



The Magpie



Term 4 Week 5

Weekly Newsletter of Tamworth Public School

4 November 2021

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Monday 15 P&C Meeting
7.00pm
Wed 17 Opportunity
Placement Test
Last day to hand
awards in

DECEMBER

Tuesday 7 Presentation Day
Practice
Wed 6 Silver Bells
Fundraiser
Wed 8 Presentation Day
Thursday 9 Year 6 Formal
Friday 10 Buddies Disco
Monday 13 Year 6 Graduation
2.00pm Hall

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

WEEK 8 AND WEEK 9.
NOVEMBER 22 THROUGH TO
DECEMBER 3.

Major Excursion

*Unfortunately the Year 6 Canberra
Excursion and Year 5 Point
Wolstoncroft Excursion have had
to be cancelled for 2021 due to
COVID.*

DEBATING - ROUND 1 OF THE STATE FINAL SERIES



The Premier's Debating Challenge is still alive and well at Tamworth Public School with our two teams facing off against one another in Round 1 of the State Final Series. Congratulations Lucas, Bella, Elliott, Max & Phoebe our TPS Magpies who are progressing on to Round 2.

OXLEY HIGH VISIT

On Wednesday 3 November representatives from Oxley High School attended our school to inform our Year 6 about the exciting and wonderful time they will have next year. Teachers from OHS addressed the assembled Year 6 cohort and answered any of their questions about high school. They also outlined their planned COVID safe transition program for Year 6 to Year 7.

NEW ROADMAP FOR TERM 4

As mentioned above the Department of education has just released a revised roadmap for the remainder of Term 4. They have stated that school will remain on Level 3 restrictions for the rest of the term with a few modifications. The school is awaiting further details surrounding these modifications and will communicate

them next week to parents and the wider community.

REPORT WRITING

All class teachers are busy now finalising in class assessments and preparing your child's end of year/Semester Two report. A great deal of thought and evidence gathering occurs to ensure you as a parent get the best and most accurate appraisal of your child's performance over the last two terms. Parents are reminded that once again because of the time spent in Learning from Home the Department of Education has stipulated that schools are to use a modified reporting template. These reports will provide parents with gradings in English and Mathematics with associated comments as well as a General Comment.

NON-OPERATIONAL DAYS

Thank you everyone! I want to take this time to thank the many parents for their many positive comments concerning the sensitive way our recent positive COVID case has been handled. I have been very conscious of the privacy of families during this delicate period following our recent school shutdown. I would hope that all our parents would respect the right of the affected families, to privacy during this testing and returning to school period. Further, all communication during this period was managed by NSW Health and the school was only the means by which messages were delivered to parents. Please keep safe and remain that supportive community I am proud to lead.

As announced by the Minister, from 8 November all NSW schools will move to updated Level 3 settings that bring school operations more in line with what is allowed in the community. I would like to update you on the key changes that will be in place at our school from Monday 8 November and for the rest of Term 4.

Keeping us all safe on school grounds

A combination of layered COVID-safe plans and measures will allow us to prioritise student and staff safety and keep our school open. To do this, the following guidelines will be in place:

- Students, staff and visitors must not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms.
- All staff and adult visitors on the school site must be fully vaccinated and provide proof of vaccination.
- Masks are required indoors for all staff, adult visitors and strongly recommended indoors for primary students. Masks can be removed when eating or exercising.
- All staff and visitors must check in when attending a school site or gathering.
- Adults should maintain 1.5 metres physical distancing wherever practicable.
- Activities and events should be held outdoors where practical.
- Indoor spaces will be well ventilated and as large as possible for the number of attendees - following square metre guidelines.
- Students should avoid mingling with other class and year groups when moving around the school.
- Students and staff will maintain good hand hygiene and schools will continue with enhanced cleaning, including high touch points.

CHRIS CONNOR
PRINCIPAL

SPECIAL AWARD

| | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| Noureen Abdelhady | Elianah Alchin |
| Penelope Busby | Jack Carroll |
| Chloe Coulton | Jimmy Edler |
| Montell Haywood | Harry Hazelwood |
| Emily Hyde | George Ingall |
| Theo Jones | Benji London |
| Jack Mann | Chiara McLauchlan |
| Ibrahim Muhammad | Ayla Pepper |
| Sebastian Powell | Matilda Smith |
| Noah Todd | Fletcher Thompson |
| Lara Townsend | Eleanor Van Doesburg |
| Cayden Wood | Lucy Woods |

PRINCIPAL AWARD

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| Benny Blowes | Bailey Miller |
| Nikayla Owen-Kealy | Hugo Squires |
| Chelsea Tribe | Eden Ward |

PRINCIPAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Eva George

SILVER BELLS P&C FUNDRAISER 2021!

Start collecting your coins for the 2021 Silver Bells Fundraiser! Any spare silver coins can be brought into the classrooms from now until Monday 6th December. Coins will be collected in each classroom and the money raised will be put towards some exciting new playground equipment for the Primary school. Stay tuned for more information....

*****for now, please leave your coins at home. We will let you know when to start bringing them in.***



KINDER RAINBOW

Kinder Rainbows class have been enjoying learning to form their letters using the correct handwriting lines. They are very pleased to be preparing for Year 1.



Rainbow students love being at school with their friends.



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REMINDER

Last awards to be handed in by Wednesday 17 November. Please make sure your children have handed in any awards they would like processed this year by Wednesday November 17 2021.

Year 6 need to make sure they have their awards handed in asap. Kindergarten to Year 5 can carry over until the following year.

Please do not hesitate to phone the office if you have any questions regarding this.

McCARTHY CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Please be advised that McCarthy Catholic College will be holding their Year 7 2022 Orientation Day at the College on Wednesday 8 December 2021. All students who have accepted Offers of Enrolment will be in attendance on this day.



Tamworth Yoga Studio

Jo's Classes:

- ◆ Saturday 9:30am
- ◆ Monday 9:30am / 6pm
- ◆ Thursday 6pm (Relaxation Class)

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