

# "Tempe Talk"



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Term 4 Week 5

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE**

### **Re-enrolment Reminder**

As we prepare for 2014, information from parents regarding the number of students returning is invaluable. To support our organisation please return the re-enrolment form to your child's class teacher by the end of the week. The form was sent home with all students earlier this week.

### **Halloween Disco Success**

Congratulations and thank you to the P&C committee who once again ran a highly enjoyable event for our students.

The Halloween Disco was a huge success, with many students dressed in brilliant outfits. The event was also the final fundraiser for the 2012/2013 P&C executive.

In my first year at Tempe Public School it has been invaluable for me to get to know the wider school community. I have been strongly supported by not only the school staff but also supported and informed of a myriad of things by the P&C executive and members in general.

THANK YOU, on my behalf and that of the school community, to the outgoing executive Pauline Futeran, Ivan Smith, Melissa Collins, Siobhan Hannan and Pat McInerney who have led P&C members in supporting the school in its many 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebratory events. What an amazing year it has been!

### **A Froogy it is!**

Congratulations to Karl in 2/3H who was announced as the winner of the "What's My Name" competition last Friday. A Froogy is one of the new items on the canteen menu and have been very popular this term.

Ms Karen Sinclair

## **2013 DIARY DATES**

### **Term 4**

- 11/11 Musica Viva incursion K-6
- 11/11 Remembrance Day
- 12/11 Street Car Art Nathan Dawson visit
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- 14/11 Street Car Art Nathan Dawson visit
- 16/12 Tempe PS Presentation Day
- 16/12 Tempe PS Year 6 Farewell at St George Rowers
- 18/12 Last day for students
- 19/12 Staff Development Day
- 20/12 Staff development Day
- 28/1/14 First day for staff in 2014
- 29/1/14 First day of 2014 for Year 1-6 students
- 31/1/14 First day for Kindergarten in 2014

## **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

### **World Festival Of Magic**

The Lions Club of Bondi has again very generously donated tickets to the World Festival Of Magic that will be held on Saturday 9 November. Details are as outlined below.

What: World Festival Of Magic

When: Saturday 9 November 2013

Time: 11am, 1.30pm and 4.00pm

Where: Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre

Please meet Ms Sinclair on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 8.45am in the COLA if you would like tickets for your family to attend.

### **REMINDER: Canberra Excursion Government Subsidy**

Stage 3 students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital.

Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

Because the Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education they assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion by contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program.

This funding permitted the school to reduce the total cost to families for the Canberra excursion by \$20.

Ms Carole Priday and Mr Hugh Miller



## Film By The Sea Excursion Group



Film By The Sea Excursion Group with our very own host

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### Supporting Students Through Effective Communication update

Please see the updated policy attached. School procedures have been improved to ensure the safety of students. Signage will be displayed at each gate entrance of the school as soon as it is complete. Thank you for your support.

### School Canteen

Our new canteen menu has been well received by many families this term. Thanks again to Cathy and Mel who are working in cooperation with the school and the P&C to provide delicious and nutritious food to our students.

As Cathy and Mel are preparing a wider variety of food on site, they are now even more pressed for time each morning to get lunches prepared by the lunch break.

To enable Cathy and Mel to complete their preparations each morning, parents are reminded that all lunch orders must be placed by 9:15am. If ordering after this time, parents will need to write their child's lunch order on the bags provided at the canteen window, place adequate money in the bag and put the lunch order into the box provided.

Please note that no change will be provided to parents after 9:15am. Any change owing will be placed in the student's lunch order bag.

Your cooperation and assistance is appreciated.

### Year 7 entry into selective high schools in 2015

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is selective high school placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for selective high school placement will be determined mainly on the basis of the Selective High

School Placement Test results and school assessment. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 13 March 2014.

If you would like your child to apply for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2015, you need to do so soon.

Most applicants are expected to apply on the internet and submit their application online. They will need to have an email address (not the student's email address), access to the internet and a printer.

**Online applications close on 18 November 2013.**

**Please see [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement).**

If parents do not have internet access, commercially printed application forms become available from the school on 22 October 2013. They must be completed and returned to the school by 18 November 2013.

## UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS

### Australia's Kindness Day – 6 November

Australia's National Kindness Day is the beginning of a 16 day celebration devoted to kindness and unity. It includes World Kindness Day, International Day of Tolerance and International Day for Children.

### Armistice Day - 11 November

The eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month marks the moment in 1918 when fighting ceased on the Western Front marking the end of World War I. After four years of continuous warfare the Germans were driven back by the allied armies and they called for a suspension of fighting. At 11.00am there is one minute of silence to remember those who died at war.

### World Diabetes Day – 14 November

The World Health Organisation (WHO) first drew attention to the problem that diabetes poses for world health in 1989. The first World Diabetes Day was proclaimed in 1991 co-sponsored by WHO and the International Diabetes Federation (IDF). These bodies have the responsibility for providing advice to member states on appropriate policies and strategies for monitoring, preventing and controlling diabetes.

