**P & C Fete**

**Reminders**

**May**
- Students return to school for Term 2
  - Wednesday 1st
- School Cross Country
  - Friday 3rd

**Assemblies**
- Whole school
  - Friday 12th April

**P & C meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month in the school library at 7.00 pm.**
- Everyone is very welcome to attend
- Next meeting
  - Tuesday, 21st May
My thanks to everyone involved in our fantastic 2013 P&C Rock Stars Fete. In particular I would like to thank the P&C, and Fete committee members who were capably led by Kim Williams and assisted by Rick Bennett and Jane Baker, as well as all the mums and dads who helped in so many various ways before and on the day. I would like to thank the whole Tottenham community for their generosity in support of our school fete. Sincere thanks go to all local businesses and community members and parents who donated so many great prizes to our raffle and stalls. Our thanks also to Mr Noel Chick for opening the fete and to Mr Butch Williams for being such a capable and entertaining MC. The ‘Rock Stars’ theme was excellent. Nearly every student dressed up in wonderful costumes. Students also enjoyed the Treasure Train, Sock Wrestle, Nerf Wars and the Obstacle Course. The talent quest was a welcome new addition to our fete and my congratulations to all the students who all displayed some wonderful talents.

At the beginning of the fete I introduced Karen Gilmour, a PDHPE teacher from Kellyville High School, who travelled all the way from Sydney on Friday morning to deliver excess, brand new, sporting equipment to us, from their Coles Supermarket vouchers. Some of you may remember the Coles program for schools last year, whereby Coles receipts could be traded for points/vouchers to go toward school sporting equipment. We decided not to participate as it was thought that, where possible, the local stores should be patronised. However Kellyville HS did participate and received a large amount of sporting equipment some of which was excess to their needs - which they donated to us. A really remarkable and generous gesture on her, and her students part!

Please note that Term 2 commences for students on Wednesday, 1st May. Teachers will be participating in Staff Development days on Monday, 29th and Tuesday, 30th of May. All students should return to school in correct winter uniform, this includes fully enclosed black leather shoes.

This year ANZAC Day, which is on the 25th April, is the last Thursday of the school holidays. As is tradition, it is expected that the majority of students will take part in the ANZAC Day march. Students who are taking part in the march should be in neat winter school uniform and meet at the front of the school at 10.30am.

A very special congratulations to Elyssa, who competed in the 50 metres breaststroke at the State PSSA Swimming Carnival last week. Elyssa was able to better her personal best by one second – an all-round wonderful achievement. Congratulations to our primary tennis team for displaying excellent sportsmanship during their loss against Orange PS last Wednesday. Well done to Michelle Harding for her efforts in trying out for the Western Area PSSA Soccer team last Friday.

It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of Term 1. It has been a very successful term with staff and students busy with many varied activities. I think we have made a great start and are in a good position to have a thoroughly successful 2013! Thanks to everyone for working so hard to make Term 1 so successful.

May your holidays be safe, restful and enjoyable. I hope that we can all return to school ready and refreshed for a good Term 2! Enjoy the beautiful autumn weather and have a great holiday!

Steve Garriock

YOUR SAY
You are encouraged to use this space to give us any feedback on things which you feel you need to: congratulate a student, teacher or parent; let us know what you think of the newsletter format; make a suggestion or request.

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INTERNET/MOBILE PHONE - CYBER-BULLYING/SAFETY
Recently there has been many stories in the media about cyber-bullying and inappropriate use of mobile phones and social media sites on the internet, such as Facebook, Twitter etc. Could I urge all parents to be aware of the level of involvement that your child has with these types of sites, which can be accessed not only on computers but also on mobile phones at any time of the day or night. Tottenham Central School has a policy of no mobile phones at school. This is because of the potential disruption they may cause due to inappropriate use as well as security issues. This is similar to when other valuable items are brought to school – we cannot guarantee their security. As students have access to the office phones if necessary, there is no need for mobile phones to be brought to school. We ask all parents and caregivers to ensure their children do not bring their mobile phones to school. If it is brought to my attention that offensive, inappropriate or abusive comments are posted on the internet or via mobile phones I will be contacting parents of the students concerned and the Police.

MERIT SYSTEM UPDATE
Congratulations to Anneka Lees, Samantha Harley, Alexandra Lindsay, James Weston, Thomas Hopkins and William Horsburgh for achieving Bronze in the merit system. Well done to these students.
Thank you to those people who supported our recent bulb drive. Your support will enable us to continue to reward our wonderful students.

STUDENT BANKING
Don’t forget that Tuesday is banking day at school. Next term there will be a competition for students who make regular deposits. Keep an eye out in the newsletter for details.

