

Dear Parents and Caregivers

In my three years at Thornleigh West Public School I have seen the community spirit continue to grow. Last week at the Parents and Citizen Associations Annual General Meeting Vervan McAllister our long standing president's term ended.

I would like to thank Vervan for her brilliant leadership, vision and hard work. TWPS is a better place due to her dedication and commitment. Vervan is a team player who inspires others to provide the best possible outcomes for our school. Her creative ideas to engage the community are to be commended. I have thoroughly enjoyed working closely with Vervan to strengthen the congruence between home and school. Thank you for your hard work and genuine love for our school community. Vervan – you leave a wonderful legacy. We welcome Vanessa Erikson as P & C President. I look forward to working closely with Vanessa in the future.

Mother's Day High Tea

Friday the TWPS mums were treated to a high tea for Mother's Day. Thank you to the P & C for organising this truly inspiring event. The feedback has been extremely positive! It was great to raise funds for a worthy cause – McGrath Foundation. We raised over \$1300. Thank you to the General Manager from Di Jones and a local breast care nurse for sharing their story. It was great to see mums chatting and connecting in a relaxed environment. Thank you to all the sponsors who support the event! Lisa Pang and her team made delicious goodies to eat.





Thank you Sue Tingey from **Chantique Photography** for these beautiful photos.

New website

Thornleigh West Public School has a new website! The old one will not be available by the end of the week. We are hoping the new website will provide the community with clearer information and is updated on a regular basis. The newsletter will be up loaded to the website each week. The only way to get notification about the newsletter is to download the SchoolStream APP. Details are below. You will receive a push message alerting you that the newsletter is ready. You can view it via the APP or online at the new website. We are still currently building the website site so there will be a transition period when adding information. All notes will be accessed via the school APP.

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Aussie of the Month

K Orange	Ada Riddle
K Red	Josiah Gambell
K Blue	Lucy Kendall
K Purple	Olivia Cummings
K Green	Benjamin Stanton
K yellow	Harrison Long
1E	Alex Garforth
1G	Armaan Tufail
1L	Marley Zeid
1/2B	Joel Sinclair
2G	Catherine Gardiner
2S	Alexandra Muir
2Y	Claire McGowan
3A	Nathan Walker
3D	Bella Rose Spagnoli
3C	Lily Fang
4L	Lincoln Ryman
4S	John Laverio
4B	Zachery Godsmark
5P	Isobel Parry
5R	Justin Andrade
5/6B	Connor Reilly
6C	Aiden Su
6D	Charlotte Jaffrey

Citizenship Award – congratulations!



Carys Ferguson
Catherine Luszczyński
Rianna Matar
Jalyssa Visser
Kyle Loftus
Kayleigh Erasmus
Ranush Katapodi
William Seeto
Bridget Sadlon
Lachlan Fishwick
Abigail Elliott
Zac Forsyth
Nathan Walker
Ksenia Kotlaroff
Kaylee Sluis
Rhys Jaffrey
Henry McGettigan
Hayden Bowly
Gemma Phelps
Nadia Petzer
Grace Walmsley

Paul Kelly Cup

Thank you to Ms Dowd and Mrs Cother for taking the students to the Paul Kelly Cup. The teams showed excellent skills and wonderful sportsmanship. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who helped make this opportunity possible for our children. Congratulations to TWPS boys 1 and TWPS girls 2 who have progressed to the regional final.