## P&C NEWS

### AGM Election and Office Bearers for 2013/2014

**President** currently vacant

**Vice President** Siobhan Hannan

**Vice President** Katy Rogers

**Secretary** Lisa Newey

**Treasurer** Todd Payne

The P&C is looking for a parent, carer, grandparent or friend of the school to work with the Playground Committee to project manage the implementation and construction of the new playground over the next few years on a volunteer basis. It is a big project but an exciting and valuable addition to the school's assets that

will see our children able to participate in enriching learning through play opportunities. It will also add to create a more beautiful school environment.

The P&C need a project manager who can help us see this through to completion with the support of the Playground Committee, the P&C and our Principal, Karen Sinclair. You may be a builder or engineer, or have experience in managing large projects and be skilled in communicating with various stakeholders, or you might know that you have the right amount of enthusiasm, common sense and organisational skills to help make this happen.

If you are interested in discussing this further, please contact Siobhan Hannan on 0407 920876 or Rachel Rothwell on 0419 424 314 for more information.

#### Great Support for Tempe Public School

Local dad and mortgage broker Yianni Mazis of The Mortgage Directory has made a big commitment to Tempe Public School.

The company will contribute 50% of the commission on completed loans brokered by them for loans for purchases and refinancing.

Simply mention Tempe Public School, Tempe P&C or the playground fund when you speak to Yianni about a loan or refinancing for your family home or an investment property.

Parents or friends of parents, or friends or family can all to take advantage of this generous offer for properties anywhere (not just Tempe properties!)

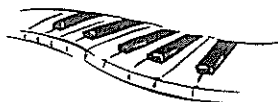
REMEMBER. ANYONE who mentions Tempe P&C and the playground will be helping out so share on Facebook and through your connections as widely as possible.

Call 0414746505 or email Yianni  
[yianni@themortgagedirectory.com.au](mailto:yianni@themortgagedirectory.com.au)

<http://www.mylocalbroker.com.au/profiles/the-mortgage-directory-1>

The Mortgage Directory

## Musical Minors



### Piano Keyboard for the young beginner

After school piano keyboard lessons  
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45 min classes  
 Keyboards supplied

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## MARRICKVILLE

## KARATE

## CLUB



Where: Tempe Public School  
 When: Monday & Thursday  
 5.30 - 6.45pm (students)  
 7.00 - 9pm (adults)

Contact: Doug on 0414 600 439

*Come along, get fit and have fun!*

**1st Lesson free!**



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## SUPPORTING STUDENTS THROUGH EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL

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*Review Date: April 2014*

These guidelines have been devised to assist parents and community members seeking school related information and /or to communicate concerns.

From time to time parents or other members of the school community may need to approach the school in order to:

- Discuss the progress or welfare of their own child
- Express concern about actions of other students
- Enquire about school policy or practice
- Express concern about actions of staff

It is therefore necessary to have procedures that will clarify matters as soon as possible to ensure a safe and harmonious school environment is maintained. The best results usually flow from all facets of the school community working together.

### These guidelines aim to:

- support class programs and student learning
- provide a guide that supports community and staff and ensures that concerns are dealt with in an open and fair manner
- ensure that the rights of students, teachers and parents are respected and upheld
- support matters sensitively and confidentially
- help reach an agreed solution or resolution if appropriate.

On occasion, parental/ carer concerns may cause frustration and anxiety. At such times it is always important to organise an appointment, as this allows time for discussions between parents and school staff to occur in an unhurried and confidential atmosphere.

CONCERN	APPROPRIATE ACTION
The academic progress of own child	* Directly contact the child's teacher either by note, by phone message or in person to arrange a suitable time to discuss any queries.
The welfare of own child	* For minor issues directly contact your child's teacher to clarify information * For more serious concerns, contact the school office. State the nature of your concern and arrange a suitable time to talk with class teacher or appropriate staff member.



	* To convey information about change of address, telephone number, emergency contact, custody details, health issues etc. please contact the school office.
Actions of other students	<p>* Contact the class teacher by note. The class teacher will check and clarify details of the matter and share this information with you as soon as possible.</p> <p>* The class teacher will liaise with the stage supervisor or principal for playground problems requiring clarification from students or additional support.</p>
School policy or practice	<p>* Contact the school office. State the nature of your query. This information will be passed on to the appropriate staff member.</p> <p>The staff member will contact you to explain the relevant details or to make an appointment to discuss the matter further.</p>
Actions of a staff member	<p>* Contact the school office and state your concern. This information will be passed on to the principal.</p> <p>* The principal will contact you as soon as possible and explain upcoming strategies/ arrangements in response to the concern. This may include meeting directly with the principal and staff member concerned.</p>

Please note the following

No access to classrooms during school hours.

