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## Important Dates: Term 4, 2018

Date	Events
9, 16, 23 November	Kindergarten 2019 Transition
9 November	Remembrance Day Service
12 November	NBHS Clown Show
13 November	K-2 Assembly
16 November	Stage Band Auditions
20 November	3-6 Assembly
27 November	Mufti Day K-6 Assembly
29 November	Kindergarten Excursion—the farm
4 December	K-2 Assembly P&C Meeting 7:30pm
11 December	3-6 Assembly
13 December	Presentation Day
14 December	PHHS 'Oliver' Production Year 6 Farewell
19 December	Last day of 2018 for students

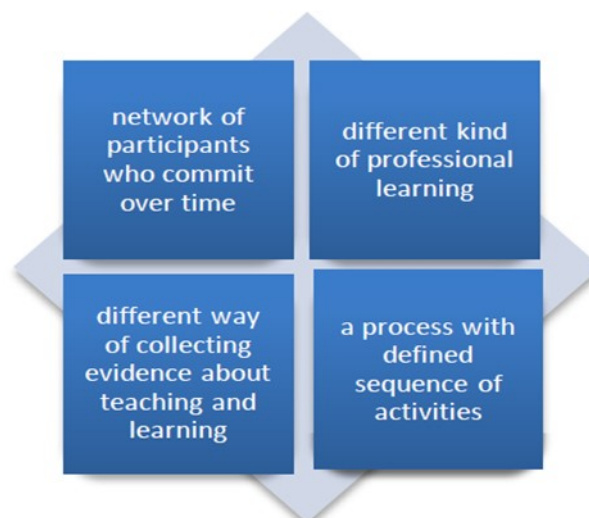
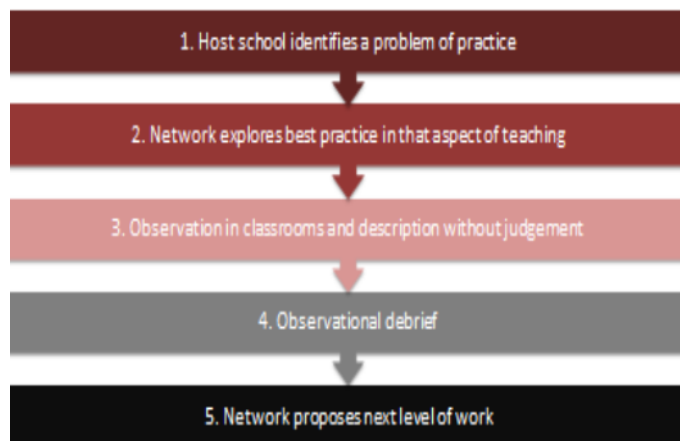
# This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week we welcome three local schools to Thornleigh West Public School for Instructional Rounds.

Instructional Rounds involves collaborating with staff and schools to plan and deliver professional learning opportunities and to develop collegial networks. Instructional Rounds involves each school identifying a problem of practice, observing teachers and students in classrooms, then analysing the findings and developing recommendations for a course of action. The project encourages teachers to see learning through students' eyes, and facilitates professional dialogue within, and across schools, resulting in innovative and creative solutions towards best practice. Below is the process of Instructional Rounds.

## Each round follows a set format



### **Congratulations Joshua F – Young Sporting Spirit Award**

Congratulations to Joshua F from Year 6 who was recently awarded the prestigious Young Sporting Spirit Award. Josh is an inspiration to us all. He has modelled persistence and resilience through adversity. We are proud of his achievement.



### **Band News**

Congratulations to TWPS bands who performed at the Hornsby North Music Festival. All four bands received a distinction. A true reflection of TWPS talents!

Have a great week.

