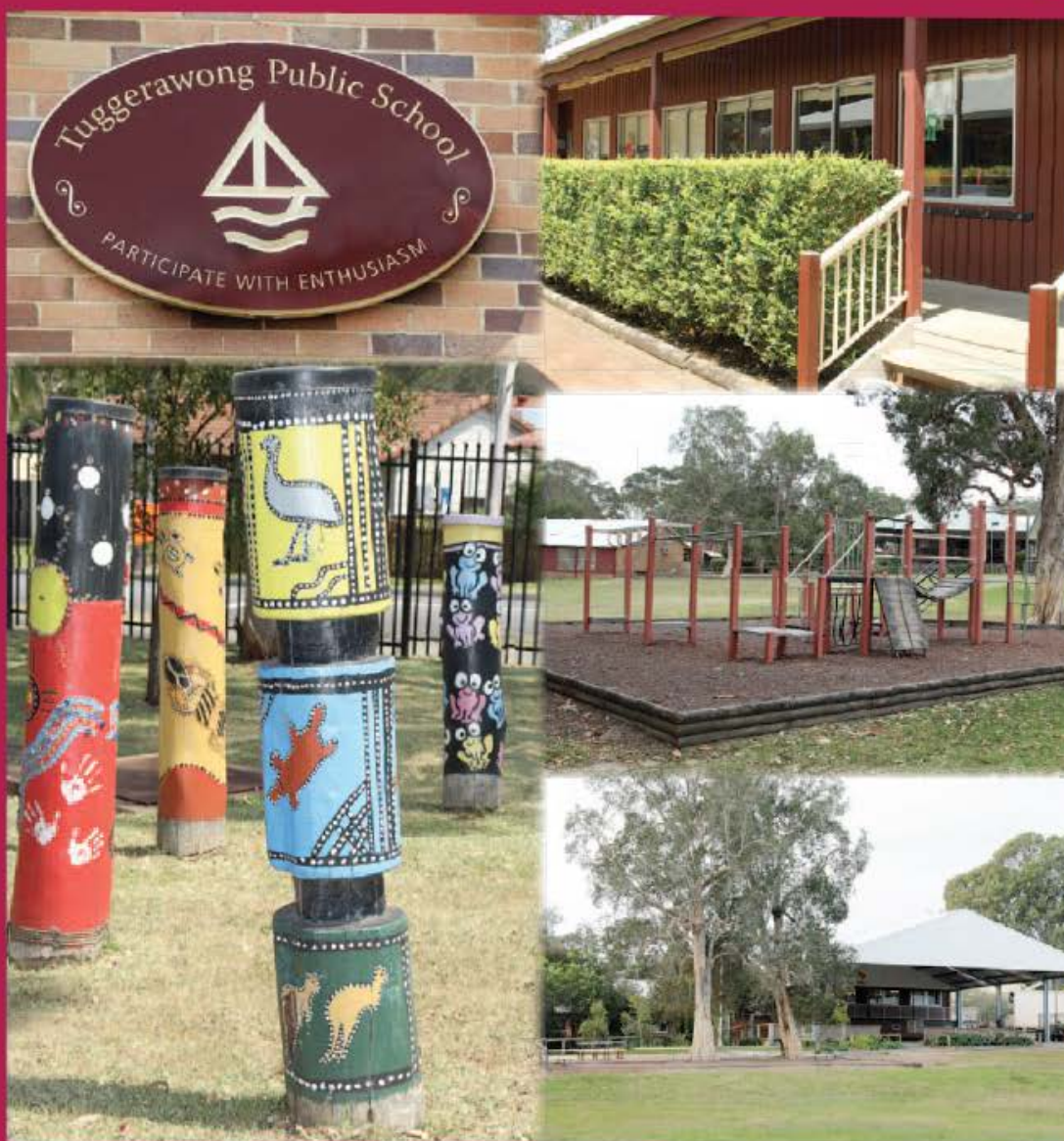




# TUGGERAWONG TATTLER



*Participate with Enthusiasm in a Positive and Caring Environment*

**TUGGERAWONG PUBLIC SCHOOL**



### From the Principal

I hope all mothers had a relaxing and enjoyable Mother's Day. It was wonderful seeing so many mothers and grandmothers attend our Mother's Day Brekkie last Friday. We were overwhelmed with how many of you attended and supported this event. Judging by the smiles and thanks we received for organising such an event it is clear it was well received. We will have to put this one on the calendar for next year. As always thank you to the incredible staff that made this event possible, particularly Mrs Day, Mrs Caldon and Mrs Hurley who coordinated the event.

