

Monday, 7 November 2022

From the Principal

Welcome to Week 5 - I actually had to double check my calendar to make sure of the week as I thought it surely couldn't be so far into the term already! But yes, it is!

I'd like to thank the mums and dads who were able to give a little time last week to prepare our "Cold Rock" for our kiddos to have as their last Year 6 fundraiser for the year. It's really hard to find time these days to help out in what is our increasingly busy lives, so we really do appreciate it.

I spent the last few days of last week attending the National Primary Principal's Conference. The speakers were absolutely amazing. From both State and Federal Education Ministers to the founder of Heart on Your Sleeve and others, I took away lots of inspiration, knowledge about improving my own leadership and looking after my own health and wellbeing and arrived at work today with an additional spring in my step. Admittedly, that also may have been because Ralph was extra excited about being back at work after being away for a few days.

Miss McKinnon and I were kindly invited to attend a parent information evening at Emma's Kindy Patch last week. It was interesting talking to parents of children who wouldn't be attending school for a few years yet and answering their questions. But one thing stood out for me as it often does when I speak to you as well; as parents we're all concerned about the falling level of respect. This is across schools, in the community, in the media and in society in general. This may not be a popular thing to say publicly, but you as parents are the first teachers, you are the ones that teach respect. If you want respectful kids at school, then teach them to be so - to their teachers, to their peers, to school staff. Speak respectfully about school at home, speak respectfully about teachers, about school staff. Children are mirrors - they mirror what they see you do.

And on that note, have a great week everyone!

Donna Stackman

PBL FOCUS – WEEK 5

"I can try new things"

Kindergarten 2023

A reminder that vision screening will be happening at CUBS tomorrow 8th November and the following week. We are still waiting for quite a few consent forms so if these can be brought in tomorrow it would be greatly appreciated.

Kindergarten Expo

A reminder that we will be holding our Kindergarten Expo on Tuesday 22nd November (during the first Kindergarten Orientation Session). This will be a great chance for all of our Kindergarten 2023 parents to find out information about our amazing school as well as have the chance to meet some key people within our school as well as try on or purchase some of our school uniforms. We look forward to seeing you there.

Uniform Sales

We are pleased to announce our summer uniform shop days for collection of uniforms, for those who would like to order uniforms on Flexischools either for their Kindergarten 2023 starters or for those wanting a new uniform for the new year.

Wednesday 14 th December	9:00am – 10:00am
Friday 27 th January	9:00am – 10:00am
Monday 30 th January	2:30pm – 3:30pm

School Calendar – Term 4

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 Remembrance Day

Week 6

Monday 14 th November	No Scaredy Cats, Parent Support Program 6.00-8.00pm PBL Slushie Day - Kindergarten
Tuesday 15 th November	CUBS program 9.15 - 10.15am PBL Slushie Day – Years 1 & 2
Wednesday 16 th November	Year 5 Leadership Day PBL Slushie Day – Years 3 & 4
Thursday 17 th November	TASH Homework Club PBL Slushie Day – Years 5 & 6
Friday 18 th November	PBL Out of Uniform Day 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 29th – Fri 2nd)

Tuesday 29 th November	Kindergarten Orientation 9.15am – 11.15am
Thursday 1 st December	TASH Homework Club

Week 9 (Healthy Harold Visit Mon 5th – Tues 6th)

Thursday 8 th December	TASH Homework Club
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Week 10

Monday 12 th December	Presentation Day: K-2 @ 9:30am 3-6 @ 12.30pm
Wednesday 14 th December	Uniform collection: 9.00 – 10.00am Class Party Day
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
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Christmas News - 48 Days until Christmas!

Santa's Mailbox

As we continue our countdown to Christmas, we are very excited that our North Pole Mailbox has arrived! We have been assured that letters posted in this mailbox have a direct link to the North Pole and the elves have promised to do their best to get Santa to send a reply. Santa's Mailbox is located at the entrance to our office and will remain there until the end of Week 9.

Food and Gift Drive

A reminder that the office is collecting donations from our community of Christmas food, toys and luxury items for families who may need some extra assistance this holiday season. Some suggestions for donations can be found on the flyer at the back of this newsletter.

