



Tamworth South Public School

NEWSLETTER

Respect for self, others and school

Term 1 Week 7

13 March 2020

March

Wednesday 18 P&C Annual General Meeting
In the Library at 4:15pm

Friday 20 Primary Asembly 3-6 (2:30pm)
Class item 5/6J-36 (room 36)

Friday 20 Harmony Day
Information Flyer on page 9

Wednesday 25 THS Taster Day

Friday 27 Infants Assembly K-2 (2:10pm)
Class item 10-18 (room 18)

April

Thursday 2 Responsible Pet Visit
10:30am-1:30pm (Information to follow)

Thursday 2 Bikes n Bangers - The Fathering Project
5:30pm-7:00pm (Information to follow)

Monday 6-7 PSSA Swimming
Information to follow

Thursday 9 Easter Hat Parade
Information to follow

Thursday 9 Last Day of Term 1

Friday 10 Good Friday

Sunday 12 EasterDay - Happy Easter

Monday 13 School Holidays (2 weeks)

Monday 27 Staff Development Day

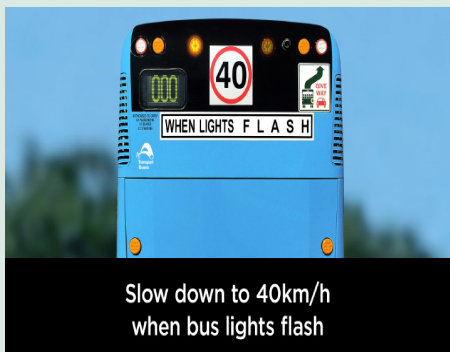
Tuesday 28 Students Return to school

May

Selective High Schools - Late April early May 2020
*Principals confirm school assessment scores online.
Errors can be corrected much more easily at this time
than after outcomes when parents contest scores*

Friday 15 Primary Cross Country

Thursday 21 Games n Grub - The Fathering Project
5:30pm-7:00pm (Information to follow)



Kindergarten Bus Safety Session

On Tuesday 10 March Week 7, all of Kindergarten were fortunate enough to be visited to by the Police Youth Liaison Officer, Michelle King, NRMA representative Jo and Buslines bus driver Janette.

Our visitors talked to the students about the importance of being safe while waiting at the bus stop, whilst on the bus and most importantly, about the importance of waiting for the bus to leave the bus stop before students attempt to cross the road to get home.

We then all thoroughly enjoyed a ride around in the bus!

Police Officer, Michelle King gave the children some fantastic information about safe places and safe people.

She talked about how students should be at the park and shopping centres under the supervision of a grown up and how students can ring triple zero in an emergency.

The students were all very excited to take home a book about safety with Constable Charlie!

Everyone was given a pack about bus safety and there was a colouring competition included. Students can complete the colouring competition at home and bring it in to their class teacher and we will forward any entries onto the NRMA.

On behalf of the staff and students of Tamworth South Public School, I would like to say an enormous thank-you to everyone involved in giving the students such an enjoyable adventure.

Fiona Tickle



more photos of the Kindergarten Bus Safety Session Page 4

Leonie Byrne, Principal

Fathering Project Returns to Tamworth South

Last year many of our parents attended the pizza and paper planes evening as part of our Fathering Project. I have met with Paul Briscoe, the area coordinator of the project, to map out the events for this year.

Please put these in your calendar:

- Bikes n Bangers Thursday 2 April
- Games n Grub Friday 29 May
- Dad’s Night Thursday 2nd July
- Father’s Day Breakfast Friday 4 September

Children who do not have a father figure can be accompanied by their mother or carer.

Dr Lisa Wood and Estee Lambin of The University of Western Australia undertook a review investigating how fathers and father figures can shape child health and wellbeing.

“We shouldn’t underestimate the vast importance of fathers in children’s lives, not only because children ‘need and love their dads’, but also because of the significant impact that fathers have on the social, cognitive, emotional and physical well-being of children from infancy to adolescence and with lasting influences into their adult life.”

We know the roles of mums and dads in the home, the workplace and in society mean that the expectations on dads have changed and are constantly changing.

Data from The Fathering Facts survey of 1,800 Aussie dads shows that Aussie dads are doing more. Only 41% of Aussie dads surveyed indicated their parenting style reflected that of their parents. This shows that parenting styles are changing.

98% of the 1,800 dads surveyed recognise that fathering effects kids' health and wellbeing. An effective father or father-figure can have a profound impact on the health and wellbeing of the child.

64% of the dads surveyed found it challenging to find quality ‘dad time’. The fact that dads are reporting a problem with finding quality time is an indication that their intentions and attitudes are progressive and well intentioned.