### Staffing

At the end of Term 1 I was contacted by staffing informing me that as our student numbers have increased we are eligible for an additional Assistant Principal. Approval has been given by staffing to form a selection panel and advertise this position and undertake an interview process this term.

Whilst this is a great opportunity for our school, unfortunately it will mean some staffing changes. I will keep you up to date with this process as it progresses.

### So How Was School Today?

Like most parents when my mum used to ask me "How was school?" I always gave the stock standard answer "good" or "boring". Whether it was in fact good, bad or indifferent. And now I am receiving the same answers when I ask my son the same question.

As parents this does not tell us a whole lot and I am sure some of you would like to know more. Taking an active interest in your child's / children's education is extremely important. I came across an article on the internet where a parent made a list of more engaging questions to ask her children about their school day.

The parent from the article reports as a result of this she has had some interesting conversations with her children and a better insight into how they feel about school. Some of the questions include:

1. What was the best thing that happened at school today? (What was the worst thing that happened at school today?)
2. Tell me something that made you laugh today.
3. Tell me a weird word that you heard today.
4. If I called your teacher tonight, what would she tell me about you?
5. How did you help somebody today?
6. When were you bored today?
7. If an alien spaceship came to your class and beamed someone up, who would you want them to take?
8. If you got to be the teacher tomorrow, what would you do?

The article is available at

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/liz-evans/25-ways-to-ask-your-kids-so-how-was-school-today-without-asking-them-so-how-was-school-today\\_b\\_5738338.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/liz-evans/25-ways-to-ask-your-kids-so-how-was-school-today-without-asking-them-so-how-was-school-today_b_5738338.html)

### NAPLAN

Last week students in Years 3 and 5 completed the NAPLAN assessments. NAPLAN 2017 results will be provided to schools from mid-August. If you have any

concerns about your child's academic progress please don't hesitate to contact their classroom teacher.

A colleague shared this and I thought I would share it with you.



### Quality Workers

Students	Class	Work Sample
Riley F Daniel H Cooper L	3/4D	3D models of iconic landmarks
Rihanna B Jake B	K/1H	Handwriting
Keira W Charlotte O Eli L Chloe I	2/3R	Convincing persuasive texts on how to improve the school

Grant McFarland  
Principal





**ASSEMBLY- Friday at 2.15pm**

### ASSEMBLY AWARDS – Term 1 Week 3

	Toto	Merit
<b>KS</b>	Tyson S	Isla B Harrison F
<b>K1H</b>	Breanna H	Madeleine F Jake B
<b>1T</b>	Mia M	Cruz W Thea J
<b>1/2B</b>	Bentley A	Holly F Zyron B
<b>2S</b>	Indianna B	Caden H Max W
<b>2/3R</b>	Aila-Dawn F	Dakota C Payton A
<b>3/4A</b>	Grace C	Jake M Jarrod L
<b>3/4D</b>	Chloe D	Chase B Jayden A
<b>5/6C</b>	Kane N	Lilly T Brandon G
<b>5/6M</b>	Chelsea M	Hayden J Brock D

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### **THIS WEEK-Week 4**

15/5 Junior Dance Group 3-3.45pm  
 16-20/5 Life Education Visits  
 17/5 Rugby League Gala Day  
 19/5 Zone Cross Country

#### **NEXT WEEK - Week 5**

22/5 Junior Dance Group 3-3.45pm  
 23/5 ICAS Digital Technologies Assessment  
 23-26/5 Stage 3 Camp

#### **Week 6**

29/5 Junior Dance Group 3-3.45pm  
 30/5 ICAS Science Assessment  
 30/5 Senior Dance Group 3-4.00pm  
 31/5 Dress Rehearsal-Dance Groups  
 1/6 PBL Reward Day  
 2/6 Touch Football K/out Girls & Boys



## WHAT'S NEW IN THE CLASSROOMS

### Stage 2

#### 3/4A

What a week it has been! NAPLAN is over and I would like to congratulate Year 3 for all your hard work over those three days. Year 4 you were wonderful and thank you for showing me your personal best while Mrs Day took NAPLAN.

