



Coming Events

Thursday 23rd March

Healthy Eating Work Shops for families 3pm

Friday 24th March

School Cross country

Wednesday & Thursday

29th - 30th March

S2 Cataract Scout Camp

Thursday 6th April

Easter Hat Parade

(P&C BBQ, Raffles & Cake Stall)

Tuesday 25th April

ANZAC Day

Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th &

Thursday 11th May

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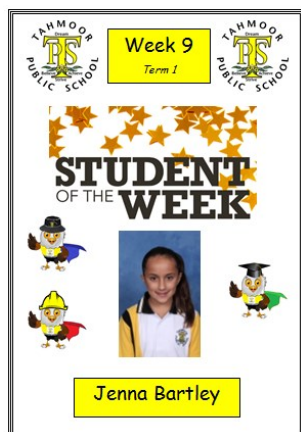
Friday 19th May

AFL/Soccer/Netball Gala Day

MC Excursion Wildlife world

Tuesday 23rd May

STEM Pre School Visit 9.30am



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News from the Principal

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to all those students who received Principal's Awards at our recent assembly. This is a tangible reminder that good behavior is constantly rewarded at our school.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Our school is getting closer to launching our new PBL program. This will take place next term and will incorporate a whole new positive based behavior system.

Accompanying this program will be a more explicit set of rules which will support the learning of our students both in and out of the classroom.

Once all the procedures have been finalized I will communicate the new structures to our full school community.

Tahmoor Innovation and Engagement (TIE)

Tonight Tahmoor staff will be collaboratively working across a range of cutting edge educational programs to help increase the level of engagement and knowledge base of our students. Innovations such as Flipped Learning, SOLE (Self Organised Learning Environment), Genius Hour and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) will be introduced and trialled across each Stage in our school. Congratulations and thank you to the coordinators of this exciting project—Ms Carman, Mr Maumill, Ms Dudukovic and Mrs Statham.

Courtesy and Respect

Please ensure that all times, our Front Office staff are spoken to with both respect and dignity. We are blessed to have the high calibre of office staff we have at Tahmoor Public School. Indeed I have not worked with a more professional and caring office staff in over 30 years of involvement in Public Education. So please don't shoot the messenger, quite often our Office staff are relaying messages for other people. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. We have a great school and it starts at the front office.

Have a great fortnight

David Schofield

SPORT

CROSS COUNTRY

Our annual Cross Country carnival is scheduled for this Friday. In the case of inclement weather, our back up day is Monday 27th March. Students must return their permission note to exit the school grounds prior to the carnival on Friday.

RAZORBACK REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to Izaak Francis who has been selected in the Razorback AFL team to play at the SSW AFL carnival.

To date we have had many students trial for a variety of Razorback Teams and they have represented Tahmoor with enthusiasm and displayed sportsmanship that we have come to expect from our students here at Tahmoor.

SSW SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to Bianca Wyeth and Dylan Van Stralen who represented Tahmoor and Razorback at the SSW Swimming Carnival last week. Bianca finished 5th in the 12/13 year 50m backstroke (less than one second separated 3rd to 5th). Dylan finished 2nd in the 11 year 50m Freestyle—MC and 1st in the 11 year 50m breaststroke and backstroke. Dylan will now represent SSW at the State Swimming Carnival on . We wish him all the very best.

Yours in Sport

SPECSAVERS SCREENING

Notes were sent home yesterday for free sight screening from Specsavers Narellan , please only return your note if you **DO NOT WANT TO PARTICIPATE**. The Screening will begin from the 27th March 2017.

Newsletters will be coming home every second Monday. We would like to offer a digital newsletter for those families who would like to receive their copy via email. We currently upload every newsletter to the school website and send it out on our SkoolBag app. Please indicate below how you would like to receive your newsletter from Monday 20th March.

Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

- ☐ I would like my newsletter emailed to _____
- ☐ I would like to receive a paper copy of the newsletter
- ☐ I will read the newsletter on the website or SkoolBag app

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

James Mills	Makenzie Young
Travis Donnelly	Liliana Belobrajdic
James Abbey	Thomas Collier
Kaitlyn Dves	Dylan Suffolk
Blayke Szala	Hayley Pentacost
Danika Bellchambers	Aretino Commisso
Andrew Young	Harper Warren
Bonnie Basdekis	Liam Richardson
Cooper Schofield	Dane Aird
Maddison Woods	Madeleine Scott
Chloe Kozak	

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Tristan Goff
Travis Donnelly
Maddison Woods

PBL FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Speaking with respect



JUNIOR STEM CLUB

TERM 1 PROJECT—ARTBOTS



STAGE 2 NEWS

The students of Stage 2 have been working on being respectful of each others personal space over the past two weeks. As a Stage we have been explicitly teaching the students how to ensure that they have enough space around themselves when lining up or sitting on the floor. We have also been developing strategies for the students to use to respectfully communicate if their personal space is not being respected by others. I have seen a great improvement in the way that the students are interacting in their learning spaces and how they respectfully transition around the school and classroom by not pushing past others. I am very proud of how the students are developing and utilising these skills on a regular basis.

