



**Tighes Hill Public School**

**Newsletter No. 17**

**Term 4 Week 8**

**24th November 2021**

## Principal's message

### Student Leaders 2022

Congratulations to our newly elected 2022 student leadership team: Iris, Elsie, Aisha, Bodie, Toby and Oscar. These wonderful school citizens were voted by their Year 5 peers to be school leaders next year and will present their captain speeches ready for voting next Thursday 2nd December. We wish them all the best and know that they'll do a great job.

***Congratulations  
to our 2022  
student leaders!***



## Dates for the Diary

### Wednesday 24th November

Planetarium incursion: 3N, 3E, 1C,  
11B and 2RW  
ICAS Maths

### Thursday 25th November

Planetarium incursion: 5MS, 6B,  
KD, KH and 2SW

### Friday 26th November

Planetarium incursion: 5/6T,  
5/6AOC, 4S and 4E

### Thursday 2nd December

2022 Student Leaders:  
speeches and K-5 voting

### Thursday 9th December

Year 6 Farewell

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## Principal's Message

The next few weeks leading up to the end of term 4, promise to be extremely busy so it is important to keep an eye on the upcoming events and activities. Thank you for your patience during these final weeks, apart from the huge demands of the day-to-day organisation of the different learning activities within the school all staff are also involved in finalising reports, strategic and annual planning, the Annual School Report, financial roll-over and the added-on department and regional training sessions that are difficult to pre-plan.

### Last chance for Tell Them From Me Parent Survey

#### Our parent survey closes this Friday!

I would like to encourage as many families as possible to complete it. We value your feedback and use the data collected to inform school decision making. Click on the link below to complete it.

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

### Outstanding incursion/excursion payments and school contributions

As we are entering the final few weeks of the 2021 school year, I urge all parents to finalise outstanding payments for excursions, photographs, book packs and school contributions. Each year, as a school we end up carrying bad debts and then we have difficulty trying to retrieve late payments. At present, the school has covered these costs from our budget allocations which is affecting our ability to organise other activities. We urgently need to be reimbursed for this amount. Our budget is designed to be shared equally throughout the entire school population.

### Book Club Orders

Issue 7 orders arriving soon!

SCHOLASTIC

Book Clubs

Every Child Deserves a Good Book

# PLEASE



## NO PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS

Follow us on Instagram

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@thatmrswelsh toyou

@primaryandteawithmrsb

### Assemblies

Our assemblies have been cancelled due to COVID restrictions. Our weekly wrap-up is back this Friday!



Next meeting...

Monday 7th Feb at 6pm

## School News

### Merit Award recipients - Term 4 Weeks 7 & 8:

<b>KD</b>	Josie, Joe, Sofia and Bryn
<b>KH</b>	Posy, Hudson, James and Alex
<b>1C</b>	Will, Leo, Alex and Bessie
<b>1IB</b>	Harlan, Kirra, Charlize and Will
<b>2RW</b>	Alex, Lyrik, Seth and Jorjah
<b>2SW</b>	Noa, Amelia, Anske and Rio
<b>3E</b>	Alex, Charlie, Anna and Pipa
<b>3N</b>	Zeppelin, Parker, Indi and Darby
<b>4E</b>	Alice, Auggie, Mitchell and Maisy
<b>4S</b>	Abby, Asha, Orli and Poppy
<b>5MS</b>	Matilda, Reuben, Willow and Denzil
<b>5/6T</b>	Kyasha, Ellen, Oscar and Arlo P
<b>6B</b>	Harper, Skylah, Carter and Jack
<b>5/6AOC</b>	Poppy, Hanina, Tilly and Sofia

**Congratulations to all our children and staff.**

**Tony Selwood**

**Principal**

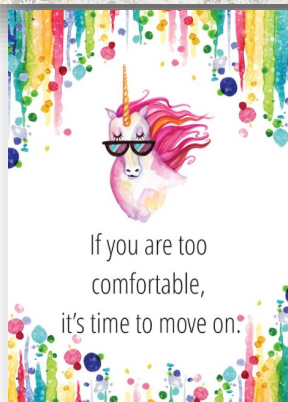
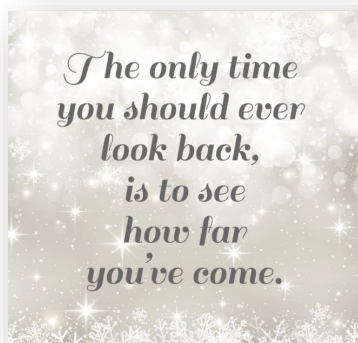
*Our positive  
wellbeing  
messages...*

