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Hello and Welcome Family and Friends Thornleigh West Public School

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Important Dates: Term 4, 2019

TERM 4	
23 October	Interrelate 1—Year 6
25 October	Life Education Starts World Teachers Day
28 October	Grandparents Day
29 October	K-6 Assembly 2:20pm Junior Choir Final rehearsal and performance Stage 3 to Gibberagong 7:30pm P&C Meeting
30 October	Interrelate 2—Year 6
31 October	Band Instrument Have a Go Day. Year 2 students and interested Yr3-5 at recess - School hall
1 November	Kindy Transition #1 Girls Basketball KO Interstate final - Penrith
4 November	Band Information Night - School Hall 7pm-8pm Stage 3 to Gibberagong
5 November	2:20pm 3-6 Assembly
6 November	Interrelate 3– Year 6
7 November	Music Count Us In
8 November	Kindy Transition #2 PSSA Finishes
11 November	Normanhurst Boys High School Clown Tour 11:30am-1pm Remembrance Day Service 10:30am
12 November	Mufti Day—Chocolate Block Donation
23 November	TWPS Movie Night—3pm-9:30pm
28 November	Band Meeting and AGM - Staffroom 7:30pm
3 December	P&C Meeting—School Library 7:30pm
11 December	Year 6 Fun Day
13 December	Presentation Day Year 6 Farewell - Hornsby RSL
15 December	Gingerbread House Family Event 2-4pm
16 December	Kindy Graduation Day Treetops - Year 6
17 December	Class Parties and Helpers Morning Tea
18 December	Variety Show Last day of Term 4 for students

This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Feedback to students about their learning is paramount. Research suggests that peer feedback is most effective when students feel comfortable with each other and supported by their peers, respect each other's opinions and feel able to take risks and make mistakes.

Teachers create an environment in which risk-taking is accepted and there are no 'put-downs' from other students when mistakes are made. They always intervene when 'put-downs' do occur, making certain that students understand there is no place for this in a learning classroom.

Teachers deliberately conduct activities that serve to develop an atmosphere of cooperation, support and trust and explicitly teach students how to give feedback and how to receive feedback.

They model the process in a very explicit way, articulating for students what they are doing and drawing attention to the language they are using.

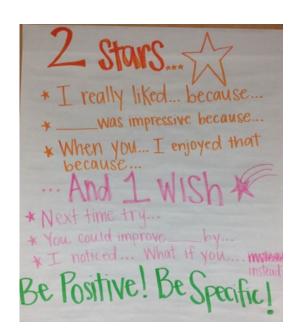
The physical configuration of the classroom lends itself to students working together in pairs and groups, which in turn facilitates exchange of information and peer feedback.

One strategy teacher's use is Two Stars and a Wish:

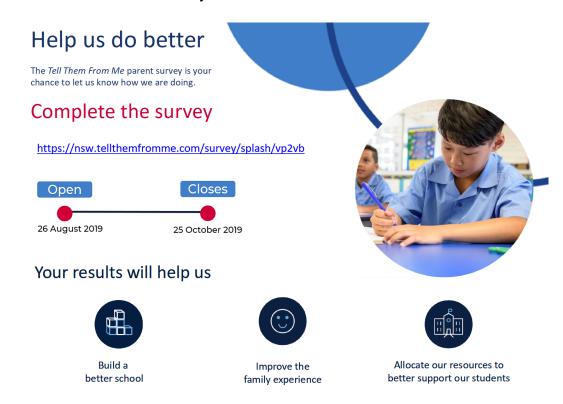
Two stars and a wish

Students identify two positive aspects of the work of a peer and then express a wish about what the peer might do next time in order to improve another aspect of the work. 'I want to give you a star for the start of your story and a star for the way you described the house. I wish that you will tell us more about Billy.

Teachers model this strategy several times, using samples of student work, before asking the students to use the strategy in pairs on their own. They check the process and ask pairs who have implemented the strategy successfully to demonstrate it to the whole group.



Your feedback is important to us to continuously improve. Please complete the Tell Them From Me survey – see link below.



2020

The executive team and teachers are working hard reflecting on 2019 and planning for 2020. It is always an exciting time of the year. Teachers spend many hours collaborating to ensure the best possible outcomes for all students. If there are any requests in 2020 these need to be made directly to your child's classroom teacher.

Have a great week.

Chantal Mamo BTeach Education MA Creative Arts



Deputy's Message



Your feedback and comments are important to us. If all parents could please complete our TTFM survey your responses will be most appreciated.

Tell The From Me - Parent Survey!

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The survey closes this Friday.

More information about the survey is available at:

<u>http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au</u>. To access the survey for our school go to:

http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/vp2vb.

Student non-consent forms were sent home last term (on yellow paper) for year 4-6 students.

Thank you for your assistance.

Kind regards

Julie Granville

Deputy Principal

Sport News

Sydney North Primary Athletics at SOPAC Wednesday 16 October

Congratulations to the 13 TWPS students who competed so well at Area athletics last Wednesday. The team spirit and camaraderie was fantastic and the results at this very high level were outstanding.

Well done to all competitors and special mention to Cooper R who won the 11 years 100m race and will be progressing to represent Sydney North at the State Championships on 6th and 7th November. We wish him the very best of luck.