Chantal Mamo

BTeach BEd MA Creative Arts

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ABOUT OPPORTUNITY,  
AND IN TURN  
INSPIRATION.**

Bill Frist

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# Deputy's Message

## **Festival Of Choral Music**

I was delighted to be a part of the Festival of Choral Music again this year and am so amazed at the incredible talent we have in our public schools. The concert was a wonderful mix of massed choir singing, individual and duet performances, dance with a little humour in the mix too! After being entranced by the harp, I have started looking for a second-hand instrument I could try to learn on... maybe one day! Thank you students and teachers your efforts for your practice came together in a tremendous evening and one which it looked like you thoroughly enjoyed all the while too!

Nathan from 4B writes: "It's been a big commitment to learn all the songs for choir. We take turns listening to our parts and singing. Mrs Binet helps by telling us how we should sing. On the day of the concert we all went to Chatswood for a rehearsal. Afterwards we went back, had dinner and it was the big performance! I didn't feel that nervous because I've done it before... well, just a little bit! I watched as everybody walked through the doors.. I was patient as my parents came in at the end. I was trying to remember all the words. At the end of the night I felt proud of the show we had put on."



## **Transition**

We look forward to our second session of Kindy Transition this Friday where we will answer some Q&A from session one, have a look at the Best Start Assessment and find out about our whole school welfare program 'You Can Do It!'

We will need to run the session from 9 – 10.10am, with an early finish as we have our Remembrance Day service on from 10.30am Thank you for understanding.

## **Remembrance Day**

Thank you to the initiative of our prefect Jackson L, we have the special company of Mr Damien Thomlinson at our Remembrance Day service this year. Jackson took it upon himself to write to the ex Australian Commando and TV 'survivor' contestant, wondering what the reply may be. We are thrilled to have Damien join us this week, particularly as 2018 is the centenary of the Armistice that ended the First World War. The story of Damien Thomlinson, an Australian veteran of the war in Afghanistan, is one that continues to evolve and inspire people around the world.

**His story can be found on his website**

<https://www.damienthomlinson.com>



**REMEMBRANCE DAY**  
*Let's We Forget*

Our assembly will take place on Friday 9 November at 10.30am in the school hall. Students are welcome to bring a floral tribute (or drawing) to lay during the assembly. They may also wear scouts / guides or other uniforms for the day. We look forward to learning more from Damien and recognising our heroes. Thank you Jackson for the initiative and effort you have gone to, to make this year a special service for us.

Also this year Thornleigh West PS students will be laying a wreath at the Hornsby RSL Remembrance Day ceremony. Thank you to Captain Max G and Prefect Jackson for representing our school and laying the wreath on our behalf on Sunday.



## State athletics at Sydney Olympic Park

We are so incredibly proud and would like to acknowledge the amazing sporting achievements of four students particularly last week. Congratulations to William A, Lachlan B, Jessica G and Cooper R who competed at SOPAC for the state athletics championships. These four athletes are best in the state in their events, which is a fantastic achievement and I'm sure takes much training and perseverance to get to where they are! What a great experience to compete at this incredibly high standard.

### Students' results:

William A- 12 years- 7th in Discus 37.32m, 16th in Long Jump 4.69m.

Lachlan B-9 years 100m 14:87 placed 28<sup>th</sup>, Long jump 3.95m, placed 25<sup>th</sup>.

Jessica G – 10 years Long jump 3.37m. Not a PB, ankle injury, great effort.

Cooper R-10 years 100m 13.79, placed 9<sup>th</sup>.



William



Lachlan



Jessica



Cooper

### Citizenship awards

We are so proud of and would like to recognise the achievements of our citizenship award recipients. We know how much persistence, commitment to learning and responsibility that you show in the classroom and wider school community.

