



Tamworth South Public School

NEWSLETTER

Respectful, Responsible, Safe, Successful

Term 4 Week 9

11 December 2020

December

Monday 14 **Year 6 Graduation Day**
Graduation Day Assembly at 12:15pm
A link to our Year 6 Graduation video
will be available on our Facebook page at
3:30pm today.

Monday 14 **Kindergarten Graduation**
More information on Page 11

Tuesday 15 **Year 6 Farewell**
6:00pm to 9:00pm at TSPS School Hall.
Dress: Smart casual. Page 11

Wednesday 16 **Last day for Students**

Friday 18 **Last day of Term 4 (Staff)**

Monday 21 **School Holidays (Christmas Break)**

Friday 25 **Christmas Day**

January 2021

Friday 1 **New Years Day**

Tuesday 26 **Australia Day**

Wednesday 27 **SDD Staff Development day**

Thursday 28 **SDD Staff Development day**

Friday 29 **All Students return to school**
Years K-6

February

Wednesday 17 **P & C Meeting**
6:00pm Venue to be advised

Can you hear the Sleigh bells?

Christmas is happening in 25M, Merry Christmas everyone. We are getting into the spirit here, check out some of the Christmas craft decorating our classroom.

Dianne Mihell and Debbie Cross.



Leonie Byrne, Principal



Presentation Day 2020

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of our land, the Kamilaroi people. I pay my respects to their Elders past and present, and to Aboriginal People who share this celebration with us.

It has been another incredible year at Tamworth South with each student continuing to build on their capacity, in preparation for the world beyond. I thank all our teachers, support staff, our parents and community who support the students and work with us because we know that together is better. Your support of our students has more power than you know.

As this very unusual school year draws to a close, I would like to take a moment to share a few thoughts & sentiments on behalf of the staff here at Tamworth South Public School. None of us imagined that this school year would be disrupted in such a dramatic fashion. One day, we were all working in business as usual mode planning sporting events, excursions, eisteddfods, gearing up for another busy and productive year. Looking forward to all of the fun and exciting events that characterise the year ahead only to find that COVID-19 would impact our society and our school. Now, we find ourselves reflecting on the unprecedented year that is ending and we are already preparing for 2021, when we hope that the school year will look more like the one we use to know.

I'd like to acknowledge the work of our parents and carers who took on the role of teacher as they supported their children to complete their school work from home. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as our teachers worked to provide quality learning experiences for your children and to support them to learn from home via online programs and remote learning packages. I have been honoured to witness the teamwork, commitment, flexibility and creativity that our teachers have shown as they have navigated this new and different way of delivering a education to the students.

Our students have demonstrated they are resilient and we know they came through this difficult time having learned important lessons not just about academic subjects but about themselves as learners.

In 2020 we will farewell a number of staff. Mrs MaryAnn Falkenmire, Mrs Catherine Rankin and Mrs Louise Wood who have moved to retirement, Kiera Usher, our reliving AEO and Mrs Amy Walton our business manager who are relocating, Mrs Tanya Whittaker who will be entering a one year transfer of duty to Hillvue Public School and Mrs Lauren Hempstead who has taken maternity leave.

We also say farewell to Mrs McInerney, one of our deputy principals who has been successful through merit selection in being appointed Deputy Principal at Gunnedah High in her home town. Mrs McInerney has been with us for 2 years. Anyone who has had the pleasure of working with her will know the valuable input she has made to our school. We wish Mrs McInerney all the very best in her new role.

On presentation day we take every opportunity to recognise and celebrate the excellence of our students across all areas of their achievements. I congratulate all of our awardees for your commitment to your school work and your positive contribution to a positive school culture. Again, I thank parents, carers and all the staff for your ongoing commitment to and advocacy of our school and our students.

Since 2020 was an unusual year with many events cancelled we have targeted funds that would've been spent on other projects. After purchasing 10 promise interactive whiteboards in term 1 as part of our technology upgrade we have been able to purchase a further 20 boards for our classrooms. This upgrade was to take 2 years but we have now completed our plans. We are now organizing contracts so our stage 3 students can have easier access to laptops in the classroom with plans to purchase around 100 laptops for stage 3 students.

This year we also completed some other projects, such as the conversion of the old canteen to a usable work space for our visiting Occupational Therapists, Social Workers and Speech Therapist. The building of 3 withdrawal rooms in the library so students can participate in support programs such as Minilit and Quicksmart whilst still under the supervision of a teacher.

