

Tacking Point PS Newsletter

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Week 6, Term 4 2020

20 November 2020

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

2020

Friday 27 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P&C Jam Jar Fundraiser CLOSSES (all artwork and payments to be finalised)
Monday 7 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P and C Meeting, Staffroom at 7.30pm
Thursday 10 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 Farewell
Friday 11 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reports sent home
Wednesday 16 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last day of School 2020 for students and teachers

2021

Friday 29 January	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First day of School 2021 Years 1-6 for students
Thursday 4 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First day of School for Kindergarten 2021
Tuesday 9 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week 6. It's hard to imagine that in four weeks' time, the 2020 school year will be over. This indeed has been a testing year for schools, families and for our community.

We have commenced 2021 planning and we continue monitoring our numbers very closely. If you know you are moving and your child/children will not be attending Tacking Point Public School in 2021, can you please let us know as soon as possible.

If you have a pre-schooler who will be of school age next year, please ensure you have completed an enrolment form and had your enrolment interview as soon as possible.

We also ask you to ensure that your emergency contact details are current as this is very important in the event of illness or an emergency. Over the last few weeks, we have discovered that some of the information we have is not accurate and we ask all parents to ensure that we have up to date and current details.

Our Kindergarten Transition days have been incredibly successful with our new children settling in and getting familiar with our school settings. It is amazing how resilient these children are, and how they have embraced the changes that Covid-19 has been put in place. It has been a really successful and enjoyable transition. The Best Start Assessment for the Kindergarten children will be conducted at the beginning of next year, before their first day of school. If you have a Kindergarten student and have not booked the Best Start Assessment, please contact the office to do so. A big thank you to Mrs Wignall for her organisation of the transition and Miss Essex, Mrs Osborne, Mrs Van Klink and Mrs Ireland for teaching the new Kinders.

At present, we are busily planning our Presentation Day Assembly and we hope to shortly announce the plan for this. It will naturally be different from previous years, but we are working very closely with the Hastings Valley Community of Schools to ensure we are all doing something similar.

Our Year 6 Farewell this year will be at school and also will be following strict COVID-19 protocols. It will be a night to remember and for our children or create some wonderful memories and celebrate seven years at primary school.

At this stage, there is no new information in regard to what is happening with the new Principal. Once I have any information, I will inform our community.

Over the next week we will be hosting some focus groups with our children as part of the student voice for our new strategic improvement plan and our vision, will be announced in the next eNewsletter.

The next few weeks are going to be extremely busy consolidating this year as well as moving into a new four-year plan with the main emphasis on student outcomes, student growth, attendance and well-being.

My many thanks to Mrs Jordan for her time as Relieving Principal while I was in Forster as Relieving Director, Educational Leadership. This is a role I have thoroughly enjoyed, and taken great pride in, being able to have this opportunity to work with another community and their associated Principals.

The NSW Health and Department of Education guidelines have necessitated that children who are sick with COVID-19 symptoms get tested or provide a medical certificate if your child suffers from allergies. If your child presents with COVID-19 symptoms they must be tested before returning to school. These requirements are for all New South Wales schools and we appreciate your support and adhering to the strict guidelines in the interest of our students and staff safety. Teachers are also following these guidelines.

Our Year 6 Shirts for Year 6 2021 are being coordinated by the current Year 6 teachers. Any enquiries about this can go directly to Mrs Nelson. We hope to soon have some sample sizes.

Many thanks to everyone for supporting our Book Week Dress Up Day. It was a great day with most of children getting into the spirit. Lots of laughs and giggles on the day and old-fashioned fun was had! Many thanks to Ms Tracey for co-ordinating this.

A reminder that all children should be at school by 8.55am in the morning and if by chance children are late parents are required to accompany them to the office (or call the office) and provide a reason for the absence. Every minute counts and we ask you to ensure that all children are here on time.

