



Tamworth South Public School

NEWSLETTER

Respect for self, others and school

Term 1 Week 1

31 January 2020

Calendar 2020

February

- Monday 3 Kindergarten starts
- Monday 3 School Swimming Carnival
- Monday 3 Swimming Carnival Presentation
2:30pm at school
- Wednesday 19 P&C Meeting
in the Library at 4:15pm
- Wednesday 19 Canteen Meeting
in the Library at 4:00pm
- Mon 17-Mon 24 Life Education
9:10am - 3:10pm

March

- Monday 2 Zone Swimming Carnival
Information to follow
- Wednesday 12 Selective High School Placement Test 2021
- Wednesday 18 P&C Annual General Meeting
in the Library at 4:15pm



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



Leonie Byrne, Principal**Welcome Back**

Welcome back to everyone in the Tamworth South Public School community and a particularly warm welcome to those families new to our school. I hope everyone had a relaxing and safe holiday break and are recharged ready for the 2020 school year.

Our staff have been working hard to ensure your children have a settled start to the school year. All teachers have been in to school for several days during the holidays meeting with colleagues to plan units and to set up classrooms.

**Kindergarten**

Kindergarten will commence their formal school education on Monday 3 February 2020. This is a very exciting time for children and families alike. For some it can also be stressful when it comes time to say goodbye.

Please be assured should you leave a tearful child we will phone you if they don't settle so you relax and celebrate with your child at the end of the day.

Swimming Carnival - Drought Impact

The swimming Carnival for students turning 8+ is set down for Monday 3rd February. Permission notes have been distributed already. This year we are unable to offer this opportunity to all students.

Following a letter received from the Strategic Sports and Recreation Coordinator at Tamworth Regional Council it has been decided only swimmers who are participating in the competition events will be able to attend.

Whilst this is disappointing we all have to do our part during the ongoing drought.

Please refer to the Letter we received from the Tamworth Council on Page 3 of this Newsletter .

Leaders Induction

Our student Leader's Induction Ceremony will be held on Friday 14 February 2020 at 10:30am. Parents will receive an invitation if their child will be receiving a badge. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Important Information you should know

This is a letter from the Tamworth Council explaining the changes regarding our school swimming carnival

Hello Everyone,

I know you all will be extremely busy with the beginning of Term 1.

Matters have not improved at our region's pools, with the continuing drought (despite some recent rain). We are continuing to operate on Bore water supplies for the Scully Pool and we have found that the heavier than normal visitor (bather) numbers with the single pool available in Tamworth City, has stretched our ability to maintain good water clarity at the pool. This is exacerbated by a slow turnover rate of the pool filtration system.

I am seeking a special consideration from schools, to assist us to managing the Tamworth South and West War Memorial (Scully) Pool.

We are about to enter a month of school swimming carnivals occurring almost every day. With the traditional arrangement of full school populations attending these carnivals, we cannot guarantee high quality water conditions. Water chlorination and disinfection will meet health standards however, the water clarity may not be ideal.

There are two aspects that I am hoping schools can consider.

1. For this season, operating carnivals with only competitive swimmers attending, rather than the full student community

2 The option of holding some school swimming carnivals at the Manilla Pool. Manilla pool as you would be aware is also a 50 metre pool.

These changes will have a number of benefits:

Assisting Council staff to achieve optimum water quality at Scully Pool

Ensuring the general public have some level of access to Scully pool outside of the busy school carnival period.

Utilising of a great resource at the Manilla pool

If you are able to reduce the number of students attending your carnival, that will be of enormous assistance to Council and Lifeguard staff.

You feel you could transfer your carnival to the Manilla pool, please contact myself or staff at the Sports Dome, to check on availability at the Manilla pool.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

Peter Watling
Strategic Sports and Recreation Coordinator
Tamworth Regional Council

Novel Coronavirus

Current advice from the Australian Government Department of Health for parents and affected staff is:

- People who have been in contact with any confirmed Novel Coronavirus cases must be isolated in their home for 14 days following exposure;
- Returned travellers who have been in Hubei Province of China must be isolated in their home for 14 days after leaving Hubei Province, other than for seeking individual medical care.

Students and staff currently excluded from school are those who:

- over the last 14 days has visited the province of Hubei in central China. They should not return to school or child care services for a period of 14 days after leaving China, as the coronavirus' incubation period can be as long as two weeks or
- are under medical assessment or
- have been diagnosed with the Novel Coronavirus or
- have had close contact with a confirmed case of the Novel Coronavirus. The Ministry of Health has processes in place to identify any close contacts of cases confirmed in Australia.

