



Tighes Hill Public School

Newsletter No. 16

Term 4 Week 2

21st October 2020

Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 4 everyone! We have just one term remaining of the school year, and the focus for all teachers and children is on consolidating semester 1 outcomes in all key learning areas.

I want to congratulate all the children for the very settled way that they returned to school last week. They looked very smart and tidy in their uniforms. Please help us to keep children in school uniform – don't forget to wear your hats – NO HATS NO PLAY.

Congratulations to all of our Kindergarten students who enjoyed a wonderful Pirate Day at the end of last term. For more photos, please visit our Facebook page.



Dates for the Diary

Friday 23rd October

K-2 Gymnastics begins!
OC STEM incursion

Monday 26th October

Stage 3 Gymnastics

Wednesday 28th October

Stage 2 Sport
Children's University
Graduation ceremony

Tuesday 10th November

Kinder Orientation and Parent
Information session

Wednesday 18th November

OC 2021 Placement test

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Selective HS Test 2022

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 11th March 2021.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be has been sent home already last term

[https:// education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7](https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7).

The application website opens at that link on Tuesday 13 October 2020 to Monday, 16 November 2020. You must apply before the closing date. There are no paper application forms.

Book Club Orders

Issue 7 out now!

 SCHOLASTIC

Book Clubs

Every Child Deserves a Good Book

**School Banking is on
WEDNESDAYS**



PLEASE



NO PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS

Assemblies

All assemblies are cancelled until further notice.

Check out our Weekly Wrap Up video from our captains, posted every Friday on Facebook!



Next meeting... to be advised.

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PEANUTS/Anaphylactic reaction reminder

The number of children at Tighes Hill Public School with allergies to different food products and substances is growing. At this school we have students with severe (life threatening) reactions to peanuts and all tree nuts enrolled. To maximise the wellbeing and safety for all students, parents are asked not to pack peanut butter sandwiches or nut products for your children and to make sure that you are vigilant in reading labels of all pre-packaged foods. Please let's work together to provide a safe environment for all students.

Weekly Merit Award Recipients: Weeks 1 & 2

KD	Bess, Phoenix, Elke and Leo
KH	Harlan, Alex, Quinn and Elsie
1C	Hugh, Byron, Agnes and Jonty
1IE	Ollie, Jarvis, Charlie and David
1/2BI	Bronx, Phoebe, Rio and Clinton
2N	Lucca, Joseph, Pipa and Mikayla
2W	Graces, James, Arjan and Max
3S	Luke, Wolfgang, Ezra and Ameka
3N	Mela, Winston, Mitchell and Flynn
4M	Archie, Antonia, Koby and Stella
4S	Aidan, Evie, Imogen and Jayden
5/6T	Tas, Caitlin, Hannah and Jackson
5/6W	Harper, Lil, Lachie and Louis
5/6B	Louis, Ella, Vesper and Giverny
5/6AOC	Sonny, Felix, Tama and Ira

Congratulations to all students!

Tony Selwood

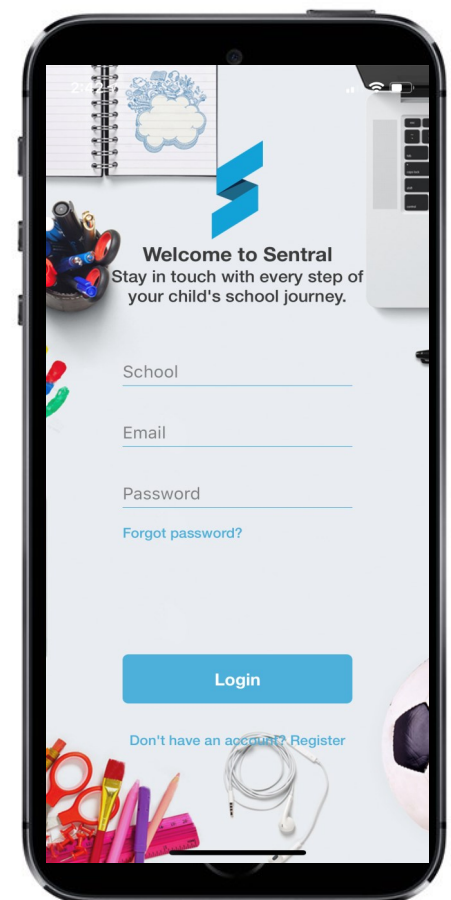
Principal



Tighes Hill Primary School



Sentral App



Information for new families has been sent home with instructions about how to access our Sentral

Chess Coaching

has been cancelled for the remainder of 2020 due to COVID restriction guidelines.

School News

COVID

Our COVID restrictions remain in place at this time. Parents can access the department's latest advice here: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2021

To enable us to correctly estimate enrolments and staff the school appropriately for 2021, I need all parents enrolling children K-6 to complete enrolment forms and leave their details at the office. Please let me know of any neighbours and friends, who may not have children already at this school but will have school age children for 2021 so we can then contact them and include them on our numbers for next year.

Students only onsite

We wish to remind everyone that the advice about parents/carers **remaining off site** stays the same. Our morning drop off/ afternoon pick-up procedures from last term will continue for the foreseeable future. If you need to make contact with the office or your child's teacher, please do so by phone or email. Thank you for supporting us.

Tell Them From Me - Parent Survey

This term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey is open now and can be completed by the end of term. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

To complete the survey, click on the link below or scan the QR code.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/thps>

Survey closes Friday 4.30pm!



