

Tighes Hill Public School

Newsletter No. 13

Term 3 Week 6 24th August 2022

Congratulations Year 6 students!

Well done to Poppy, Bodie, Liz, Linh, Iris, Tilly, Gareth, Henry, Leo B, Jasper, Hiranmayee, Dana, Evie and Rebecca for achieving an offer for Merewether Selective HS for 2023 and Toby and Rose who are on the reserve list.

Well done to Dana, Rose, Evie, Charlotte and Denzil for achieving an offer at the Hunter School of Performing Arts for 2023.

Well done to all the Year 6 students who sat for the test or auditions, we are very proud of you!!!



Congratulations to all our students who are working so hard for all their teachers each and every day. I am so very proud of the way that the children are focusing on quality, respect and responsibility. Well done children!

A great number of children have been absent due to illness so far this term, so please make sure that an absence request is submitted using the Sentral Parents app.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 26th August

ICAS Science
Interschool Chess semi-finals

Monday 29th August

ICAS Maths Y3-6 assembly

Tuesday 30th August

Multicultural Public Speaking regional final

Thursday 1st September

OC: Write a Book in a Day

Monday 5th September

Book Week begins! Stage 1 & 2 Chess team event

Tuesday 6th September

K-2 Murrook excursion Premier's Spelling Bee regional finals

Wednesday 7th September

Stage 2 Treetops excursion

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Pyjama Day!

What a fabulous day we had last week raising money for Camp Quality and supporting our wonderful Roxy. Well done to everyone for making this occasion so special and the generosity shown in donations. Tighes Hill families are the best!



Book Club Orders

Issue 6 orders out now!





PLEASE



NO PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS



Assemblies

Our assemblies will be held Mondays at 2pm in the upper hall.

Years 3-6 Primary: odd weeks

K-2: even weeks

Whole School Recognition assembly Wk10



Next meeting...

Monday 5th September at 6pm

Merit award recipients: Weeks 4 & 5

KD Charlie, Anni, Jack and Amer

KH Jessica, Honne, Lennard and Frankie

1C Bryn, Sam, Emma and Alice

11 Sienna, Hudson, Marlowe and Mila

2RW Winnie, Theo, Jumanah and Oscar

2SW Leo, Orson, Alex and Luca

3E Jesse, Navilia, Albie and Tygah

3N River, Byron, Talon and Mae

4E Indiana, Anna, Fergus, Hugo, Charlie,

Luciana, Henry and Clinton

4S Ruby, Henrik, Willow and Mikayla

5MS Oisin, Lars, Indi and Grace

5/60 Toby, Aisha, Taj and Cooper

6B Lily, Max Sv, Aidan and Blake

5/6AOC Hiranmayee, Dana, Thomas and Kailen

Congratulations to all our children and staff.

Tony Selwood

Principal

Positive wellbeing message
Weeks 5 & 6





Tighes Hill Primary School



Sentral App



Please see our office staff if you are unable to access or use our school app



SASS Recognition Week

September 5th through to September 9th is known as SASS recognition week where we celebrate the amazing work that our SASS staff give to the school each and every day. Our SASS staff at Tighes Hill is made up by:

*Mrs Pope, Mrs Horadam, Mrs Cotterill and Ms Humby in the office

*Mr Junon, Mr Sorby, Mrs Crump, Mrs Sheehan and Ms Humby supporting students in the classrooms

*Mr Sorby our general assistant and Troy the school cleaner





















Please thank these wonderful people next time you see them around the school for all that they do. They have such a positive impact on every student and colleague which we appreciate very much.

Digital permission notes - coming soon!

Starting in Term 4 we will be transitioning to online permission notes. As discussed at the P&C

earlier this year, this will support our school in going paperless. We will be using a system that is already in use at many local high schools. To ensure a smooth transition you will need to make sure your email address is current at the school. Please reach out to the office if you are unsure what email address is registered.

Examples of what the online notes/notifications will look like can be found below:





Check-in assessment

During this semester students in Years 3-6 will participate in the Check-in assessment. The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning. The assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. The assessment schedule is below:

Term 3: Weeks 8-10 (5 - 23 September) **Year 6** to complete reading, numeracy and writing assessments

Term 4: Weeks 1-4 (10 October to 4 November) **Years 3, 4, 5** complete reading and numeracy assessments

If you have any questions about the Check-in assessment, please speak to your child's teacher.

Collecting Children in School Hours

Parents, carers and visitors are reminded that ALL children must be signed out of school through the school office during the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm. Parents are not permitted to go to the classrooms directly. This ensures that interruptions are kept to a minimum, and that the adults collecting the students are registered and identified as an authorised parent or guardian. Students will come to the office after the office has processed the early departure through our computer system. Thank you to all parents who follow these procedures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students.

Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey

Our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: The Tell Them From Me student, teacher and parent feedback surveys. The suite of surveys aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student-wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The survey is a great opportunity for all stakeholders to provide us with valuable and quick feedback.

Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school. We wish to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. For students in Years 4-6, it will be administered during school hours between August and October. For parents and carers, a link will be shared to complete the survey online from Week 8 this term.

Year 5/6 Canberra excursion

Our 3 day excursion to Canberra is fast approaching! Thank you to all the families who have returned their permission notes and paid in full. The total cost of the excursion is \$380 per student, which is a reduced amount thanks to the PACER subsidy. Please ensure you've finalised your payment at the office ASAP. All the information about our excursion, including the itinerary and what to bring, can be found in the Sentral for Parents app in the Resources section.

Callaghan/Port Stephens Public Speaking

Throughout last week we had some outstanding public speakers represent us at the Zone Callaghan/Port Stephens area finals. These students travelled all over the area to participate in these competitions and represented us beautifully. Congratulations again to Oscar and Blake (Stage 1), Meka and Eden (Stage 2) and Evie and Dana (Stage 3).

From this talented bunch we also received some standout certificates for highly commended speakers and even a stage winner!

Stage 2 Winner!

Eden

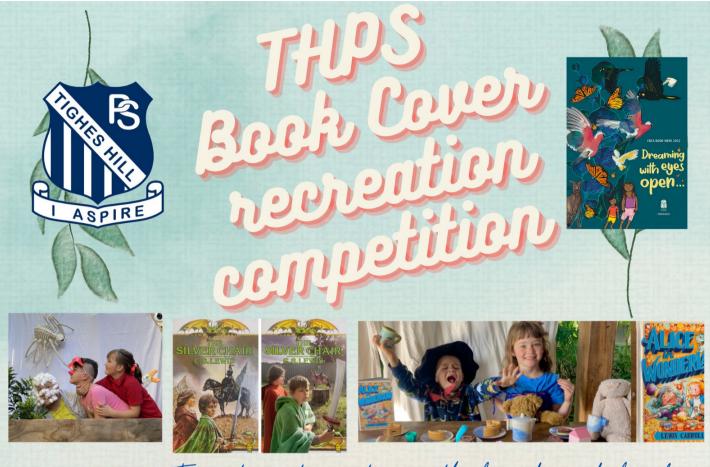
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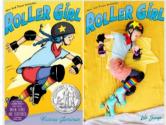


Save the Date for the Book Parade: Friday 9th September



Don't forget to enter our **book cover recreation competition** with your friends and family! Book vouchers for our top selected entrants! email your photos to class teachers or directly to meg.beker@det.nsw.edu.au





Time to get creative with friends and family!

Pick a book cover and recreate it as best you can without photoshop. The more creative the props and costumes the better!



Send in your picture and original book cover image to: <u>meg.beker@det.nsw.edu.au</u> or email these directly to your classroom teacher.



Tuesday 6th September Week 8 at 3 pm Winners will be picked from each stage!







Allison Tait - Author visit







We were very lucky to have Allison Tait who writes under the pseudonym A.L Tait come and visit Stage 3 Tuesday Week 6, as part of our Term 3 Book Week celebrations.

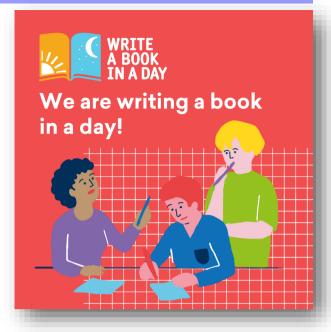
She talked to our students about her process and gave us all some great pointers about story structure, character development and editing!

A huge thank you to **Newcastle Libraries** for offering and org such an esteemed author to come and speak with us!



Write a Book in a Day!

The OC are excited to be taking part in Write a Book in a Day! Our student teams have 12 hours to write, illustrate and publish a book which is then shared with hospitals around Australia for families and children undergoing cancer treatment. All money raised goes towards much needed childhood cancer research through The Kids' Cancer Project. Each team needs to raise a minimum of \$240. Click on the team name links below for the sponsorship page for each team.

















Sponsor team Mercury!

The Year 5/6 Fair is back!



Students in years 5 and 6 are busy planning our

2022 Year 5/6 Fair for Friday 16th September, which is our major fundraising event for the year and a fun day for all students to take part in.

We've missed the Fair these last few years, so can't wait for all the fun with lots of exciting stalls being organised by our creative senior students for our younger students to enjoy.

All children wishing to purchase from the various stalls are asked to bring in their money prior to the Fair as no money will be used on the day at any of the stalls. Children will be given tokens (Fair money) in exchange for their money which will then be used to make purchases at the stalls. Money will be collected from classes by student leaders every day leading up to the Fair.

You can help make this day a success by donating cakes, lollies, drinks, pizza ingredients, ice cream cones and any bits and pieces for trash and treasure. Any donations can be brought to the upper hall.

Don't forget - Fair day is also a mufti day! You can wear out of uniform, comfortable clothing and closed-in shoes.











Remember to bring in your money for the Year 5/6 Fair!















