



Tamworth South Public School

NEWSLETTER

Respectful, Responsible, Safe, Successful

Term 4 Week 10

15 December 2023

Calendar 2023

December

Monday 18 School Holidays begin

Monday 25 Christmas Day

January 2024

Tuesday 30 Staff Development Day - All Staff
NO Students

Wednesday 31 Staff Development Day - All Staff
NO Students

February 2024

Thursday 1 Term 1 Begins for 2024
All students return to school - K-6

Tuesday 13 Primary Swimming Carnival
Information to follow

Friday 23 Zone Swimming Carnival

Monday 26 Year 3 Swimming Sport
12:00pm-1:15pm
Information to follow

Tuesday 27 Year 4 Swimming Sport
12:00pm-1:15pm
Information to follow

Wednesday 28 Year 5 Swimming Sport
12:00pm-1:15pm
Information to follow

Thursday 29 Year 6 Swimming Sport
12:00pm-1:15pm
Information to follow

**SCHOOL
IS OUT!**
SCREAM AND SHOUT

Cottage Homes Aged Care Sing along visit

What a way to end the year!!!!

Last Friday, 62 Kindergarten students had the amazing opportunity to visit Cottage Homes and sing Christmas carols to the residents. The students then made reindeer and snow men craft while their new found friends helped fold and glue the paper.

The youngest members of TSPS were an absolute credit to the school and provided a real thrill as they sang, danced and chatted away with everyone they met.

The ES1 staff were so proud of each and every student who came along and I know they brightened the day of everyone who saw them sing.



Leonie Byrne, Principal**Principal's Message****Spot to Party**

A big thank you to parents/carers who supported us with this whole school initiative. Many children who were on the cusp of losing their spot at the half way point turned their behaviour around and were able to attend the end of year class celebration. Without parent/carer support this would not have been possible. It is a hard lesson to learn that, in life, you must do earn rewards.

Reports

All class reports were sent home on Monday.

Talent Quest

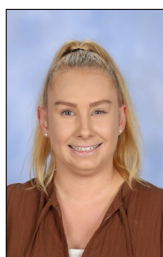
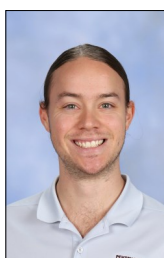
On Thursday we had held our inaugural Talent Quest. I was so proud of all the students who put themselves forward to participate. I look forward to making this event an annual feature of our term 4 calendar.

**Staff Farewells**

As the end of year approaches, we say farewell to some staff members who are moving on due to a variety of reasons.

These staff members, whether they are teachers or Student learning Support Officers (SLSO) have contributed to the positive culture of the school and our students' lives.

On behalf of all the staff I wish them well in their respective futures.

Mrs. Roworth**Miss. Wilkes****Mr. Keeble****Mr. Ingram****Miss. Smith****Mrs. Douglas****School Holidays**

On behalf of the staff, I'd like to wish everyone in our school community a happy, restful break.

I hope everyone has a chance to relax with family and escape the heat.

The last day of term is Friday 15 December 2023.

Return to school 2024

All children K-6 will return to school on Thursday 1 February 2024.



Kindergarten Graduation

We made it! On Thursday 64 Kindergarten students dressed in their caps and gowns and graduated from their first year of school. It was a wonderful ceremony where we heard the Marimbas played by Year Six students and then we were entertained with Christmas carols by our youngest students.

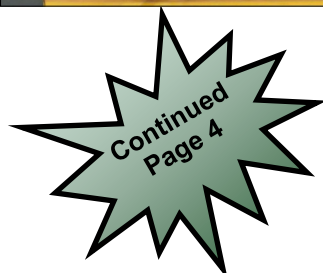
The school principal, Mrs. Byrne addressed the young graduates, encouraging them to continue their educational journey so that one day, they might graduate from University. Wouldn't that be amazing!

Our Kindergarten students have worked so hard this year and I would like to thank all of our families that came to share in such a special event.

I would also like to thank the ES1 team, Miss. Kloe Hutchen, Miss. Cassandra Lyle, Mrs. Michelle Sisson, Mr. Josh Clayton, Mr. Scott McGann and Miss. Indi Hall, for their dedication to educating our students.

