

Tacking Point PS Newsletter

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Week 8, Term 1

23rd March 2018

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

Thu 29 th March	Easter Hat Parade 9.15am School Hall
Fri 30 th March	Good Friday
Mon 2 nd April	Easter Monday
Tue 3 rd April	Mrs Mangold on leave
Thu 5 th April	Grandparent's Day Year 2 - 9.15am Classrooms Zenith Testing Year 6 Hastings Secondary College 9am
Fri 6 th April	Year 1 Minibeast Day 11.30am K-2 Assembly 9.00am Hosted by 1S Stage 3 Assembly 1.50pm
Mon 9 th – Fri 13 th April	Jump Rope for Heart "Jump Off"
Wed 11 th – Thu 12 th April	NSW Swimming - Homebush
Fri 13 th April	Last day of term K-2 Assembly 9.00am – General Assembly Awards Only Stage 2 Assembly 1.50pm Hosted by 3K
Mon 30 th April	Staff Development Day
Tue 1 st May	Students Return Term 2
Thu 3 rd May	3-6 School Photos
Fri 4 th May	K-2 School Photos
Wed 9 th – Fri 11 th May	Year 4 Camp – Point Wolstoncroft
Mon 21 st – Fri 25 th May	Year 6 Camp - Canberra
Tue 22 nd – Thu 24 th May	Year 5 Camp - Collaroy

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week 8

The end of the term is fast approaching and I know the children and staff are looking forward to the small Easter Break just before the holidays. A reminder that our Easter Hat Parade is on the 29th March and our Easter Egg Raffle is a major focus on that day as well. These days are wonderful and I know our Kinder children will be looking forward to seeing an Easter Hat Parade at big school. We expect some of our local pre-schools to be in attendance on the day as well.

Mrs Mangold

We wish Mrs Mangold all the very best with her leave and will miss her over the next 3 terms. We will see her back briefly at the end of Term 3. Mr Thompson will be Relieving Deputy Principal during this time.

Family Occupation and Education Index (FOEI)

Just a reminder to update our FOEI information with any details that may have changed since enrolment. This information needs to be back at school by week 10 to allow for input.

Greatest Shave

Congratulations to all our staff who got involved on the day. There were lots of laughs and all for a great cause. Congrats to Mr Bale for coordinating this event and to all who donated on the day. Let's just hope the hair grows back quickly for School Photos!



Weekend Visitors

We again, had some visitors in our playground over the weekend causing mischief. The Police were contacted and were on site. Police will be investigating, as they have leads.

Pool Party

Congratulations again to our P and C for the coordination of this yearly event. We don't seem to have much luck with weather but it has to be all about safety.

Morning Arrival

My sincere thankyou to our parents who have organised before school care and supporting us with this need. The notification process unfortunately will commence as of next week. It was disappointing to note that we had children here at 7 am this week!

Kind regards,

Mr Phil Harris
Principal

From the Deputy Principals

The 'Tell Them From Me' Student Feedback Survey

We are delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will once again participate in a Department of Education initiative: the **'Tell Them From Me'** Student Feedback Survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student

outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a 'Tell Them From Me' Student Survey in 2016 and 2017 and will again this year in Term 1 and 3. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year. *More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.*

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the 'Tell Them From Me' survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 26th March and 9th April 2018. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be invited to participate. A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please inform the school by **Monday 26 March 2018**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

School Photos 2018

3-6 Thursday 3rd May 2018

K-2 Friday 4th May 2018

The School Photographer will be in our school on Thursday 3rd May and Friday 4th May 2018. This is the in the first week after the holiday break!

An envelope will come home for you to order your photos online, when completed the student returns the envelope back to the class teacher in readiness for photo day. A cash payment is also an option which is sealed in the returned envelope waiting for collection by the photography team.

Sibling photos are also an option and these will be taken at lunchtime over both days. If you happen to be away, school photo make up day is on Monday 7th May 2018.

Thought for the Week:

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted! Aesop

Mrs Kelly Jordan and Mrs Ros Mangold
Deputy Principals



Happy Easter

PARENTS AND VISITORS

ARE INVITED TO ATTEND OUR

EASTER HAT PARADE

ON

WHEN: THURSDAY 29TH MARCH

TIME: 9:15AM

WHERE: SCHOOL HALL



Parents are reminded that each child is to make their Easter Hat at home prior to the parade.