Thank you for a great week.
Chantal Mamo
BTeach Bed Ma Creative Arts

TWPS UNIFORM

GUIDELINES

TWPS WINTER UNIFORM	
GIRLS – FORMAL	BOYS - FORMAL
Long or short-sleeved school blouse	Long or short-sleeved school shirt
Tunic	Trousers
Navy Anklet Socks or Navy Cotton Tights	Navy Anklet Socks
School Fleece Jacket	School Fleece Jacket
School Hat	School Hat
Black School Shoes	Black School Shoes
GIRLS – SPORT	BOYS - SPORT
Short-sleeved Sports Polo Top	Short-sleeved Sports Polo Top
School Trackpants or Sport Skirt/Shorts*	School Trackpants or Sport Shorts
*Dark Navy Leggings may be worn under shorts	
White Socks	White Socks

TWPS SUMMER UNIFORM	
GIRLS – FORMAL	BOYS - FORMAL
	Short-sleeved school shirt
School Dress	Garberdine Shorts
White Anklet Socks	Navy Anklet Socks
School Hat	School Hat
Black School Shoes	Black School Shoes
GIRLS – SPORT	BOYS - SPORT
Short-sleeved Sports Polo Top	Short-sleeved Sports Polo Top
Dark Navy Sport Skirt/Shorts*	Dark Navy Sport Shorts
White Socks	White Socks

KINDERGARTEN 2018

Information evening

When: Tuesday 23 May

Time: 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Where: ^{tay} School Hall



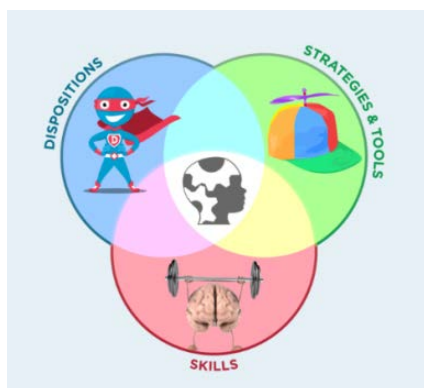
DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Over the next few weeks, teachers will be busy synthesising observations, assessments and collecting data for half yearly school reports. The reports will reflect effort on a five point scale for all years. Achievement is reflected on a five point scale for years 1 – 6 and a three point scale for Kindergarten students, in each key learning area, ie English, Mathematics, Science and Technology, HSIE (including History and Geography), Creative Arts and PDHPE (Personal Development, Health and Physical Education). Reports also include detail on commitment to learning, social development, participation in extra-curricular activities, attendance record (whole day and partial absences) and conclude with a general comment. Reports will be sent home in the week commencing 26 June and, as per last year, parents will be invited to attend a parent teacher interview in Term 3 to discuss the report and receive an update on student progress. Details regarding online bookings for appointments will be published closer to the date.

Critical and Creative Thinking

Last Wednesday teachers engaged in the third of a series of four twilight sessions of professional learning to explore skills, strategies and tools of critical and creative thinking. We reflected on how these strategies help develop a plan of action for students that is designed to achieve an overall long term aim. This learning complements and extends our previous sessions that explored the dispositions that enable the CCT capability to be embedded in learning and develop habits of the mind in thinking for students. CCT is a cross capability, across all key learning areas and is described in our asyllabus documents as:

CCT Capability: Creative, innovative, enterprising and adaptable with the motivation, confidence and skills to use critical and creative thinking purposefully.



Cross Country

Many training laps of Oakleigh and our school oval later, our cross country runners are competing at Fagan Park today. We look forward to hearing how it goes and I'll report back next week.

Kind regards,

Julie Granville
Deputy Principal R

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Term 2 invoices were emailed home yesterday. If you have any questions or did not receive your email, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Margaret Gordon
School Admin Manager

Hello Dear TWPS Parents

Vegetable Week



Keep encouraging your children to eat their 5 serves of vegetables a day. Remember a serve is the size of your fist or, in the case of your children, their fists! If they are having a handful of cherry tomatoes for Crunch and Sip and a salad wrap for lunch, well, that's 2 serves down!

Support **Vegetable Week** in Week 5 by packing a vegetable for your child's Crunch and Sip, especially on Thursday 25 May the whole school will be eating a vegetable at 10 am!