We have also been able to install additional security cameras which serve as both a deterrent and recovery tool for those in the community who may wish to destroy or damage our school.

One of the biggest projects completed this year was the installation of a multi purpose court that can cater for five different sports whilst providing a clean dry play area for our K-2 children during the breaks.

I can't end a presentation day speech without sharing a quote from the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. He was a great leader in history who changed the face of Indian society without aggression or physical violence.

His gentle approach to life is a testament to the fact that strength does not equal physical capacity. He said:

"In a gentle way, you can shake the world"

In 2020 the world has been shaken but at Tamworth South, by working together we have lessened the impact of a difficult year on our students. I again, thank you for your support of our school and our children as we look forward to a better, brighter 2021 school year.

Remember if you want to go fast go alone but if you want to go far go together.



Award winners for 2020

Class Awards 2020

Year 6

6B-12 Miss Emily Brooks

Book Awards

Adriane Bray	Academic Excellence
Corbin Norris	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Izaak Ross	Most Improved

Certificates

Jayden Doyle	Perseverance and Resilience in learning tasks
Gemma Marchant	Creative Flair in and Visual Art
Annabelle Moffat	Determination in all learning tasks

6A-11 Mrs Keryn Anzakles

Book Awards

Rachel Cone	Academic Excellence
Evelyn Hocquard	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Christopher Banks	Most Improved

Certificates

Clare Mackney	Outstanding Behaviour and Consideration
Mitchell Piper	Creative Thinking Skills
Cate Parsons	Consistent Work Ethic

5/6S-10 Mrs Rachel Smith

Book Awards

Jessica Scott Yr 6	Academic Excellence
Ella Lewis Yr 6	Pursuit of Personal Excellence

Certificates

Ryan Shanley	Outstanding Effort and Achievement
Summer Moore	Exceptional progress across all areas

5/6J-36 Ms Christine Jones

Book Awards

Thomas MacAlpine Yr 6	Academic Excellence
Joshua Roach Yr 6	Pursuit of Personal Excellence

Certificates

William Love	Pursuit of Mathematical Excellence
Maverick Kemenyvary	Outstanding Effort and Application

5/6H-02 Mrs Lauren Hempstead and Miss Emily Rowarth

Book Awards

Lachlan Waddy Yr 6	Academic Excellence
Aliyah Cannon Yr 6	Pursuit of Personal Excellence

Certificates

Aisha Iskafi	Commitment to learning in all KLAS
James Bailey	Exceptional progress across all areas

Year 5

5/6S-10 Mrs Rachel Smith

Book Awards

Matilda Bailey	Academic Excellence
Danika French	Pursuit of Personal Excellence

Certificates

Maddison Mabbott	Outstanding Effort and Achievement
Toby Chambers	Exceptional progress across all areas

5/6J-36 Ms Christine Jones

Book Awards

Jeremy Flores	Academic Excellence
Menno Wallace	Pursuit of Personal Excellence

Certificates

Jodie Ibrahim	Outstanding Effort and Application
Taj Keech	Consistent High Achievements

5/6H-02 Mrs Lauren Hempstead and Miss Emily Rowarth

Book Awards

Jessie Lock	Academic Excellence
Lynx Johnson	Pursuit of Personal Excellence

Certificates

Mattia Jordan	Commitment to learning in all KLAS
Isabelle Vines	Exceptional progress across all areas

5M-03 Mrs Belinda Meppem

Book Awards

Sam Ryan	Academic Excellence
Thomas Ryan	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Courtney Maltby	Most Improved

Certificates

Chelsea Ison	Consistently showing respect to others and school
Liam Miller	Commendable application and achievement in all areas of learning
Thor Graham	Excellence in Writing

5N-01 Mrs Jillian Nean

Book Awards

Charly Hagger	Academic Excellence
Peyton Miller	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Luke Smith	Most Improved

Certificates

Kaleesha Riley-Allen	Improvement in Writing and Speaking
Kye Webber	Improvement in Maths
Charlie Elsley	Excellent Participation in all areas of her schooling



Year 4

4W-06 Miss Jess Walmsley

Book Awards

Nanziba Anjum	Academic Excellence
Xinyu (Amy) Yang	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Adam Iskafi	Most Improved

Certificates

Isobel Hocquard	Improved Effort and Achievement in all areas of learning
Mia Wilkinson	Excellent Effort and Citizenship
Kathryn Duffy-Hill	Citizenship

4G-05 Tara Grant

Book Awards

Camden Boyce	Academic Excellence
Ryley Delforce	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Jezyha Johns	Most Improved