Easter hats are brought to school on the day of the parade.

Parents are reminded not to use chocolates as decorations.

Preschool children will parade after the kindergarten students. Please chat to older siblings to assist with walking them during the parade.

Our Easter hat parade will start with our Kindergarten students followed by students from Year 1 to Year 6.



At the conclusion of our parade the P&C will announce the lucky winners of the Easter Raffles.

The canteen will be open during the parade and recess for you to purchase morning tea.

Our delightful barista will be ready to take coffee orders.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Tacking Point Public School Staff and P&C

District Inter-school Chess Competition

On Monday the 12th of March, 23 students went and competed in the District Inter-school chess competition at Westport Public School. The day consisted of 7 rounds with over 200 students from both high school and primary school competing. The Tacking Point team displayed great sportsmanship on the day.

Tacking Point were very successful on the day, taking 2nd place overall, just being beaten by Westport. Tacking Point have secured a spot at the next level. A big congratulations to Jack M from Year 6 who took third place in the primary division.

A big thank you to all the parents who transported on the day and all those who offered to transport.

Ms Tonkin



Stewart House 2018 Donation Drive

Stewart House Donation Drive envelopes went home last week. By donating \$2 and completing the entry details on the back you have a chance to win a \$4,000 holiday. The envelopes are to be returned to the front office. Your donation supports the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year.

Thank you for your support

Premier's Reading Challenge 2018

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read more. The Premier's Reading Challenge has already started and finishes on Friday 31st August.

Student Reading Records can be completed on-line at <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>. Kindergarten has already registered for the challenge and are reading lots of books in class. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact me.

Mrs Ostler

Premier's Reading Challenge Coordinator



From the Library Information and Resource Centre

Congratulations to the children and their families who have completed their Read Aloud Bookmarks this week Term 1 Weeks 7 and 8:

KC Sofia Hewens **KV** Flynn Apthorpe, Willow Giddins **KW** William Buckby, Harriet Houghton **1/2G** Grace Ashton, Zayden Keedle, Lillie Merrell, Aidan Miles, Sam Moore, Hannah Ryan **1C** Ellis Bibel, Lainey Fenton, Likith Mundru **1J** Madeleine Chung **1K** Alex Boath, Ava English, Mikayla Fonyodi, Angus Hawkin **1S** Natasha Pirnie **2H** Evelyn Archibald, Thomas Buckby, Siena Button, Anne Randall **2M** Ashleigh Crompton, Sam Hewens **2R** Joshua Gray, Hayden Manning, Maxine Smith, Melody Waller **2S** Jonah Barnes, Amy Fitzgerald, Leela Hill, Evie Kuchling, Kalani Taylor **3/4C** Ava Buckby **3/4N** Daisy Dunbar, James Owen **3J** Lani Warren **3K** Indicca Warren **4O** Marli Connerty, Arshak Martirosian **4H** Harrison Gray, Anastasia Griffiths, Lucy Richards **4R** Zen Steep-O'Brien **5D** Indies Collyer **5/6G** Bowen Lowrey, Erin Rapley **6B** Ethan Apthorpe **6M** Emily Elliot, Darci Rapley **6T** Bayden Connerty, Mackenzie Jenkins, Asher Rootes, Millicent Wilson

Ms Lea Horan

Teacher Librarian

K-2 Assembly Week 6 Award Recipients



Tacking Point Public School



YEAR 2 STUDENTS

invite their

GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY FRIENDS

to celebrate International Grandparent's Day

grandparents day 

WHEN: THURSDAY 5TH APRIL

TIME: 9:15AM – 11:00AM

WHERE: CLASSROOMS



PLEASE COME TO GRANDPARENTS DAY!





Hey Mum and Dad

Did you know heart disease affects 2 out of every 3 families?

Help your child to have fun and support the Heart Foundation at the same time. Register our child online and simply press send to all your family and friends! It's easy, safe and secure. jump rope.org.au

Send emails to family and friends asking for sponsorship.

Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart

Band News

Could all parents of children learning to play a musical instrument at school, particularly beginners, please encourage and remind their children to get their instruments out and play them three times a week, even if only for a few minutes.

We are working on note recognition, fine motor skills and muscle memory. Repetition is the best way to master these skills. We want to ensure the success of all our young musicians.

Thank you
Anne Hamilton

60 Seconds With...Ms Essex

Our SRC wanted to have a little bit of fun and profile our new staff members.