**Congratulations,**

	Bronze	Silver
Amelia M		
Emily M		
Caitlin R		
James T		
Georgie A		
Ella C		
Mitchell O		
Harrison D		
Elise M		
Georgia R		
Ava H		
Amelia M		
Charlie M		
Lucas H		
Leo F		
Huanxin Y		
Jeremey B		
Ronan W		
Tatum H		
Jamie A		
Nia M		
Ryan M		





#### **Term 4 Cooking**

The courtyard kitchen has been a hive of activity throughout the year with classes whipping up some amazing recipes! I'll have to get the 4 ingredient cheese muffins recipe to publish for you – it's so easy and delicious! So much learning is to be had in the kitchen!! Teachers are selecting their cooking options for term 4. To help meet costs if classes are cooking students will be asked to just contribute a gold coin towards the ingredients. Thank you in advance.

Hope you have a great week,

Kind regards,  
Julie Granville  
Deputy Principal R



# School Banking News



Congratulations to all bankers last week, well done to 4B for the most consistent deposits, great effort 4B!

Don't forget our new rewards this term, "Slushie Maker Cup" & Zoom Flying Disc". These rewards are popular and may run out of stock, so put your request in early.

We still have some other items available for redemption from last term and year, they are – Colour Change Markers, Epic Earphones, Glow light, Heat Reactor pens, Pencil Tech Case, Smiley Emoji Keyring, Sparkle Glitter Pens, Tablet Case, Twister Power & Volt Hand-ball, just place a note along with your tokens in your bankbook of your choice.



Please ensure that your deposit slip is fully completed with your student number, along with the correct money and no foreign coins please!

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact school banking co-ordinator Lyndal Staff [schoolbankingTWPS@ashlyn.com.au](mailto:schoolbankingTWPS@ashlyn.com.au) .

# Band News

**2019 TRAINING BAND** - Year 2 students (and some older kids) had a great time last Thursday trying all the instruments at TWPS. The noise in the hall was, interesting! Thank you to the Senior Band students who assisted the tutors.

Thank you to the future **2019 TRAINING BAND** parents who attended the information night on Monday. We hope we answered all your questions. IF you require information, please email the band. Please ensure your child's form is completed and returned by this Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November to ensure your child's preferences are considered in the first round.

Also, please come along to the End of Year Concert and last Band Meeting for 2019. We would love some new faces on the committee to assist with the program. Dates below.



**HORNSBY NORTH BAND FESTIVAL** – Last Sunday, all bands performed at the Annual festival. The adjudication was reportedly hard for schools, however our fabulous bands all walked away with the following awards. Congratulations to our Band Director Mr David Bell and Junior Band Conductor Andrew Hamblin.



**TRAINING BAND – DISTINCTION**

**JUNIOR CONCERT BAND –  
DISTINCTION**

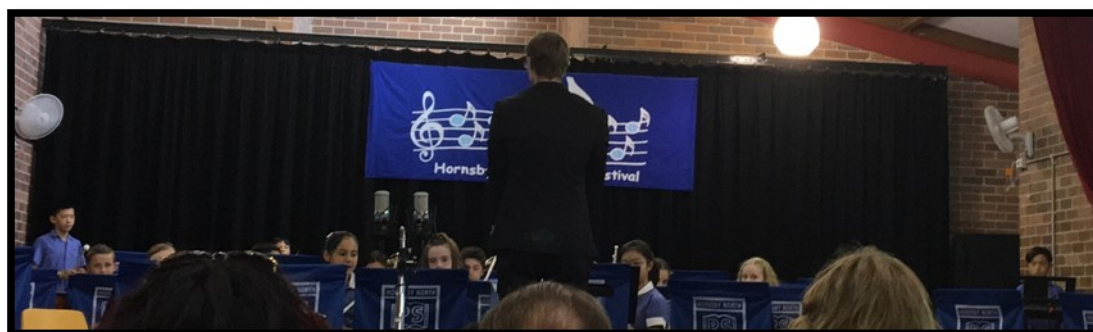
**SENIOR CONCERT BAND –  
DISTINCTION**

**STAGE BAND – DISTINCTION**





**Training Band @ Hornsby North Festival**



**Junior Concert Band @ Hornsby North Festival**



**Senior Concert Band @ Hornsby North Festival**



**Stage Band @ Hornsby North Festival**

**Other Band News** – From 2019, Mr David Bell has voluntarily stepped down from his Training Band Duties. He will continue to be our Band Director and conduct both the Senior Band and Stage Band. Fortunately, Mr Andrew Hamblin was very willing to help the program and with a few changes to his timetable, is able to conduct both the Training Band and Junior Concert Band from next year.