Certificates

Andrew Kensell	Demonstrating Excellence in all areas
Harper Norris	Outstanding Effort and Application
Elizabeth Kaluder	Exceptional commitment to learning

3/4J-09 Stacy Jolliffe**Book Awards**

Lily Kotris	Academic Excellence
Lachlan Hull	Most Improved

Certificates

Nikolas Dunn	Consistent approach to learning
Ashley Clarke	Consistent Effort in all curriculum areas

Year 3**3/4J-09 Stacy Jolliffe (Year 3)****Book Awards**

MaKenzie Hocquard	Academic Excellence
Ruby-Lei Raymond	Most Improved

Certificates

Taylah Townsend	Consistent approach to learning
Eliha Quarry	Consistent Effort in all curriculum areas

3L-08 Mr Doug Leabon**Book Awards**

Azure Keech	Academic Excellence
Olivia Dugan	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Levi Edmunds	Most Improved

Certificates

Izaiah Lace	Outstanding attitude to learning
Beau Hertslet	Respectful approach towards school
Harmony Walsh	Outstanding effort in Mathematics

3P-07 Mrs Jenny Porter**Book Awards**

Remas Ibrahim	Academic Excellence
Chloe Kelso	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Gracie Sutton	Most Improved

Certificates

Arley Johnston	Consistently striving for Personal Excellence
Colin Gericke	Consistent effort in all learning areas
Jordan Cubis	Diligence and dedication towards all her work

Year 2**2S-22 Mrs Libby Smith (Year 2)****Book Awards**

Maison Willcox	Academic Excellence
Liam Scott	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Breeanne Griffiths	Most Improved

Certificates

Phillomeana Cullen-Savage	A Diligent, conscientious worker who applies her growth mindset
Ruby Wood	A hardworking student who strives to give her best effort in all areas of learning
Ryley Crockatt	A quiet achiever who shows maturity in his approach to every aspect of school life

2W-21 Miss Tori Weeks**Book Awards**

Ryla Coleman	Academic Excellence
Eliza West	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Aiden McDonald	Most Improved

Certificates

Joyleigh Ward	Respect for Self, Others and School
Kaylee Viscocchi	Diligence and dedication towards all of her work
Beau Kemp	Consistently striving for Personal Excellence

2N-23 Mrs Christie Nicholson**Book Awards**

Paige Webb	Academic Excellence
Mathew Duffy-Hill	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Caydan Jeffries -Tapper	Most Improved

Certificates

Bella Wilkinson	Highly motivated student who always strives to do her best
Victor Richards	Demonstrates a positive attitude towards all aspects of life
Lucie Ryan	Consistently showing respect for Self, Others and School

2C-24 Ms Petrice Cox**Book Awards**

Matayia-Jane Mood	Academic Excellence
Chaise McMaster	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Pippa Cozens	Most Improved

Certificates

Wachirawat Pajikha	Respect for Self, Others and School
Jay Tobin	Diligence and dedication towards all of his work
Addison Lockyer	Consistently striving for personal excellence

Year 1**1O-18 Mr Nick O'Neill****Book Awards**

Zayeem Afraz	Academic Excellence
Cailin Kate Bolgoa	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Sophie Kohlis	Most Improved

Certificates

Madeleine Kensell	Outstanding attitude to all aspects of her school
Daksha Pradeepkumar Noir	A meticulous worker who takes pride in her work
Nevaeh Cubis	An outstanding role model and respectful class member

1H-19 Kloe Hutchen**Book Awards**

Darcy Morgan	Academic Excellence
Addison Dwyer	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Brodie Wheeler	Most Improved

Certificates

Yzabelle Burgess	Exemplary attitude and commitment to all areas of school life
Isaac Cook	Consistently striving for Personal Excellence
Lacey Parry	Improvement in all areas of Literacy

1M-20 Mrs Anna Manners and Mrs Jenny Tanner**Book Awards**

Emelia Carter	Academic Excellence
Tymeeka O'Leary	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Jax Trembath	Most Improved

Certificates

Braxton McMaster	Excellence in Mathematics
Grace Whitford-Donohue	Excellence in Reading
Jahmirra-Lee Price	Citizenship



KINDERGARTEN

KT-17 Mrs Fiona Tickle

Book Awards

Willow Craig	Academic Excellence
Rinchen Lama	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Lucan West	Most Improved

Certificates

Kylan Cathro-Nean	Excellence in Literacy
Nayte Slater	Outstanding attitude to all aspects of his schooling
Elias Lanos	Consistent application to all learning tasks

