



# NEWSLETTER

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### Dear Parents and Community Members...

There was a note sent home with the youngest in the family last Friday. Since the storm earlier last week we have had no phones. We have been able to have all calls diverted to a single mobile. This means that while the mobile is in use we are not able to take any other calls. Please be patient and keep trying to call, alternatively you can email the school at [sirhenryparkes-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:sirhenryparkes-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) or if possible, come up in person. We are not sure when the phones will be fixed. We have had Telstra checking lines and the phone company has also been checking the system. We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

This Thursday is the last of our Kindergarten Transition days. I would like to thank Tracy Caldwell and Liz Jarvis for running such a successful program over the past few weeks. Tracy and Liz have spent many hours organising a wide range of activities for the children to enjoy. Transition helps children become familiar with our school, the teachers and other children who will be starting in 2016.

Have a lovely week,  
Lorelle O'Brien

### Science Fair

The Primary Extension Group will be holding a Science Fair on **Wednesday, November 3** from 12 noon until 2.30pm. The Science Fair will involve a variety of Science experiments and each class will be visiting during the afternoon.

Parents are welcome to come and visit the Science Fair which is being held in Bruxner Hall.

### Year 5/6 Camp

Just a reminder that the Year 5/6 camp will be held on **Tuesday, November 24 until Friday, November 27**. Please make sure you have gone online and done your child's medical information. Please follow the link below:  
[sportandrecreation.nsw.edu.au/facilities/schools/medicalandconsentform](http://sportandrecreation.nsw.edu.au/facilities/schools/medicalandconsentform).

### Year 7 selective high schools in 2017

You can find a copy of the information bulletin for primary schools on the internet at <https://detwww.det.nse.edu.au/publicschoolsnsn/school-programs/selective-high-school-placement>.

Applications open online between **October, 13 2015 and November, 16 2015**. Parents must apply online at [ww.schools.nse.edu.au/shsplacement](http://ww.schools.nse.edu.au/shsplacement). For more information see the front office.

## TALENT SHOW

There will be a full dress rehearsal held on **Thursday, November 5**, for all the students who will be performing in our Talent show. All students will need to make sure they have their full costumes and props ready to bring on this day. Acts that are not ready by this day will not be able to participate in the talent show. Thank you,  
Miss Julie Slobin.

## "STAFF MEMBER OF THE WEEK"



**Christine Maddocks**

Learning and Support Teacher

My husband and I made our tree-change to Tenterfield at the end of 2000. Prior to this my teaching career was in Early Childhood as a Preschool Director at various locations in NSW over a 25 year period.

I loved my time in Preschool but wanted a new challenge so I decided to study Special Education. Not long after I completed my degree in 2002 I was offered a temporary position at The Sir Henry Parkes School and in 2003 was offered a permanent position as Support Teacher. I am so grateful for my "second career".

I have worked with wonderful colleagues and students and learnt so much about ways of helping students achieve success at school. I am an avid reader and at present am very excited about the remarkable discoveries neuroscientists are making about the brain and the implications for students with learning difficulties.

My husband and I have embraced Tenterfield life. We belong to a local group called BLOG-Border Landcare Organic Group-where we have met lots of likeminded people aiming for a more sustainable healthy life. I am also known as a bit of a mad cat lady-many of my students know me for this-as well as having a penchant for Country Music.

For fun I recently had a reading with a clairvoyant at a country market who told me I was surrounded by abundance. I agree with this-my life is abundant with family, friends, pussycats, music and life in beautiful Tenterfield-and for this I am truly grateful.

# CALENDAR

	WK	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	Sat / Sun
<b>Term 4 Oct</b>	<b>5</b>	2 *Book Fair	3 *Melbourne Cup	4 *Science fair	5 *Kindy Transition 9-3pm	6 →	<b>7/8</b>
	<b>6</b>	9 *Armajun Health	10 *Talent Show 11:30am-1pm	11 *Mrs O'Brien away-School business	12	13 *Assemblies: 2/3B on both	<b>14/15</b>

## CANTEEN

### CANTEEN ROSTER

<b>Wed</b>	4	Lea Rossington, Help needed please
<b>Thur</b>	5	Kelly Coleman
<b>Fri</b>	6	Lou Holley, Help needed please
<b>Mon</b>	9	Help needed please
<b>Tue</b>	10	Marie Thomas
<b>Wed</b>	11	Help needed please