**Term 4**

**Weeks 7 & 8**

**and**

**Weeks 9 & 10**

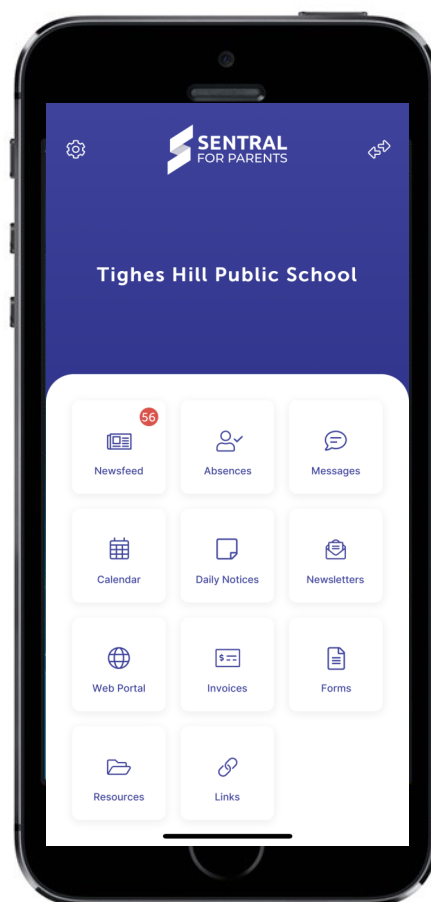


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## Sentral App



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

**Chess Coaching  
will be back in 2022!**



## School News

### Aerobics Champs!

Last week the aerobics team performed and recorded their routine to submit online for the national aerobics championships. The competition will be live-streamed and results announced on Saturday 11th December. Great job girls and good luck!!



### Year 6 Uniforms/Muffi

Year 6 children will be able to wear muffi for the remainder of the year WHEN they donate their uniform to the clothing pool **from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> of December**. All uniforms can be handed in at the office.

### Autographs

I am more than happy for all Year 6 children to collect their friend's autographs before the end of the year, the only proviso, autographs cannot be collected on any uniform that is being currently worn. Autograph bears, books and uniforms brought to school in a bag are all better options. **This can be done in the final week of school.**

## School News

### Year 6 Farewell

This special evening will be held at the Grainery Church, 11 Murray Dwyer Ct, Mayfield West on **Thursday the 9th of December** and all Year 6 children are invited to attend. Our Stage 3 teachers are working hard preparing for this very special night for all Year 6. All children are asked to wear smart casual and appropriate clothes; the boys need to wear a collared shirt with no inappropriate logos. Girls need to be appropriately dressed with sensible shoes - no heels.



### Student Fees – Outstanding Accounts

Family Statements have been sent home today, please finalise any outstanding payments i.e., student resource packs, excursions, sport and dance fees.

Due to COVID restrictions the following programs have been cancelled and fees reduced.

#### Reduced Fees

- \*Dance2bfit Years 3-6, was \$32 reduced to \$14 = \$18 credit
- \*Main Band was \$160 for four terms, reduced to \$80 for two terms
- \*Train-on Band \$120 for Terms 2-4, reduced to \$40 for Term 2 only

Excursions listed have been cancelled, families who had paid for excursions now have a credit on their account.

#### Cancelled Excursions and Zone Athletics

\*Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp, payments made have been allocated to fees in advance unless a refund has been requested.

\*Stage 2 - Awabakal Excursion, \$16 credit in fees in advance

\*K-2 Murrook Culture Centre Excursion, \$28 credit in fees in advance

\*Zone Athletics Carnival, \$10 credit in fees in advance

**Please advise the office if you would like to allocate your credit against outstanding fees.**

## School News

### Semester 2 Reports

In line with advice from the NSW Department of Education, our school reports for Semester 2, 2021 have been adjusted to cater for students learning from school and at home. This report will not grade student achievement using the A-E scale. The teacher's comments will focus on learning that students have undertaken in English and mathematics. As we move into 2022, with a return to a familiar delivery model of education we expect that student reports will also return to our usual format. Thank you for your support, partnership and commitment to both the school and our students during this time.

