

Toongabbie Public School

Principal's Report - Craig Brown

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Volume 9



Dates to Remember:

3rd & 5th June—Stage 2
Maritime Museum Excursion
5th June—Donut Day
6th June—Calmsley Hill City
Farm
10th June—Public Holiday
11th June—P & C Meeting
5th July—Last Day Term 2

PSSA

More information to follow.

NOTES

- * P & C Information Letter
- * Year 6 Canberra Excursion
- * Orienteering Reminder
- * Athletics Changes for K-2
Week 6

PBL Focus

Making Your Own Good Luck

Do you think some people are born lucky and others born unlucky?

Is anyone lucky all the time?
Can you make yourself luckier?

'Lucky' people look for good opportunities and make the most of them. 'Lucky' people listen to their hunches and check them out. 'Lucky' people expect that good fortune can happen to them, too. 'Lucky' people turn bad events and situations into good ones.

RECONCILIATION WEEK—GROUNDED IN TRUTH, WALK TOGETHER WITH COURAGE

Reconciliation is about Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians talking, walking and working together to overcome the division and inequality between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians. It is not about one activity, one unit or one lesson at our school. We strive to promote harmony and understanding. Today I attended a reconciliation celebration in the city with Ms Page and twelve of our indigenous students. This activity demonstrates our commitment as a school to promote and recognise the contribution our indigenous population play in Australia. Our commitment will continue to provide high quality education to all students and promote a clearer understanding of Indigenous culture.



A big thank you to Mrs Gregory for preparing a lovely wreath for the ceremony today.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEROES

Tomorrow, I have the privilege of attending the Parramatta Council Environmental Sustainability Awards. Two of our staff, Mr Tristan Carruthers and Mrs Kirrily Matthews, have been nominated for awards. They were recognised with awards in 2018 and this is the second year in a row. I wish them all the best and thank them for their work in road safety and promoting bio-diversity. They are wonderful role models and leaders of our students.

BAND CAMP

It's that time of the year again. This year, our annual band camp will be held out in the Northern Beaches. We have 23 of our wonderful band students attending this weekend. Opportunities like this bring out the best in students and helps greatly with their confidence. Our band is about to participate in a number of events over the coming months. I wish them well for the weekend and thank those parents giving up their weekend to support the program. Special thanks go to Mrs Wegner who works closely with the Band staff to plan these events and to Mrs Church who coordinates students from a school perspective. Thank you to Mathias Langer who assists with the transport of instruments. This event is a real team effort.

SICKNESS

Like many workplaces, our school has experienced a surge in sickness both with students and staff. Whilst school attendance is important, I ask that students who are ill stay at home so they can get better quickly and avoid more cases of sick students. It is also a good time to remind parents to keep a look out for head lice. We have had some reported cases in Year 5. When we are aware of cases we will send a note home to students in those classes. Head lice is always difficult and we appreciate parents following the suggested treatment that can be found in NSW Health website.

STAFF NEWS

This week we welcomed Mrs Hannah Otten to TPS. She will be teaching 1C for the rest of the year and will be supervising Kindergarten as their new Assistant Principal. A note went home today to 1C and Kindergarten parents.

Congratulations also to Mrs Catherine Clarke and her husband Daniel, on the safe arrival of their second son, Arthur Brian, born on Thursday weighing 3.365g. We look forward to meeting him.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our school carnival will be held on Monday 1 July at Pendle Hill High School. The carnival is for Years 3-6 and any Year 2 student turning 8 this year. We are currently working with students to find out our field representatives. The carnival at the high school will focus on track events. Parents are most welcome to come along and support the students.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT 2018

The Annual School Report has been uploaded to our school website shortly. I will also present a copy to the P&C at our next meeting. Parents are most welcome to come along to the meeting if they have any questions.

REPORTS

School reports will be sent home before the end of term 3. Please let the office know if a second report is needed and confirm the address it is to be sent to. Parent Teacher Interviews will be held early in Term 3.

