



Teven-Tintenbar Public School



Term 1 Week 2 - Monday 3rd February 2020

Welcome

Welcome to the 2020 school year at Teven-Tintenbar Public School. We have welcomed several new families into our community and last Thursday our kindergarten children started their educational journey with us.

This is one of our biggest newsletters of the year, so please keep it for future reference.

Swimming Carnival

Our swimming carnival will be held next Wednesday 12th February. This carnival is for children who are turning 8 or older in 2020. We have attached a program on the back page of this newsletter.

Parking

Due to the increased student population, there is no longer any parent parking on site. This measure, to ensure the safety of all our

children, has been taken in consultation with Legal and Health & Safety Directorates.

As an alternative, in the afternoon, a member of the executive staff will supervise children until after the second bus has left, so that parents can drive into the bus bay and collect their children. While waiting for buses to leave, please do not block any driveways or roads. **Our preferred option is that children outside walking distance travel to and from school by bus.** For morning drop-offs, use the bus bay to drop children off but do not park and leave your car.

Please do not park in the staff car park at any time. There is a blind spot when staff are coming out of the car park and children are crossing the driveway to get to cars. Our younger children have not yet developed their peripheral vision so will not necessarily see cars driving out of the car park.

What's on ...

10th February

Mobile Library

Year 6 shirt orders due

12th February

Swimming carnival

18th February

First assembly @ 3pm

26th February

Canteen Open

27th February

P & C meeting

11th March

Canteen Open



Welcome Back

Year 1 students are happy to be back and off to a great start with their teachers Mrs Hambly, Mrs Sawras and Miss Haag. Its going to be a great year for them.

Respect - Responsibility - Results

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Before school drop offs

A reminder that under no circumstances should children be onsite **before 9am** unless in the direct supervision of their parent. Playground duty starts at 9am. Our school offers before and after school care. Contact Rainbow on (02)6686 6621 if earlier than 9am drop off is needed.

Assembly, Scripture and Sport

Outside providers teach Scripture and Ethics lessons. These lessons take place on Tuesday afternoon. If you wish to change the current choice for your child, please send a note to the office so our records can be updated. Scripture and Ethics should start by the end of February. Assembly starts Tuesday 18th February at 3pm. We hold our assembly under the COLA. Parents who attend are welcome to take a chair from the library to sit on. As we do not have a hall, we will be cancelling assembly on very wet days.

ICARE assemblies will also take place outside. These are in Week 8 of each term on Wednesday mornings. Medallions are ordered at the end of week 6. Any awards brought in to school in Week 7 or 8 will be held until the following term.

Whole School Sport Program

Our sport days have changed for 2020. Sport for K-6 will be on Thursday. The class teacher will let the children know when to wear their sports uniform for fitness lessons. Children can wear their sports uniforms both days. In March, once the weather is a bit cooler, we will start daily running in preparation for our Cross Country. We will let you know the days so that children will be able to wear their sports clothes.

Change of Routine

When there are changes to how your child is to go home, please provide a note to the teacher. Our office is extremely busy between 3-3.30 and trying to organise last minute changes is extremely difficult.

Under no circumstances, email pick up changes. Emailed messages may not be read before the final bell and we would hate to miss your message.

Canteen News

The school Canteen will be open Term 1. It will run fortnightly on a Wednesday, which means all orders will need to be in by the Monday before.

Term 1 dates:

26th Feb
11 March
25th March
8th April.

Our Canteen is run by parent volunteers. You will find a volunteer sheet in the office. Canteen days are 9am - 1pm. (However any time you can give is appreciated). Our school Canteen implements the NSW Healthy Schools Canteen Strategy.

What does this mean?

Simply we follow these Five Criteria:

- Sugar-Sweetened drinks **SHOULD NOT BE SOLD** in the school canteen or in vending machines.
- Everyday food and drinks should make up a minimum of 75% of the canteen menu and Occasional not more than 25% of the menu.
- All Occasional packaged foods and Everyday breakfast cereals must have a Health Star Rating of 3.5 stars and above.
- There are portion limits for ALL Occasional foods and drinks and for Everyday hot foods, 99% juices and flavoured milk.
- Only Everyday foods and drinks should be marketed and promoted in the canteen.

If your child has dietary requirements please feel free to let us know in the canteen so we can adjust the menu where possible. (We want everyone to be included). Menu ideas and feedback are always welcome. We all look forward to a wonderful, Healthy year.

Sarah Scandrett (Canteen manager)

Library Borrowing Days

Each class will borrow during their weekly visits to the library. Books are due back 2 weeks after they are borrowed, but many students choose to swap their books weekly. Kinder to Year 2 students must have a library bag for their books. A library bag is optional for Years 3 to 6 but strongly recommended. We no longer keep plastic bags as temporary library bags. We are introducing a limited number of Boomerang Bags which can be used to get books home safely on the odd occasion a library bag is forgotten. The Boomerang Bag needs to be returned the next school day, rather than waiting until the book comes back.

Borrowing days for classes:

Monday: 3K and 2W

Tuesday: 4/5M

Wednesday: 4C

Thursday: 6T

Friday: KS, 1H and 1S

Bus

Some children have changed their bus habits. If your child gets different buses on different days, please send a note to the office so we know your child's routine. **We would also appreciate you confirming with your children in the morning how they are getting home in the afternoon to avoid confusion.**

Afternoon Bus 1 → Alstonville

Afternoon Bus2 → Lennox, Cumbalum, Ballina

Music Info

All returning students lessons will be on Wednesdays, commencing this week.