### HOMEBAKE

<b>Mon</b>	9	Carmel Moore
<b>Wed</b>	11	Kris McCowen
<b>Fri</b>	13	Jane Harvey

### DONATIONS (This Week)

<b>Sliced Beetroot</b>	Shona Clark, Rhonda Fowler
<b>Mayonnaise</b>	Leanne Hal Liz Bridge
<b>Block Cheese</b>	Jody Lieberman
<b>Lettuce</b>	Jenny Petrie
<b>Margarine</b>	Kristy Petrie, Kaela Kelly

### Meal Deal-"Be a Winner"

A long roll filled with lettuce, cheese and mayo topped with a crumbed chicken tenderloin plus a popper and a chocolate coated ice cream \$5.50

Other choices: 2 mini pies \$2.80

6 chicken nuggets \$3.00

Please remember Meal Deals are \$5.50

We have lots of "help needed" days on our roster so please give it some thought or there will be some major changes.

### Swim Scheme

The school swim scheme will be held in week 7.  
More information in next week newsletter.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:

**Infants:** Charlie Nettle, Jaidean Connors, Thomas Hennessy, Marri-char Binge, Ashah Hillier.

**Primary:** Hailee Ross, Kristie Cowin, Fletcher Koch, Sophie-Lee Latta, Kori Eaton.

**Principal Award:** Lucy Everett, Toby Watt.

**Silver Award:** Angela Moore, Jaynika Hollis, Fletcher Koch, Sean Campbell-Sporule.

**Bronze Award:** Jed McCowen, Georgia Hollis, Fletcher Koch, Dean Campbell-Sporule.

**SHP Award:** Eric Ross, Norman Cutmore, Sophie Bailee, Larissa George, Katie McCowen, Talissah Spittles, Dakota Crotty, Lucy Everett, Elly Petrie, Kiara Charlton, Bradley Newman, Sarah Harvey, Elsie Cross, Hailie Ross, Jaynee Soper, Ralph Thomson.

### Community Notices

#### Lights Project

An Energy Efficiency Education display plus a free light lunch will be held at the Tenterfield hub on

Tuesday November 3 and 4 open at 10am-3pm.

Learn how to keep household electricity bills low; your home cool in summer; save energy with appliances; get better lighting solutions and more. [www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au)

#### Walk Against Violence

Departs Tenterfield Hospital, Naas Street on Saturday November 7 at 11am.

Everyone is invited to join the walk to Bruxner Park in the CBD.

Please gather in the park from noon for a sausage sizzle, guest speakers and more.

For more information contact Tenterfield Hospital 6739 5200

### Elvis the Kangaroo

On October 28, Lachlan's dad brought in a pet joey.

Elvis is a wild kangaroo, Lachlan's dad found him in a paddock. At first he was shy to come out of its pillow case. A few minutes later he came out and he wasn't shy anymore. He went in a circle so we could pat him. He licked Jimi's hand. He played footy with a foam ball.

Before he had to leave he did a front flip into the pillowcase but then he had to leave. Our opinion about Elvis is that he is a fun, quiet kangaroo. By Breea, Lachlan and Will.



### Fast Read Fast Write

As part of our writing this term we are doing "Fast Read Fast Write". For this we are shown a stimulus picture and have 4 minutes to write about it. We have the same picture for the week and have to write something different each day - we might write a story, describe something about the picture, give some information about the picture or something we see in the picture and so on, the ideas are only limited by our imagination.

### Science Experiment

For science we did a push and pull experiment. We had to get a 4 metre long piece of fishing line and put it threw a straw, sticky tape a balloon to the straw, blow it up and let it go, and it worked. It was excellent. By Amelia and Jimi

### Science Project Interviews



Jake Gibbins, Taylor Morris-Airs and Chris Benstead made a shopping centre.

They used cardboard, paint, sticky tape, tissues, cars and toilet rolls.

They aimed it at boys and girls and they hope to sell it for \$3.



Luci and Piper made a tin chime. They used tins, a stick and fishing line.

It was aimed at boys and girls, they hope to sell it for \$10.

They made it for storage and to play with.



Emily, Shania and Mia made pull-a-long-train.

They used toilet rolls, a box, bottle lids and a butter container

It was aimed at boys and girls and they hope to sell it for \$5.

They made it because it was a fun toy.



Breea Made a cube bubble.

She used straws and pipe cleaners

It was aimed at boys and girls she hope to sell it for \$5.



Sarah, Amelia  
Made a truck







# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



## 3/4B and 3/4T science