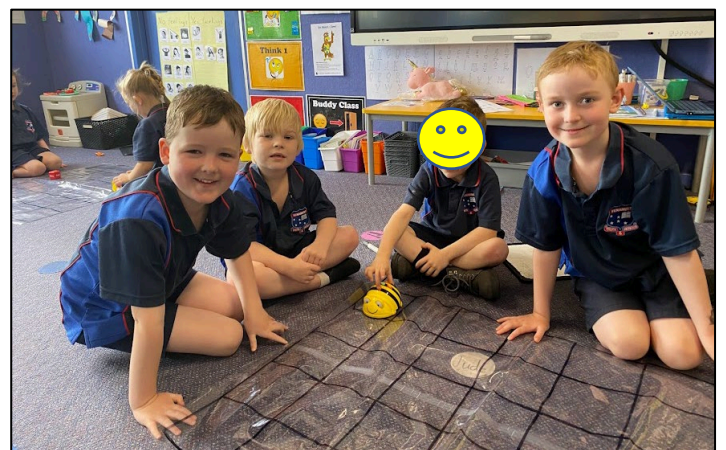
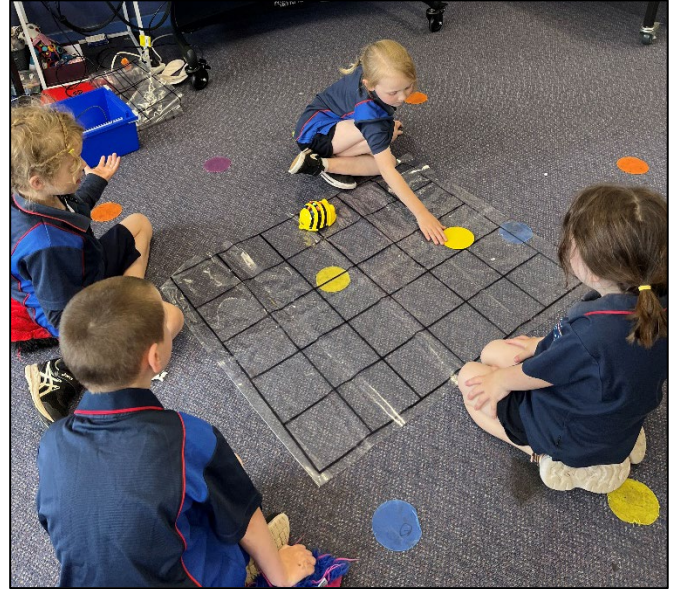
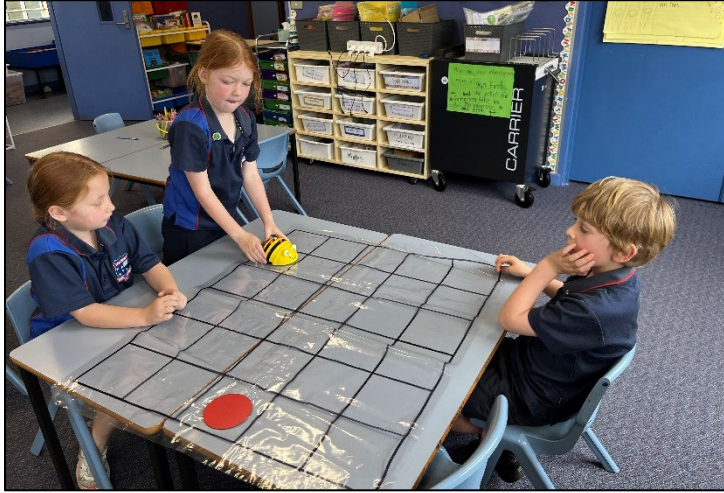
Farewell Miss Austin

We said farewell to Miss Austin on Friday, as she heads off on maternity leave, for the pending birth of her first baby. We wish Miss Austin and her husband all the very best!



Kindergarten

We have been enjoying learning to use direction words by giving instructions to Beebots and Botleys.



How to install the SkoolBag app

instructions for parents and community

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users



for Android users



for more info visit skoolbag.com.au



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.

Flexischools – Ordering School Lunches and Uniforms

Set up your account

- 1 **Download the Flexischools App**
Note: for iPhone and iPad please select 'Allow' notifications.
- 2 **Login/Register**
 - **Already a Flexischools user** – Enter your details and login. To save your login details select 'remember me'.
 - **New Flexischools user** – Click 'Register', enter your email address and follow the instructions in the email to set up your account. Once your account is set up, add new student; search for their school, enter student details and select their class.
- 3 **Top Up Your Account**
To make ordering fast and simple, you can set up automatic top ups in your 'User Profile'.

Order

- 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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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



Education

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

8.30am – 3.15pm



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

Good for kids
good for life



Festive everyday snacks

We all love to share food to celebrate, even at school. You can avoid the sugar high and over indulgence on sometimes foods by adding more everyday foods to your festive spread.

There are lots of bright, colourful and healthy options for your festive snacks including:

- Homemade mini pizzas made with English muffins or wraps
- Frozen fresh juice or yoghurt ice blocks or cups
- Fruit platters or kebabs with dipping yoghurt
- Cheese, veggie sticks, rice crackers and dips
- Water with fresh frozen berries or lemon
- Mini savoury pinwheels or wraps
- Fruit or veg scones and muffins
- Triangle sandwiches
- Pikelets
- Popcorn



HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<https://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au>

Developed by Hunter New England LHD



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1% weeks per year	Nearly 1/50 a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2% weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
1/2 hour a day	1/2 a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 1/2 years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 1/2 years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

**School starts at 8.55am
DON'T BE LATE!**



Cold Rock Ice Cream Day

Everyone enjoyed their Cold Rock Ice Cream on Friday, and also today!



**COLD ROCK
ICE CREAM**

