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Important Dates: Term 3, 2019

TERM 3	
7 August-13th September	Canteen Fresh Fruit and Vege Promotion
20 August	Book Week Parade
21 August	Zone Track events including 800m finals
22 August	Girls KO basketball Maths Olympiad Yr 3-6
23 August	Fathers Day Breakfast PSSA Grand Final
27 August	Father's Day Stall—no school assembly
29 August	Wakakirri Heat from 1pm.
10 September	P&C Meeting—School Library 7:30pm
24 September	Mufti Day—Coon Toastie Truck Lunch Drama Performances K-6 and Support Unit
25 September	Drama Performances K-6
26 September	Drama Performance K-6
27 September	NRL Icy pole Giveaway at Year 6 vs Teachers Oz Tag game
19/20 October	Family Photo Shoot Fundraiser
TERM 4	
28 October	Grandparents Day
29 October	P&C Meeting—School Library 7:30pm
12 November	Mufti Day—Chocolate Block Donation
23 November	TWPS Movie Night—3pm-9:30pm
3 December	P&C Meeting—School Library 7:30pm
15 December	Gingerbread House Family Event

This Week's Update

Sport PSSA

As the winter competition of PSSA for Beecroft Zone draws to a close I would like to thank and congratulate all students for the way they have represented Thornleigh West every week. Being a part of a PSSA team takes commitment to training, working together as a team and supporting each other through the weekly games. Our teachers of all teams, Mrs Zinsli, Miss Loke, Mrs Part and Mr Watkins are all exceptionally proud of the dedication of students to practice, train and bring their best effort and teamwork on sport day.

This week we see our senior boys are playing in the soccer grand final against Beecroft as well as our girls in the Tee Ball grand final against Normanhurst. We hope you have enjoyable games and best of luck!

Soccer Boys **Kick off at 11:20am**

Match	Team A	Team B	Field
Grand Final	Thornleigh West	Beecroft	One

Tee Ball Girls **Begin at 12:05**

Match	Team A	Team B	Field
Grand Final	Thornleigh West	Normanhurst	One

Open Night

Every time we are able to share our learning journey with our community, I am exceptionally proud of the quality and calibre of the learning that is taking place in classrooms daily. Our teachers work collaboratively to challenge, excite and support all students in their learning. Last Thursday it was wonderful to see the culmination of many units of learning that integrate science with learning areas of art, maths, the natural world as through various grade displays students presented their learning in such a variety of ways.

Special mention to our talented stage band, last week led by Mr Hamblin, who entertained visitors through the evening. Your music was a wonderful celebration of how you have grown musically over your time at Thornleigh West Public School. Thank you for taking the time to share with us on open evening and to your families for supporting your musical learning. Thank you also to Kirsty de Vallance for assisting with supervision and support for the evening, your contributions are very much valued.