Relieving Deputy Principal's Report - Sue Bownds

We are now at the end of Week 5, halfway through Term 2 and our students are really enjoying the many opportunities we offer at TPS. From band, choir, AFL to assembly performances plus so many learning experiences. Photos are from our 3-6 Combined Choir rehearsal this week and 4A's assembly item.



Please check our Toongabbie Public School Facebook page where regular updates will help you keep in touch. We would love to read your comments and see you like our page.



PLAY GROUP FOR 0-5 YEARS: EVERY THURSDAY 9-10.30AM

We have now had 3 Play Group sessions and the children and parents are having a great time. This week we held an outside session using all of our school equipment. Please join us every Thursday at 9am in the Before and After School Care building and feel free to bring your family members, neighbours and younger siblings. Cost is free.



KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

If you have a child who is eligible for school, please pick up an enrolment form for 2020 from the office. We look forward to meeting you and your child. Please talk to us if your child has any special needs.

PAUL KELLY CUP AFL

Two of our AFL teams represented TPS in the Paul Kelly Cup Regional Finals. The students played really well and demonstrated great sportsmanship. Well done to both teams and many thanks to the parents who drove them. Thanks to Mrs Arico for coordinating and organising this event.



ATHLETICS – HIGH JUMP AND LONG JUMP

This week in athletics the students in K-6 focused on long jump and high jump. They are working towards competing for the field events. This year only the track events will be at Pendle Hill High School on Monday 1st July and the field events of high jump, long jump etc. will be completed at school in your child's athletics session. They had great fun this week and I saw some amazing talent as students were easily clearing the bar and jumping huge distances. Feel free to watch any of the lessons during the day when you may be at school. They are held Monday – Thursday.

Next week, Week 6 there will be changes to the athletics days as Kindergarten have their excursion to the farm on Thursday. All Kindergarten classes will now have athletics on Monday 3rd June. Therefore, 2K, 1A and 1S will move to Thursday 6th June. Please send your child in their sports uniform on this day. A note went home about this today as well. All other classes will remain on their set day. There will also be makeup days after the long weekend in June, commencing with 2B on Tuesday 11th June.

KINDERGARTEN EXCURSION TO CALMSLEY CITY FARM

Kindergarten will be going to the farm next week on Thursday 6th June. Students need to be at school by 8.45am as the buses leave at 9. They will return by 3pm. Please send them in their sports uniform including trackpants if you have them, hat, a jumper and a raincoat. They will need crunch and sip, recess, lunch and a drink and this needs to be in a labelled plastic bag or a small bag. School bags will stay at school as they are too heavy to carry. This excursion will continue regardless of weather so pack accordingly. The children are really looking forward to it. This excursion is part of their paddock to plate unit and will be used in many learning experiences to follow.

STAGE 2 EXCURSION TO THE AUSTRALIAN MARITIME MUSEUM

Next week Stage 2 will be going on this exciting excursion. It's a very busy week next week! On Monday 3rd June – 4A, 4M and 3S will be going and on Wednesday 5th June – 3J, 3R and 4S. Students will be wearing full winter uniform. Buses leave at 9am so please have your child at school by 8.45am and they will be returning by 3pm. They need to take their school bag including all food and drink with them on the bus.

NEW SPORTING EQUIPMENT



A generous grant from the Premier's Sporting Challenge group of \$1800 has enabled us to buy this fabulous new equipment. This is only some of the bean bags and ropes that were delivered and are now stored in the K-2 equipment room near the basketball court. The racks with the ropes will be coming out at lunchtimes from next week and skipping will be in the quad playground. We thank this organisation and our students for helping with this through their activity and healthy lifestyles programs. Thanks to Mrs Church who coordinates this very valuable program.

EARN AND LEARN STICKERS

Please continue to send in your Earn and Learn stickers that are available in Woolworths. Remember to ask for them when you do your shopping and send your stickers to the office. Our school can also use this to purchase things for our school.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Our staff organised the Biggest Morning Tea on Tuesday this week. The amount raised plus the generous donations by parents at our Mothers' Day Breakfast will see us donate over \$500 to the Cancer Council. Thank you to all staff and the community for supporting this valuable cause.

