sport. Most of these awards involve students receiving a medallion and a book prize. Each year we have parents/caregivers or community members who sponsor these awards and we would like to extend the opportunity to others who may be interested. If you would like to sponsor one of these awards please contact the office by Friday 4th November (Week 4). The cost of sponsorship is \$30.00.



Christmas Donations

Tenambit Public School are seeking donations to support families who need some extra help this christmas and over the holidays.

Items needed include - new and unopened toys, art and craft kits / activities, christmas treats (puddings, biscuits, lollies & chocolates), pantry snacks (noodles, muesli bars, dried fruit, cake mixes) pantry staples (tinned food, pasta & sauce, rice) soft drinks / cordial, toiletries

For more information call Scott M-W at the office



Active for life

Did you know that only 1 in 4 children meet the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity per day?

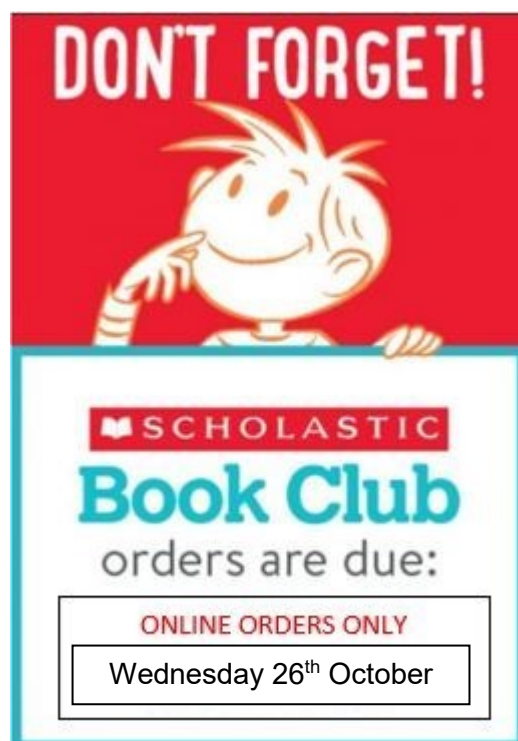
It's important that physical activity be a regular part of family life. Here's some ideas to promote physical activity for life!

- Promote fun. The more you enjoy physical activity, the more likely you are to continue doing it.
- Make it part of your regular daily routine.
- Provide a safe environment and wear comfortable clothing.
- Provide easy access to active toys including balls, skipping ropes, etc.
- Be a role model. If you are being active, your children are likely to follow.
- Play and explore with your children. Get outdoors for a walk, play at the park or bike ride.



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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

8.30am – 3.15pm

From the Office

If sending cash in with your child to make a payment at the office, please ensure you send the correct money as we do not carry a float.

Our preferred payment option is via our online payment system on our website. Please go to the Tenambit Public School website and click on the blue 'Make a Payment' tab along the top.

Follow the instructions and enter your payment details etc. **Please note, you are not required to enter the student registration number.** Contact the office if you need assistance or have any enquiries. Thank you.





Please note when paying by EFTPOS at the school office, there is a minimum transaction amount of \$10.00 due to fees charged to the school.


Crazy Hair and Sock Day



Our school has a new look **online payment page!**

We're now accepting payments for Tenambit Public School via the school's website. To make a payment, simply:

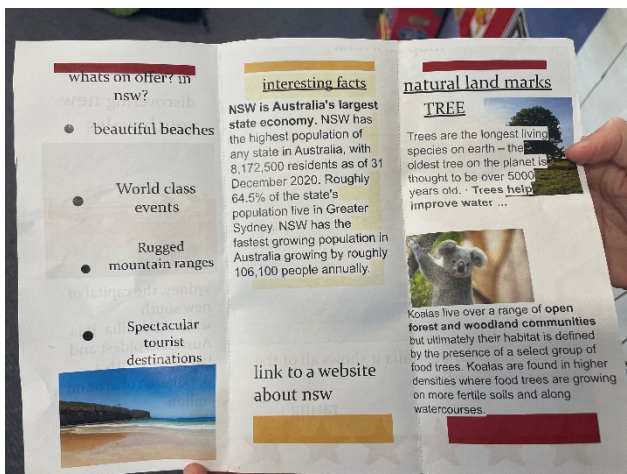
-  Visit our school website on your mobile, tablet or desktop computer
-  Select 'Make a payment' from the main page menu
-  Enter the required student, contact and payment details
Note: You are NOT required to provide the 9-digit Student Registration Number.
-  Check your email for a copy of the receipt of payment

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**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**



Stage 2 are learning all about NSW and using this knowledge to create brochures for our writing unit this term. We have also spent the last week learning all about 2D space!





**YEAR 7 2023
PARENT
INFORMATION
EVENING**

Wednesday
2nd November 2022

6:00pm-7:30pm

Maitland High School MPC

**Parking and direct access to
MPC via Pierce St**

