20th February, 2013

New President for P&C

At the P&C’s Annual General Meeting last week, Janine Hunter was elected unopposed to the position of President. I’m certain that Janine will do a great job in representing all parents in school matters. My thanks go to Triscia Von Pralitz who has been the P&C President for the past three years and is now filling one of the Vice-President positions. The only other change to the P&C executive for this year is that Gary Smith was elected to be the Senior Vice-President.

Afternoon Traffic

If you pick your child up from school in the afternoons, you will be well aware of the traffic problems we face each day. Numerous attempts have been made over the years to resolve the problem but most ideas seem to end up in the too-hard basket. Last Wednesday afternoon I met with representatives from Roads and Maritime, Wyong Council and the NSW Police to look at the problem and attempt, yet again, to find a solution. The result was a couple of ideas that will be investigated further to see if they are feasible.

While the police officer was at the school, he recorded the details of the cars who were parked illegally in the drop off/pick up zone and some of the cars that were waiting in the queue which wrapped around the corner. I am not sure whether he intends to issue infringement notices this time but he said that he will be returning regularly to check on cars stopped in that area before 3.00pm.

The sign quite clearly states that it is illegal to stop in that zone between 2.30pm and 3.00pm and that a fine of $243 and the loss of 2 demerit points can be issued to people in breach of this. The purpose of this is to avoid having traffic building up before the children are brought out at 3.00pm and it is a system that works quite well when everyone follows it.

The trick is to time your arrival for after 3.00pm. The children in the pick-up zone are fully supervised by a teacher who can match children with cars as the vehicles pull up. My best advice is to arrive at about 10 past 3pm after the main rush has subsided. You will find it very easy to turn into Fowler Road where your child will be waiting for you.

Alternatively, you can park in Tonkiss Street and have your child walk to meet you. The crossing is supervised and the little bit of extra exercise won’t hurt you him/her.

School Contributions

Many thanks to those of you who have sent in your school contributions. This money is essential for us to purchase many of the resources that are used on a daily basis in the classrooms. If you have not yet sent in your contribution, we would be grateful for it by 8th March. There are still two Friday free lunch draws to go for the names on the School Contribution envelopes drawn from the barrel.
**Uniform Blitz**

It is an expectation that every child who attends Tuggerah Public School adheres to the requirements of our School Uniform Code and it pleases me greatly that the vast majority of our students do so.

Some children, however, are putting their own interpretations on the code and customising it to please themselves.

Over the next couple of weeks we will be monitoring children’s uniforms closely and contacting parents whose children are wearing things other than uniform.

The School’s Uniform Code can be accessed on our website. Hard copies are available from the school office.

**‘Welcome’ Disco and Barbecue**

Each year, our ‘Welcome’ Disco and Barbecue welcomes in the new school year and families who are new to Tuggerah Public School. Please come along this Friday evening between 5.00pm and 8.00pm if you can. The more the merrier.

Evan Campbell
Principal

**COMING EVENTS**

- **Friday 22nd February** Welcome to TPS Disco – 5.00pm – 8.00pm
- **Thursday 28th February** TPS Swimming Carnival – Mingara
- **Tuesday 5th March** Zone Swimming Carnival – Mingara
- **Thursday 14th March** Selective High School Test
- **Friday 22nd March** School Photos

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

Congratulations to the following students.

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Next week’s assembly will be run by 2W.
EMERGENCY CONTACT FORMS

Last week you would of received a copy of our Emergency Contact Form. Each year we update these so that contact can be made quickly in an emergency. Even if your details have not changed since last year, you are requested to spend a few minutes to fill out the form. **IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT EVERY FAMILY COMPLETES AND RETURNS THIS FORM.** Please don't put it off as it may be you we are trying to contact.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Congratulations to Ella of class 2W whose School Contribution envelope was drawn from the barrel on Friday. Ella has won a free lunch at the canteen. Draws will take place each week until 8th March. The response to the School Contributions has been very pleasing. If you haven't yet sent yours in, please do so by the 8th March.

CANTEEN

Just a reminder that the annual Welcome Disco is this Friday from 5.00 - 8.00pm and all children must be accompanied by an adult. There is a $2.00 charge to school children for disco entry where they receive a complimentary glow bangle. Thanks to all the wonderful parents who have offered to help out on the night. The main help needed will be on the BBQ whether it is cooking or serving. Please feel free to come and see me or just "jump "straight on whenever it is convenient so no one gets stuck on there for too long and can enjoy the night with their families too. Special thanks to our fantastic TPS parents who are providing their services for the night. Mark Johnston is our awesome DJ for the night, our fun entertainment and "side show alley" will be from the Harringtons who are better known as Piccolos Parties and Gary Brady is our refreshments man with the snow cones and cappuccino van. We are very lucky to have such handy parents!!! This is our one and only family disco for the year so looking forward to a fun family night with all profits given back to the P&C to use towards our children at TPS this year!!

Cheers, Mel

Canteen Roster for Thursday 21st February to Wednesday 27th February, 2013

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CHESS

Here is a reminder that if your child wants to participate in the chess course, you need to return the expression of interest by Friday 22nd February. For more information - [www.chesslings.com](http://www.chesslings.com)
1/2B CLASS WORK

Lachlan - I Love school because I can play with my friends Blake and Luke.

Austin - I Love to school because I get to play Batman in the playground with my friends.

Trey - I love school because I get to play with my friends in patch.

Allee - I love school because I get to do sport and I like the scoop balls.

Jesse - I love school because I get to play with my friends Austin and James. We play tips.

Jayda - I love school because I get to do lots of writing and srawing and play with my friends.

Lauren - I love playing with my friend Jazzy because she thinks up funny games to play.

James - I love school because I get to play in the COLA and I love playing tips with my brother.

Jaz-Marie - I love playing up in the playground and on the pebble crete with my friend Brock. We play a little game called “Follow the Leader”.

Blake - I love going to school because I learn good things, I love playing with my friends, and going on the playground and writing.

Sarah - I love school because I love playing with my friends, Jayda, Allee, Mia and Chelsea. We play babies when we bring our la la loopsie dolls.

Adam - I love school because I love learning and doing my school work and playing with my friends.

Isabelle - I love school because we get to do art on Mondays.

Michael - I love school because I love doing sport and you can buy fruit from the canteen.

Zachary - I like school because I like playing together with my friends.

Melanie - I love school because we do lots of maths. I love maths so much.

Amanda - I like school because I see my brother all the time and we go up in the playground all the time and play Pokemon.

Alexander - I love school because I have a girlfriend and I like to play with her. Her name is Amy.

Cooper - I like school because we do lots of things like sports and games at school and I like to write.

Caitlin - I like school because I like learning and we do lots of Maths and spelling.

Ebany - I like school because I like learning and playing with my friends.

Scarlett - I love school because I like doing maths.
FUNDRAISING

Welcome to 2013!

**Easter:**
Easter is fast arising. Soon we will be asking for families to kindly donate one Easter egg towards the Easter Raffle. As your child brings in an egg, they will be given a free entry into the raffle. Keep your eye open for more details soon.
Any problems or questions please contact Jenny (0403027477)

**Bunning’s Fundraiser BBQ – Save the date:**
Bunning’s fundraiser bbq will be held on Sunday 20\textsuperscript{th} October. Please keep the date free as we rely on families to assist us in making this day profitable for your children and the school. More details will be advertised closer to the date.

Thank you, Fundraising Team.

**NRL FOOTY TIPPING**

We are once again running our NRL tipping competition. As per previous years the comp will run through OZTIPS.

Entry is open to everyone. Friends, family, neighbours, work colleagues.

**ENTRY FEE – $20.00 PER PERSON**

$10 from the entry fee will be the fundraising component – The remaining $10.00 will be prize money.

Entry fee is to be paid in one lump sum.
The fee is to be paid in cash only and sent to school in an envelope. Please include your name & your footytips name (if different) and also your child’s name and class.

**The competition runs from 7\textsuperscript{th} MARCH**

**Money is due in by 28\textsuperscript{TH} MARCH**

All rules and prize money information can be found on the competition page.

How to Join:

1. Go to oztips – au.oztips.yahoo.com
2. Select register button on the homepage and set up a logon if you don’t already have one.
3. Once you have successfully registered a username & password, click “join a comp” button. You will be asked for an oztips competition number and password.

**Competition Number – 290035**

**Password – tuggps**

Name of the competition is TPS NRL TIPPING

Any problems or questions please contact Jenny (0403027477)
SCHOOL BANKING

Welcome to all the new students who have joined us.

- Can you please assist us by writing your child’s class on the front of the deposit book or the inside cover?

New accounts can be opened any time and the point of the school banking program is to get your child into a regular saving habit. They can bank as little as 5 cents and receive a token which they can save up to claim rewards.

Tokens are only given to students at the school but siblings are more than welcome to send their bank books and banking along with their brother or sister who attends school. The school receives commission on the amount siblings bank also.

* Please put a note in the clear pocket of the yellow wallet with the name of the child at school and put an elastic band around the books. (e.g. Brother Tom Smith Kindy Red)

When your child has collected 10 silver tokens they can order a reward or trade them for a gold token which they can hang onto until they decide to order. Delivery takes approx. 1-2 weeks. Rewards currently on offer are a wallet, knuckles game, handball and Spen, Cred, Pat the dog, Addy and Pru moneyboxes.

Please make sure the deposit slip is completed with your child’s name, student number, date and amount, there is no need to write the account number. Encourage older children to complete the slip themselves. Deposit books are returned to the children approximately 2 days later.

If you have any questions please write us a note and put it in the yellow deposit wallet and we will respond.

Banking day is Monday.

Thank you. Belinda & Renae – School Banking Co-ordinators