

Tempe Talk



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School Holidays

The final day of Term 2 is Friday 29th June. Could I take this opportunity to thank the staff, students, parents and P&C for another productive school term. I wish everyone a restful and enjoyable holiday.

Students return to school Tuesday 17th July.

Semester 1 Reports

Semester 1 reports will be sent home to parents on Wednesday 20th June. Parents are invited to attend a parent/teacher interview in Week 10 to discuss their child's report with the classroom teacher. An interview request letter will be included with the report. Please select a convenient day and time slot from those offered and send back to your child's teacher. Your child's teacher will send an interview confirmation slip home with your child to confirm the exact day and time of interview.

Creative Arts Festival

On Wednesday 1st August 2012 we will be holding the Tempe PS Creative Arts Festival, from 6pm - 9pm. This will be the culmination of this semester's Creative Arts group work in the areas of visual arts, photography, textiles, dance, drama, choir, percussion, and ukulele.

There will be exhibitions of students' work, performances, sales of student work and photographs, raffle draws, refreshments and more. This is an evening for the whole family to enjoy.

Flyers and more information will be distributed soon. Parents and community members who are keen to contribute skills and expertise towards this event, such as displaying and selling their own artistic works, are encouraged to contact the school office or Mr Miller.

Musica Viva Incursion

We were lucky to host the fantastic ensemble *The World According to James* last Wednesday. The students, teachers and parents and community members who attended were entertained and educated about jazz, improvisation, the families of instruments and the building blocks of music: rhythm and melody. The mass improvised jam featuring over 20 of our students was a particular highlight. Thanks to the band for their excellent performance, and to Musica Viva In Schools for doing such a great job promoting music education.



Spark Program

We were fortunate to again be included in the Spark program this Semester. 13 students received mentoring in reading from volunteers from Stockland each Thursday. The mentors and the students built a great rapport and we were sad to say goodbye to them at the final session on June 14th. Thanks to Stockland and Australian Business and Community Networks for supporting our school community, and well done to the students who participated and represented TPS proudly in their interactions with their mentors.

School Public Speaking Competition

Last Tuesday and today, 21 very talented students from Kindergarten to Year 6 competed in the school's public speaking finals. They were:

Kindergarten: Jack Rogers, Chanel Perkins, Lily Lamont

Year 1: Karl van Wel, Zoe McKinnon, Clara-Jade Corcoran Byrnes

Year 2: Claire Oberdorfer, Aiden Collins, Ruby Vandervaere

Year 3: Tommy Wilks, Calvin McKinnon, Pradeep Kandel

Year 4: Jacob Deathe, Lyrck Johnson, Sieli Kefu

Year 5: Isabelle Kocsis, Harry Andrews, Lotte Newton

Year 6: Felicity Bryder, Alison Chang, Kimberley Tran

All these students spoke with great confidence in front of a large audience of students, teachers and parents. Congratulations and well done to all of them. Particular congratulations to the winners.



Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 finalists and Ms Gina diRamio, adjudicator from Tempe High



Yrs 3-6 finalists and Ms Phoebe Bayliss, adjudicator from Tempe High



Marrickville Stories

The Year 3-6 Photography group have been learning about and making digital stories: a slideshow of photographs, with a voiceover and set to music, that tell a personal story. 8 TPS students have been selected to enter their digital stories in Marrickville Stories, a celebration of digital storytelling that is part of the Open Marrickville festival for 2012. The students are:

Harry Andrews
Hugo Carr
Claire Demetriou
Dylan Mickovski
Jonny Nguyen
Kimberley Tran
Sieli Kefu
Joe Wilks

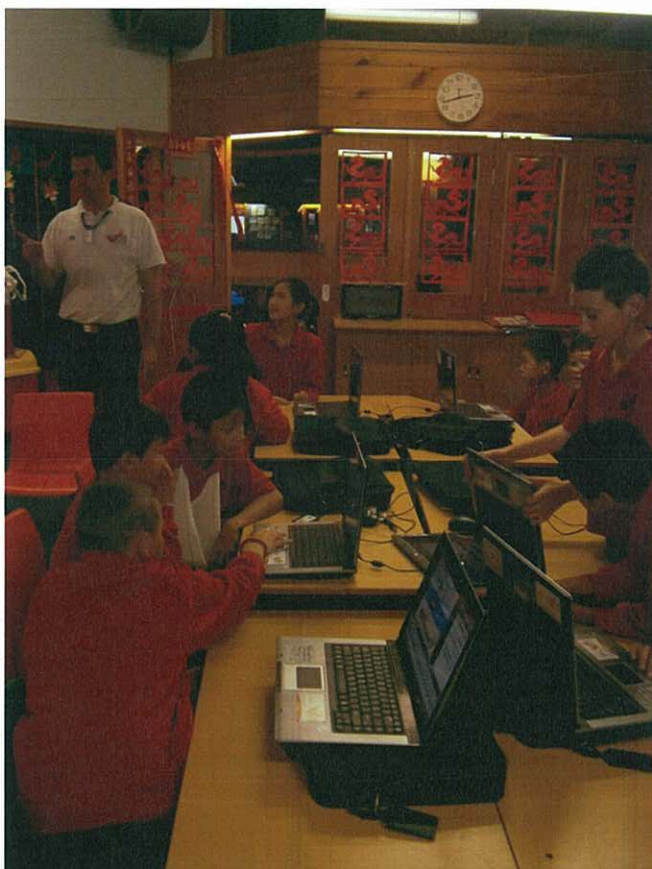
These students will shortly receive an invitation to an invite-only screening of their digital stories in Week 10. Well done!

Sydney East Regional Cross Country Carnival

Reggie Ratuvo from 5/6L competed in the Sydney East Cross country Carnival on Thursday 14th June. It was a very tough race in wet and muddy conditions against a field of very strong long distance runners from across Sydney. Well done Reggie for reaching the regional carnival.

Claymation Workshop

Students in Years 3 -6 were given the opportunity to participate in a claymation film making workshop last Wednesday 13th June. Thirty -three students took up the opportunity and worked for the entire day on creating their own short films; a task that involved them developing storylines and scripts, using storyboards to plan animations, developing backdrops, creating characters and shooting and editing animations using computer software. Another workshop is planned for Friday 29th June for those students who missed out on gaining a place in the first workshop. I am looking forward to viewing the finished products.



Host Family Needed

Tempe PS families are asked to consider hosting a mother and her 7 year old son for the weeks beginning 13th and 20th August. The pair will be visiting from Japan with the child attending Tempe PS for several weeks as an international student from Japan with the aim of improving his English language skills and knowledge of Australian culture. Both mother and child speak English and would be happy to share one bedroom. Money towards expenses incurred will be made available to host families.

If you think you could help or would like some more information please call Katy Rogers on 0408 270 905.

Invitation for Involvement in University Study

Tempe PS has been invited to participate in a study being conducted by the University of Western Sydney and La Trobe University titled "Building Ethical and Respectful Relationships Early in Life". The aim of the project is to understand what needs to be considered by adults in order to help children to become more respectful and ethical citizens, especially in regard to gender and sexuality. This will involve talking with children, their parents/carers, and educators about children's knowledge of sexuality, including general issues such as respect, relationships, girlfriends and boyfriends, love and marriage. Please refer to flyer included and contact Ms Priddy if you would like to participate.

Working Bee

Thank you to all the parents who came along to the working bee on Sunday 17th June. The planting of native species along the front of the school have made a real difference to the appearance of the school.

P & C News

Thanks to everyone who attended the Tempe Movie Night. Not only was it a great family night out, but altogether you generously contributed over \$4000 on the night which in light of the upcoming sesquicentennial will go to upgrading our school grounds.

Thanks again to our sponsors who made the night possible. They are:

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Big Day Out
Electric Canvas
Cisco Systems Australia

Ivan Smith
Outdoor Movie Night Coordinator

The next P&C Meeting will be held Monday 23rd July at 7pm in the staffroom. All parents are invited and welcome to attend.

2012 DIARY DATES

Term 2

19/06 UNSW Spelling Competition
20/06 Student semester 1 reports sent home
21/06 MPPSC Local final
25 -29/06 Interview week
29/06 Last day Term 2
Claymation Workshop

Term 3

11/07 OC test centre advice sent to parents
16/07 Teachers return Term 3
17/07 All students return Term 3
25/07 OC Placement test
27/07 Opening Ceremony London Olympics
30/7 -3/08 Education Week
30/07 Athletics Carnival
31/07 UNSW English Competition
1/08 Creative Arts Festival
20/08 -24/08 Book Week
22/08 Zone Athletics Carnival
6/08 P&C Meeting
27/08 Opening London Olympics
5/09 Regional Athletics Carnival
21/09 Last Day Term 3

Term 4

09/10 First day Term 4 – All students return
03/12-14/12 Yrs 2-6 Intensive Swimming Scheme
18/12 Presentation Day
19/12 Year 6 Farewell
19/12 Summer school holidays begin for students
21/12 Last day Term 4

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