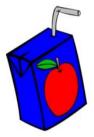


Popcorn \$1

Trash & Treasure \$1

Ice cream \$1

Homemade pizza \$1 per slice











Drinks \$1

Fairy Floss \$1

Cake Stall \$1

Lolly bags \$1







Gladiators \$1



Fortune Telling \$1

Meringues \$1

Ducky Dips \$1

Hair, Beauty, Henna & Nails Salon \$1



Pong! \$1

Ball Toss \$1

Sock Wrestling \$1

Eat It or Leave It \$1

Lucky Dip \$1

Duck & Dodge \$1

Ninja Warrior \$1

Face Painting \$1

Nerf Wars \$1



The Wheel of Wickedness \$1

Karaoke \$1

Dodgeball Water Balloons \$1

Teacher Targets \$1

Durpy Slurp \$1



Basketball \$1

Egg on your Face \$1

Yuck on a Spoon \$1



Tom 3 - Calendar 2022

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	1/8 Chess Coaching Junior Band Y3-6 assembly 2pm P&C meeting 6pm	2/8 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop Year 6 Debating	3/8 Senior Choir Creative Club Education Week Celebrations: Grandparents' Day	4/8 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir St3 Australian Maths Competition Stage 3 Sport	5/8 Band K-2 Gymnastics St2 Australian Maths Competition
4	8/8 Chess Coaching Junior Band K-2 assembly 2.15pm	9/8 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop PSSA Basketball	10/8 Senior Choir Creative Club ICAS Writing	11/8 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir ICAS Digital Tech Stage 3 Sport	12/8 Band K-2 Gymnastics Zone Athletics
5	15/8 Chess Coaching Junior Band Y3-6 assembly 2pm	16/8 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop Brights Sparks 2023 HS transition St3 Zone Public Speaking	17/8 Senior Choir Creative Club ICAS English SRC: Pyjama Day St1 Zone Public Speaking	18/8 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir Stage 3 Sport Stage 3 Chess teams event St2 Zone Public Speaking	19/8 Band K-2 Gymnastics
6	22/8 Chess Coaching Junior Band ICAS Spelling Bee K-2 assembly 2.15pm	23/8 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop Stage 3 Author visit	24/8 Senior Choir Creative Club	25/8 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir Stage 3 Sport	26/8 Band K-2 Gymnastics ICAS Science St3 Zone Public OC Chess semi-finals
7	29/8 Chess Coaching Junior Band Y3-6 assembly 2pm ICAS Maths	30/8 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop	31/8 Senior Choir Creative Club	1/9 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir Indigenous Literacy Day OC: Write a Book in a Day! 8am-8pm	2/9 Band K-2 Gymnastics
8	5/9 Book Week begins! Chess Coaching Junior Band Stage 1/2 Chess event K-2 assembly 2.15pm P&C meeting 6pm	6/9 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop K-2 Murook excursion	7/9 Senior Choir Creative Club Stage 2 TreeTops excursion	8/9 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir Stage 3 Sport	9/9 Band Book Week Parade!
9	12/9 Chess Coaching Junior Band Y3-6 assembly 2pm	13/9 Scripture/Ethics Creative Writing Workshop	14/9 Senior Choir OC + Y6 excursion: Science & Engineering Challenge Spring Spectacular 4.30pm	15/9 Newspaper meeting 8.15am Junior Choir Stage 3 Sport	16/9 Band Year 5/6 Fair!
10	19/9 Chess Coaching Junior Band Recognition assembly 2pm	20/9 Scripture/Ethics	21/9 Stage 3 Canberra excursion	22/9 Stage 3 Canberra excursion	23/9 Band Stage 3 Canberra excursion K-2 Gymnastics Last day of term 3!



Let's work together on our new attendance mantra:

Missing school is missing out!

Well done, THPS students and families. It's great to see so many happy, smiling faces at school each and every day ready to learn and play.

Attendance and punctuality:

Where does your child sit on the attendance ladder?





EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

Every Day Counts

When your child misses just	that equals	which is	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is	This means that the best your child can achieve is
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 1/2 a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!







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VISIT THPS FIESTA FETE 22



FRIDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

Join us at the BOOK WEEK BBO

BBQ from 12.15pm followed by the Parade at 1.20pm.

Sausage & Veggie Sandwiches \$3 or 2 for \$5 // Water \$1 & juice \$2

We would love your HELP! Can you flip a SAUSAGE or make a sandwich? signup.com/go/BBKdzUQ



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Community News







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Drink water for healthy teeth

Make water your family's drink



Tap water is free, good for your skin, digestion and helps protect your teeth!

- Teach your kids to enjoy water. Drink water throughout the day
- Take refillable water bottles on outings and car trips
- Serve water with meals and snacks. Change it up by adding sliced fruit, mint, cucumber or serve in a decorative jug
- Choose water when playing sport
- Pack a water bottle with lunchboxes. Freeze water bottles in summer. They make a great ice-brick and double as chilled water

Source: Choose Water as a Drink| NSW Health; https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/heal/schools/Documents/for-parents/Choosewaterasadrink.pdf



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