CROSSING THE ROAD

Please be mindful that if your child crosses the road, they need to be safe. Students under 10 should hold the hand of another person, bikes should be walked across the road and not ridden, they need to walk, and not run across the road, cross at the crossing and look both ways. If you collect your child in a car, please do not call them to run across the road. We had an incident recently where a parent parked on the opposite side of the road and called their child. Children will often be thinking of seeing you and will not remember their road rules. Remember to be safe when crossing the road.

Library News—Renata Redman TL

Premier's Reading Challenge

The PRC concludes on **Friday 30th August**. Children in K-2 complete the Challenge with their class teacher. The Challenge is optional for students in Years 3 to 6. Congratulations and well done to our recent 'finishers', Himaya Senevirathna and Charvi Voola. For further information and to log student reading records, please visit: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Scholastic Book Club

Book Club brochures will be distributed next week. Please place orders online, using Scholastic's LOOP system, by **Friday 14th June**.

P&C and Parent Auxiliary

TOONGABBIE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

Due to Queen's Birthday long weekend, the next P & C Meeting will be held on **Monday 17th June at 7pm**. Please also note the earlier start time for this meeting.

If you would like anything to be added to the agenda for this meeting, please email to toongabbiepub-licschoolpandc@gmail.com asap.

PARENT AUXILIARY

The next parent auxiliary meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th June, 9am in the BASC room. Toddlers are always welcome.

TPS SUNNIES

Sunglasses are now available to order on Flexischools at a cost to families of \$10 each. Orders will be delivered to your child's classroom. Children can try on the sunglasses every morning next week at the canteen.

A flyer with full details is attached for your convenience.



TERM 2 DISCO

Tickets for disco and food are available to purchase on Flexischools or by returning the payment slip and money to the canteen. Dinner at the disco **MUST** be pre-ordered.

P&C Canteen — Rhonda Fogg, Canteen Manager

Wednesday 5th June will be State of Origin Donut Day. Unfortunately orders have now closed but there may be a few donuts available for purchase over the counter.

TERM 2 – MANAGER SPECIAL

WEEK 5 & 6

Vegetarian Lasagne \$4.50

WEEK 7 & 8

Baked Potatoes with either Mexican Beef Sauce or Mexican Bean Sauce -
served with cheese, sour cream and guacamole. \$4.50

From Tuesday next week we will be offering Chicken Noodle Soup at recess for \$2.50.

Please also keep an eye out on the skoolbag app for other specials that might be on offer.

TPS Band Report — Vanessa Wegener Band Convener

Last week our Band Families ran the Federal Election BBQ. It was a great success with lots of positive feedback from our community about our focus to support local businesses.

If you missed out on one of THE best sausage sandwiches in the electorate - never fear!

The band committee will be hosting the Bunnings Seven Hills Sausage Sizzle Stall on Saturday June 8th. Come say hello, sort out your long weekend project and fill your belly at the same time.

Mega raffle

Our Mega Raffle draw date is getting closer. If you haven't purchased a ticket for your chance to win an amazing \$1,000 Travel Voucher, look out for me and our band kids selling tickets in the mornings and afternoons next Monday to Wednesday. TBASC also has tickets available to purchase for our full-time and working families.

Band Camp

Many of our band students will be attending the annual Band Camp this weekend. The camp this year is being held at the Collaroy Convention Centre overlooking the beautiful Northern Beaches. Coordinated by School Bands and with more than 100 students from 7 different schools attending, this weekend promises to be full of music, fun activities and culminates in a group performance on Sunday afternoon. I'm incredibly privileged to be joining the children for this weekend and thank both Matthias and Karina for representing our TPS families as parent helpers as well.