Last week in Mathematics we looked at chance and being able to identify and describe possible outcomes of events. We discussed and predicted the chances of tossing a coin and it landing on heads and tails. Tails never fails they tell me!

*'We were **certain** that the Mother's Day Stall was going to go ahead.'*

*It was **possible** that there could be a birthday party over the weekend.*

*It was going to be **unlikely** that the school would shut down.*

*It was going to be **impossible** that a UFO full of aliens was going to land in our classroom.'*

This week we will be looking at patterns and algebra. This will focus on identifying and continuing number patterns and being able to identify odd and even numbers. 3/4A is thoroughly enjoying Mathematics groups. It is so nice to be asked everyday by the kids if Maths groups are on today. It is so awesome to see students confidently working through their Math goals!

We have been focusing on reading fluently in reading groups this term and are learning to read more expressively rather than reading like a robot. We have been using our classroom ipads to record our reading and listening to it to make sure we are monitoring our reading and reading fluently.

This week we are attending Healthy Harold on Wednesday, 17 May. Thank you to everyone who brought their notes in on time. We are all looking forward to it!

Your child should have started writing their speech for our Public Speaking Competition that will be held in class on Thursday, 1 June. I would love to see **all** students participate and I have encouraged them to do so.

Please ensure your child has enough lead pencils, a ruler, glue sticks, sharpeners and erasers. It is important that students have the right equipment each day so they are organised for each lesson.

#### Important Dates to remember:

- Week 6 Public Speaking (Class Competitions)
- Week 7 Public Speaking (Stage Competitions)
- June, 13-14 Stage 2 Overnight Excursion to Sydney.

Just a reminder your child should be bringing home their Communication Card on Fridays for you to sign. Please ensure that it is returned to school on a Monday ready for the week ahead. Just a reminder that your child is aiming for Level 3 every week. If you are unsure about the new system please feel free to come and see me.

Have a great fortnight! ☺

Miss Anderson

### 3/4D

Wow! Where has the last fortnight gone? We have been extremely busy with preparations for NAPLAN for Year 3 and loads of other learning taking place.

Reading Groups are in full swing again this term with students focusing on the Super 6 Comprehension strategies. In Mathematics, students have been so excited and busy with various 3D constructions of The Sydney Opera House, Big Ben, The Statue of Liberty and other International landmarks. A huge thank you to Carlos and his family for donating the 3D construction sets to us. Our kids thoroughly enjoyed building them – it certainly tested our patience at times!!



In History our journey continues with learning about First Contacts and learning about the history of Australia. This will lead us into our Stage 2 excursion to Sydney later on in the term. Please make sure that payment for this are kept up to date with the final payment due on Wednesday, 24 May, 2017.

In PE, students have been learning and practising the new school-wide handball rules.

Public Speaking class competition will be held on Wednesday, 31 May 2017.

Please make sure your child comes prepared to school every day with the correct equipment including stationary, a jumper (as the weather is turning cooler!) and a hat!

Have a wonderful week!

Kate Day  
Assistant Principal

### Stage 3 5/6C

Hello to Week 4 Parents and Carers!

I need to start by saying how incredibly proud I am of our Year 5 students. Last week we completed NAPLAN, I couldn't be more proud of the effort and application each child applied to complete their exams. Not one of your children sat there without trying their best effort and having checked and rechecked their work. I was extremely impressed. I will give an honourable mention to Kane and Darrius who have made some serious improvement over the last few months. No matter what the outcome, I am super pleased with the amount of effort our students have showed to complete their NAPLAN examinations. Praise your kids, you have it from me that they really have put in their best effort.