This fortnight the teachers have selected the PBL focus of speaking to others respectfully. The focus of our lessons this week will be on how we respectfully communicate with each other. The lessons will cover how we talk to friends, peers, school staff and visitors to our school. We will be reinforcing how to respectfully communicate with others and develop strategies and skills on what to do if others are not speaking respectfully.

By focusing on speaking to others respectfully skills and strategies will be developed to facilitate a happy classroom and school environment where everyone feels respected. I am sure that all Stage 2 students will achieve this weeks goal of being respectful towards others in the way that they communicate.

Stage 2 Overnight Camp

Just a reminder that the Stage 2 overnight camp will be on the 29th and 30th of March. If your child is attending the camp and they have not returned their medical/dietary requirements form this needs to be done as soon as possible. The camp has requested that we communicate all special requirements by Wednesday the 22nd of March.

If you have any questions regarding the camp forms or payment please contact me.

Skills for Learning – Communication skills

Communication skills for some children come naturally. I'm sure you can recall a child, be it your own, or someone you know, who could effectively communicate from a very young age. There are also children who struggle and fear having to communicate, explain or expand upon their thoughts and opinions. The communication skills that we need to be effective lifelong learners need to be explicitly taught and expanded upon to ensure we are effective in preparing our students for the adventure of learning.

Communication Skills

Listening

Listening to directions; listening to others; listening to information.

Speaking

Speaking clearly; giving oral reports to small and large groups; expressing ideas clearly and logical; stating opinions.

Reading

Reading a variety of sources for information and pleasure; comprehending what has been read; making inferences and drawing conclusions.

Writing

Recording information and observations; taking notes and paraphrasing; writing summaries; writing reports; keeping a journal or record.

Viewing

Interpreting and analysing visuals and multimedia; understanding the ways in which images and language interact to convey ideas; values and beliefs; making informed choices about personal viewing experiences.

Presenting

Constructing visuals and multimedia for a range of purposes and audiences; communicating information and ideas through a variety of visual media; using appropriate technology for effective presentation and representation.

Non-verbal Communication

Recognising the meaning of visual and kinaesthetic communication; recognising and creating signs; interpreting and utilising symbols.

Within the classroom our students are afforded rich and authentic opportunities to further develop the above skills on a daily basis which in turn assists them on their journey of becoming lifelong learners.

Celebration of success

Each week a different Stage 2 class will be showcasing their successes from within the classroom. This week 4/5W are sharing their writing. The students have written interesting narratives using correct structure, purpose and technique.

Kind regards,
Michael Maumill
Stage 2 supervisor

STAGE 1 NEWS

Stage 1 students have been working hard on our new spelling program. Students have been showing great growth! It is exciting to have parents on board and helping their children practise their spelling words at home.

Last week all Stage 1 teachers participated in professional learning where they analysed their class data and learnt new skills. All Stage 1 classrooms will be incorporating 'Number Talk' in their routine as part of Mathematics. During 'Number Talk' students learn to use mathematical concepts and skills flexibly, accurately and efficiently. 1/2N were excited to try out 'Number Talk' in their classroom.

Thank you to all Stage 1 students for working so hard!



The haunted

Cooper and I were playing handball happily until I accidentally did a move called treetops and it landed in creepy graveyard. "I heard that the graveyard not just has a mansion but is haunted" I said "as if" said Cooper bravely. So they went to the graveyard but it was night when got there.

When I opened the gate we heard creepy noises while entering the graveyard and it was creepy "hey the ball" said Cooper excited to play with it. Cooper leaped at the ball but the ball mysteriously teleported into the house. "There are zombies guarding the ball" I said. So Cooper and I went up the mansion. It took a few hours to get to the level the ball was on "um Vandon there's tons of zombies coming" Cooper said but I wasn't listening I just wanted to get the ball and get out of there.