Student Leaders 2021

Year 5 children will begin participating in a leadership program in preparation for the upcoming 2021 captain and vice captain elections later this term. During the leadership program Year 5 children will be able to nominate/ be nominated for the first round candidates. They will then as a group, vote for the final 6 students. These 6 students can then begin to campaign and prepare their speeches that will be presented to staff and students on Thursday 3rd December. Students from Kinder to Year 5 will then vote for the boy and girl captain, with the four remaining students becoming vice captains. This process enables all Year 5 children to identify leadership skills and attributes, that they each possess and gives them confidence and ownership of the process of electing student leaders.

Children's University



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Congratulations to all of our Stage 2 and 3 Children's University students who submitted 30 or more learning hours at the end of last term.

Next Wednesday 28th October, students will be presented with their 2020 Graduation certificates. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, the graduation event will not be like previous years. We will however, share lots of photos of our graduates next week and fingers crossed 2021 CU will be back to normal.

Students continuing with our Children's University program in 2021 can start collecting and recording learning hours in their passports now, as the CU calendar year for returning students runs from Term 4 to the end of Term 3.

If you have any questions about the CU program, please see Ms Armstrong.





Mangos Direct from the Farm to You!

Kensington Pride mangoes, also known as the Bowen mango, are matured on the tree to ensure they are superior in taste & texture.

Only \$25 per tray

QUANTITY: 14 to 20 per tray, approx 7kg

PURCHASE: thpspc.bigcartel.com (orders close 5pm 30/10)

PICKUP: Henry Street, Tighes Hill

DELIVERY: \$2 per order (ONLY Maryville, Tighes Hill & Islington)

Ask your neighbors, friends, family & work colleagues. Mangoes are delicious in every summer meal - the perfect gift!

All money raised supports our school.

For more information follow us on [!\[\]\(4fe57c3593bf1b21d272ae7ac8dfaf77_img.jpg\) TighesHillP&C](#)

NEWCASTLE PREMIERS FRIDAY NIGHT SWIM CLUB

2020-21 SEASON

Registration: 16 October 5.15pm – 6pm
Time trial/grading: 23 October
Season starts: 30 October
Fees: 8 years and under \$100
9 years and over \$125
Active Sports vouchers accepted

MAYFIELD POOL,
INGALL STREET

Our club is for swimmers of all ages and abilities.
Come and have fun in a non-competitive atmosphere!

Free training and stroke correction provided for club swimmers (dependent on volunteer availability).

To request more information please call
Mark on 0405 568 016.



FATHERS CELEBRATING DAUGHTERS

Father ONLY Workshop.
Brings Dads together to talk about Puberty and the Menstrual cycle. Provides insights into what their daughters will experience.
Gifts practical tools to navigate puberty with understanding and empathy and ways to stay connected as your daughter journeys into womanhood.

NEXT WORKSHOP: 7th November 2-430pm
TO REGISTER: <https://forms.gle/GiriYQpEgK5HR8Np7>
INVESTMENT: \$50



CELEBRATION DAY FOR GIRLS

Mother and Daughter Workshop: 11-13 yr olds.
Positive and Empowering Menstrual Preparation and Cyclical Awareness.
Cultivating Self Care and Self Love.
Encourages Mother-Daughter Bonding.

NEXT WORKSHOP: 8th November 930-430pm, which includes the Mothers Session 7th November 9-1130am
TO REGISTER: <https://forms.gle/L6wEeQhkbW5IZPJ6>
INVESTMENT: for the Mother Daughter pair \$165



PACKAGED DISCOUNT: Celebration Day for Girls and Father Celebrating Daughters \$200 valid till 23rd October

**FACILITATED BY SAHARA CONTEMPREE
EMPOWERING MENSTRUAL EDUCATOR**

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School Travel for 2021



2021 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2021 opened from Monday 12 October 2020.

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass for 2021 can now [apply](#) online. A new application should be submitted if a student is applying for a school travel pass for the first time or requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who have changed school/campus, changed address, repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [re-apply or update their details](#).

*Applications must be completed by the student's parent or legal guardian if the student is aged under 16 years. Students 16 years and over must complete the application form themselves.

Where there is a change of distance eligibility based on a student's grade, the system will automatically update a student's entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If a student needs to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before **31 December 2020** to ensure that current student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card remains valid. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2020, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2021.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from their nominated operator, this may be distributed via the school or sent direct to their address. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/Parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

New Concession Entitlement Cards

Transport for NSW will be replacing the below cards with Transport Concession Entitlement Cards (TCEC) from October 2020:

- Senior Secondary Student Concession Card (16 years and over) – also used by Mature Secondary Students (18 years and over), Distance Education Students and Home School Students
- Proof of Age card (when a student under 16 years of age looks older)
- Boarder Rail Pass.

All previous cards will be valid until they expire. Students who require a Transport Concession Entitlement Card should speak with their school administration staff.

Enquiries regarding school student travel can be submitted to Transport for NSW at: <https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback>

Community News

Good for Kids good for life MOVE AND PLAY EVERY DAY



For their best health, kids aged 5-13 years should aim for:



At least 60 minutes of physical activity each day – the more you huff and puff the better!



Non-educational screen-based activities limited to less than 2 hours each day. In your spare time, move more and sit less.



9-11 hours of uninterrupted sleep each night.

Source: Australian Movement Guidelines; www.health.gov.au



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>



Casual Work

Casual positions - Multiple locations across Hunter Region (6556)

Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm, with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
- ✓ Community spirit
- ✓ Positive energy

✓ If it does, visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au to apply today!

✓ Applications close Wednesday, 28 October 2020



World Teachers' Day
October 30, 2020
Let's celebrate
our teachers!

