

The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial

PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



LEARNING SAFETY RESPECT

Term 1 Week 2 2019



WELCOME BACK!

We have had the most wonderful return to school for 2019. Our students have settled in fantastically and our classrooms are settled and ready to begin their learning for the year ahead.

Our classes this year are named after the United Nations International year of the Indigenous Language:

- Ms Fiona McDonald—Kindergarten—Gunis (Native bees)
- Ms Laura Hanna—K/1—Balabalaas— (Butterflies)
- Miss Mel Bridge—1/2—Dharris (Fringed neck lizards)
- Miss Deannah Del Prete—1/2—Bigibilas (Echidnas)
- Mrs Liz Duff—3/4—Dhinawans (Emus)
- Mr Mark Hertz—3/4—Dhuyus (Snakes)
- Miss Jennifer Givins & Mrs Phil Irvin—4/5—Yurrandaalis (Goannas)
- Mr Adam Collier—5/6—Bandarrs (Kangaroos)
- Mrs Tracy Caldwell—5/6—Warabas (Turtles)
- Mr Jarrod Birch—MC—Gudas (Koalas)

Miss Amanda Rowe is off class this year working as a 3-6 Instructional Leader and relieving Assistant Principal.

A warm welcome to our new families and our 32 gorgeous Kindergarten students for 2019.

We will be holding our annual 'Meet the Teacher' and BBQ on Wednesday February 13. Please see the attached flyer with details. We would love to have as many parents as possible at this evening. Our teachers will be talking about the year ahead and will have a termly newsletter ready for you to take home on the night. Thank you to the P&C for running the BBQ once again.

Our Stage 3 camp to Lennox Head is in Week 10 this term. We have moved the camp to the beginning of the year as this the best time for your child/ren to build strong relationships with their peers and teachers, whilst having a fantastic time. This will also ease the financial costs in Term 4.

Our doors are always open. If you have any concerns or queries, please call to make an appointment with your child's teacher directly, at an appropriate time outside of class teaching time.

If you would like your name added to our school email lists for this newsletter please contact the office.

Have a great week!

Miss Anna Starcevic

Principal

2019 Swim Carnival

Our annual school swimming carnival was held yesterday, Tuesday February 5 and was an absolutely fantastic day for everyone involved. It was great to see so many energetic, smiling swimmers taking to the blocks to represent their sports houses. The action in the pool was highly competitive with many swimmers achieving personal best times in individual events.

The highlight of the day belongs to Ellie P who produced a superb time of 24.40 seconds in the 12-13 year old girls butterfly event to break the school record. Well done Ellie. While the main swimming events were reserved for 8 year olds and above, our younger students from K, 1 and 2 had an awesome time participating in a variety of novelty events throughout the morning.

The carnival ran smoothly and thanks must be directed to the following people for the efforts they put into the day: Mrs Thomas and Mr Hurtz who organised the day, Lauren and Josh the pool managers, Mrs Koch and her wonderful students from Tenterfield High School who timed our events, Mrs Preston and Mrs Gibbins who expertly managed the time sheets and all other school staff and parent helpers who pitched in during the day.

To see our school community work together so well to support the kids was an absolute pleasure to see.

Announcement of age champions, champion sports house and students who have qualified to compete at the NNE swimming carnival to be held in Glen Innes on Friday February 15 will all be announced before the end of this week.

Mr Mark Hurtz

3/4 Dhuyus Class Teacher

2019 Sports Coordinator

THIS WEEKS POSTIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING LESSON (PBL)



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PBL Term 1 Week 2

Here is the list of our PBL levels to remind us all the order in which PBL rewards including Brag tags and Badges are received. Students work hard to receive their Bronze Brag Tag first, followed by Silver Brag Tag, Gold Brag Tag, Personal Best badge, lunch with the Principal and finally Platinum wrist band.

The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public School PBL Levels		
BRONZE	Bronze Brag Tag	
SILVER	Silver Brag Tag	
GOLD	Gold Brag Tag	
PERSONAL BEST	PB Badge	
LUNCH WITH PRINCIPAL	Lunch with Principal and Book	
PLATINUM	Platinum wrist band	

Welcome to our new staff this year:



Miss Jennifer Givins

My name is Jennifer Givins and I am teaching the wonderful 4/5 Yurrandaalis this year. I have recently moved to Tenterfield from Sydney where I had been teaching for the last six years. I love to sing, play and write music, participate in tennis, netball, swimming and much much more.