A key focus of The Fathering Project is to inspire and encourage dads and father-figures to be more engaged by making the time to connect with their children.

The Fathering Project’s Dads’ Groups are a perfect example of dads being creative through learning and play to connect with their kids.

Scan the QR code included in this newsletter and join the Tamworth South Public Schools Dad’s group now.



Principal's Ribbons

Week 7

Nate Trembath - 4G-05

Fantastic application in maths

Jezyha Johns - 4G-05

Consistently demonstrating our schools expectations

Boyd Kenny - 5M-03

Outstanding attitude to all aspects of learning, offering thoughtful contributions to many discussions

Jordan Rowe - 5M-03

Making sensational effort with writing and writing tasks

Charlette McKeon - 25M

An excellent school member who shows respect and is kind

Deakon Bailey - KT-17

Positive attitude to schooling

Baylor Kent - KT-17

Positive attitude to schooling

Oliver Pepper - KB-16

Being an organised class member always ready to learn

Aline Ibrahim - KB-16

Being an organised class member always ready to learn

New Assembly Rosters 2020

Term 1

Week	Date	Assembly	Class Item
Week 8	20 March	Primary 3 - 6	RM 36 5/6J-36
Week 9	27 March	Infants K - 2	RM 18 10-18
Week 10	3 April	Primary 3 - 6	RM 5 4G-05
Week 11	No Assemblies		

This information is subject to change at short notice

Week 6 Assembly Awards

Year 3-6 Awards

Students of the Week

Levi Edmunds, Olivia Dugan, Chelsea Tobin, Jordan Cubis, Taylah Townsend, Xinyu Yang, Beau Lucas, Kamryn Drew, Lachlan Rickard, Matilda Hanson, Lashilah Sharpley, Tahlia Oliver, Mattiea Jordan, Anthony Tunbridge, Joshua Koppers, Jody Ibrahim, Mia Allen, Lucas Martin.

Achievement Awards

Beau Hertslet, Indiarna Eddy, Ruby Webb, Deegan Thurston, Travis Lesley, Jaiden Davis, Kaiden Southwell-Gray, Kaiden Mood, Kharni Lee, Dale Craigie, Isabelle Vines, Kaleesha Allen-Riley, Janaya Rowe, Sam Ryan, Kobi McMaster, Mitchell Piper, Indiah King, Jeremy Flores, Kyarla Pacey, Alex Irwin.



You have been Caught

Catch it Awards Week 7

Chloe Kelso - 3P-07
Andrew Kensell - 4G-05
Zak Bennett - 6B-12
Hollie Marshall - 2W-21
Sophie Wood - KB-16
Addison Dwyer - 1H-19

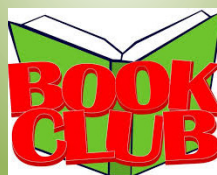
Book Club


Orders Close for Issue 2 on
Friday 20 March 2020

All orders need to be given to
Mr Bailey in the Library,

Please do not take them to the Office.

Thank you
Mr Bailey





No Bag,

No Borrow

ALL students (K-6) require a Library Bag to be able to borrow books from the library for home or the classroom.

Kindergarten Bus Safety Session





Class 6A-11 and 6B-12

6A-11 and 6B-12 are studying volcanoes with Mrs Whittaker.

Students were set a homework activity to create a volcano using material of their choice.

On Tuesday 10 March, they were given the opportunity to use Bicarbonate of Soda, Food colouring and White vinegar to simulate a volcanic eruption.

Students enjoyed the experience.



Studying Volcanoes



Updated information about COVID-19 (formerly referred to Novel Coronavirus) for schools to consider using when communicating with parents & caregivers

Dear parent or caregiver,

The NSW Department of Education is working closely with the NSW Ministry of Health in response to the unfolding international COVID-19 (formerly referred to as Novel Coronavirus) situation.

Further travel restriction

Effective 1 March 2020 the Federal Government has issued a travel ban on foreigners coming to Australia from Iran. Only Australian citizens and permanent residents coming from Iran will be allowed entry to Australia, and from 1 March they are required to self-isolate for a period of 14 days after departing Iran consistent with the restrictions for those entering from China. Additionally, Australians have been advised NOT to travel to Iran.

Updated advice from the NSW Government for parents and affected staff regarding COVID -19 is:

Based on the new Federal Government advise any student or staff member who has left, or transited through mainland China since 1 February, Iran since 1 March or the Republic of Korea (South Korea) since 5 March, is excluded from child care services, school or work for 14 days from the date they left mainland China , Iran or the Republic of Korea (South Korea).

These students or staff members are also required to self-isolate from the community for a period of 14 days, as the COVID-19 incubation period can be as long as two weeks.