What's Happening at TPS

WEEK 4—TERM 2 BUZZ AWARD WINNERS

Caleb HUR, Frankie DIASINOS, Seth McKENNA KC, Sophie AGGETT, Sayan MEHTA, Natasha ELKIN KE, Ranveer KRISHNA, Chloe HE, Poppy FAJKUS KS, Raymond KANBOUR, Edmund TEOH, Veritee WOBCKE KT, Zahra ATCHA, James STEWART, Borys BUTRYM 1A, Jay SINGH, Felicia HERMAN, Kai JOHNSTON 1C, Amelia SAARINSEN, Rohan TORSVIK KANE, Nevaeh JONES 1O, Logan ATKINSON, Emmett PARSONS, Jack GALE 1S, Swara DUDHAT, Yusuf AHMED, Sia MITTAL 1/2P, Tayla BESZANT, Jack ELSON, Tyler WELLS 2B, Shakithyan SIYATHARAN, Scarlett STRONG, Christina BATSHON 2H, Ava TIMMINS, Lexie WATSON, Abigail WEGENER 2K, Luke HUGLER, Sachin RAJAGOPAL, Kavya NADODA 3J, Charlie ATKINSON, Henry NAING, Ruby KIM 3R, Ellie OLDFIELD, Saisha MEHTA, Sajithesh THANARAJ 3S, Corey ABOU-TOUMA, Ronika RAMESH, Karina ZHANG 4A, Evana JAMES, Somesh SETHUPATHY, Prisha SANGER 4M, Sasha KANKO, Karissa MEAD, MJ SABINE 4S, Tharnesh THARSAN, Grace STEVENSON, Eloise WEGENER 5C, Anneliese TREASURE, Sarah JOB, Jaynish KOGULARAJAH 5H, Katherine NG, Hadi KHURRAM, Victoria INDLA 5M, Charlie DIASINOS, Imogen FULLER, Leanne CHO 6C, Harrison MASSEY, Aarushi PATEL, Jenesis SABINE 6D, Abbey BARR, Connor MARINIS, Teja GUDUPALLY 6T,



What's Happening at TPS

Week five saw both the Toongabbie Public School's debate teams have their first debates.

The Red team, consisting of Violet, Himaya, Ananya and Abbie, debated against Wentworthville Public School, arguing the affirmative position on the topic *homework should be banned in primary school*. Good arguments about time allocation and the added pressure homework puts on students were put forth, but were met with fierce rebuttals from the opposition, resulting in a loss for our school.



The White team, featuring Charvi, Jake, Dion and Deniz, debated against Beresford Road Public School, arguing the affirmative position on the topic *all after-noon sessions in primary school should be dedicated to creativity and arts*. Strong arguments about the importance and long-term benefits of creativity ensued, but unfortunately we came off second-best in this debate.

Both teams did an amazing job in their first venture in debating and are busily preparing for their next debates later this term.

TPS Sporting Achievements

My name is Marty Trescott and I am writing to you to inform you of Marlei Quitto and Tiana Fuller's involvement in the NSW PSSA Girls Football Championships from Tuesday 21st May to Thursday 23rd May in Lismore. As coaches of the Sydney West team, along with Dave Roberts, we were pleased with the team's result of finishing 7th overall, with 3 wins and 3 losses.

It was amazing to see how Marlei and Tiana conducted themselves on and off the field during the entire competition. Their willingness to learn and work with their team mates was impressive and they demonstrated superb fighting spirit and commitment to the team. On a personal level, we were proud to observe Marlei's growing confidence and readiness to learn new skills while Tiana made new friends and scored many impressive goals.

Their involvement in this competition is a credit to your school and teachers as well as their families. I hope you can celebrate and share their outstanding efforts as a small token of our appreciation.

Zone Cross Country Carnival

On Friday 17th May, 40 students represented Toongabbie PS at the Wentworthville/Seven Hills Zone Cross Country Carnival. These super athletes did themselves and the school proud, racing the best students from all over the zone over 2km and 3km. Toongabbie finished 5th out of 21, an amazing effort!

Congratulations to the following 8 students who will now run at the Sydney West Carnival at Eastern Creek Raceway on Wednesday 12th June. Congratulations also to our 2 reserves on a super effort!