It has been a wonderful year!

Fiona Tickle (ES1 AP)







TSPS TALENT QUEST



Sports Certificate

Congratulations

Jay Tobin

Term 4 Handball Champion



Assembly Roster Term 1 2024 2:10pm Friday afternoon (Hall)

Week	Date	Class Item	Assembly
3	16 February		TBA
4	23 February		TBA

Medical Conditions

Each year it is important that you notify the school if your child has a medical condition. This needs to be supported by your Doctor.

Your Doctor will provide you with a Medical Action Plan, this action plan is only active for 12 months.

It is a legal requirement that you provide the school with a current and updated plan each year.

This notification should occur either at the time of enrolment, or if your child is enrolled as soon after diagnosis as possible.

This ensures that the 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.

We are excited to announce our school will be transitioning to an upgraded School Bytes finance system on 12 September 2023!

In preparation for the transition to a simplified finance system for both you and the school, we will be required to implement a short payment lockout period where we will not be able to receive any payments.

What this means for you

- No payments can be made online from 9am, Tuesday 5 September 2023.
- Last day to make cash, cheque or EFTPOS payments will be at 1pm on Wednesday 6 September 2023.
- We will advise you when payments can resume closer to the above date
- Any existing payment links that have been sent to you previously in emails can still be used after the transition and will automatically redirect to the new system
- After the transition, a School Bytes portal will be available for you to register and begin using (Link: <https://portal.schoolbytes.education>)
- All previous payments made will be migrated to the new School Bytes finance system and portal
- Moving forward, when making a payment online, you will be redirected to a Service NSW page to complete an online payment. This is the new payment platform for online as directed by the NSW Department of Education.
- Payments made online will display as 0SCHOOLSONLINE 0000 PARRAMATTA AUS on your bank statements moving forward.

What is the School Bytes portal

The School Bytes portal provides flexibility for you to conveniently:

- Make school payments online (including paying for multiple siblings at once)
- Use a family credit to pay for an activity or school contributions
- Download a receipt for payments made
- View all historical payments in one place
- Complete and submit digital permission notes
- View the status of all permission notes
- Request a refund if required

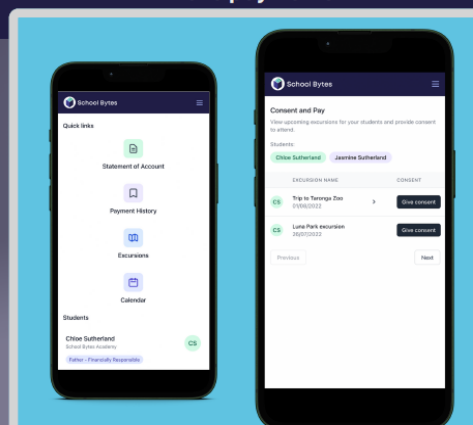
This can be done where you want at any time: day or night.

Through the portal, you will easily be able to download a receipt once a payment has been made and have access to view all historical payments when needed. Online payments are processed in real-time and can be viewed by school staff immediately.

While our preference is for payments to be made via the portal, we will still accept payment via cash, cheque, money order and EFTPOS.

AVAILABLE NOW!

We are excited to announce our school will be transitioning to a more flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments



The Parent Portal

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history
- Request a refund

**TSPS
SCHOOL
BYTES
PORTAL**

 **School Bytes**

Register for the Parent Portal via the
QR Code or visit
<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>





Parents & Citizens



Uniform Shop Information

At Tamworth South Public School, the Uniform Shop is run by our P&C Association.

Stocking Winter and Summer Uniforms for Girls and Boys, including other items such as Hats, Gloves and Socks etc. Most Pre-loved items are \$5.00ea ranging up to \$25.00 for things such as Tunics and Jackets. Brand New Uniform items range from \$15.00ea to \$55.00ea.

Keeping costs low for our families is always on the forefront of our minds.

We are also the only ones to stock our new modern Girls Uniform of Skorts and White Blouse, our School Hoodie, and our New School Waterproof Jacket.

The Uniform Shop is in the Primary Area behind the Canteen.

Ordering for Uniforms can be done via the Flexi App at any time or in person with Cash or Eftpos during our volunteered hours.