### Dates for your Diary

- Fri 16 November, 7:45am – **ALL BANDS** rehearsal (TB, JCB, SCB) for End of Year concert
- Fri 16 November 9.15am auditions for Stage Band 2019
- Sun 18<sup>th</sup> November – School Hall - End of year Concert (3pm start) – ALL WELCOME – especially the new 2019 Training Band
- Mon 26 November – Yr 6 combined band rehearsal at PHHS (practice for Orientation Day which is on 4/12)
- 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2:15pm – Training Band Assembly
- Tue 27<sup>th</sup> November, staffroom – Last committee meeting of the year / AGM. All welcome.
- Week 8 – 3-7<sup>th</sup> December – Last week of rehearsals. Hired instruments to be returned if leaving the program or school.
- 6 Dec Stage Band – 2018 Stage Band together with 2019 Stage Band (2019 Stage Band until 4pm only)
- 11 Dec - Combined rehearsal JCB & Yr. 5 SCB (JCB until 4pm only), SCB will continue after 4pm with normal rehearsal.
- Thur 13<sup>th</sup> December – SCB playing at Presentation Day. Hired instruments will be collected after this performance for students leaving TWPS

### 2019

Band Camp 2019 – 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Further information can also be found at <https://twpsbandc.wordpress.com/band/> or email us at [twpsband2011@gmail.com](mailto:twpsband2011@gmail.com)

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

# TWPS Prayer Group News

Please join us as we pray for TWPS and our community. All are welcome, especially new friends. We meet on Tuesdays at 9am, at the canteen steps in week 6 and 10. Dates for Term 4 are:

- November 20th
- December 18th

twpsprayerteam@gmail.com

## P&C News

For up to date messages from the P&C, including meeting agendas, fundraising & general information follow us on Facebook.

[www.facebook.com/TWPSPC](https://www.facebook.com/TWPSPC)

Any enquiries email: [twpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:twpspandc@gmail.com)

Vanessa Erickson - P&C President



## From the Community

### MINDFULNESS & RESILIENCE CLASSES FOR KIDS & TEENS

'Peaceful Kids' is a Mindfulness and Positive Psychology, evidence based program to lessen anxiety & stress and increase resilience in children.

#### OUTCOMES:

Lessen symptoms of anxiety & stress  
Teaches children to self-calm  
Develops emotional intelligence skills  
Empowers children to manage their own anxiety  
Teaches life-long skills to manage & prevent stress build up  
Supports children so they know that they are not alone suffering from anxiety  
Children learn basic theory behind how their brain & emotions are linked, the science behind mindfulness & how this relates to them personally.

#### FACILITATOR:

The program is delivered by Social Worker and experienced Family and Children's Project worker who is trained and accredited to facilitate this program. Rossy's experience is diverse and includes the set up and running of a supported playgroup, case management for youth at risk & delivering parenting programs including Tuning into Teens, Surviving Adolescence & Transition to school programs within the Northern Sydney District.

For more info visit: [www.rossychampion.com](http://www.rossychampion.com) Contact: [rossy.champion@gmail.com](mailto:rossy.champion@gmail.com)  
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The Peaceful Kids program is endorsed by the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) and has been used in over 140 NSW schools, 200 Victorian Schools, 98 Tasmanian and 45 south Australian schools as well as the Major Children's Hospitals in NSW.



### SUMMER READING CLUB LAUNCH

Followed by *The Gigalees* and their Crazy Comedy Show!