Phil Harris
Principal

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

- Learn
- Make friends
- Build skills through fun

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight	4 weeks	Over 1 year missed
1 day per week	8 weeks	Over 2.5 years missed

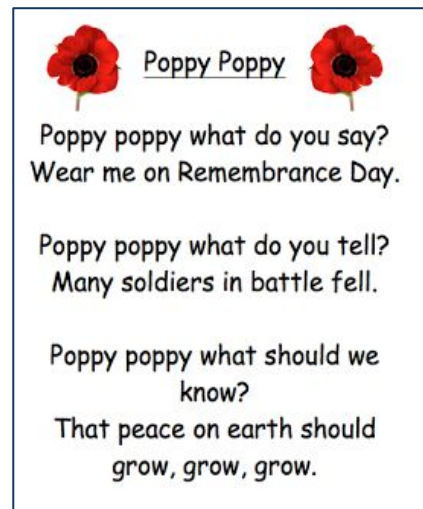
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Deputy Principals' Message

Remembrance Day 11/11/2020 (sometimes known as Poppy Day) is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth of Nations member states since the end of the First World War to remember the members of their armed forces who have died in the line of duty.

Our Principal, Mr Harris, joined our impressive looking Tacking Point Public School, School Captains 2020; Lucy Strahorn and Angus Oakeshott to commemorate Remembrance Day down on the Town Green last Wednesday. We joined with our Hastings Valley Community of Schools to pay our respects for fallen soldiers.

At school we were fortunate to have Niall Kinchington and Arshak Martirosian play the Last Post and the Reveille led by Mr Frank Rugers. Classes produced some amazing pieces of work throughout the week - **Lest We Forget.**



**Kelly Jordan and Trevor Thompson
Deputy Principals**

From the Library

Congratulations to the children and their families who have completed their Read Aloud Bookmarks end of Term 4 Weeks 5 and 6:

KE Justin Hopfe, Scarlett Jones, Ella Sharp, Lara Woolfe **KO** Torin Bullivant, Max Davidson
KW Rohen Chung, Olivia Domin, Leo Gill-Valance Revol, Luca Perri, Rex Wellings **1H** Amelia Pirie
1K Evie Noble, **1W** Emily Ashton, Ella Hamilton, Eadie-Rose Merrell **2C** Flynn Apthorpe, Isaac Chapman, Max Jeffrey, Hamish Pope **2I** Louis Burton, Zac Richardson, Annabel Wellings
2T Josh Harris **3/4M** Grace Ashton, Siena Button, Madeleine Chung, Noah Harris, Mason Jones
3K Mahalia Anderson **4D** Annabelle Ashton **4S** Summer Jackson, Maddison Lyons-Pascoe
5/6N Keegan Pope **6N** Anastasia Griffiths

Ms Lea Tracy
Teacher Librarian

Book Week Celebration - Covid-19 Style



Wednesday 18th November Book dress up day!

On Wednesday, TPPS students and staff had a fabulous fun day of dress ups! We came to school dressed as our favourite book characters!

This year Roald Dahl's "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" was a favourite theme, with our illustrious leader, Principal Phil Harris stealing the show as none other than Willy Wonker himself!

Children and staff enjoyed parading their costumes in small Grade groups.



The fun filled day was just the medicine the heart desired half way through Term 4, after such a demanding and challenging 12 months we have all shared as a community.

Thank you especially to parents and friends who put together such colourful and creative costumes for our children to enjoy. The Book Week dress up day is a unique rite of passage for every Australian child the nation over. We are so pleased that despite COVID-19, we were able to deliver especially for Year 6.

Thank you too to our dedicated staff who again out did themselves participating in this special event. The children adore seeing their teachers dressed up! And just quietly, there is pretty stiff competition between grades, friendly of course!



War



The beginning,
when it all started.

Soldiers fought
for their lives.

for freedom.

for their family,

for their country,

Souls buried in the sand,

explosions, the sound of guns roaring in the ears of 100s

animals scampering.

No peace no quiet

~~Young~~ young youthful deaths belonging to soldiers who fought with
bravery.

horses falling mother's calling.

Lives full of fear.

hoping one day the light will shimmer again,

all is quiet until it's broken,

The loss of loved ones.

leaving a whole in each heart,

poppies a flower of it's own.

planes crashing.

the never ending sound of guns,

hand in hand we shall stay one.

11:00 1918 finally the war that seemed never

ending is finally over peace and commemoration

an amount of happiness in every heart,

but never forgetting the slavery the slaughter

and death.

The tune playing in every head

the last post

remembrance of each soldier's who fought in this abysmal war

and ending people's lives.

Slaughter and torture fear tears blood and sweat

all around bodies crashing thunder thrashing,

stuck in the mud, no chance of survival till

11:00 in the morning 1918!



