



# TUGGERAWONG TATTLER



*Participate with Enthusiasm in a Positive and Caring Environment*

**TUGGERAWONG PUBLIC SCHOOL**

### *From the Principal*

We are looking forward to having many parents and carers attend our Parent/Teacher Information sessions this Wednesday afternoon. Times and dates for these sessions are as follows:

Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	
3:05pm to 3:30pm	Kindergarten
3:35pm to 4:00pm	Stage One
4:05 pm to 4:30pm	Stage Two
4:35pm – 5:00pm	Stage Three

It would be great to see all parents taking the opportunity to meet their child's / children's teacher/s this year. With this said I understand some of these times may not suit your busy schedule. If you are unable to attend, your child will be supplied with an overview of the class that parents in attendance will also receive.

In previous years we had a number of children roaming the school and / or playing under the Library COLA. As in last year, teachers will be offering supervision for students in our school Library. This will ensure student safety and allow parents to enjoy the session/s without worrying what their child/ren are doing.

#### **Attendance**

Attendance is regularly monitored at school, with the firm belief that missed school equals missed learning. Parents are reminded that absences must be notified to the school either with a phone call or with a note to the teacher. Remember, if your child misses one day a week that will equal a term each year, which in turn, is approximately 1.5 years by the end of Year 6 and 2.75 years by the end of Year 12.

If your child is absent from school, you are legally required to explain the reason for their absence within 7 days of the absence. If your doctor provides you with a medical certificate for your child, a copy can be provided to the school to support their absence if you choose. Family holidays are not an acceptable category for exemption from school attendance. In most cases these will be documented as an unjustified leave. If you are having difficulty getting your child to attend school regularly, you might like to contact myself or the school counsellor.

#### **Externally funded service providers delivering health, disability and wellbeing services to students**

Parents and/or carers may request that externally funded (NDIS) service providers that support the educational goals for your child, deliver services to students in school. For example, specialised external service providers may include counsellors, speech pathology, physiotherapy and/or occupational therapy.

A comprehensive support package for schools, including materials for external providers, has recently been developed by the Department of Education to ensure that guideline requirements are met including child protection, school induction, school/service provider agreement, code of conduct and other necessary service provider considerations.

Before an externally funded service provider can come into the school you will need to make a formal request. To do this you will be required to **complete the request for externally funded service provider's form available at the office**, with the details of the service provider and

possible session times for the provider to attend the school. The request will go to the Principal and Learning Support Team for consideration. A meeting will then be arranged with the school, parents/carers and the provider to discuss the request.

When agreeing to and allowing externally funded service providers in the school the impact on the students' learning and whole school programs will be considered. Please note that accepting a request is at the sole discretion of the principal and services may be cancelled at any time. The appropriateness of services for your child will be regularly reviewed.

#### **Voluntary School Contributions**

Each year we ask families to support their child/children by donating a small school contribution per child to the school. This money is used to purchase much needed literacy, numeracy and technology resources. For us to continue to provide additional quality literacy and technology resources, we would appreciate your support.

School Contribution amount as follows:

- 1 child \$30
- 2 children \$60
- 3 or more \$80

School contributions can be made to your child's class teacher, at the front office or online. A note was sent home to all families last week. Thank you to those families who have already made this payment.

#### **P&C Meeting**

At Tuggerawang PS, P&C meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The first P&C meeting for 2020 is scheduled for Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 6:30pm in the OOSH building. This will be the Annual General Meeting (AGM) where the P&C will vote for key positions such as President, Treasurer, Secretary etc. P&C are a valued part of this school and they do a wonderful job of managing our canteen and OOSH, running the uniform shop and raising funds for specific school needs. Joining our P&C is a great way to meet and get to know other school families. New members are always welcome to come along and join us. Hope to see you there!

