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Important Dates: Term 4, 2018

Date	Events
23 November	Kindergarten 2019 Transition
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
18 December	TWPS Prayer Group - 9am Canteen steps
19 December	Last day of 2018 for students

This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week we welcomed the Instructional Rounds to team to TWPS. We have received some excellent high leverage data to analyse and work on in 2019 – 2020. A focus moving forward will be teaching with inquiry, which means building instruction our of children's curiosity, rather than from a curriculum guide, a standard textbook or a handed down unit. It means students investigating and exploring, instead of just sitting and listening. It means an active, lively space where children make choices and take responsibility for their learning. It means classrooms where teachers flow between their role as an expert and their job as a lead learning and facilitator of research. Inquiry means children partner up to gather information, build knowledge and then teacher the world, together.

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Inquiry is an exciting and energizing way to engage kids' hearts and minds and to cover content and meet standards. It holds important rewards for our students and delight for the adults working with them. But inquiry also requires some courage and some adjustment from teachers. Currently as a collegial network we are devising a theory of action.

Have a great week.

Chantal Mamo

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Deputy's Message

Captain elections 2019

Once in our senior grades, we do consider students to be leaders across the school. It is however, time to hold our nominations for 2019 captains and prefects. This will take place Monday 26 November, with the election following on Monday 3 December. I will be discussing the role, expectations and answering any questions with all year 5 classes today. The role and expectations are detailed below.

School Captains and Prefects

Role description:

- Provide a positive role model and leadership to the student body
- Represent the student body at school and community functions
- Actively participate in school assembly programs
- Chair student council meetings with the assistance of the teaching staff as requested
- Encourage students to take pride in their school
- Assist any student in need when necessary
- Willingly help teachers and the community when requested

Essential Criteria:

- Ability to speak confidently in public
- Ability to maintain acceptable standards of work and behaviour in class and school activities
- Maintain a standard of dress and grooming as deemed appropriate by the principal
- Demonstrate(d) school spirit and pride by:
 - ⇒ Wearing correct school uniform
 - ⇒ Following the school rules
 - ⇒ Participating in a number of school activities
 - ⇒ Showing trustworthiness, courtesy, reliability and helpfulness

Dates for your Diary:

Monday 17 December: End of Year class Parties

Tuesday 18 December: Kindergarten Graduation 9:15am

Year 3 Citizenship Awards

We would like to recognise and congratulate year 3 students who received their medals and badges this week (as they were away on an excursion for K – 6 assembly).

We are proud of you!



Kind regards
Julie Granville
Deputy Principal R

Library News

Week 8 **Wednesday 5th December to Friday 6th December** will we be hosting scholastic book fair. Students can purchase items before school from 8.20am and lunchtimes.

Happy Reading

Ms Hoffman and Mrs Batson

Book Club News

The book club catalogue issue 8 (last one of year) distributed and orders are due back by **Friday 30th November**.

Any question or inquiry regarding book club and order, **Please directly contact us** via twpsbookclub@gmail.com
Thank you for helping our school.

Dianna C, Lisa M and Michelle L.



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

Any enquiries email: twpspandc@gmail.com

Vanessa Erickson - P&C President



Band News

2019 Training Band

Thank you to all those families who submitted the 'How do I join' form. You all should have received an email confirming your submitted form. If you did not receive an email but believe you have submitted a form, please contact the band asap to assure that your instrument preferences have been received.

The forms over the next couple of weeks will be looked at by both the band director David Bell, Training Band Conductor Mr Andrew Hamblin and Convener Robin Beard to determine the best instrument for your child as well as the overall balance of the concert band. They will try and accommodate all student's preferences.

Late forms can always still be received, even next year!



STAGE BAND are looking for a **KEYBOARD** player. If you have at least 2-3 years' experience (Ideally 3rd Grade AMEB equivalent) and would like to audition for the stage band, please email the band at twpsband2011@gmail.com Note: This is open to all TWPS students, not just band program members

Band End of Year Concert

On Sunday the TWPS Band Students had their annual End of Year Concert. The event showcased their fabulous talents with their marvellous music. It was the first year that the bands ALL combined (100+kids!) and played 2 pieces together, Siyahamba and 'GHOSTBUSTERS'. The positive feedback from the audience truly indicated how great they sounded. Thank you to Mr David Bell, Mr Andrew Hamblin and the Band Committee for all their hard work this year. We are very fortunate to have a band Program coordinated by parent volunteers.