Cooper R- 1st 100m, 8th 200m

Jessica R- junior discus

Mason R- 8th shotput

Miranda K- 12th 100m, 200m, 5th relay

Madison M- 4th senior 200m, 5th relay

Lachlan B- 4th junior 200m, 4th high jump, 6th long jump, relay finalist, 9th discus, 100m

Senior girls relay- finalists 5th - Jessica G, Miranda K, Lucy M, Madison M.

Senior boys relay- finalists 9th - William B, Cooper R, Daniel S, Kobe M.

Junior boys relay- finalists 9th - Lachlan B, Toby H, Quinn O, Mason R.



Cooper R- First



Lachlan B- 4th, 4th, 6th

Senior girls relay- Jessica G, Miranda K, Lucy M, Madison M.





Madison M- 4th



Jessica R- Discus



Junior boys relay -Lachlan B, Toby H, Quinn O, Mason R



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Sydney North Primary Athletics Photos













Band News

Is your child is thinking of joining the band?



Year 2 students should have received information about joining the training band last week. If your child didn't receive or is in Years 3-5, please go to the office for this handout, or email band for a copy at twpsband2011@qmail.com.

Application forms will be handed out on Thursday 31st October at the <u>Instrument Have a Go day</u>. These forms will be due Fri 8th November.

Band is open to all Year 2 and interested students from Years 3-5.

Dates for your Diary

Term 4

- Mon 28th Oct Grandparents Day all bands
- Thur 31st October <u>Instrument Have a Go day</u> for all new potential 2020 band members Year 2 and above. (Kids only)
- Sun 3rd November Hornsby North Band Festival, Hornsby North P.S. ALL BANDS.
- Mon 4th November <u>Band Information Night</u> for all new Band families in 2020 SCB playing.
- Fri 8th November TB 2020 forms due.
- Fri 19th Nov Stage Band Auditions
- Sun 23rd Nov Movie Night SCB playing
- Mon 25th Nov PHHS Year 6 Orientation Band rehearsal
- Thurs 28th November Last committee Mtg for 2019 Annual General Meeting Election (note: this is a Thursday.
- Tue 3rd Dec PHHS Orientation Day for Year 6 Band performance
- Sun 8th Dec Band and Jnr Choir End of year concert Kids to arrive 1:30pm for a 2-3:30pm concert, followed by party food.
- Final Rehearsals TB finish on 10th Dec, JCB finish on 9th Dec, SCB 10th Dec, Stage 12th Dec
- Combined JCB/SCB Rehearsal on Tuesday arvo 10th December until 4pm
- Combined Stage Band 2019/2020 Rehearsal on Thursday afternoon 12th December until 4:15pm
- Sunday 15th December Thornleigh Carols at Headen Park, Stage Band

Band Committee Meetings - Week 9 (Tue 17/9), Week 4 (Tue 5th Nov), Week 7 / AGM (**Thurs** 28th Nov).

Email is Band's primary form of communication so please contact us at twpsband2011@gmail.com if you are not receiving emails. When emailing the band, please assist the committee by using the subject to address who it is for. E.g. TB Coordinator / Instrument hire / Treasurer.

Further information can also be found at https://twpspandc.wordpress.com/band/ Robin Beard (Band Convenor) and Nicole Ng (Assistant Convenor)



Loud Shirt Day



Friday, November 1

Gold coin donation, all proceeds with go to The Shepard Foundation

Please wear you school uniform with your loudest ever shirt.



Community News



Asquith Girls High School

YEAR 5 HIGH SCHOOL **EXPERIENCE**



Thursday 21 November 8.30am 2.30pm

- Experience the diverse and positive at Asquith Girls High

BOOK DIRECT

https://forms.gle/XNYh6pUr7aKt9ft78

Or see our website for further details and a link direct to our booking page

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asquithgir-h.school@ det.nsw.edu.au



an Afternoon of Family Fun Saturday 26th October 2019 2:30pm - 5:00pm

BBQ....Cakes....Coffee.... Live Music....Parent's & Under 5's Areas....

FREE Jumping Castle, Games, Activities, Face Painting, Hairspray

All Children attending must be accompanied by an adult

No parking available onsite. Follow the EXCITE signs.



NORTHRIDGE

www.northridge.org.au/excite 6 Chilvers Rd, Thornleigh





VENUE: Pennant Hills High School Oval

START DATE: 4th November 2019 FINISH DATE: 9th March 2020

No Play from 16Dec 2019 till 27 Jan 2020 (included) TIMES: 4:30pm - 6:30pm (30min time slots)

Mixed competitions Under 8s, 10s, 12s & 14s Or try our League Stars program for 4 - 7y.o More information: www.leaguestars.com

REGISTRATION COST

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880 includes playing shorts and shirt
League Stars program \$49 includes footy pack (4 weeks)

* NSW Active Kids Voucher accepted *

nswrl.com.au

REGISTER a Team or Individual now: northsydneyjuniorleague.com



\$25.00 pre purchase

Ride tickets will be \$30.00 on the day or \$5.00 per ride

THE UNLIMITED RIDE WRISTBAND ALLOWS RIDERS TO GO ON AS MANY RIDES AS THEY WOULD LIKE FOR 4 HOURS 11.00am - 3.00pm

OPEN DAY SUN 17 NOV



Book Now: https://tinyurl.com/y3ndfzdg