Composting

Composting is a wonderful way to wage war on waste. Did you see the program on ABC TV last night about the war on waste? At the conclusion of the program they promoted the benefits of composting and I couldn't help but feel proud that we at TWPS have been happily composting our food scraps for a few years now! Our students are learning that the best way to dispose of food waste is to recycle them through composting. Fabulous!



Tidy Tuesday

Did you remember to pack a waste free lunch for your children on Tuesday? Help us reduce our waste by packing lunches and morning teas in containers that can be reused. While I am on the topic of containers, check out Lost Property for those missing containers. At the moment it overflows with containers of every size and shape, most of them with children's names on them.



Yours in rich wonderful compost

Mrs Susan Liddle
1L Class Teacher and TWPS Environment Coordinator.

P&C REPORT

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I would like to thank everyone for their kind wishes on my recent P&C President nomination. I feel very privileged to be representing the parents & citizens of our amazing school and look forward to working with Mrs Mamo and the Executive Committee. I have very big shoes to fill from Vervan who has been a fantastic President the past 3 years and continues to be a mentor for me in this important role. I am at school everyday so please do say Hi when you see me racing in the gates daily or email me at twpspandc@gmail.com if you need too.

MOTHERS DAY HIGH TEA – Follow us  www.facebook.com/TWPSHIGHEA

Thank you to all those who supported this incredible event. It was an absolutely amazing morning. Veryan had a vision, we ran with it and we could not be more prouder of how the morning went. We thank our key note speaker from Di Jones Real Estate, GM Kylie Walsh who generously gave up her time to be with us. It was inspiring to hear Kylie speak – in face her first time speaking publicly about her Breast Cancer journey and there was not a dry eye in the house. Also to Catrina Ross from The McGrath Foundation who gave up her time to talk to us about the importance of fundraising for such a worthy cause. There are many people that bought this event to life – Amy Kaslar, Kahryn Abela, Veryan McAllister, Lisa Pang, Nicci Fishwick, Kate McGettigan, Leigh Bornstein & Shannon Curran. Bean Everywhere Mobile Coffee donated their time & coffee to our event for incredible (free) coffee, Ben from Pennant Hills High School who entertained us with his amazing piano playing skills plus the numerous local businesses owned & run by women who donated toward our Goodie Bags and Lucky Door Prizes. Please follow us on FB and support these businesses plus you will get to see the photos from the event with thanks to Sue Tingey/Chantique Photography. We lastly thank the amazing Mums who attended, supported and donated to help us raise an incredible **\$1500** for The McGrath Foundation. THANK YOU and remember ladies #checkyourboobs

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Thank you to the MDFDGG for hosting another great Mother's Day Stall. So much time and effort is involved in these events. Thank you to the team: Belinda Cooper, Shannon Curran, Deb Flannigan, Anna Hobson, Therese Neville & Vicky Blanco. Thank you to all those who volunteered to gift wrap and help on the day; Julie T, Meaghan T, Nicole T, Claudine K, Margaret L, Michelle C, Jacqueline M, AnnKatherine M, Melisa B, Putu B, Stuart M, Gary, Michelle K, Julia K & Vanessa O (apologies for anyone we missed!)

CANTEEN

PSSA ORDERS – Please ensure you select the PSSA option when ordering on a Friday for Year 5/6 students. The Canteen process over 200 orders on a Friday and unless the PSSA option is selected they can not guarantee that orders will be ready prior to leaving. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

****Canteen is always in need of helpers on Friday's – please email Karen if you are able to assist**

karenedmond512@gmail.com

SPRING FAIR – Follow us on  www.facebook.com/TWPSSSpringFair
And our Website www.twpssspringfair.com


Thank you to all the Class Parents who attended the Spring Fair Class Allocation meeting Monday Night. Please assist your class parents by volunteering to help with your Class Stall. Spring Fair is just over 3 months away but time will fly! We understand many families have more than 1 class to be involved in. Please work with your class parent to help in as many ways as you can with either preparation, set up, pack down, supplying goods, distribution of notes or manning the stall on the day. Our Class Stalls are only as good as the class running them. Have fun with it, make it your own!