Ms Essex was interviewed by Annelise Turner.

What job did you have before being at TPPS?

Before working as a teacher, I worked at Spendless Shoes.

What is your most memorable moment?

Making great friends with the staff.

Do you have any hobbies?

I enjoy art and craft, music and crocheting.

If you could have any job in the world, what would it be? Teaching of course!

Which subject do you prefer and why?

I prefer art because it encourages creativity.

If you could invent anything, what would it be?

A device that would allow you to quickly rewind global warming.

What is your favourite sport? I enjoy watching tennis.

What is your favourite food? Mexican tacos, yum!

Who is your favourite band? It's not a band, but I love Keith Urban and Ed Sheeran.

What is your favourite quote? Always try your best.

What would you say your best qualities are? Patience and kindness

If you were stranded on a deserted island, what three things would you want with you? Phone, food and matchsticks.



Name three people, alive or dead, you would love to invite to a dinner party.

I would invite my grandfather because I never got to meet him, Ellen DeGeneres, because she is such a strong woman and Ed Sheeran because I admire his determination and raw talent.

Uniform Shop

"New Style School Jackets" are in. They are available at the Uniform Shop in the school hall on Mondays and Wednesdays 8.30am-9.00am. You also have the option to order them thru Flexischools.

Canteen

CANTEEN ROSTER

You can place lunch orders via the P&C's site <http://www.flexischools.com.au>

Mon 26/3	A White and Help Please
Tue 27/3	C Clarke and Help Please
WED 28/3	K Schmidt and K Williams
THU 29/3	Y Williams, A Payne and E Corcoran
FRI 30/3	Good Friday - Closed
MON 2/4	Easter Monday - Closed
TUE 3/4	A Baker and Help Please
WED 4/4	H Ryan and E Corcoran
THU 5/4	C Lo Monaco and Help Please
FRI 6/4	L Wiggins, E Corcoran and Help Please

In accordance with WH&S regulations, it would be appreciated if volunteers could please wear enclosed footwear and have long hair tied back. Thanks Leanne and Sandy.

UNIFORM SHOP

Open Mondays & Wednesdays 8.30 – 9.00am

Location: Assembly Hall

Uniforms can be viewed and purchased via the P&C's site <http://www.flexischools.com.au>

Community Notices

WEP: Become an international family in 2018 by being a volunteer host family with WEP! Request your free information pack today by contacting WEP at info@wep.org.au or call 1300 884 733.



Jessies Riding Academy: Mention this ad when purchasing 10 lessons to receive a 10% discount.


For further information contact Jessiesridingacademy.com.au

PORT MACQUARIE FOOTBALL CLUB 2018 SEASON

Port Macquarie FC has been providing families the opportunity to play football (soccer) in the local community since 1974.

We currently have spots available in our girls only U7s and U9s teams and our mixed under 7s team. To join Port Macquarie FC sign up online via www.playfootball.com.au or for further information contact Cath Cornish on 0419 478 308.

Our friendly and fun atmosphere along with our community spirit makes Port Macquarie FC a great club to be a part of.

SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way


...to use sunscreen!

What does sunscreen do?

Sunscreen acts as a barrier, filtering UV radiation by absorbing and reflecting UV rays away from your skin.

Make sunscreen a habit!


In the morning, check if the UV will be 3 or above and apply sunscreen before heading out for the day.




Use SPF30+ broad-spectrum water-resistant sunscreen 20 mins before going outside. Make sure you reapply at least every 2 hours.

Sunscreen is just one part of sun protection! Remember to use sun-safe hats, clothing and sunglasses and seek out shade.

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



Nutrition Snippet


The simplest way

...to pack a healthy lunch box.

Pack at least one item from each of the following food groups for a healthy lunch!

Breads/ cereals: Wholemeal or wholegrain bread, wraps and pita. For a treat, pack pikelets, or homemade muffins and slices.

Fruit: Serve in fun ways; try fruit kebabs or fruit in jelly, cut whole fruit into small pieces for younger kids.




Vegies: Pack carrot or celery sticks with hummus.

Dairy: A slice of cheese, yoghurt or custards are all great lunch box items.

Meat and alternatives: Cooked chicken, tuna, egg, roast meat and legumes like red kidney beans or chickpeas.

Water or milk: Water or milk are the best drink choices.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit





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