Fees

Invoices and information about fees will be emailed shortly. If you haven't received an invoice by Friday 7 Feb please contact Fiona kids_musik@yahoo.com.au

L.S.T.T. band news

Combined Band Rehearsals

Monday Junior and Senior Band rehearsals will commence Feb 24th @ Lennox Head P.S. Rehearsal times will remain as with previous years.

New Students

Thank you to all parents who contacted Fiona at the end of last year

regarding their child starting a Band instrument. Notes about tryout lessons for this term will be sent out shortly to those children. For information regarding starting a band instrument please contact Fiona on the email above.

School Facebook Page

As many of you are aware, our school has an official Facebook page. The Teven Tintenbar page is a positive and more informal way for us to interact as a school community. We use this page to share photos, reminders and general information as it crops up. We have found our page helpful in communicating quickly with our current community but also as a tool to give the broader community and our extended families an insight into our school. The page is registered with the NSW Department of Education and adheres to the same rules applicable to all online activities of schools. The page is administered by a few staff members at a time in an effort to keep it up to date and responsive to need. While we do our best to respond to messages in a timely manner, we know our community appreciates that this is not the avenue for urgent messages or private matters. These are best discussed in person, over the phone to the office or via an email to the school to make suitable arrangements.

In liking this page your personal profile does not become visible to the page administrators or other “likers” any more than it already is to people you are not friends with on Facebook, so your privacy is maintained. We ask you to take the time to read over our Rules of Engagement under the About/Story section of the Facebook page. For those who don’t have Facebook, you can still view the updates at the bottom of our school webpage. You can find our official account by simply searching Teven Tintenbar on Facebook with our school logo is the profile picture.

Student Birthdays

We appreciate parents will want to make their child’s birthday special when held on a school day. As we have a significant amount of children who have food allergies, we suggest the following- ice blocks, fruit platter or fruit kebabs or a favourite book the teacher could read to the class.

Absences

When your child is away, an explanatory note is required prior or **within 3 days of return**. A note is included below for your future reference and are available at the office, it is acceptable for you to just write a note, it is not mandatory for it to be on the note below. If your child plans on being absent for a week or more please see the office for extended leave paperwork.

ICARE awards

Our merit system is based on our school values of Integrity, Cooperation, Acceptance, Respect and Excellence. Once a child has one of each of these small awards, they are presented with a larger ICARE award. Three ICARE awards mean your child will get a medallion at a special assembly in Week 8, followed by morning tea. 2 small awards per class will be handed out at the normal weekly assemblies. Teachers can give 3 more in class during the week. Any unused awards from previous years can be used in the following years.



Sun care

We are not allowed to provide sun screen to children. We encourage you to put a roll on sunscreen (or similar) into your child’s bag on hot days for them to reapply, or encourage your child to say in the shade on the hotter days. Please do not send spray types of sun screen.

ABSENT NOTE

Date: _____

Dear _____

My child _____ in class _____ was absent from school on _____

because _____

Parent

Seasons for Growth Program

Learning to live with change and loss

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Teven-Tintenbar Public we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce and related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called *Seasons for Growth* which will commence in Week 3 to Week 11 of this term. This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

This Program is offered for **stages 1 -3**, If you think your son or daughter would benefit from *Seasons for Growth* we would encourage you to talk to him/her about participating in the program and fill in the slip provided. Miss Slingsby will then contact you to further discuss the program and suitability for your child.

If you require further information please contact Miss Slingsby.

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I consent for my child _____ to attend the Seasons for Growth program. I have discussed with this with him/her.

Yes No

SWIMMING CARNIVAL PROGRAM

WAR CRIES

Boys 12yr	50m Freestyle
Girls 12yr	50m Freestyle
Boys 11yr	50m Freestyle
Girls 11yr	50m Freestyle
Boys 10yr	50m Freestyle
Girls 10yr	50m Freestyle
Boys 9yr	50m Freestyle
Girls 9yr	50m Freestyle
Boys 8yr	50m Freestyle
Girls 8yr	50m Freestyle

10 min break- NO CANTEEN

Snr Boys	50m Breaststroke
Snr Girls	50m Breaststroke
Jnr Boys	50m Breaststroke
Jnr Girls	50m Breaststroke

Snr Boys	50m Backstroke
Snr Girls	50m Backstroke
Jnr Boys	50m Backstroke
Jnr Girls	50m Backstroke

20 minute break (canteen)

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY- GREEN WRISTBANDS ONLY

Junior boys, junior girls

Senior boys, senior girls

20 minute break- (canteen)

Snr Boys 50m Butterfly

Snr Girls 50m Butterfly

Jnr Boys 50m Butterfly

Jnr Girls 50m Butterfly

15 minute break- NO CANTEEN

OPEN 100M FREESTYLE-GREEN WRISTBANDS ONLY

Boys 4x50m Relay-max 2 senior (time permitting)

Girls 4x50m Relay-max 2 senior (time permitting)

If enough students, we will run junior and senior

Year 6 race (time permitting)

Please note: some 11 and 13 yo times are used to establish placings (only) for district level, as at this point there are some separate races for 11 and 13 yo.

Please refer to our school Sports Procedures 2014 for clarification on awarding of points for more information.