FAMILY PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER

ONLY 2 SPOTS LEFT – 12pm & 1.20pm on 28th May. Please book by 22nd May.

This is a fantastic opportunity for families to get some lovely family portraits taken by quality photographers. For a \$15 booking fee you will get a 20 minute portrait session and a 8" x 12" print. Families outside the school are welcome to book and take advantage of this offer!

Book online www.averandline.com.au/book and enter to guest area password: hooray2 + select the school, select the session time and pay online. Any questions please contact: Amelia 0478 684 250

Don't forget to follow us on our  Facebook pages as above. We often post information during the week on these pages.

2017 P&C MEETING DATES:

Our next meeting is on **6th June at 7.30pm**, in the school library. Meetings are open to all parents and care givers of the school and interested citizens in the area.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

6th June, 1st August, 5th September, 24th October, 28th November

Again, thank you for entrusting this important role to me. I accept it with great pleasure. See you in the playground!

Vanessa Erickson
P&C President
twpspandc@gmail.com

BAND NEWS



Bunnings cake stall

TWPS P & C Band Program **raised \$730** last Saturday. Thank you to all the parents who baked for the stall and the 16 parents that helped on Saturday at Bunnings. A special mention to Ruby Crothers who entertained to customers and drew attention to the stall. She should be very proud of herself.

Band Camp – Camp forms and payment due this FRIDAY (19TH). Please place in the band mail box located near the office.

Congratulations to our “Musos of the Month”! The band program has introduced a new award. Each month a student from each band will be selected as our ‘Muso of the Month’ and receive a bluey in recognition. Their name will also go up for everyone to see on our new band noticeboard outside the school office. This award is given to students who demonstrate a passion for learning, attendance, being a good team member, following the bands code of behaviour and overall enjoying music. This month congratulations goes to:

Training Band	Catherine Luszczynski
Junior Concert Band	Sean Reid
Senior Concert Band	Ashton Parris
Stage Band	Lucy Mead Sylvie de Vallance

For further information about the band program please email the band.

Robin Beard (Band Convener) and Nicole Ng (Assistant Convener)

Email: twpsband2011@gmail.com
<https://twpsbandc.wordpress.com/band/>

BAND CONDUCTOR POSITION at BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Berowra Public School (primary) is a school with a strong sense of community on the upper North Shore. Starting Term 3 (18th July 2017), we are seeking a Band Conductor who will engage students and provide leadership to support growth and increase the depth of talent in existing students. This is an ongoing contract position. BPS currently has a concert band and training band with a small group of enthusiastic young children. Rehearsals are Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 8-9am. Prospective conductors will have experience in working with primary school aged children and an energetic, inspiring approach for young musicians.

Prospective candidates require a current WWCC, ABN, and Public Liability insurance

The successful applicant will be required to:

- Conduct bands in a before school music program;
- Have experience and enthusiasm in running a primary school band with proven organisational skills;
- Be responsible for the selection of music and organisation of music library;
- Introduce a variety of music, provide performance experience, build confidence and support team spirit;
- Attend Music Committee meetings and prepare reports.
- Have strong communication skills, liaise confidently with teachers, parents and students and enable children to enjoy and play music in a positive and encouraging environment;
- Prepare and conduct the bands for important events on the school calendar such as Open Day and Presentation day;

Previous experience as a Primary Band Conductor, Music Education Qualifications or Industry Experience preferred.

To apply please forward your resume to bpsband@hotmail.com by 2nd June.

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TWPS Prayer Group

Meeting in term 2 on:

Week 6 May 30th

Week 10 June 27th

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Enquiries : Annie Mackie twpsprayerteam@gmail.com
0435 005 216

Please contact us directly if you'd like us to pray for something in particular.