This year I plan to support the students in Yurrandaalis to be a community of learners as they set and work towards achieving their goals. I believe life is a wonderful journey and I can't wait to see the students at TSHPMPS continue their own exciting adventures.



Mr Mark Hurtz

Hi, my name is Mark Hurtz and I am the teacher of 3/4 Dhuyus for 2019. I was born and raised in Tenterfield, having attended TSHPMPS and Tenterfield High School before heading off to university. I have been teaching in many parts of NSW over the last 12 years.

Over this time I have always had a longing to return to Tenterfield to teach and to spend more time on the farm. I am looking forward to leading the 3/4 Dhuyus through many engaging learning experiences and to extend every student towards achieving their potential.

I am also very excited by the opportunity to coordinate school sport for TSHPMPS during 2019.



Mr Jarrod Birch

Hello! I am Jarrod Birch and I have just moved to Tenterfield from the Central Coast. I'm teaching the Multi-Categorical class and this year we are known as the Gudas (Koalas). I'm very excited to be here and feel very lucky that I've arrived at such a supportive school and in such a beautiful town.

The Gudas are the first class I have taught but I have been working in school support roles for about 7 years.

My hope for this year is that all of my Gudas are offered unique and authentic opportunities to learn, play and grow both individually and together. I can't wait to see where 2019 takes us.



Ms Fiona McDonald

Hello everyone! I am a kindergarten teacher here at TSHPMPS and I am thrilled to be working at the school. I don't have a farm, but I definitely have a class! I have a background in childcare and a Bachelor of Education. I have taught in various schools on the Mid North Coast and surrounds for the past 4 years and most recently was lucky enough to teach Stage One for two years at Bowraville Central School.

Fun facts: I once studied to be chef.

I grew up on the beautiful Dorriggo Plateau and have two beautiful children. I love an adventure and recently took a solo trip to Cambodia exploring the country hiking, biking and kayaking, something that I have always wanted to do.

I'm excited for the year ahead working with my Guni's exploring and developing their creativity in all aspects of their learning journeys with fun and adventure. I love the arts and love coming to work each day. I look forward to getting to know my Guni's, students, staff and families.



Mr Phil Irvin

My name is Mr Phil Irvin. I am teaching most of the classes geography and history this year at TSHPMPS on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and also teaching the Yurrandaalis class on Fridays.

I began my teaching career in 2006 in the Western Victorian town of Edenhope. I had a Year 3/4 class for 4 years until I followed my now wife to Wagga Wagga for another 4 years and finally to Tenterfield in 2014.

I have been a teacher in Victoria, NSW and Queensland and have taught all years of primary school, but mainly Years 2 - 5.

This year I am really looking forward to getting to know all the students and community of the school because even though I have been living in the town for 4 years I have almost always been working in Stanthorpe and Mingoola.

I am also greatly looking forward to sharing my passion for geography, history and sports of all kinds throughout the year.

I am a huge fan of golf, cricket and rugby league and very happy that I am at a school in NSW, so that during State of Origin I won't be out numbered, for once!

Welcome also to our new School Counsellor—Mrs Alex Kelsall. Alex moved to Tenterfield from Armidale after accepting the position and we wish her a warm welcome to our school. Alex should be here on Wednesdays for our students.

Alex also services the high school and surrounding small schools.

Tenterfield Show

This Friday, students from Years 3 to 6 are trialling a visit to the Tenterfield Show. They will be walking down to the Showground at 11:30am. When they arrive they will be watching a reptile show and then travelling around the showground viewing various exhibitions and attractions that are being hosted by the Tenterfield Show Society. Students will leave the showgrounds at approximately 2:30pm to return to school in time to catch afternoon buses.

Permission for this excursion will be given by parents and carers ticking the local education excursions on the 2019 Data Form.

If the data form has not been returned, your child/ren will not be able to attend the excursion.

If you do not wish for your child to attend, please notify the class teacher.

Almost every child in our school will have artworks on display at the show. Please make sure you get along to see these and congratulate your child on their amazing artworks!