KB-16 Mrs Dominique Benson and Mrs Robyn Inglis

Book Awards

Oliver Apps	Academic Excellence
Olivia Dugan	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Levi Edmunds	Most Improved

Certificates

Scarlett Vigar	An enthusiastic, dedicated and passionate learner
Aline Ibrahim	Outstanding effort and application across all KLAs
Nova Kennedy	Exemplary attitude and commitment to learning

KW-15 Miss Carly Wilkes

Book Awards

Cohen Darlington	Academic Excellence
Claire Crampton	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Logan Clark	Most Improved

Certificates

Tattum Charlesworth	Outstanding work in Literacy
Payton Minchell	Excellent attitude in all aspects of learning
Sarah Mahoney	Consistent application to all learning tasks



MAJOR AWARDS for 2020

Girls Sportsperson of the Year:- Aliyah Cannon

Runner Up:- Emily Abberfield

Boys Sportsperson of the Year :- Joshua Roach

Runner Up:- James Bailey

Patron's Award:- Evelyn Hocquard

Highly Commended:- Aliyah Cannon

Performing Arts Award:- Evelyn Hocquard

Highly Commended:- Clare Mackney

Teachers' Federation Citizenship Awards:-

Aliyah Cannon and Lachlan Waddy

Outstanding Aboriginal Student:- Kyarla Pacey

Highly Commended:- Aisha Iskafi

SUPPORT CLASSES

270 Mrs Kerrie O'Sullivan

Book Awards

Jessica Baldwin	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Leighton Windsor	Most Improved

Certificates

Hailey McKeon-Ovington	Respect for Self, Others and School
Jake Bayldon	Citizenship

25M Mrs Dianne Mihell

Book Awards

Charlette McKeon	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
Makenzi Evans	Most Improved

Certificates

Brooklyn Heywood	Respect for Self, Others and School
Isla Evans	Creative Arts

26H Miss Kirby Hollis

Book Awards

Kaiden Mood	Most Improved
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Certificates

Lachlan Rickard	Citizenship
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29W Mrs Christine Roser-Whitney

Book Awards

Jayden Sullivan	Pursuit of Personal Excellence
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Hoban Award:- Aliyah Cannon and Marko Duric

Gomerol Language Award:- Kyarla Pacey

The Principal's Award:-

Christopher Banks and Acacia Bray

Parents and Citizens' Award:- Lachlyn Waddy

Highly Commended:- Caitlin Solomons-Croft

The Shaw Family Environmental Award:-

Summer Moore

The Dux for 2020:- Kyarla Pacey

Principal's Ribbons

Week 9

Tigal Henwood-Kaputin - 1M-20

Hard work and achievement in Reading and Writing.

Ashton Withers - 1M-20

His positive attitude to school and persistence to achieve at all time.

Haven Edmunds - 1M-20

Mature approach to learning and her big improvement in class work.

Sophie Wood - KB-16

For being a dedicated and motivated learner and an outstanding role model.

Nylah Thomas - KB-16

For being a dedicated and motivated learner and an outstanding role model.

Annah Smith - 2W-21

For amazing effort in her sounds lessons.

Harper Edmunds - 2W-21

For amazing effort in her sounds lessons.

Tyson Gibbs - 2W-21

A patient and responsible young man.

Brayth Townsend - 1O-18

All round excellence in sport lessons.

Ruby McDonald - 1O-18

Fantastic improvement in Spelling.

Arya Dyke - 1O-18

Great effort at Writing and publishing her imaginative story.

Kyran Gibbs - 2W-21

Improved confidence in his sounds work.

Amba Luke - 2W-21

A detailed fractured fairytale Writing task creation.

Jahkobi Johns - 2W-21

A detailed fractured fairytale Writing task creation.

Rylan Coleman - 2W-21

A detailed fractured fairytale Writing task creation.

Demo Quagliato - 2S-22

For handing in a large amount of money that he found in the infants area 3 playground.

Maya Jones - 2S-22

For always doing her best in all Key Learning Areas.

Noah Barnett-Suey- 5/6J-36

Bin Ball Champion Year 6 - Highest scorer



Tamworth High School P&C Scholarship Awards Year 6

Emily Abberfield, Summer Moore, Jaksun Tindall, Will Vernon and James Bailey.



School Office Hours

Front office opens at 8:15am to 4:00pm
Monday to Friday

When the office is
unattended our
answering
machine is available.