"Vandon, Vandon! we have to get out of here there are zombies coming "

"Almost! Got it! Now let's get out of here" I yelled running to the exit. They got out just before there mums came out to check on them "are you ok?" asked there mums

"We're ok mum" we said

The end

Stage 2 News

The Old Haunted House

One sunny afternoon, Lucia, Dane, Kelsey, Maddy were playing tip. As Dane tipped Lucia, she was in to chase everyone. Then suddenly Maddy ran into a gate without looking where she was going. Everyone ran to Maddy to see if she was okay. But then everyone got distracted by this old haunted house behind this big, wire gate. The gate had a big sign that said warning. Dane said "Let's go in, there might be old food for me to eat and we maybe will see a ghost!" So the rest of the girls agreed and opened the gate very slowly. They slowly walked into the haunted house's front yard.

The house was very spooky on the outside, there vines on the house and there was a tower connected to the haunted house. Dane rang the front door bell twice. No one answered. So they opened the door and the door made a creaky sound because it was very old. The house was huge! They all wanted to explore except Lucia, so she went with Kelsey and Maddy. Dane wanted to explore for himself. The girls were exploring the living room and Dane went to the kitchen, for some old food.

As the girls explored the house, one of them suggested to look for Dane, they all split up to find Dane. When Kelsey was still looking for Dane she didn't notice something behind her, then suddenly, she got pushed right at the back and fell to the ground, by someone that was behind her. Later on, Maddy and Lucia found each other so they both gave up looking for Dane and started to look for Kelsey. They were worried because she hadn't found the two girls yet.

So as they were looking they soon found Kelsey lying on the floor. Lucia said "Kelsey!" Maddy and Lucia were screaming in the house. But then Dane heard the two girls screaming so he found them. The two girls were asking if who hurt Kelsey. So one of them thought of a very, well clever thing. "Let's all split up and if one of us gets hurt then the person can escape and call the police"

So they all split up again. Then later on Maddy got hurt too! As Maddy got pushed she screamed. Then Lucia heard. It was Dane who running around hurting everyone. So Lucia ran as fast as she could to find the door to freedom. She kept saying in her head. "Just keep running, just keep running, Dane won't catch you if you keep running" Then she saw in a far distance was the door! She ran and she made it! She was out of the old house. She ran to the police station as fast as she could and tell the police and Dane is arrested and now he's in jail!

The End

by Lucia Brooks

Mittagong Blue Light Disco

Venue: Mittagong RSL

Date : Saturday 25^h March 2017

Times : 4pm to 6.30 pm

Cost : \$5.00 per child 4 – 14 years

Parents and children under 3 free.

Thank you
Chris and Sandra Roberson
Wingecarribee Blue Light

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YOUTH WEEK 2017

PARK PARTY

YOUTH EVENT ALL WELCOME

Wednesday 5 April
2:30 - 5:30pm
Memorial Park, Thirlmere
Cnr of Barbour Rd and Oaks St

Come and have your say
about what you would
like to see happening in
Wollondilly.

Meet new friends and
connect with local
service providers.

FREE

- Sausage sizzle
- boot camp
- drumming display
- yoga & meditation
- arts & crafts
- RFS
- NRL development

LIVE performances by
Flat Ollie & Buds of Treason
and much more!

Accessible Parking
Bus Routes: Picton Busway, 912 & 914
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
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THINK CLUB

EXPANDING YOUNG MINDS

Think Club Australia provides experiential workshops for the inquisitive, problem-solving, creative and capable primary school child. Our one day, hands-on workshops are enjoyable, fun and interesting.

For more information and to book one of our amazing workshops please visit our website:
www.thinkclubaustralia.com

WEDNESDAY 19th & THURSDAY 20th APRIL 2017
9am – 3.30pm, Sydney Boys High School, Moore Park, Sydney

WIRIMBIRRA SANCTUARY

Join us for Reptile Day – always a beautiful day for young and not-so-young to get up close and personal with all kinds of cold blooded creatures.

Displays by Macarthur Herpetological Society and Crocodile Encounters will give everyone a chance to Look, listen, enjoy and learn about our fascinating Wild Life. The live reptile presentations will keep children enchanted as they learn about habits, diet and survival tricks of snakes, lizards, skinks, geckos and crocodiles. It will be an informative, fun and delightful day for children and families of all ages.

Location: Wirrimbirra Sanctuary, 3105 Remembrance Drive, Bargo

Date: Sunday 26 March 2017

Time: 10am – 3pm

Entry: \$5 pp and \$15 per family (2 adults and 2 children)

Enquiries: Phone 4684 1112, email enquiries@wirrimbirra.com.au or online at