To all the students from TSHPMPS who will be competing at the show over Friday and Saturday, we wish you all the best.

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TERM 1 School Planner and Canteen Information

Week/ Month	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 February	4	5	6	7	8 Yrs 3 to 6 visit the Tenterfield Show
Week 3 February	11	12 P&C Meeting 5:30pm	13 Meet the Teacher BBQ afternoon	14	15 Zone Swimming Carnival
Week 4 February	18	19	20	21 K-6 Assembly 12pm Bruxner Hall	22
Week 5 Feb/Mar	25	26	27 SRC Induction 2:30pm	28 Oracles of the Bush visiting poet	1 HALOGEN—School leaders, Brisbane
Week 6 March	4	5	6	7	8

ASSEMBLY

DATE: Thursday February 21

TIME: 12:00pm

Visitors

Please sign in when visiting our school and pop a school visitor lanyard around your neck.

P&C MEETING

DATE: Tuesday February 12

TIME: 5:30pm (Staffroom)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Tenterfield Junior Soccer Association is holding a Kicks and Giggles session and invites all boys and girls 5 yrs to 11 yrs to come and have a go on Sunday February 17 2019, Shirley Park from 9am to 11am.

Please bring shin pads, soccer boots, and a drink bottle. For more information contact Hugh 0428669438 or Candice 0405072881. See you there!

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Canteen Roster for Term 1

Month	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7	Friday 8
February			
	Monday 11	Tuesday 12	Wednesday 13
February			

Canteen Donations for Week 3

Carrots	
Tomato Sauce	
Block Cheese	
Eggs	
Beetroot	
Lettuce	
Tomatoes	

Homebake for Term 1

Monday 11th	
Wednesday 13th	
Friday 15th	

WEDNESDAY'S MEAL DEAL

Welcome Back

Well we've hit the ground running and Term 1 2019 has well and truly started. I would like to once again thank everyone who volunteered their time and /or homebaked, donated food items last year it was very much appreciated.

Attached to this week's newsletter is a copy of our updated canteen menu and a note for anyone who would like to volunteer some time to come and help out at the canteen, homebake or donate food items. Please take the time to read over it and consider helping the canteen out in anyway as every little bit helps.

About our Canteen

- We are open 5 days a week. (8:45am to 2:30pm)
- School hats are sold here.
- We have a great second hand clothing pool. (There are either donated to the canteen to sell or we will sell clothes for a small commission.)
- Home bake is available 3 times a week. (Monday, Wednesday and Friday)
- Fresh fruit is available everyday. (If needed for crunch)
- On Wednesday we offer a Meal Deal this includes a main meal, drink (Usually a popper) and a dessert for \$6:00 (on this day only the meal deal and two other choices not included in the meal deal are available.)

Please feel free to drop in if needing any other information.

Regards,

Jen,

Canteen Manager.

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SAFETY RESPECT LEARNING

Wednesday February 6, 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday February 13, we will be holding our annual 'Meet the Teacher' / Welcome BBQ. You are invited to come in and meet your child/ren's teacher for this year and to learn about the year ahead in the classroom. The sessions will be run in your child/ren's classroom.

All families are warmly invited to enjoy a BBQ hosted by the Parents' and Citizens' Committee, which will be running during this time. To assist us with preparations, please indicate below if you are likely to attend, and if you will be accompanied by children.

Drinks and barbecued sausages will be available from 5:30pm, on the basketball court under the COLA.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Anna Starcevic

Principal

Yes, we will be attending the BBQ and "Meet the Teacher" evening on Wednesday February 15

Name: _____

Number of Adults _____ Number of Children _____

We will be attending the following the following information sessions:

CLASS	TIME	Tick appropriate	TEACHER
Kindergarten and Best Start Gunis and Balabalaas	5:00-5:30pm		Ms Fiona McDonald and Miss Laura Hanna
Dharris and Bigibilas	5:30-6:00pm		Miss Bridge and Miss Del Prete
Dhinawans, Dhuyus and Yurrandaalis	6:00-6:30pm		Mrs Duff, Mr Hurtz, Miss Givins and Mr Irvin
Warabas and Bandaarrs	6:30-7:00pm		Mrs Tracy Caldwell and Mr Adam Collier

Please return this slip to the front office no later than this Friday February 8 2019.