SURPLUS COMPUTERS, PRINTERS & ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT
Tottenham Central School has several items of technology that are surplus to needs. Most are out-dated pieces of equipment that are still serviceable, however are not up to our classroom standards. If you feel that any of these items may be of interest to you, please contact the school and make an offer.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO WARRANTY OR SUPPORT OFFERED WITH THESE ITEMS.
LEXMARK, C780 COLOUR LASER PRINTER.
Able to be networked, prints A3 and A4. In working order.

HP LASERJET 1505n LASER PRINTER (monochrome)
Has problems with pick-up feed, however can produce a good quality print. Able to be networked.

2 x EPSON EMP-82 PROJECTOR
Can be ceiling mounted. In working order, however image is not as bright as is needed in a classroom.

4 x IBM THINKCENTRE DESKTOP PC
MODEL # M-9211 – D14
In working order. Most have CD/DVD drives. Comes complete with keyboard and mouse, but NO MONITOR

2 x HP COMPAQ PCs
In working order. Floppy & CD/DVD drives. Comes complete with keyboard and mouse, but NO MONITOR

IBM THINKPAD LAPTOP Model: R51e
Works fine, just not as quick as it used to be!

SWITCHES / ROUTERS
A collection of 10/100 HP Procurve, Compaq Netelligent, & Allied Tennyson CentreCom FS716 routers and switches, mostly 16 ports.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL CANTEEN
Helpers are required for 1 hour shifts during the day. Can you please email Jane Baker - rogbert5@bigpond.com or phone 68928251 if you can help
Thank you
Jane Baker

CHECK OUT THE SCHOOL’S WEBSITE
SAME ADDRESS BUT NEW LOOK.
VISIT:
WWW.TOTTENHAM-C.SCHOOLS.NSW.EDU.AU
SPORTS EQUIPMENT
Last Friday we were lucky enough to have a visit from Mrs Karen Gilmour from Kellyville High School in Sydney. Karen organised for our school to receive equipment through the Coles for Sports Program last year and personally delivered some sports equipment including a variety of balls, 6 mini tennis nets and wheelie bags to put balls in. Karen also brought lots of donated goods for the fete from staff at Kellyville. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Karen for all of the work she has done through the Coles for Sports Program for Tottenham Central School.

What a wonderful fete! Thank you to all the parents and citizens who helped set up, worked on stalls, donated goods and helped clean up. Your contributions were very much appreciated. A BIG thank you to the Stall Coordinators – you did a fantastic job in organising your stalls. Finally, I would like to thank the SRC for their creative ideas and contributions last Friday. A fantastic time was had by all! Well done everyone!

Parade Winners:
K/1 – Kate Brown & Digby Lees
2/3 – Isabelle Lindsay & Jack Baker
4/5/6 – Sophie Williams & Oliver Lees
Secondary – Georgie Lindsay & Jack Bennett

Footy Toss Winner:
James Weston

SRC Kid's Raffle:
Reading Cinema Tickets: Nola Everingham
iTunes voucher: Hugh Weber
Can of jellybeans - Vincent Coventry

Yabby Calcutta:
1st – Rick Bennett
2nd – Digby Lees
3rd – Paul Adam

Talent Quest Winners:
Funniest – Zanthie Hewett & Jasmine Miller
Best Group – ‘Dancing Girls’ – Chloe Harley & Eliza Harley
Most Skilled – Jess Mills
Best individual – James Mills

Raffle Winners:
No: 1 Dubbo RSL Club Resort- $250 Gift Voucher - Nola Everingham
No 2: Kim & Butch Williams – Patio Heater - Jo Radford
No 3: Peaches Boutique Bathurst – Handbag - Jane Medcalf
No 4: Taronga Western Plains Zoo – Family Pass - Darren Hewett
No 5: Sarah & Red Lindsay – 6 Bottles of wine - Sharon Medcalf
No: 6 Orana Mall Dubbo - $25 Gift Voucher - Anne Semler
No 7: Orana Mall Dubbo - $25 Gift Voucher - Lynette Jarvis
No 8: Foodworks – Fruit & Veg Hamper - Cath Jarvis
No 9: Baby Pack – Karen & Kellyville Teachers - Madonna Humbert
No 10: Jewellery & Perfume – Karen & Kellyville Teachers - Judy Baldwinson
No 11: Spotlight Dubbo - $20 Gift Voucher - Sue Nicholls

Guess the Teddy Bears names: - Digby Lees - ‘Uncle Ted & Aunty Shirley’

A Post-Fete brainstorm will be held at the next P&C meeting. Any comments or ideas would be welcome.
A few reminders and important dates for your calendars:-