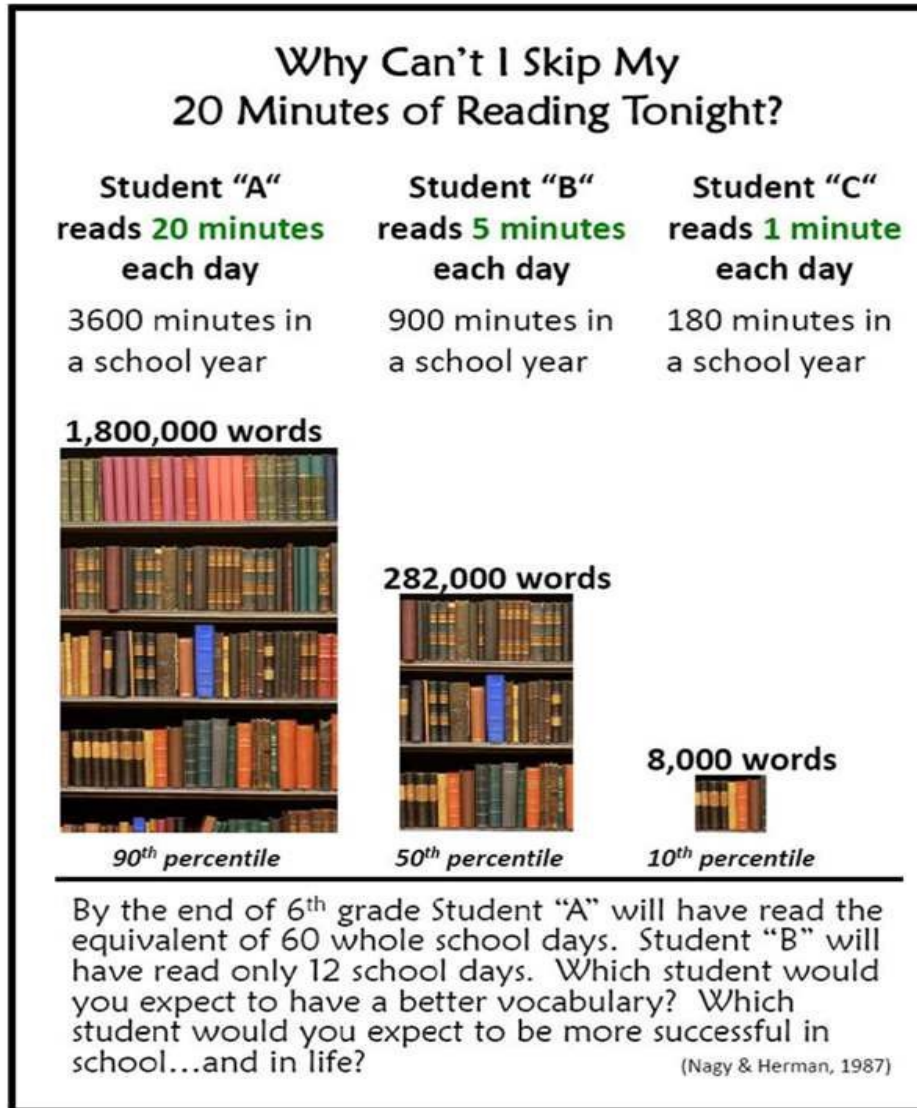


Hope you all have a great week,
Kind regards,
Julie Granville, R/Principal

Deputy's Message

Book Week Parade

Mary Poppins... a tree house... a crayon...a wimpy kid...and no shortage of Wallies - it must be book week again at TWPS! Congratulations to all the children who dressed up to make a favourite book come alive for our annual book week parade. A special mention to all the Year 6 children who went the extra mile and came as a part of a group theme. It wasn't hard to spot the Wallies or the Green Sheep, thanks teachers and Support staff for leading from the front and encouraging that love of books and reading that is so important in the lives of everyone.



More opportunities for your children to experience new things - we have had NRL at lunchtimes for the last two days. Please see the flyer for NRL clinics at Normanhurst West PS.

Auskick clinics start next week here at school, 8am - 9am, flyer below.

Enjoy all those special moments with your children

Kind regards

Sarah Allen

R/Deputy Principal



Enrolment policy

Information for parents

The Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools policy is in place to assist schools to meet their obligations under the *Education Act 1990* - to ensure that every student has a place at their local school. The policy also communicates to staff and the community a transparent enrolment process.

Why was the enrolment policy revised?

Across the state, many communities are changing. Some are growing at rates never seen before. Some schools that used to be able to accept out-of-area enrolments, no longer have the room to do so.

The revised policy is designed to support schools to manage all enrolment applications, encourage greater consistency in decision-making and make sure the enrolment choices are clear for parents.

What are the changes?

The enrolment cap

The enrolment cap is the number of students that can be enrolled at a school based on the school's permanent accommodation. The enrolment cap tells us whether the school may or may not have the capacity to accept non-local enrolments. It is not a target or limit on the number of local enrolments a school can take.

Each school with a local intake area will have a cap set by the department from Term 4 2019.

Within the enrolment cap, a number of enrolment places (the buffer) must be kept aside for the likely number of local students who will need to enrol during the year. For this reason, a school will not take non-local students once they reach their buffer, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

100-point residential address check

Parents planning to enrol their child at a school that is near or at its buffer or cap will be asked to complete the 100-point residential address check to confirm they live within the school's designated intake area. This means parents will need to provide documents to verify the child's current address.

So that schools only seek information relevant to the child's enrolment, a list of approved documents for the residential address check is available from the school or the department's website at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/enrolment-of-students-in-nsw-government-schools>.

Selection criteria for non-local enrolment

Sibling enrolments are now clearly prioritised (where possible) and selection criteria for non-local enrolment will not include student ability, performance or achievement.



What has not changed?

Schools will continue to enrol students who live in their local intake area, regardless of the school's cap status.

Enrolment procedures for students accessing particular education settings (for example selective schools, distance education, specialist support classes for students with disability, Intensive English Centres) are not affected by the revised policy.

In schools with available places, there are no changes to enrolment rights of siblings of non-local students. Each enrolment application is considered on its merits, including if siblings currently attend the school. If the school is below capacity, out-of-area applications for siblings of current students will be given enrolment priority.

Schools will continue to provide families with support and advice during the enrolment process, including assessment of exceptional and compelling circumstances particularly for vulnerable students and their families.

Schools will also continue to apply the policy fairly and consistently using transparent and accountable processes when making decisions about enrolment applications. Parents have a right of appeal to determine whether the stated processes have been applied in a procedurally fair manner.

But what do the changes mean for me?

What if my child is already enrolled but we do not live in that school's intake area?

Your child will remain enrolled at the school as the revised policy does not affect students already enrolled in NSW Government schools.

