



The Magpie



Term 1 Week 5

Weekly Newsletter of Tamworth Public School

23 February 2023

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2023

FEBRUARY

FRI 24 Tamworth Zone
Swimming Carnival

MARCH

THUR 2 Kindy NRMA
Bus Safety

MON 6 North West Swimming
Carnival

Fri 24 Harmony Day

15 March - 5 April
Life Education

APRIL

THUR 6 Easter Hat Parade

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

TPS Swimming Carnival

Our TPS Swimming Carnival was a great success last Thursday, with the most competitors for several years. It was great to be able to hold a 'normal carnival' after so many years, including 25 metre races and novelty events.

Thanks to staff and parent helpers on the day. Massive thanks to Mr Beasley and Mr Adamson for all their organisation.



K-2 Curriculum & Decodable Readers

Tamworth Public School are very grateful to the TPS P&C for their donation of \$10,000 to go toward purchasing new decodable books and resources for the new K-2 Curriculum. Key curriculum changes in English and Mathematics have begun with staff leading and teaching the new units of work from the Department of Education. A community information evening around the new curriculum will take part later in the term.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5 will be taking place this term from 15 March to 24 March. This is a change from the previous years. Staff are working on timetables and communication will be forwarded regarding these tests soon.

Staff Development Day dates for 2023

Staff Development Day dates and student start dates for 2023 are as follows:

Term 2 - Monday 24 April - Students start school on Wednesday 26 April (ANZAC Day on Tuesday 25 April).

Term 3 - Monday 17 July - Students start school on Tuesday 18 July.

Term 4 - Students start school on Monday 9 October. Students last day for 2023 will be Friday 15 December.

Staff Development day Monday 18 December.

Special Religious Education Starts at TPS

Last week our Special Religious Education (Scripture) classes began for 2023. Students from Years K-6 have the opportunity to attend these classes. Thank you to our Scripture Volunteers who come in each week to present these lessons. Thanks also to Jenny Taggart and Julia Drinnan for coordinating this program.

Kevin Squires

Principal (Relieving)

Zone Representatives for Tennis and Touch



TPS Zone Touch Team - Sophie, Dakota, Mia and Kade (absent) TPS Zone Tennis Team - Zoe, Eddie, Oscar, Finn, Anja and Zac (absent)

Last week Students from Tamworth Public have attended trials for Zone Tennis and Touch Representative teams. All the students performed at a high standard and displayed fantastic Sportsmanship. The touch team is now off to Coffs Harbour and the Tennis team will play in Gunnedah on Monday 13 March. Congratulations and good luck to these students.

Message from Music Coordinator Ms De Moray

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Hello everyone!

Thank you to all the new students who have joined our 2023 Music Program at TPS.

We have had an overwhelming response going from 50 students taking Music lessons in 2022 to a massive 145 in 2023. Due to this incredible increase, Music lessons are now full for Term 1, 2023.

If your child will be continuing their Music lessons in Term 2 or would like to start lessons in Term 2, notes for these Music lessons will be sent home in the coming weeks.

A huge thank you for the quick payments made to our Music tutors and I ask that we continue the upfront payment system going forward.

Thank you for supporting the arts and encouraging your child to pursue their passion for Music!

Ms De Moray



SPECIAL AWARDS

Aafreen
 Dhriti Bansal
 Harry Bonarius
 Archie Brown
 Evie-Mae Chidgzey
 Brodie Crompton
 Riley Grace
 Eva Hatch
 Savannah Johnston
 Ruby Leeson
 Ivy McDonald
 Oscar Nicholson
 Gurasees Kaur
 Rob Squires
 Ella Wallace
 Laura Wilkinson

Alexander Arndell
 Evelyn Bartlett
 Jack Bourke
 Jacob Brown
 Philippa Clunas
 Alfie Doyle
 Jessica Grant
 Tyler Hollis
 Oscar Kelly
 Ollie Logan
 Xavier McKenzie
 Austyn Pinchen
 Addison Reid
 Tyler Thomas-Cini
 Annabelle Ward
 Joey Wilson

Indy-Rose Atkin-Finly
 Emily Bird
 William Boyce
 Penny Busby
 Edison Collins
 Ryan Downes
 Sophie Grant
 Blake Johnson
 Sissy Kingsley
 George McDonald
 Cooper Murray
 Chloe Rankmore
 Romme Smith
 Lara Townsend
 Sofia Weekes

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

Piper Blinman
 Olive Fraser
 Ivii Johns
 Caiden Old
 Adele Rankmore

Storm Campbell
 Jhett Johns
 Archer Masterson
 Riley Old
 Lucy Soto-McKnight

Ethan Delohery
 Clem Mercer
 Grace Norrie
 Chloe Stehr



Good for kids
 good for life

**Tips to increase vegetables at school**

Veggies are packed with vitamins, minerals and fibre to help with healthy growth and development, and to strengthen the body's immune system.