Give your children incentive to read over the holidays and the opportunity to win great prizes by signing them up for the Summer Reading Club. A child's library card is essential to join the Club and attend the show.

Club Registration with child's library card will open from 4:30pm.

Come early so you don't miss our great show.

#### Hornsby Library

Thursday 6 December,

Ages: 0-14 year olds

Registration: 4:30pm

Show: 5:30pm

Cost: Free for all Summer Reading Club members.

No bookings required.

### GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING WORKSHOP

Bring the whole family and be guided in making a wonderful Gingerbread House for the Christmas table. The cost includes all the materials needed such as house, icing, lollies, silver foil, board and cellophane for wrapping. Great Christmas fun for the whole family.

#### Hornsby Library

Wednesday 5 December, 6:30pm-8pm

Pennant Hills Community Centre

Saturday 8 December, 2:30pm-4pm

Cost: \$35.00 per family.

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Bookings essential. Book online at [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library)

### SANTA CLAUS SUPERSTAR CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

Santa Claus Superstar is a delightful comedy which will thrill its young audiences.

Now that Santa has a magic cape he can make all of the toys by himself. Poor old Rudolf and the elves have their world turned upside down -- they're out of a job! The scheming Daredevil Dan and Grumpy Gran plot to steal the cape, and its high adventure with the children involved every step of the way. Featuring the gorgeous Music Box Dancer, the Jolly Green Christmas Tree, Drummer Boy, Jack in the Box, Harlequin, and many more surprises.

#### Hornsby Library

Tuesday 18 December,

11:30am

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Community Centre

Friday 21 December,

10:30am

Ages: 2-7 year olds. Parents and children under 2 years accompanying a paying sibling do not require payment. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$8.00 per child

### FEATURE CREATURES - REPTILE SHOWS

Be fascinated by this interactive and educational wildlife event where you will be able to get close to frogs, snakes and crocodiles.

#### Hornsby Library

Tuesday 15 January,

10:30am-11:30am

Pennant Hills

Learning & Leisure Centre

Wednesday 16 January,

10:30am-11:30am

Ages: 5-12 year olds

Cost: \$10.00 per child

#### Pennant Hills

Community Centre

Thursday 20 December,

10:30am





# From the Community

*Exceptional Learning Opportunities for Boys*



## HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY

for Year 5 Boys

### THURSDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2018

Come and experience a selection of high school subjects for a day, with exciting and interesting lessons prepared especially for you!



**APPLY NOW**

Applications to attend this day close on **Wednesday 14 November**, unless places have been filled prior to this date.

For an application form contact the school office on 9477 3508 or download it from the Asquith Boys High School website [www.asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.gov.au)

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## STREETWORK'S COMMUNITY FUN DAY 2018

An International Men's Day celebration.  
Promoting the importance of male role models in our community

- Challenge your mates on our push kart course
- Fundraise for our KickStart Mentoring program
- Listen to our 2HHH live broadcast
- Be captivated by our performances
- Visit our health + wellness stalls
- Enjoy a BBQ

**Sunday 18 Nov**  
**10am - 3pm**  
**Hornsby Mall**

[www.hornsbycommunityfunday.com.au](http://www.hornsbycommunityfunday.com.au)  
Thanks to our sponsors:



## Come and play netball!

**FOR PENNANT HILLS NETBALL CLUB**



**NETSETGO SKILLS FOR 6-9 YEAR OLDS COMMENCES WEDNESDAY NOV 7TH**

If you would like to enjoy playing netball, get your friends together and register for PHNC before Friday 2nd November to guarantee a place.

### PHNC NETSETGO SKILLS CLINIC

**4-5pm Wednesdays in November**

A free and fun clinic at Pennant Hills Park for 6-9 year olds.  
Come along if you've never played netball and want to give it a go!

Register online at [pennanthillsnsw.netball.com.au](http://pennanthillsnsw.netball.com.au)  
Go to PHNC Netball Clinics - NetSetGO Clinic

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