We were in area when my child was enrolled in the school. The department has since changed the school's boundary and our residence is now out of area. I have other children and I want them all to go to the same school. What are my options?

At times it is necessary for the department to make adjustments to a school's local enrolment intake area. This could mean a family with a child/children already enrolled is then outside the local intake area. When this happens, the family will still be able to enrol siblings together at the school, regardless of whether the school is over the buffer or cap.

I already have a child enrolled as an out-of-area student in a NSW Government school. Can I enrol my other children at that school too?

This will depend on the capacity of the school:

- If the school is **not near its buffer**, then siblings should be able to be enrolled at the school. In fact, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **nearing its buffer**, then the school will form a non-local enrolment panel. The panel considers non-local enrolment applications when the number of non-local applications received exceeds the number of places available below the buffer. Again, in this instance, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **at capacity**, it will not accept non-local enrolment applications unless there are exceptional circumstances.

I have already accepted an offer for my child to attend a school in 2020 that is not my local school. What happens now?

The enrolment will proceed. Non-local enrolments accepted before Term 4 2019 for students starting in 2020 should not be affected.

What is the criteria for enrolment in a school that is not my local school?

Schools that are able to accept non-local enrolment applications establish a non-local enrolment selection panel, if demand exceeds the number of places below the school's buffer.

Schools are required to make the selection criteria available to the school community.

My circumstances are challenging and I think this school is best for my child. We live outside the school's intake area. What should I do?

We understand that not everyone's circumstances are the same, and that there are instances where exceptional and compelling circumstances will need to be considered.

If this is the case, you should talk to the principal of your local school.

Contact

For general enquiries contact: 1300 679 332 or email: DoEInfo@det.nsw.edu.au

For enrolment enquiries, speak to your local school. Find school contact details at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/finding-a-public-school>

Father's Day Breakfast



Father's Day Stall - Tuesday 27th August

The Mother's Day Father's Day gift group will be holding their annual gift stall in the school hall from 9 AM to 3 PM. Each class, accompanied by their teacher, will visit the stall at a designated time and they will have 15 minutes to select and pay for their gift which will then be gift wrapped by our volunteers.

The Father's Day stall website is now live and can be viewed at <https://www.twpsmdfd.com/>

The website features photographs, prices and information of the gifts available at the stall. We have also incorporated a gift wish list function. Please remember we have limited quantities of each gift so be sure to have a back up in mind particularly for the younger students.

Don't forget to bring the following on the day:

- Money
- Carry bag or plastic bag clearly marked with your child's name on it
- Wish list or shopping list

Call out for volunteers

These events cannot run successfully without the ongoing support of our wonderful TWPS families. Please signup at: <http://signup.com/go/jeosfiy>

Thank you from the MDFDGG Team.

Band News

HELP NEEDED!

Message from the Band committee: Our hard working treasurer Claudine is swamped and needs assistance. The role requires no financial background. You will be assisting her in tasks such as maintaining Creative Kids vouchers online, redeeming vouchers online and recording instrument assets on a register. This role does not require you to attend meeting or be present in school hours.

If you are willing to assist Claudine, please email the band.

Thank you for considering.

Dates for your Diary

Term 3

- Tue 10th Sept - JCB playing at K-6 Assembly
- Sat 21st September – NWPS Music by Moonlight – SCB playing.
- **Sat 21st September – Band Bunning Cake Stall Fundraiser - ALL**
- Tue 24th Sept – SCB Open Rehearsal for parents / OOSH / New band members (all welcome to watch)

Term 4

- Mon 7th Oct – Manly Jazz Festival – Stage Band
- Tue 22nd Oct – TB playing at the K-2 Assembly. Mentors will demonstrate instruments on offer for TB 2020.
- Mon 28th Oct – Grandparents Day – all bands
- *Thurs 31st October – Instrument Have a Go day – for all new potential 2020 band members Year 2 and above. (Kids only)*
- *Mon 4th November – Band Information Night for all new Band families in 2020 – SCB playing.*
- Sun 3rd November – Hornsby North Band Festival, Hornsby North P.S. – ALL BANDS. Time TBC
- Sun 23rd Nov – Movie Night – SCB playing
- **Thurs 28th November – Last committee Mtg for 2019 – Annual General Meeting – Election (note: this is a Thursday).**
- 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.

Band Committee Meetings - Wk 9 (Tue 17/9), Week 4 (Tue 5th Nov), Week 7 (Thur 28th Nov) – all welcome, including future band parents.

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://twpsbandc.wordpress.com/band/>

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

AusKick Clinic is starting in Week 6

Before school 8am – 9am



Auskick is coming to your school!

NAB AFL Auskick is the best fun you can have being active! In weekly sessions, Auskickers explore the world of AFL, build football skills and play in a safe and super fun setting!

Register at play.afl/auskick

Kicking off Wednesday 28th Aug

Sessions running 8am - 9am (4 week program)

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