In addition The NSW Ministry of Health and NSW Department of Education have recommended that:

- Any student or staff member who was in China, including Hong Kong but excluding the province of Hubei over the past 14 days is recommended not attend school or child care services for a period of 14 days after leaving Hubei Province, as the Novel Coronavirus' incubation period can be as long as two weeks.

SAVE THE DATE



Respectful+Responsible+Safe = Successful

What: Tamworth South Public School's
Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Relaunch

When: Thursday 13 February 2020 at 10:00am

Where: Tamworth South Public School Hall

**Special Guests ~ Celebration Cake ~ PBL Mascot
Naming of Mascot ~ Whole school 'Git Up' Dance
Colouring competition winner announced ~ Morning
Tea**



Join us for the
'BIG PUSH'
Charity Bike Ride

SYDNEY TO CANBERRA - 1st - 3rd May 2020

Help us keep contact with fathers and families in the bush.

All funds raised will go towards keeping our regional NSW program going in the drought stricken areas of Tamworth and Armidale.

Every child in Australia deserves to have an effective father figure.

+ About the 'BIG PUSH' Bike Ride

A fun-filled event that brings fathers, father figures and family members together with the one goal of celebrating what is a father's most important role in the world, being a dad. It runs over 3 days and covers 280kms.

REGISTRATION

STANDARD REGISTRATION
24th Oct 2019 - 31st Jan 2020
\$550.00 per rider

(includes accommodation, meals, insurance and a riding jersey valued at \$129.00).

Each rider will have a goal to raise a minimum of \$2,000 in addition to their registration fee. This will assist The Fathering Project in raising the funds needed to continue expanding our community outreach programs in NSW, QLD & VIC.



The five main aims of The Fathering Project to help our kids:

- 1 To help fathers realise how important they are in a child's life.
- 2 To give fathers advice on how to engage with their children.
- 3 To inspire fathers to get involved with their children - become proactive.
- 4 To develop programs and initiatives to assist with and promote the engagement of fathers.
- 5 To utilise research-based evidence to encourage positive change in fathers.

ROUTE, ITINERARY AND REGISTRATION
DETAILS AVAILABLE AT:

www.bigpushride.org



Weekly Tip

Create open lines of communication

The start of the school year is fast approaching, so it's a good time to check-in with your kids. Try the tips below to open the lines of communication.

- Talk to your kids about what they expect their day-to-day routine to be like at school.
- Show you are available to talk about both the positive and the challenging parts of their day, by asking regularly and really listening to their answers.
- Talk to your kids about current events and issues at home, school and around the world - asking for their thoughts helps them build their understanding and know that you value their opinion.

Here are some questions to start the conversation:

- How are you feeling about going back to school?
- Who are you looking forward to seeing at school?
- What are you looking forward to doing when you get back to school?
- What do you think the first week back at school will be like?

CLASS	STAGE	TEACHER
Class 17 ES1	KT-17	21 Fiona Tickle
Class 16 ES1	KB-16	20 Don Benson (Mon, Tues, Wed) Robyn Inglis (Thurs, Fri)
Class 15 ES1	KW-15	20 Kerli Wilkes
		61
Class 19 S1	1H-19	22 Kloe Hutchins
Class 20 S1	1M-20	26 Anna Manners (Mon-Thurs) Jenny Tanner (Friday)
Class 18 S1	10-18	27 Nick O'Neill
		75
Class 22 S1	25-22	26 Lily Smith
Class 21 S1	2W-21	26 Toni Weeks
Class 23 S1	2H-23	23 Christie Nicholson
Class 24 S1	2F-24	23 MaryAnn Falkenstein
		98
Class 07 S2	3P-07	24 Jenny Porter
Class 08 S2	3L-08	25 Doug Lealios
Class 09 S2	3/4J-09	23 Stacy Jolliffe
Class 05 S2	4G-05	24 Tara Grant
Class 06 S2	4W-06	24 Jess Walsley
		120
Class 01 S3	5W-01	25 Sharon Ward
Class 03 S3	5M-03	28 Balinda Meppien
Class 02 S3	5/6H-02	26 Lauren Hemmstead
Class 36 S3	5/6J-36	25 Chris Jones
Class 10 S3	5/6S-10	19 Rachel Smith
Class 11 S3	6A-11	21 Karyn Antzokias
Class 12 S3	6B-12	22 Emily Brooks
		166
Class 26	26H	20 Kirby Hollis
Class 25	25H	22 Di McNeil
Class 29	29FW	9 Christine Rosen-Whitney
Class 27	27O	7 Kerrie O'Sullivan
Class 28	28K	7 Kim Kirk
		65
Class 04	Stewen P04	6 Sam Frouillat
		607
RFF	Library/Tech	David Bailey (3 days Library/2 days Technology)
RFF	Music	Nathalie Brown
RFF		Robyn Inglis Executive RFF ES1&S1 Wed, Sandy Reeds
Stage 2 Additional		
Stage 3 Additional		
Instructional Leader Support	Room	
EAPS IL	Four DP RM Block E	L Batho, J Jones, A O'Leary, D Fowlk
ABS IL	ASO RM Block D	C Purthorn, V Goward, J Neuen, E Brooks
Learning & Support/Welfare	C Block Office	Christy Kemp, Makalade Connor (3 days) J Birt
	Room 30	Carli Binkins (K-2 3 days) Jenny Swinto (K-2 3 days)
	Room 30	Jenny Tanner (K-2 4 days and 1 day Relieving Anna)
RFF/QTSS	G Block Office	Michelle Isaac (T,W,T) Julian Kelly (M,T,W)
		Jill Cook, Tanya Whitaker, Lorelle O'Connor
		Bridley Van Praag
Literacy/Numeracy		
Teacher	Language Teacher	Jillian Neuen
ALO	AP Office Block E	Kelra Usher: old AP Office Block E
SLSO	Jur IO	Debi Cross
SLSO	Ser IO	Marie Olsen
SLSO	29 FW	Kerly Page
SLSO	El	Jo Collins
SLSO	27Q	Kim Cree