Festive Crossing

Doesn't Robert our Petra Street Crossing Guard look amazing!

You can't help but smile when you come to Tamworth South Public School.

Thank you to all our Crossing Guards who greet us with a smile and help us cross safely everyday.



PBL

Christmas and Holiday Season

Week 10



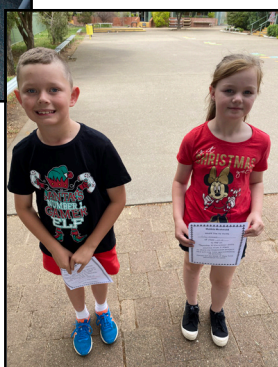
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we are

RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE and SAFE to be SUCCESSFUL.



Have a **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE** and
RESPECTFUL Christmas and
Holiday Season.



Congratulations to this week's PBL "I've been caught making good choices" winners: who all received a new wallet with \$5 canteen coupons at Friday's assembly.



Coffee voucher winners:-

Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Minton, Miss Walmsley and Mrs Tanner.

3-6

Ryley Delforce - 4G-05

Isobel Hocquard - 4W-06

Sienna Davis - 3P-07

K-2

Shalayah Hines - 1M-20

Tigal Henwood-Kaputin - 1M-20

Tymeeka O'Leary - 1M-20

**PBL
Winners**





Class 3L-08

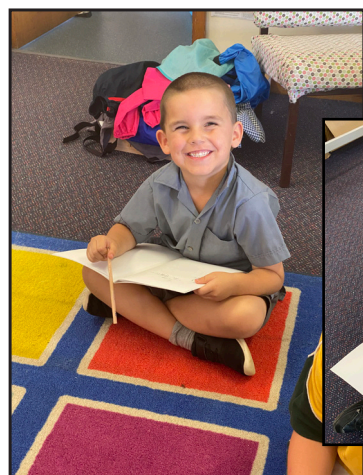
3L-08 have been studying 'Fractured Fairytales' and looking at different techniques that authors use to write stories.

In the story "The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs" by Jon Scieszka they have looked at using the technique of writing a story from a different character's perspective.



Class KT-17 - Fiona Tickle

Class KT-17 are drawing obstacle courses for positional language in Mathematics.



Class KB-16 - Robyn Inglis

Class KB-16 have been reading the Lorax by Dr Seuss. We made these artworks of the truffula trees.





Staff and students getting into the Festive spirit



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.

REMEMBER download the flexischools App for easy ordering.

Watch this space

New Canteen Menu is coming and it will be available at the start of Term 1 2021.

Year 6 Graduation Gifts! Limited Stock



Bears
Owls
and
Koalas

\$15.00 each

Footballs and Soccer Balls

\$10.00 each



Frame
and
Notebooks

\$5.00 each



P & C

Parents and Citizens

Our P&C meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm.

The Next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 17 February 2021 at 6:00pm. (venue will be advised)

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

We look forward to seeing you!

P&C Clothing Pool

The school clothing pool will now be open from Tuesday to Friday each week. Opening time 8:45am - 9:10am.

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

Tamworth South Public School P&C Association

would like to wish everyone a very



Merry Christmas

and a safe and enjoyable school holiday break.

The P&C would like to thank the school and community for all their support this year.

We look forward to seeing and working with you again in 2021



Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is looking for a volunteer to help prepare the breakfast each morning.

You would need to be available between 8:00am and 9:00am. A volunteer working with children check will also be required (this is available through the RMS).

Please contact Michelle on 6765 98663.



Unfortunately parents are still not able to enter the school grounds for this event.

- Entry for our students will be through the gate at the bus shelter on Woodward Avenue.
- The gate will be open at 5:45pm and closed shortly after 6:00pm.
- At the completion of the farewell you may collect your child from the same bus shelter.
- For safety reasons all students will remain under the bus shelter until collected at the gate by an adult.

Class KW-15 - Carly Wilkes

KW-15 have been learning about different endangered species from around Australia.

Corroboree Frogs are critically endangered and if we don't act now we'll lose them forever! You can help by making sure you don't litter ponds and don't take them away from their habitats!



Kindergarten Graduation 2020

The Kindergarten Graduation Video will be available after 2:30pm on Monday 14 December 2020.

A link to the video will be posted on our Facebook Page at that time.

Class 5/6J-36

Fun times in the final weeks of school for 2020 for 5/6J-.36

We are a closely connected class who have enjoyed having Mr vP (van Praag) for casual days.

We have all utilised the new equipment in a fun sports session.



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