All enquiries are to be directed to the school office.

Parent access to students will be from the school office.

All parents and visitors must sign in at the school office. This excludes attendance at organized school events.

No parent should directly approach another person's child.

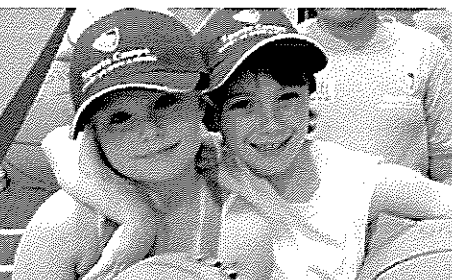
Use of the Inclosed Land Act

In very rare cases, where people wishing to express their concerns do so in an aggressive, threatening or violent manner, the principal or nominee has the legal authority under the "Inclosed Lands Act" to

- direct the person to immediately leave the grounds
- call the police to remove the person should he/she refuse
- withdraw future permission (by letter) for the person to enter the grounds without permission of the principal
- Seek further legal avenues.

This includes phone calls, emails made to or about staff or directed towards staff or the school (Legal Issues Bulletin No 31, NSW Government, Education & Communities).

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS



Let Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness keep your kids busy and active during the school holidays.

Our huge range of School Holiday Sports Camps are open to kids aged 5-15. They are especially designed to provide kids with the opportunity to learn a range of sports, keep fit, have fun and meet children of their own age in a safe environment.

Registrations for the Summer 2013/14 camps are now open. [Click here to enrol](#)

All camps are for children aged between 5-15 years.

\* Conditions apply

## **NB:**

- \* All camps have aftercare available EXCEPT swimming and water polo.
- \* Enrolments close at 12 noon one business day prior to camp start date.
- \* A late fee of \$25.00/child applies to all enrolments received after closing dates.
- \* A \$25.00 administration fee applies to any person who wants to make any change to their booking.

## **Why choose our School Holiday Sports Camps?**

The focus of our camps is to introduce and encourage kids to participate in sport and fitness by focusing on the following:

Skill development

Enhancing self confidence and social interaction

Developing a knowledge of movement skills required to participate in various activities

Stimulating the desire to participate in sport and fitness

We are dedicated to providing our campers with professional coaching staff, excellent facilities, low coaching ratios and lots of fresh fruit to snack on.

And don't forget camps operate rain, hail or shine!

## **Our unique camp benefits;**

Up to **18 hours** of professional coaching.

The majority of our directors are at least level 1 or 2 **NCAS** qualified.

Low Coach/Camper ratios (approximately 1:12) create great **connection** and **care**.

Camps based on structured and proven **skill level development** programs.

Opportunities for appearances and talks from leading **Sydney Uni** athletes.

**Certificate of Attendance** at end of camp.

FREE Sydney Uni Sports Camp **apparel**.

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Places are limited in our popular camps so book now to avoid disappointment. To book, choose from one of the following options:

PHONE - Call 1300 068 922

ONLINE - Click here

IN PERSON - Visit us here on campus at one of our Sport & Fitness centres.

For more details please call 1300 068 922 or email [sportscamps@sport.usyd.edu.au](mailto:sportscamps@sport.usyd.edu.au) For full terms and conditions please click here.

Please take a few minutes to complete our online survey, we greatly appreciate your feedback to improve the quality of our camps.

Sydney Uni Sports Camps are proudly sponsored by:

**Kingsgrove Sports**



**Sydney Markets**



The Sydney Markets Fresh for Kids program aims to help school aged children achieve a healthy lifestyle by encouraging them to eat plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables and by participating in physical activity.

The Fresh for Kids program is a multifaceted, non profit program that started in the early stages of 1997. This industry initiative is designed to promote fruit and vegetables in a fun and interactive way to primary school aged children.

Through close relationships with various organisations including government departments, teachers, canteen supervisors, independent retailers and parents, the Fresh for Kids program is able to implement a strong children's program that achieves the aim of increasing the consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables and an active lifestyle among primary school aged children.

**Tips and Tricks for Healthy Lunch Boxes - thanks to Sydney Markets.**

Kids simply love variations and surprise. Try using different types of bread that are high in fiber, vitamins and antioxidants - like whole wheat dinner rolls, multigrain flat bread or flax bread.

Processed meat is high in salt and animal fats - try using leftover meat which you have cooked the night before. Try chopping up leftover chicken to make a chicken salad with parsley, shallots, water chestnuts and lite mayonaise.

Kids love making their own foods, so a burrito or a pita pocket that they make themselves can be a fun and healthy lunch option. Prepare shredded vegetables, meat, and sauce, and let the kids assemble their own lunch at camp. You control what goes in it and they choose what they like!

Kids love dip! Prepare diced or julienned vegetables to go along with a small container of dipping sauce. Low fat yogurt and sour cream, hummus, and tzatziki are all healthy dip choices.