Medication Procedure

Parents and Carers

Just a friendly reminder that if your child requires any form of medication eg: eye drops, panadol, antibiotics etc at school.

You need to come into the front office and fill out a medical form, before we can commence treatment or give any medication.



Canteen News

Late lunch orders

Due to large numbers of late lunch orders and emergency lunches, the Canteen Committee has decided that any orders after 9:30am will be sandwiches ONLY **NO exceptions**.

NO Phone Orders Accepted:

Unfortunately due to the large numbers of lunch orders the Canteen is unable to process anymore phone orders. All orders are to be placed at the Canteen.

Wednesday 19 February 2020 at 4:00pm in the Library.

The school canteen runs on volunteers and we are in need of some more volunteers ready for immediate start.

Canteen Roster

3 February - 7 February

Monday	Kerry Cramp, Annette Ward
Tuesday	Annette Ward,
Wednesday	Amanda Bailey, Alison Lock
Thursday	Annette Ward
Friday	Amanda Bailey, Lisina Monk

10 February - 14 February

Monday	Kerry Cramp, Annette Ward
Tuesday	Annette Ward,
Wednesday	Amanda Bailey
Thursday	Annette Ward
Friday	Amanda Bailey, Lisina Monk

Michelle Weber
Canteen

P&C Annual General Meeting 2020

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 March 2020 in the Library at 4:15pm.

All positions will be declared vacant.



Parents and Citizens

Our P&C meetings are held in the Library on the third Wednesday of the month at 4:15pm.

All Parents, Grandparents and Guardians are welcome to attend. We welcome new volunteers and members.

Please note that the next P&C meeting will be held on **Wednesday 19 February 2020** in the Library at 4:15pm.

P&C Clothing Pool

We are looking for a volunteer to run the school clothing pool. Opening time 8:40am - 9:10am.

If you would like to know more information please connect us on tspspandc@gmail.com or you can leave a message at the office and it will be passed on to the Clothing Pool.

Clothing Pool hours for Term 1

The clothing pool will be open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:40am until 9:10am.

Canteen News

Exciting news coming for the canteen this Term. Keep your eyes on the newsletters for more information.

Also check out our new Canteen Menu, we hope our students enjoy it.

Canteen Volunteers Needed

Our school canteen is run with the invaluable help of volunteers. If this is something that you would be interested in and would be able to help us, please phone Michelle Weber on 6765 9863 or pop into the canteen and see us.

No set hours - any help is appreciated.

Tamworth South Canteen

When:

Weekly, Fortnightly Monthly

Hours:

9:00am to 2:00pm





High Performing Students Team

Education

Applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2021

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2021?

You must apply online at:
education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7



The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team*.

Contact Details:
 High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education
 Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au
 Telephone: 1300 880 367
 Fax: 02 9266 8435
 Postal Address: Locked Bag 53, DARLINGHURST NSW 1500
 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/77225106301086/>

Key Dates

Application website opens:
8 October 2019

Application website closes:
10 pm, 11 November 2019
You must apply before this deadline.