Employees who have visited or transited through mainland China, Iran and The Republic of Korea (South Korea) should also refrain from attending school for 14 days after their departure from China, Iran and The Republic of Korea (South Korea). Affected employees are asked to contact their line manager or principal via phone/email, to advise of their departure date from China, Iran and The Republic of Korea and indicate the numbers of days they will be absent from school based on their departure date.

Any confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded until they are medically cleared to return.

Close contacts of a confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded for 14 days since last contact with the confirmed case.

Students and staff who have returned to Australia from mainland China or Iran more than 14 days ago and have shown no symptoms are able to return to school.

The NSW Ministry of Health has processes to identify any close contacts of cases confirmed in Australia. Advice about not attending school would be provided to these close contacts by the NSW Ministry of Health.

Consistent with current guidelines, students who are unwell with respiratory illness should remain at home until symptoms resolve. In accordance with the NSW Department of Education's current practice, if any student becomes unwell, the school will implement infection control guidelines and follow the advice provided by the NSW Ministry of Health as appropriate.

Maintaining good hygiene standards is an important way to reduce the risk of acquiring and spreading respiratory infections.

Parents and caregivers are asked to promote good hygiene, including handwashing with soap as **handwashing** is the single most effective way to reduce the spread of germs that cause respiratory disease.

The NSW Ministry of Health has **advice and resources about COVID-19 in English and Chinese.**

The NSW Department of Education will continue monitoring the COVID-19 situation and provide parents and caregivers with updated information about the virus.

Parents/Carers

It is important that you notify the school if your child has a medical condition. This notification should occur either at the time of enrolment, or if your child is already enrolled, as soon after diagnosis as possible.

This ensures that our school community provides your child with the most effective support possible.

Please call the school if this applies to your child, so we can share information and clarify each other's expectations.

Tamworth South Public School Sports Day

K - 2 Infants
Kindergarten, Year1 and Year 2
Friday

3 - 6 Primary
Stage 2
Year 3 and Year 4
Wednesday

Stage 3
Year 5 and Year 6
Wednesday



School House Colours

Blaxland (A - D) Blue

Lawson (E - L) Red

Sturt (M - R) Yellow

Wentworth (S - Z) Green

Tamworth South Public School's Kindergarten Classes 2020

Our Kindergarten classes had their photos taken by the Northern Daily Leader on Thursday 27 February.

The class photos will be featured in the Northern Daily Leader paper on Thursday 19 March 2020.



Project: Green Schools Tamworth Square

Help plant a greener future for our primary school.

Tamworth South Public School are participating in the upcoming campaign at Tamworth Square, Project:Green Schools, where we will be in the running to win 1 or 2 Sustainable Garden Packs for our students.

It's as easy as visiting Tamworth Square to - shop, earn, grow!

Simply spend \$20.00 at their specialty stores or \$60.00 in Coles or Kmart to receive a biodegradable QR token.

* After scanning the QR code you will be prompted via Facebook Messenger to earn points for Tamworth South Public School to win the major prize.

To say thank you, place the token into our compost bin at Tamworth Square once you have voted. The school with the most tokens has an added chance to win a runner-up prize!

Prize Details

Major Prize: Sustainable Garden Pack valued at \$2,250

Runner-up Prize: Sustainable Garden Pack valued at \$1,690

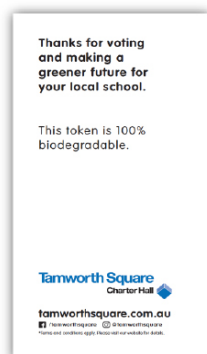
Gifts: Each school will be gifted the compost bin used to collect their tokens in-centre.

Charter Hall and Tamworth Square are dedicated to enriching the community in which we operate. Growing a sustainable future is the way we deliver on our purpose, to secure a better future for all.

As such all signs/collateral used for this campaign are made from 100% recycled and biodegradable materials.

*Terms and Conditions apply.

Example Tokens



Parent FAQ document for the student survey:

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me student feedback survey*.

The survey 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.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

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. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used Tell Them From Me to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our 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 9 March and 8 May. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by 13/3/2020.

Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.





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.



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.

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.

ROUTE, ITINERARY AND REGISTRATION DETAILS AVAILABLE AT: www.bigpushride.org

ETHICS TEACHER TRAINING



March 28+29

Primary ETHICS TAMWORTH

Have you got an hour a week to support children to learn thinking, reasoning & decision-making skills?

apply at primaryethics.com.au

School Gates

School gates will be now opened at 8:15am when the crossing guard starts work.