Girls

Tiana Fuller – 1st 11 Yrs

Zoe Lee – 2nd 10 Yrs

Natalia Butrym – 5th 10 Yrs

Lucy Savage – 9th 8/9 Yrs

Madison Gale – 10th 10 Yrs – Reserve

Boys

Jesse Peach – 5th 10 Yrs

Jake Pokino – 7th 10 Yrs

Xavier Parsons – 4th 8/9 Yrs

Arjay Patel – 5th 8/9 Yrs

Hayden Spackman – 9th 12 Yrs - Reserve



Indigenous Commemoration Service—Photo Gallery





Woolworths Earn and Learn is back.

Please collect your stickers and either drop them into the TPS box at Woolworths Winston Hills or Toongabbie or just pop them into the box in the office.

TPS appreciate your support.

Round 3 – Week 6 Wentworthville Winter PSSA Sport

Netball	Boys Soccer	Girls Soccer	League-Tag
Beresford Rd v Metella Gold @ Best Road Oval	Beresford Rd v Girra Green @ Girraween Oval	Beresford Rd v Toonie West @ Bathurst St	Beresford Rd v The Meadows @ Binalong Oval
Darcy White v Girra Yellow @ Girraween PS	Wentworthville v Darcy Yellow @ Pendle Hill Park	Darcy White v Toongabbie @ Binalong Oval	Darcy Rd v Toonie Red @ Binalong Oval
Darcy Yellow v Metella Blue @ Best Road Oval	Girra Yellow v Westmead @ Daniel St	Girra Yellow v Warriors @ Best Road Oval	Girra Yellow v Pendle Hill @ Binalong Oval
Pendle Hill v Beresford Blue @ Beresford Rd PS	Metella Gold v Toongabbie @ Binalong Oval	Metella Rd v Beresford Blue @ Bathurst St	Wentworthville v Girra Green @ Binalong Oval
Toonie Red v The Meadows @ Binalong Oval	Pendle Hill v Toonie West @ Harold Read Reserve	Wentworthville v Girra Green @ Best Road Oval	Westmead v Toonie White @ Binalong Oval
Toonie West v Toonie White @ Binalong Oval	Beresford Blue v Metella Blue @ Girraween Oval	Westmead v Darcy Yellow @ Daniel St	Metella Rd v Beresford Blue @ Binalong Oval
Wentworthville v Wanderers @ Bathurst St	The Meadows v Warriors @ Girraween Oval		
Westmead v Warriors @ Binalong Oval	Bye – Darcy White		
Bye – Girra Green			

Round 4 – Week 7 Wentworthville Winter PSSA Sport

Netball	Boys Soccer	Girls Soccer	League-Tag
Beresford Rd v Girra Yellow @ Beresford Rd PS	Beresford Rd v Westmead @ Bathurst St	Beresford Rd v Warriors @ Daniel St	Beresford Rd v Girra Yellow @ Binalong Oval
Darcy White v Metella Gold @ Best Road Oval	Darcy White v Wentworthville @ Pendle Hill Park	Darcy White v Metella Rd @ Best Road Oval	Darcy Rd v Metella Rd @ Binalong Oval
Toonie Red v Beresford Blue @ Binalong Oval	Girra Yellow v Toonie West @ Girraween Oval	Girra Yellow v Beresford Blue @ Daniel St	Wentworthville v Westmead @ Binalong Oval
Toonie West v The Meadows @ Best Road Oval	Metella Blue v Toongabbie @ Binalong Oval	Toongabbie v Girra Greens @ Binalong Oval	Toonie Red v Girra Green @ Binalong Oval
Wentworthville v Toonie White @ Binalong Oval	Metella Gold v Warriors @ Girraween Oval	Toonie West v Darcy Yellow @ Best Road Oval	The Meadows v Toonie White @ Binalong Oval
Westmead v Wanderers @ Bathurst St	Girra Green v The Meadows @ Girraween Oval	Westmead v Wentworthville @ Harold Read Reserve	Pendle Hill v Beresford Blue @ Binalong Oval
Darcy Yellow v Warriors @ Bathurst St	Darcy Yellow v Beresford Rd @ Bathurst St		
Girra Green v Metella Blue @ Girraween PS	Bye – Pendle Hill		
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