Test authority advice sent to all applicants:
27 February 2020

Selective High School placement test:
12 March 2020

Placement outcome information sent overnight on:
4 July 2020

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

Parents should check the website at education.nsw.gov.au/hps-oc regularly throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

Please Note:
 * In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.
 'Parent' is defined under the Education Act, 1990, as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'

Parents of students in Year 5 who are thinking about attending a Selective High School in 2021 need to lodge an online application.

Please see the flyer in this newsletter.

The selective schools exams (i.e. FMHS) that will occur in March next year.

Applications closed on Monday 11th November 2019 at 10:00pm.

A detailed note has been sent home with every Year 5 student to ensure the information is available early to parents.

Please don't miss this information or opportunity. Parents apply through the High Performing Students Team website at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> (<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>)




www.tamworthjunioroztag.com

2020 Summer Junior Oztag Competition


The new competition begins on:
Wednesday 12 FEBRUARY (Primary) and Thursday 13 FEBRUARY (H.S.). Registration includes Term 1 & 4.
Rego Days are Thursday 30th Jan and Wed 5th Feb,
4:30pm – 6:00pm
Games are at Plain St Fields and played at 4:15pm or 5:00 pm.

Cost is \$120 per player* (includes playing shirt) and shorts (\$30) are compulsory.

- Divisions are MIXED in:
 - 6yrs & Under Mini Tag* (a NON-COMPETITIVE DIVISION)
 - 14yrs & under;
 - 16yrs & under.
- The 8, 10 & 12 yrs & Under Division's are single sex teams.
- * Mini Tag – players register for 1 Term only, \$50.00
- The P.S Competition play on Wednesday afternoons and the High School Competition (14's and 16's) play on Thursday afternoons.

- REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT IS NOW ONLINE AT www.tamworthjunioroztag.com
 Visit the website for further details and registration forms.
- You can still register at the ground on Thu 30th Jan or Wed 5th Feb, 4.30-6pm.


Forms are also available from Mrs Keryn Antzakles in Room 11 at school.



BE CONNECTED

Learn Gamilaraay Language in Tamworth

10703NAT Certificate I in Fundamental Aboriginal Languages for Personal use



ABOUT THE COURSE

The course will provide a range of speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in Gamilaraay language, and cover a range of Aboriginal cultural knowledge and protocols.

Participate in fundamental spoken exchanges and written text in the Gamilaraay Language.

Develop an understanding of Gamilaraay culture to strengthen community connections.

Support the revitalisation and maintenance of Aboriginal Languages for current and future generations.

Encourage and promote the use of Aboriginal Languages in the home.

The course is for both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to learn about Language and culture. Non-Aboriginal students may need to receive permission from the local community to do the course. For more details contact your Aboriginal Engagement Coordinator (below).

HOW DOES IT WORK

The course is delivered in blocks; 2 session per month: 4pm till 5pm Monday and Tuesday

Block 1: 2 & 3 Mar 2020
 Block 2: 30 & 31 Mar 2020
 Block 3: 18 & 19 May 2020
 Block 4: 15 & 16 Jun 2020
 Block 5: 10 & 11 Aug 2020
 Block 6: 7 & 8 Sept 2020
 Block 7: 2 & 3 Nov 2020
 Block 8: 30 Nov & 1 Dec 2020

Students will be given access to a practice module site for additional resource and activities.

READY TO BE DEADLY?

To register your interest or find out more





Contact: Simon Taylor – Aboriginal Engagement Coordinator

Phone: M0429 258 092

Email: Simon.taylor@tfnsw.edu.au

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Continue your Gamilaraay Language journey in Tamworth

10704NAT Certificate II in Basic Aboriginal Languages for Social Use

Delivered two days per week, Mondays and Tuesdays, beginning 2 March 2020

ABOUT THE COURSE
Extend your knowledge of the Gamilaraay language. Participate in fundamental spoken exchanges and written text in the Gamilaraay Language.
The course is designed to:

- support the revitalisation and maintenance of Aboriginal Languages for current and future generations
- develop understanding and knowledge of culture to strengthen family connections
- encourage and promote the use of Aboriginal Languages between family and friends
- develop learning resources to share with others

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Contact: Simon Taylor - Aboriginal Engagement Coordinator
Phone: M 0419 258 682
Email: Simon.taylor@tafensw.edu.au
OR APPLY TODAY AT TAFENSW.EDU.AU

BE CONNECTED 131 601 tafensw.edu.au

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