This term we have our Stage 3 Camp next week! And keep your eyes out for a Year 6 Fundraiser **'Crazy Sock and Hair Day!'**

This will be our last term learning about Australian colonies. We have recently displayed in the library a map of Australia with all of the original tribes/mobs, all 250 of them! We have organised our tables into tribes from the map, we had a lot of fun trying to pronounce some of the names.

In science we are focusing light and shadows, reflection and refraction, opaque and where our light comes from.

We have a constant focus in mathematics to get our times tables spot on. Throughout all of our maths, times tables is one of the basics we need to understand before we merge into a deeper understanding of Number concepts.

Things to remember:

- Camp next week
- Rugby League game Wednesday Week 4
- Cross Country Friday Week 4
- Softball and Soccer game Monday week 5
- Healthy Harold/Life Education Tuesday (\$10 and note)
- Camp notes **IMPORTANT: please keep the pieces of paper with what you need to bring to camp so you can pack properly!**

Thank you Parents and Carers who have already brought in notes and paid for Life Education! You make life so much easier!

Ms Coafield

### **NOW DUE**

- 15/5 Book Club Orders-online payment
- 17/5 Stage 3 Camp Parent Consent/Medical & Dietary Forms

24/5 Stage 2 Overnight excursion final payment

### **RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP EDUCATION**

The Responsible Pet Ownership Education Program for students in Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two will be held at our school on Tuesday, 30 May 2017. All students will attend the session. Please note that there is no cost involved. The Program focuses on teaching students about dog safety incorporating:

- When dogs should be left alone
- Things we should not do to dogs
- How can you tell if a dog is happy, frightened or angry
- A safe way to approach and greet a dog
- What to do if approached by an unknown or aggressive dog.

The Program also introduces and develops the following concepts:

- Choosing an appropriate pet
- General welfare and husbandry
- The importance of identification and registration
- Confinement and housing
- Exercise and training.

Please let your child's teacher know if your child is allergic or scared of dogs. We encourage all students to attend the session, but if for some reason you'd prefer your child doesn't attend, please let your child's teacher know.

Thank You  
Michelle Shaw

### **PBL**

Students enjoyed their "Toto Reward Day" at the end of last term. Congratulations to all students who participated. We thank all staff and students for your assistance with the implementation of PBL last term. It is working well with students focusing on being Responsible, Respectful and doing their Personal Best at all times!

Upon reflection, we had a number of issues with handball last term. As a school, we have decided to implement School Wide Expectations for all students playing handball. These rules are currently being taught by staff and tested by students. Please discuss these new handball expectations with your child to ensure everyone's safety!

Please find the PBL Handball Expectations Chart accompanying this newsletter  
Enjoy your week!

Mrs Kate Day, Mrs Katie Sturgess, Ms Belinda Stephens,  
Mrs Lyn Caldon and Ms Kellée Anderson  
THE PBL TEAM!

### **CANTEEN**

**Ph 0459 398 152**

### NEW TO THE MORNING MENU

Fruit Smoothies \$2.00 each  
(Only available before school)







**BACK IN STOCK**  
Hot Milo \$2.00 per cup

We are always in need of more volunteers. Please see the canteen if you could spare some time to help out.

Our wonderful volunteers this fortnight:

**TERM 2 WEEK 4**

Tuesday 16/5 Maggie & Fred Simpson

**TERM 2 WEEK 5**

Tuesday 23/5 Maggie & Fred Simpson

**ALL LUNCH ORDERS NEED TO BE THROUGH 'FLEXI SCHOOLS'**

**FUNDRAISING**

**Mother's Day Stall**

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts for our stall. It was a great success.

Thank you to the mums and dads who volunteered at the stall, it is greatly appreciated.

**Fundraising Meeting**

Don't forget our Fundraising Meeting this Wednesday, 17 May, 12pm at Wadalba McDonalds

**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fair**

This is our Fair for our school and community. The students, families, staff and community working together to create a great time for everyone. Let's all help to make it a success!



Scrumptious food stalls, market stalls, fun activities and games, amusement rides, entertainment and performances. Something for everyone.