P&C Update

Run4Fun – Our Events Coordinator, Connie, is working very hard to get all the fundraising prizes to the students, if not today, early next week (week 7). Keep an eye out for the great prize your child will receive for their fundraising efforts.

P&C Meeting – The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 7 December, this is finally able to be held 'live' in the Staffroom at 7pm. We look forward to a 2020 year wrap up and forward planning for 2021. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Christmas Jam Jar Fundraiser – A reminder to get your Jam Jar Artwork back to the office ASAP, as they will be submitted by Friday 27 November. If you require a copy of the note, stop by the office and collect one.

Volunteers for 2021 – We have a desperate shortage of volunteers to help with a variety of P&C organised activities, including the uniform shop and canteen. If you are interested in joining our list of volunteers, please email the P&C with your name and phone contact.

info@tackingpointpandc.org.au

Tim Inman
P&C President

Uniform Shop

UNIFORM SHOP

**** Counter Sales: Every Monday 8.30-9.30 in the hall****

Uniforms can be viewed and purchased via the P&C's Qkr! Payment site

We are back!

You are able to visit us in the hall between 8.30-9.30am every Monday! In addition to the shop hours we will continue to process QKR! orders on Monday and Thursday every week. Please ensure that QKR! orders are in prior to 8am, Monday and Thursday for classroom delivery on the same day.

Be sure to check out our uniform packs on QKR! to get all ready for the 2021 school year.

Tuckerbox Canteen

TUCKERBOX ROSTER

You can place lunch orders via the P&C's Qkr! App

Mon 23/11	M. Brumby
Tues 24/11	R. Brennen
Wed 25/11	R. Brennen
Thurs 26/11	J. Pirie, S. Lukic
Fri 27/11	H. Ryan, N. Varga
Mon 30/11	L. Speedy
Tues 1/12	HELP PLEASE
Wed 2/12	HELP PLEASE
Thurs 3/12	HELP PLEASE
Fri 4/12	M. McNaulty, R. Brennen

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.

Class Awards

K-2 Term 4 Week 5 & 6		
KW	Xavier Santos	Abby Wicks
KW	Leo Gill-ValanceRevol	Andrew Huang
KE	Scarlett Jones	Ella Sharp
KE		Sam Stevenson
KO	Maya Bales	
KO	Bella Konz-Kennedy	
1H	Kaleb Stolzenberg	Amelia Pirie
1H	Estelle Calvert	Patrick Brockenshire
1K	Evie Noble	Zali O'Neill
1K	Arli Ihaia	Ruby Ryan
1V	Josie Neild	Karter Winn
1V		Grace Donnelly
2J	Connor Magill	Matilda O'Brien
2J	Delonte Baxter	Willow Trethewey
2I	Olive Zischke	Jeb Ihaia
2I	Hendrix Jaeger	Arrabella Daley
2C	Summer Booth	Charlotte Rabie
2C	Hailey Venter	Flynn Apthorpe
2C	Baxter Morrison	
2T	Abbey Trethewey	William Etchells
2T	Eden Barns	Chloe Moye
2T		Deklon Gratton

Year 3-4 Term 4 Week 5		
3H	Cooper Hollis	Natasha Pirnie
3H	Maddyx Welsh	Lainey Fenton
3J	Freddie Letters	Charley Kaddatz
3J	Indi Payne	
3K	Lachlan Hamblin	Darcey McWilliams
3K	Sacha Cavaco	Stella Herring
3/4M	Madeleine Chung	Logan McNeill
3/4M	Grace Ashton	Francis Neild
4D	Jonah Barnes	Lily Castiglioni
4D	Ben Oakeshott	Harry Lawrence
4H	Zayden Keedle	Peyton Hoye
4H	Evie Thomson	
4S	Aidan Miles	Summer Jackson
4S	Alice Beard	Ruby Redman
4S	Charlie Bryant	

Year 5-6 Term 4 Week 6		
5B	Wil Clark	Aden Randall
5B	Charlotte Fitzpatrick	Eli O'Bryan
5T	Sarah Gleeson	OJ Monaghan
5T	Jordin Warren	Jai Young
6S	Dylan Thwaite	Zayne Cloake
6S	Jackson Wynne	Hannah Vinter-Forth