Here are our top tips to increase your child's love of veggies:

- **Involve your children** in lunchbox planning and preparation - Let children wash, peel and chop veggies
- **Add cooked veggies** to the lunchbox - plan to cook extra the night before or put leftovers to good use
- **Add raw veggies** as a snack - use bite size veggies or chop larger ones into pieces including cherry tomatoes, baby cucumber, snow peas, carrots, capsicum
- **Hide veggies** - Try including raw veggies first, but if your child refuses to eat them, then it's time to hide them.
- **Role modelling** - Include veggies in your own work lunchbox or let your child pack you a healthy lunchbox when they pack theirs.



Follow the link below for more tips and recipe ideas:

<https://www.swapit.net.au/resources/parent-resources/tips/tips-to-increase-vegetables/>



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**Motivated Magpie**

- I will always try my best
- I use feedback to improve my learning
- I am an enthusiastic learner who strives to improve.



Name: Leigh Anson

Position: Year 2 Classroom Teacher

How long have you been a part of TPS: Returning teacher to TPS in 2023

Favourite Colour: Blue

Favourite food: I love any dishes pretty much that contain chicken

Favourite TV Show: Crime and Comedy shows are my favourite

What is great about TPS: How wonderful and kind everyone is

Funny Story about TPS: I'm looking forward to the fun and learning in the future

Interviewed by: Chloe and Eddie

REMINDER for those with Asthma

Ventolin inhalers or relievers are essential for people with Asthma and should be on hand even if they aren't experiencing symptoms.

Please ensure that all students have their own Ventolin and Spacers in their school bags at all times and that we have an up to date Asthma Plan on file.



Kinder Bunnies Loving Kindergarten

I Like Tamworth Public School because I get to play with my friends every day and I get to learn new things.

Written by Jayda



I love my teacher Miss Wadwell, she is lots of fun. Play time is my favourite.

Written by Max





2023 FARRER OPEN DAY

AUSTRALIA'S ONLY SELECTIVE BOYS AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL
8:30AM - 1:30PM WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH, 2023.

REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL. Visit www.farrer.nsw.edu.au to register before 6 March. Wear smart casual and a hat. Light refreshments and lunch will be served.

Are you considering Farrer for your son? Our Farrer Open Day is a great opportunity to explore our exceptional facilities rarely seen in a public high school for both boarding and day boys in Years 7 – 12 and their families. Come and learn more about Farrer's broad curriculum, academic and employment pathways, exceptional, sporting and learning facilities.

We're proud of our reputation for developing responsible, respectful young men who thrive at school and in their careers beyond. Visit our website to register for our 2023 Open Day. Numbers are strictly limited!

FARRER MEMORIAL AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL, 585 CALALA LANE, TAMWORTH 2340 NSW

Thank You

From St Johns Church

St Johns Church would like to thank all the people who donated non perishable food for the Christmas drive at the end of 2022.

The food donated was given out to people in need so that they too could enjoy Christmas.

It is very much appreciated.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! RETURN AND EARN

As part of our school recycling program we collect and recycle drink containers such as the juice poppers, milk /Up and Go cartons, water and Chill J bottles. These containers are recycled through the community "Return and Earn" program.

Recycling many of our drink containers that may have ended up in landfill, we are able to raise between \$15-\$20 a week. This money is used by the school on new environmental initiatives.

We were hoping to recruit some keen parents/grandparents, who would like to volunteer to help with this task. The job would require-

- * Helping out twice a term
- * Collecting 2/3 plastic tubs full of sorted recycle drink containers from school on a day that suits you
- * Putting them through a Return and Earn machine/or the new automated depo in Taminda
- * Returning the 'Refund' voucher/ or cash to school.

This is an easy way to raise some much-valued funds for our school whilst supporting an important state environmental initiative.

If you're interested, please leave your name and phone number with the lovely top office ladies or let your child's classroom teacher know. Someone on the ECO Team will contact you.

Kind regards

Jenni Turner and the ECO Team.

Peel High School



Tamworth's only Public Co-Educational Partially Selective High School

The Peel High School Open Day is Saturday, 25 February from 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Registration from 8.45 am.

All students interested in attending Peel High School are welcome to attend.



For all enquiries please call our school Office 6765 7088 or email: peel-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au



Tamworth Swans
Australian Football & Netball Club



NETBALL

The partnership between TPS and the Tamworth Swans Netball Club will continue into its third year in 2023. This year will see the introduction of the red and white netball uniform, which will look stunning!

Any girl or boy interested in playing netball for the TPS-Swans can get an information letter from the school office or contact **Hannah Tomlinson (0418 627 444)**.




PLAY HOCKEY IN 2023

Come and Try Days:

- Sat 18th March - 9am
- Sat 25th March - 9am
- Sat 1st April - 9am

Why Play Hockey in Tamworth?

- INTERNATIONAL STANDARD FACILITIES
- ALL-WEATHER SURFACES MEANS LESS CANCELLATIONS
- A FAMILY-FOCUSED CLUB AND ASSOCIATION

GET IN TOUCH

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