Online orders are under the Shop Tab on the Flexi App and doesn't incur any fees, any orders placed before 5:00pm should come through the next day and will be taken to the students within 3 working days of Order.

Email: tspspandc@gmail.com



P & C



Parents & Citizens Association



Canteen News

- **Counter Orders for hot food need to be placed by 9:10am** - This is due to cooking requirements otherwise the food will not be cooked by lunchtime at 11:10am.
- **Orders after 9:30am** we will only be able to offer Sandwiches/Wraps and Salad Bowls.
- **Online Orders can be placed via the Flexi School App.** Orders need to be in by 9:00am. If you would like to know more about Flexi ordering, please come and see us.
- **Cancelling Flexi Orders** - if you need to cancel an online order please do so before 9:00am. You will be refunded by Flexi directly as the Canteen does not control cancelling of orders or refunds.
- **If you cannot cancel an order** - if your child will not be attending school or leaves early, please contact the Canteen as soon as possible for other options available.

The food can be given to another sibling or relative at school, any food that is not already in the oven can be held over for the next day the students returns.

We thank you for your understanding around the Health and Safety regulations mentioned above and appreciate your continued support of your School Canteen.

P&C Association
Email: tspspandc@gmail.com

Tamworth South Public School P&C

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held on **Wednesday 21 February 2024** at 4:00pm in the school library.

A gold coin donation is all that is required to become a member. It is a great way to meet new people and become involved at your child's school.

We do not require a full time commitment - all the P&C would ask is if you could spare a couple hours each month. If you would like to offer your some of your time, or get some information, please speak to Louisa Devine who can be found in the Canteen most mornings.

We would love to see you at there!!!

P&C Association

NIAS FC TAMWORTH SUMMER HOLIDAY CLINIC REGISTER HERE!

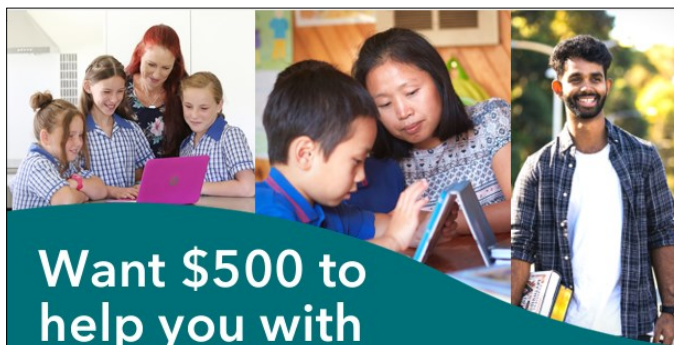


Sessions will be delivered through activities centered around games-based approach and include agility, balance, speed and co-ordination activities. Sessions will include movement skills, technical and tactical components all in a safe and FUN environment which will aid the development of the player. All sessions will be led by UEFA A Licence candidate and NIAS FC Technical Director Martin Rae.

Wednesday 20 December | 8-11am (8-12yrs)
Thursday 21 December | 8-11am (8-12yrs)
Friday 22 December | 8-11am (8-12yrs)
Field: GA6 Gipps Street Sporting Fields

\$35 per session - ages 8-12 years
Discount offered for purchasing all 3 days
DOB (2011-2015)

Scan the QR Code
OR
click here to register



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?

saverplus

Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself OR have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:

Leonie Sykes - Community Liaison NSW - Saver Plus

leonie.sykes@thesmithfamily.com.au

0428 282 900

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Find out more at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

PERFORM
WITH POWER
TENNIS ACADEMY

CHRISTMAS TENNIS CLINIC

18TH-21ST OF DECEMBER

8:30AM - 11:30AM EACH DAY

WEST TAMWORTH TENNIS CLUB

GREAT FUN FOR AGES 4-14



Tamworth

Aruma Early Intervention Tamworth is excited to offer MyTime in 2024.

MyTime is a supported playgroup for parents and carers of children with a disability, developmental delay or chronic health condition.

It is an opportunity to join in discussion about topics of interest and listen to guest speakers while your child plays with other children supported by a Play Assistant.

Term 1
2024

Tuesdays:
13th Feb
20th Feb
27th Feb
5th March
12th March



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