### Important update from WEMOOSH

- ★ **No bookings roll over into next year!** Families need to fill out the re-enrolment on our website.
- ★ The **WEMOOSH CHRISTMAS PARTY** will be held at Mayfield Bowling Club on 16/12/2021 from 4pm- 5.30pm
- ★ All new, old and existing WEMOOSH families are welcome. RSVP essential via email before 10/12/2021

**Vacation Care Booking are now open until 6/12/2021**

**WEMOOSH is closed from 17/12/2021 to 17/01/2022**



**WEMOOSH CRICKET BLAST**

**SIGN UP TODAY**

**Contact**  
Matt 0478 285 757  
Paige 0478 285 758

[Play Cricket](#)

- +Fun for all ages and abilities
- +Learn ball skills and stay active
- +All girls groups where possible
- +Coached by our trained Cricket NSW staff

### Sydney Sixers Holiday Programs - Greater Hunter



**Who:** Boys and girls welcome  
**Ages:** Recommended ages 5-11  
**Inclusions:** 6 hrs of fun + blast participant pack  
**Cost:** \$69



#### Programs running across the Greater Hunter:












Newcastle	Central Coast	Lake Macquarie	Singleton
<b>Date:</b> Monday 20th + Tuesday 21st December <b>Time:</b> 9am - 12pm each morning <b>Location:</b> Ford Oval, New Lambton <b>Register:</b> <a href="https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/b37fa5">https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/b37fa5</a>	<b>Date:</b> Thursday 13th + Friday 14th January <b>Time:</b> 9am - 12pm each morning <b>Location:</b> Adcock Park, Gosford <b>Register:</b> <a href="https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/6f9ec7">https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/6f9ec7</a>	<b>Date:</b> Wednesday 19th + Thursday 20th January <b>Time:</b> 3pm-6pm each afternoon <b>Location:</b> Feignhan Oval, Warners Bay <b>Register:</b> <a href="https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/8cc83c">https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/8cc83c</a>	<b>Date:</b> Monday 24th + Tuesday 25th January <b>Time:</b> 9am - 12pm each morning <b>Location:</b> Cook Park, Singleton <b>Register:</b> <a href="https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/5343b4">https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/5343b4</a>



January  
2022

# YWCA Hunter Vacation Care

School holiday fun for primary school children

Monday, 3 January	Tuesday, 4 January	Wednesday, 5 January	Thursday, 6 January	Friday, 7 January
				
CLOSED	CLOSED	IN-HOUSE	IN-HOUSE	EXCURSION
Monday, 10 January	Tuesday, 11 January	Wednesday, 12 January	Thursday, 13 January	Friday, 14 January
				
IN-HOUSE	INCURSION	EXCURSION	IN-HOUSE	EXCURSION
Monday, 17 January	Tuesday, 18 January	Wednesday, 19 January	Thursday, 20 January	Friday, 21 January
				
IN-HOUSE	EXCURSION	IN-HOUSE	INCURSION	EXCURSION
Monday, 24 January	Tuesday, 25 January	Wednesday, 26 January	Thursday, 27 January	Friday, 28 January
				
IN-HOUSE	INCURSION	CLOSED	IN-HOUSE	CLOSED



**YWCA**  
HUNTER REGION INC

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24 Dawson Street, Cooks Hill 2300

**Opening Hours - 7.30am-6.00pm**

☎ 02 4929 2954

✉ info@ywcahunterregion.org.au

🌐 [www.ywcahunterregion.org.au/vacation-care](http://www.ywcahunterregion.org.au/vacation-care)

💰 Cost from \$60 per day (CCS available to eligible families)

*Places are limited. Book today. Don't miss out!*

# School Travel for 2022



## 2022 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their 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 that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

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

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **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.



### School Student Transport Scheme site change

On 1 October 2021 the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) information and application portal was moved to [transportnsw.info](https://transportnsw.info). This will assist families to find all their travel information in the one place.

### Travel from Term 1 2022

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) open at the start of Term 4 2021 for travel in 2022, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a difficult period for local bus operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations increasingly difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel on a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Please also remember that students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Further information can be found at [transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/school-travel](https://transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/school-travel)

Enquiries can be submitted at [transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback](https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback)