

# Tempe Talk



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## From the Relieving Principal

### Mothers' Day Breakfast

It was wonderful to see a good showing of mothers and their children at our Mothers' Day Breakfast on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May. It was a beautiful morning to take some time out from our busy schedules for a chat whilst enjoying croissants, doughnuts, coffee, tea and fruit juice.

Thank you to Miss Layton, Mrs McDougall, Mrs Thatcher and Miss McDonald for assisting on the day.



### Road Safety

It has come to the attention of the school that some of our students are putting themselves at serious risk of harm as they walk to and from school. The behaviours that are of particular concern are related to those students who walk along Unwins Bridge Rd in the mornings and afternoons. Some of our students have been seen leaving the footpath and stepping onto the road in an attempt to overtake others in front of them. Teachers have spoken to students in their class about the danger of this type of behaviour but is of great importance that parents of children using Unwins Bridge Road reinforce the school's message that they must remain on the footpath at all times.

### Changes to Canteen Menu

There have been some recent changes made to the availability of some foods at our school canteen. These changes are a result of a joint decision made by school staff, the P&C and the canteen committee. As the school has an ongoing commitment to the promotion of healthy eating amongst our student body, it was decided that access to some foods be restricted in the mornings.

It is very important that children start each day with a nutritious breakfast. This gives them the ability to maintain their concentration in class and engage in lessons and learning.

The canteen continues to provide a range of nutritious and tasty options each morning. The 'treat' foods which have been removed from the morning menu are still available for purchase at lunch and recess.

### Marrickville Council Sport-a-Month

Women from ages 12 -89+ can register for unlimited access to Contours gym at Dulwich Hill for the month of May by calling Betty on 9564 0533.

### Opportunity Class 2013

A reminder that applications for 2013 OC classes close on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Parents wishing to make an application are encouraged to do so online if they have computer/ internet access by going to the [NSW Public Schools website](http://www.nswpublicschools.org). Paper application forms are also available at the school office.

### Cross Country Carnival

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in the school Cross Country carnival and fun run on Monday 21st May 2012 at Gough Whitlam Reserve. Please refer to the permission note for further details.

### Mothers' Day Stall

Thank you to the P&C for organising and manning the Mothers' Day stall last Wednesday. This is a wonderful service to our students who all enjoy personally selecting a special gift for their mums. Thank you also to all the parents who generously donated items for sale.

### Soccer Uniforms

Our PSSA soccer teams looked resplendent in their new uniforms on the first day of the 2012 competition. Thank you to the school P&C for providing the funds for their purchase.



Tempe PS Junior Soccer Team



Tempe PS Senior Soccer Team

### PSSA News

PSSA was off to a successful start to the winter competition with the junior soccer team winning 12-0 and the senior team winning 6-0. Let's hope this winning streak continues! Both teams displayed fair play and fancy footwork and they all wore their sports uniform with pride. Well done

Soccer coaches Miss Layton and Mr Holden.

### University Research Project

The Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland is conducting research into parents' thoughts about parenting and parenting programs around the world. If you have a child between 2 and 12 years, the researchers would love to hear your views on parenting and the services that are available to you as a parent. They are looking for parents with a child aged 2-12 to complete a short survey. To find out more or to participate please visit <http://psy.uq.edu.au/ips>.

## P&C NEWS

### P&C Movie Night

Not long to go until our big Outdoor Movie Night extravaganza on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May! All students, families and community members are encouraged to attend. Our school P&C have put an enormous amount of effort into organising a fun night for all and I would like to thank them all in advance for their efforts.

The main film feature on the night will be 'Despicable Me' at 6pm, with shorts featuring some talented Tempe PS students showing from 5:30. Doors will open at 5:00 and the evening will conclude at 8:00.

Cost is \$25 for a family or \$10 per adult and \$5 per child. Seating will be on the field so bring your own picnic blanket, scarves, beanies and gloves so you can settle back cosily and enjoy the proceedings.

Food and drinks available on the night will include a sausage sizzle, soup, popcorn, soft drinks and coffee.

There will be a prize for the best picnic blanket so start getting creative.

Access to the school will be via the gates in School Lane.

### P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 4th June at 7pm in the staffroom.

## Kindergarten Excursion

K/1R and KT had a fun excursion to UNSW Optometry Clinic on 3<sup>rd</sup> May. All the students had their eyes checked and some students will be having follow-up vision checks by their own optometrist as recommended by UNSW Optometry Clinic. The students were involved in hands on science activities. They played snakes and ladders made for the vision impaired, looked through kaleidoscopes, built a model using rods and reflecting mirrors, looked at holograms, assembled models of the eye and brain as well as other cool stuff. We had a great time! The day was beautiful and we **all** had fun on the bus!

Mrs Thatcher and Mrs Redmond



## 2012 DIARY DATES

### Term 2

- 15-17/05 NAPLAN – Yr3 & 5
- 18/05 Movie Night @ school  
Year 5 2013OC applications due date
- 21/05 Cross Country Carnival
- 22/05 UNSW Computer Competition
- 27/05- 1/06 Reconciliation Week
- 28/05 Camp Quality Puppet Show
- 30/05 Zone Cross Country Carnival
- 06/06 UNSW Science Competition  
Musica Viva Performance
- 11/06 Queen's Birthday public holiday
- 13/06 Claymation Workshop
- 14/06 Regional Cross Country Carnival
- 18/06 UNSW Writing Competition
- 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

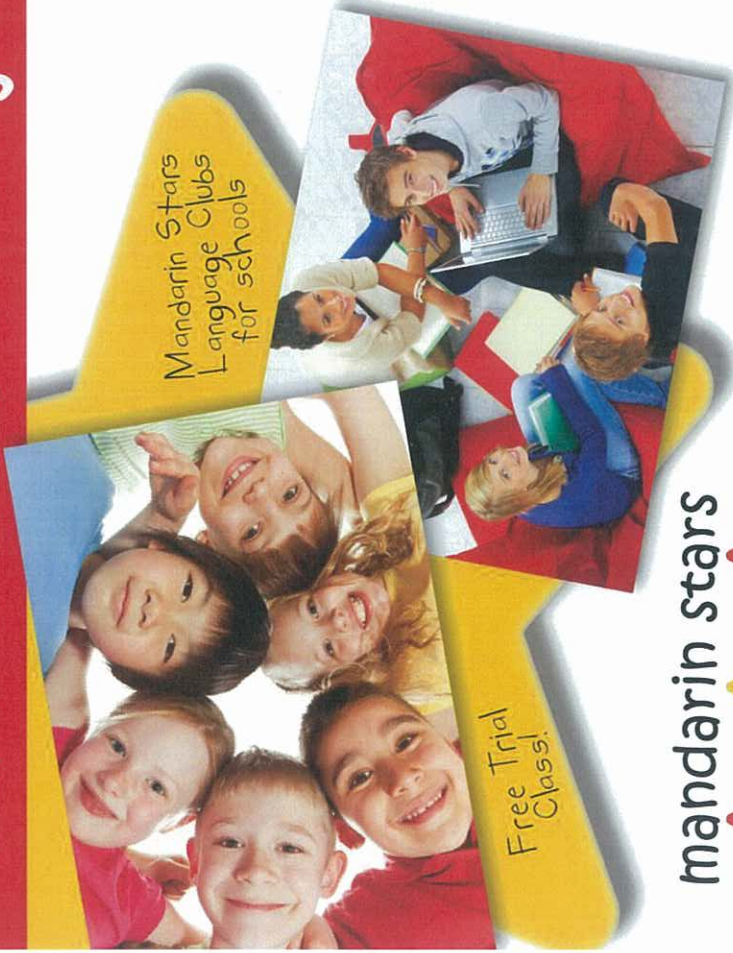
### Term 3

- 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
- 19/12 Summer school holidays begin for students
- 21/12 Last day Term 4

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## **Brief stories and parent tips to use in school newsletters and on school websites – 11 May 2012**

All ages

### **Funding for disability**

Every Student, Every School is a State Government initiative to provide better learning and support for the 90,000 students with disabilities, learning difficulties or behaviour support needs in our public schools throughout 2012/2013. Extra funding will help teachers and support staff to gain more skills to help these students reach their potential.

For more information, including a booklet to download, questions and answers, and a timeline, please go to:

[www.det.nsw.edu.au/every-student-every-school](http://www.det.nsw.edu.au/every-student-every-school).

### **Cycling info**

Riding a pushbike is a great way to get from A to B and keep fit in the process. A new website dedicated to cycling – whether for fun, transport or performance – is available at: [www.bicycleinfo.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bicycleinfo.nsw.gov.au).

Here you will find info on cyclepaths around NSW, keeping your bike in top condition, upcoming workshops, sharing the road and much more.

### **Primary school**

#### **Getting involved reaps benefits**

Did you know that the latest research shows the more involved parents are in their child's education, the happier their children are and the better they do at school. Being involved can include taking more of an interest in what your child is doing at school, helping out at school if you can and being supportive. Read more about this at School A to Z: [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/children-thrive-on-parental-involvement](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/children-thrive-on-parental-involvement).

### **High school**

#### **Newcastle University Summer Schools applications**

The University of Newcastle is offering five-day residential experiences for Year 9 students who are entering Year 10 in 2013.

They include Girls Choices Summer School and LIVE IT! (for boys).

The Girls Choices residential experience (2 – 6 Dec 2012) aims to expose girls to the range of study and career options for HSC graduates in maths and science subjects. LIVE IT! (9 – 13 Dec) is designed to inspire boys to build on their potential to succeed in senior school.

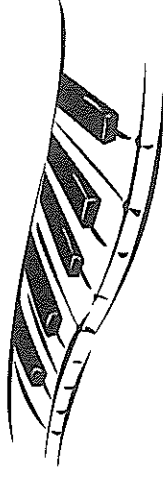
Participants will experience life on campus - just like a real uni student. Along with meeting equity criteria, students should be willing to be challenged by new experiences and explore opportunities.

**Applications close 29 June 2012** and require teacher and principal support.

For more information and to download application forms, W:

[www.newcastle.edu.au/aimhigh](http://www.newcastle.edu.au/aimhigh) T: 4921 6547 or E: [girlschoices@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:girlschoices@newcastle.edu.au) or [liveit@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:liveit@newcastle.edu.au)

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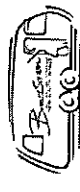
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