- ANZAC Day - march and service Thursday, 25th April. (Meet at 10.30am, at front of school.)
- Staff Development Days - Mon 29th and Tues 30th of April (i.e. pupil free days)
- Students return to school for Term 2, Wednesday, 1st May
- School Cross Country 3rd May (Week 1, Term 2)
- School Athletics Carnival 10th May (Week 2, Term 2)
- NAPLAN tests for Years 3/5/7/9 in (Week 3, Term 2) Tues/Wed/Thurs 14th, 15th & 16th May

**Term 1 & 2**

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**WEEK 1**

- 29 Staff Development Day
- 30 Staff Development Day
- 1 May Students return for Term 2
- 2 Primary students walk cross country course
- 3 Cross Country

**WEEK 2**

- 6
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- 10 Athletics Carnival

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**2013 Term Dates**

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**PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CARERS**

As a parent/carer you have an important role in your child’s education. Teachers only see your child for a part of their learning time; we need your support in helping your child succeed.

**To Help Your Child Succeed**

- Try to keep absences to a minimum - Good attendance is essential to success.
- Ask about Homework - Homework is often given to support work learned during the day.
- Ask about Assessment Tasks and projects - This is the way students show what they have learned.

Encourage your child to see their teacher for extra help as needed.

Let your child know you expect them to do their BEST!
WESTERN AREA PSSA GIRLS SOCCER
Congratulations to Michelle Harding who participated in the PSSA Western Area Girls Soccer trials last Friday. Although not chosen as part of the team she had an enjoyable day, learning and practising soccer skills. She is looking forward to participating again next year.

STATE PSSA SWIMMING
Congratulations to Elyssa Pearce who competed at the State PSSA Swimming Championships at Homebush last week.

PSSA TENNIS ROUND 2
Last Wednesday Oliver, Tom, Madi and Michelle played Orange Public School in Round 2 of the PSSA Tennis Knockout at Orange. Our team were beaten convincingly however, their sportsmanship, attitude and behaviour were wonderful. Thank you and congratulations to those students.

CROSS COUNTRY AND ATHLETICS NOTES
Cross country and athletics notes need to be returned as soon as possible. Students in Year 2 involved in the athletics carnival will take part in primary sport this week.

Sport dates for Term 2

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SCHOOL FEES
These are due and should be paid by the end of term. If payment of these fees may cause financial difficulty please contact the school as soon as possible. Forms have been included in several newsletters this term and are available on the website to download and copy.
TOTTENHAM JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB

Registrations are now open for existing club members and NEW MEMBERS. Our first soccer training day will commence on Wednesday, 1st May (Term 2) at 3:30pm straight after school at the sports ground. Games are still being played on Saturday mornings.

To re-register or if you are a new member, please go to the following website: www.myfootballclub.com.au You only have to record the player's details and Parents/Guardian details, select which package (team) i.e. Minis, Mids, or Seniors. Once this has been done, it will show up at my end, I will then approve once fees are paid and then a receipt will be forwarded to you. Existing members your details should already be recorded, you just need to select which package (team) for 2013 you wish to play in.

If you don't have access to a computer, you can give me a call on 6892 4291 or email me and I will register for you. No payments are made online; payments are taken by Meggan Adam or myself, payable to Tottenham Junior Soccer Club.

I will send out our Soccer Draw by email and any other relevant information that is required over the next few weeks. It’s a great day out with your kids so hope to see many participate. If you require any information or help in registering, please don’t hesitate to ring me, Janine Fisher, 6892 4291 or email: jfisher1@bigpond.net.au

PIANO TUNER

The piano tuner will be coming to school in the first week of May. If you have a piano that needs tuning and want to reduce travel costs, please book now.

Graham Baker
0427 299 875
6365 8766

PONY CLUB

Our annual pony Club Camp will be held at the Tottenham Racecourse, 19th – 22nd April.

Camp forms will be available this week, with early bird discount applying if returned before 3:30pm, Friday, 12th April. Enquiries L Jarvis – 68928211.

YOUTH CLUB

Thanks to Rick and Jack Bennett for running Open House on Friday evening. This Friday we have Tristan and Mrs Baker on duty.
Year 6 in the Primary Vegetable Garden

Year 6 have been working in the primary vegetable garden this term as part of their Mathematics lessons. They have planted a range of vegetables including carrots, onions, beetroot, cabbage, lettuce, broccoli, cauliflower, tomatoes and an assortment of herbs. Each week they ‘thrive’ the plants (1 gram to 1 litre), weed and add manure to new garden beds. They have collected the daily temperature through-out and will graph that data this week. They have also measured rainfall and converted from millimetres to points. The students will soon be able to harvest their produce and create some healthy salads. A big thank you to Noel and Kara who have helped keep our garden looking so good!