Please note that teachers do not officially start work until 8:40am so there is no formal supervision provided for children who arrive early.

Children are asked to remain seated in the playground until the duty teacher arrives.

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do the **right thing** use the **RIGHT BIN**

waste 



do the **right thing** use the **RIGHT BIN**



Australian Government

HARMONY WEEK



Harmony Day

Friday 20th March 2020

Tamworth South Public School

Harmony Day is a time to celebrate Australian Multiculturalism.

This message of Harmony Week is ***everyone belongs***.

To help celebrate our cultural diversity we encourage students on Friday 20th March to either acknowledge their families culture/heritage **by wearing something that promotes their cultural background** or by **wearing orange**. Orange signifies meaningful conversations, connections and mutual respect. Orange is worn during Harmony Day to show support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia.

EVERYONE BELONGS
www.harmony.gov.au

Sports News

Sports Information

Over the next couple of months there will be trials coming up for North West teams.

While ALL students are encouraged to participate in the schools knockout teams North West trials are a little different. As a school we are only allowed to nominate 4 students for these trials.

Teachers that are attached to a particular sport nominate students based on skills, ability and sportsmanship. It is for this reason that notes are not given to any student that asks for one.

I do encourage students to participate in the school teams and hope you can appreciate the North West process.

Keryn Antzakles
Tamworth South Public School

Cancer Council NSW is here to help you kick start the year easily, packing healthy lunch boxes your kids will enjoy.

Developed by dietitians healthylunchbox.com.au is a one-stop shop for everything families need to know about packing a healthy lunch box

Here's what you will find:

- an interactive lunch box builder that helps parents and kids plan and pack a healthy lunch with foods they like.
- The ability to filter recipes based on diets, easy to freeze and prep time
- Lots of quick and easy recipes and snack ideas
- Regular healthy eating blogs

You can sign up to the Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter for ideas, updates and recipes delivered to your inbox throughout the year.



Department of Education Policy

Protecting Our Children

Schools must be following Department of Education Policies. It must be appreciated that your child's safety is paramount.

Every volunteer in the classroom, canteen, office and with sporting teams, must sign a Child Protection declaration form and provide 100-point identification (if you do not provide a WWCC number).

Parents/Carers transporting team members other than their own child will also be expected to provide a copy of their

license, comprehensive insurance and car registration. All

paperwork can be completed and presented at the front office. Please note that you only need to do this once in the year and it will be kept on file in the front office.

Parents/Carers of all early leavers must report to the front office to collect an Early Departure slip before collecting a child. The slip must be shown to the teacher to verify that the child has been signed out.

Parent/Carers must keep the slip with them when they leave the school, incase they are approached in the street by

HSLO's who often work with the police to complete a Street Sweep.


Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box .

Does packing lunch boxes feel like a chore? We are here to help you kick start the year easily, packing healthy lunch boxes your kids will enjoy.

Healthy lunch boxes don't have to be boring.



We are very excited to bring you our new look [healthylunchbox website](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) that has been improved with new features and functions based on feedback provided by you! You can now search for gluten free and vegetarian recipes, as well as **easy to freeze and quick and easy** recipes because as parents, we know how important it is to pack lunches quickly.

You can sign up to the [Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) for ideas, updates and recipes delivered to your inbox throughout the year.

[Check out the new website now!](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

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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.

Canteen Meeting- Wednesday 18 March 2020 in the Library at 4:00pm

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

Canteen Roster

16 March - 20 March

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

23 March - 27 March

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

Michelle Weber
Canteen

P & C

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.

Next P&C Meeting Wednesday 18 March 2020 in the Library at 4:15pm.

Our next P&C meeting is important it is our (AGM) Annual General Meeting. All positions at this meeting will be declared vacant.

We hope that you are able to join us and become part of our P&C team.

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 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



Volunteers Needed

If you are available to help with our Breakfast Club on any week day from 8:00am-9:30am we would value your contributions.

Please contact Michelle Weber on 6765 8426.

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TAMWORTH CITY COMBINED PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Is your child starting kindergarten in 2021?

Our local public schools provide quality education programs in well resourced and inclusive settings. The Tamworth City Combined Public Schools information session is an excellent opportunity for families to learn more about the kindergarten enrolment process. You will be able to speak with principals and other leading educators in a relaxed and friendly environment.

When: Tuesday 17 March 2020
Time: 5:30—7:30 pm
Where: Tamworth Community Centre, Darling Street, Tamworth

See you there!

Schools participating:
 Hillvue PS Kootingal PS Nemingha PS Oxley Vale PS
 Tamworth PS Tamworth South PS Tamworth West PS Timbumburi PS
 Tintinhul PS Westdale PS

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