**MARKET STALLS** - If anyone you know, or someone in the community that has a stall, wants to be a part of our Fair, please contact the Stall Co-ordinators (Rebecca Foott or Katheryn King) for more details via email:

[katheryn1979@hotmail.com](mailto:katheryn1979@hotmail.com)

or

[Steven.foott@bigpond.com](mailto:Steven.foott@bigpond.com)

**BOOK STALL** – If you have any books you no longer want (they need to be in good condition), please send these into school to be sold at our Book Stall.

Remember to put the date in your diary.

**SUNDAY, 6 AUGUST** - 10am to 3pm and invite family and friends to come along on the day.

Thanking you,  
The Fundraising Team

**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS Wednesdays 8.45 – 9.15am**

**SCHOOL SECURITY**

**Ph:1300 880 921**



**News from Oosh!**

We have welcomed some new children and families to our Oosh family lately, the children are settling in really well ☺

Our favourite activities lately have been; Lego, painting, craft, and board games like Monopoly and Trouble and getting outside! Outside we have been playing soccer, football, cooking in the sandpit and the cubby and group games like 'Rob the Nest', 'Squid', 'Poison Letter' and 'Golden Child'.

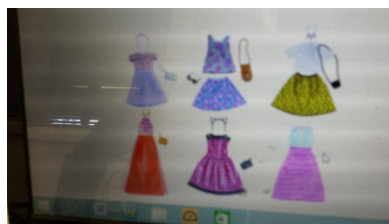


Children have asked for some new dolls house toys and another dolls house. A family has kindly donated a house; the girls went online and took photos of some of the toys they would like as a digital shopping list!

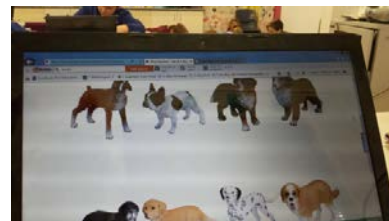


Our routine has changed to Autumn/Winter routine- this means we will get outside straight after afternoon tea and be back in about 4:30/5pm before it gets too dark and cold.

Our menu will change over the next few weeks to incorporate some more hearty foods for Winter. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to share them with us! We will also ask for the children's input



If you have any queries about Oosh, please feel free to come and see us or call us 0402799490.



Vacation Care itinerary will be out at the end of Week 4.



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## HANDBALL EXPECTATIONS



*RESPECTFUL*

*RESPONSIBLE*

*PERSONAL BEST*

- \* Be fair and accept when you are out.
- \* Play decent serves.
- \* Double bounce in the square means you are out.
- \* Frontage, backage, Priority and Elimination are not permitted.
- \* The ball must bounce in your own square first.
- \* If the ball hits the line in any shot you can replay the shot.
- \* The player who hits a full is out, not the person who plays on.
- \* Squares stay as the sizes marked by the lines on the ground. You must not leave the square to play a shot.
- \* Only positive chanting and encouragement is Permitted.
- \* No teams.
- \* Participate with enthusiasm!

**EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, EVERYTIME!**



**SCHOOL HOLIDAY**

**PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP**

**CREATE. PRODUCE. PERFORM**

10th-14th July, 2017

Wadalba Community School

0410 309 298

[info@rhubarbjam.com.au](mailto:info@rhubarbjam.com.au)

[www.rhubarbjam.com.au](http://www.rhubarbjam.com.au)





## Tuggerawong Public School Minutes P&C Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017

**Meeting Opened:** 7:02pm

**In Attendance:** Mr McFarland, Kate Simpson, Kerry Wood, Jody Eastwood, Bronwyn Quinlan, Kylie Ford, Attila Palfi, Kristi Fulton, Karen Elsdon, Kate Lowe, Lindal Penman, Katheryn King, Rebecca Foott

**Apologies:**

**Minutes from last meeting:** Discussions are continuing regarding the new playground. All NSW public schools are required to transition to a Healthy canteen over the next 3 years. The initial stage is to begin with educating the school community that our canteen will consist of a balanced menu of 75% everyday healthy foods that meet a 3.5 healthy star rating and 25% occasional foods. Progress reports went out at the end of last term, if you have any enquiries, please see class teachers. **Accounts:** January and February, accounts are in surplus \$13,769.92. Cash currently on hand in Bendigo \$40,812 and in Westpac \$20,272.04. **Fundraising:** The School Fair will be on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August, from 10am – 3pm. **Uniform:** Discussing on-line flexi for uniforms **General:** The school now has a recycling skip