Congratulations to the students receiving 2018 Band Awards:

Band Awards for 2018	<u>Training Band</u> Valued Contribution - Ximena S Valued Contribution - Jack W Outstanding Contribution - Harriet B <u>Junior Band:</u> Valued Contribution – Caitlin K Valued Contribution – Kieran L Outstanding Contribution – Naomi L	<u>Senior Concert Band</u> Valued Contribution - Ben M Outstanding Contribution - Nia M Musical Excellence - Ruby C <u>Stage Band</u> Valued Contribution - Miles B Outstanding Contribution - Sean K Musical Excellence - Sean R
Mentoring Recognition	Toby F, Reuben V, Nia M, Ava M, Meaghan C, Matilda S, Ben M, Diane K, Sylvie D, Lucy M, Jason P, Jake F, Ashton P, Kinshuk S, Joe J, Abbey C.	
Year 6 Band Awards	Miles B, Rachel B, Megan C, Jake F, Toby F, Max G, Diane K, Joshua M, Nia M, Adam N, Ashton P, Jason P, Amy R, Harvey T, Rubeen V.	

Dates for your Diary

- Mon 26 November – Yr 6 combined band rehearsal at PHHS (practice for Orientation Day which is on 4/12)
- 27th November, 2:15pm – Training Band Assembly
- Tue 27th November, staffroom – Last committee meeting of the year / AGM. All welcome.
- Week 8 – 3-7th 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)
- 6th Dec – Stage Band playing at Bunning Thornleigh (6-8pm)
- 11 Dec - Combined rehearsal JCB & Yr. 5 SCB (JCB until 4pm only), SCB will continue after 4pm with normal rehearsal.
- Thur 13th December – SCB playing at Presentation Day. Hired instruments will be collected after this performance for students leaving TWPS

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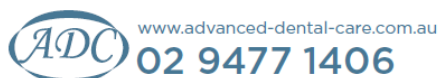
- Band Camp 2019 – 23rd/24th May 2019.

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

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



From the Community



Dr. Shamini Gurusamy B.D.S. (NZ) Principal / Dr. Luke Denness B.D.S. (Aust)



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Josephine's Emporium - Morning Tea



Hello,

Josephine and the team would like to invite you to join us for morning tea to pre-view the season stock for Christmas, including New and Pre-loved ladies clothing, accessories, jewellery, shoes, hand bags, and other household treasures.

This Op Shop is one of the not-for-profit works of *Emmaus Productions* and the *Mary Brown Memorial Foundation* established by Monica Brown and the local Brown family of Thornleigh. Proceeds from the profits of the Op Shop will go to *The Good Samaritan Foundation, a work of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan Australia* (<http://goodsamsfoundation.org.au/>)

Morning Tea Details

Location:

Josephine's Emporium

80 Station Street Thornleigh
Corner Pennant Hills Road and
Station Street
(opposite ALDI)

Date: Sat 1st December

and Sat 8th December

Time: 10:00am – 12:00noon

'Fashion with Passion'

open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am - 4pm

Be sure to bring a friend to share the fun on this great morning at Josephine's Emporium



MM Fundraiser and Public Launch

A great night of music and dancing to classic Aussie Rock to raise funds and celebrate the public launch of Mentoring Men.

The vision for Mentoring Men is for:

"Supporting men in their life journey"

Entertainment will be provided by the awesome eight member band Ministry of Rock who play the Aussie rock hits from the 70s, 80s and 90s.

Date: Fri 23rd Nov from 7:30 pm - 11:00 pm

Venue: Pennant Hills Bowling Club, 52 Yarrara Rd, Pennant Hills NSW 2120

Tickets: \$20 adults and \$10 for students and under 18s (tables of 10) available through:

<https://events.humanitix.com.au/mentoring-men-fundraiser-and-public-launch>

Full menu dinner & drinks available at the venue.

Tickets strictly limited so book now!!

For more information call Ian Westmoreland on 0400 606 768

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