**Actions 2017:**

Who	Action	Result
Kate	Check Oosh Printer	
Kate	Ipads for Oosh	Spoke to Apple who will only give 10%
Kate	Flexi for Uniforms	
Jody	Federation membership enquires	
Kate	Follow up Emma McBride re Fair	

**Business arising:** Nil

**Correspondence in:** Nil

**Correspondence out:** Photo's sent to Community underwriting for the \$2000 grant they provided us for the playground.

**Presidents report:** Nil

**Principals report:** Naplan commences this week 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May. The playground project has been quoted to buy and install by Moduplay for two different styles pricing between \$35,000 to \$39,000. Under asset management stipulations we will look at getting another two quotes. The school numbers dictate that we need a third Assistant Principal. This application process is underway and should be finalised by the beginning of Term 3. There will be staffing changes as a result. In Term 1 we had year 4-6 students complete the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) survey, the purpose was to compare our school to the Governments norms. Some of the results are as follows;

- Year 5 & 6 Students were heavily involved in extra-curricular activity with Year 4 was marginally below.
- Students feel accepted and valued by their peers. They value school outcomes, behave appropriately and follow class rules.
- Some areas for further development include positive attitude towards homework, motivation/ effort and building positive relationships with peers.
- It is pleasing to note bullying was below the state average in year 5 and 6 but the % of students who feel that they are subjected to bullying is still too high. This will be addressed with staff and with the implementation of PBL hopefully we see a further reductions in 2017 and beyond.

There results will be discussed with teaching staff to see where improvements can be made. It will also assist with the next planning cycle and future directions of the school.

At the end of 2016, parents were surveyed about all things Tuggerawong. In total we had 30 responses. Information related to the survey is as follows;

- 100% of parents surveyed thought staff were friendly and 96.7% felt the school had a friendly atmosphere.
- 86.7% thought staff were knowledgeable
- Some areas for improvement that were suggested were greater consistency of staffing positions, improvements in technology and amenities, greater supervision at lunch, additional teacher aids employed, additional undercover walkways and ethics classes.
- Parents provided a range of reasons why they are unable to volunteer at school
- Parents expressed an interest in attending parent workshops in a range of areas including social, behaviour and academic.

2016 Annual School report has been submitted and is now available on the website.

**Treasurers Report:** \$21,000 in Westpac and \$48,000 in Bendigo.

**Oosh report:** Vacation care itinerary is currently being prepared for Term 2. A large doll house is being donated.

**Canteen report:** Fridge broke at beginning of term 2 with minimal loss, a new fridge was purchased. \$2 fruit smoothies for Breakfast are now on the menu. Variety of flavours (Strawberry and banana this week) Hot Milo's are back. Volunteers are required. Or year 6 students to help for serving. But volunteers definitely needed for Friday to help prep lunch orders and serving. Colouring in competition to win a prize and brighten up the Canteen.

**Fundraising report:** 5c raised \$136. Easter hat parade BBQ, raffle, and disco glow sticks raised \$1839 in total. Fair news: 5 major rides have been confirmed and will be set up on the oval. Class Passport activities, where every class will run a game, children can buy their \$5 passport to get stamped at each activity once they have all their stamps they will receive a prize. The school have developed a risk assessment. External operators will need public liability insurance.

**Uniform report:** Nil

**General business:** Kristi Fulton to take over assistant treasurer as of 2017. The received \$180 for their quarterly commission from student banking from Term 1.

**Tuggerawong Pathway Project update:** Currently attempting to apply for grants and is waiting to be added to the local councils' strategic plan.  
<https://www.facebook.com/CCexpressadvocate/posts/10153324290941643>

**Meeting closed:** 8:45pm

**Next meeting:** 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
6:30pm - Oosh for executives  
7:00pm - General P&C meeting

Minutes recorded by;  
Kerry Wood  
P&C Secretary

**P&C Meetings Calendar Proposal 2017**

24<sup>th</sup> July, 21<sup>st</sup> August, 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 20<sup>th</sup> November