#### **Textbook Buying**

To date there are a small number of families who have not purchased a 'Targeting Handwriting' and 'Sound Waves' textbook. There is an expectation that all students have this resource. If you have not purchased this textbook you can still do so via [www.cos.net.au](http://www.cos.net.au)

NOTE: Any books NOT ordered before the cut off date of 5<sup>th</sup> February will incur a \$9.95 delivery fee in addition to the price of the text books.

#### **Quality Workers**

Students	Class	Work Sample
Grant S Myla G	1B	Recount Writing

*Tracey Ellen*  
Principal



**ASSEMBLY – Friday 2.15pm All Welcome****SCHOOL SECURITY 1300 880 021****DATES FOR YOUR DIARY****WEEK 4**

17/2 School Swimming Carnival  
 18/2 Zone Soccer Trials (Boys & Girls)  
 19/2 Parent Information Sessions 3-5pm  
 21/2 School Banking

**WEEK 5**

25/2 WCS Transition Year advisor visit  
 26/2 WCS Year 7 2021 Information Session  
 28/2 School Banking  
 Zone Rugby League Trials  
 Zone Tennis Trials

**ASSEMBLY AWARDS-Term 1 Week 2**

	<b>Toto</b>	<b>Merit</b>
<b>KS</b>	Ashleigh T	Atticus C Malin D
<b>KSF</b>	Hayden L	Rhyder M Delilah W
<b>1B</b>	Andrew B	Mikaela I Riley M
<b>1/2T</b>	Vili H	Domenico C Nate D
<b>2A</b>	Ellie S	Jaggar L Maliki M
<b>3/4P</b>	Ethan R	Evie P Avah O
<b>3/4S</b>	Skye D	Chelsea L Connor T
<b>4/5C</b>	Chloe I	Ben F Tyler D
<b>5/6K</b>	Zara C	Eli L Nicholas T
<b>5/6M</b>	NFP	Jye G Mia C

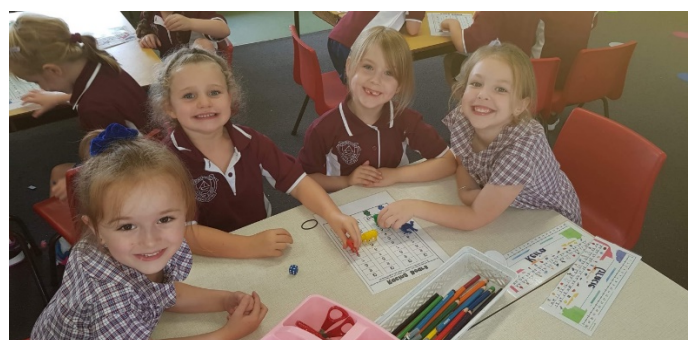
**ASSEMBLY AWARDS-Term 1 Week 3**

	<b>Toto</b>	<b>Merit</b>
<b>KS</b>	Abigail K	Willow M Van W
<b>KSF</b>	Elijah P	Keira D Kylah C
<b>1B</b>	Bodhi C	Xander P Zenith C
<b>1/2T</b>	Koa W	Nate D Lucas E
<b>2A</b>	Tully W	Ruby B Nash M
<b>3/4P</b>	Amarisa H	Brock W Jessica M
<b>3/4S</b>	Deegan W	Charlotte T Harley C
<b>4/5C</b>	Max P	Cruz W Emily S
<b>5/6K</b>	Caleb C	Charles F Zyron B
<b>5/6M</b>	Sam F	Olivia C Connor L-C

**FROM THE CLASSROOM****KS/F**

What a SUPER, FANTASTIC start to Kindergarten KS/F have had! It has been a very busy 2 weeks and as you can imagine, we have learnt so much already at school. From learning about numbers, counting and writing to learning about how to line up in two lines, unpack our bags in the morning and where everything around the school environment is. KS/F have had a jam-packed couple of weeks and the fun is only just beginning!

In Maths, we have been strengthening our number knowledge and skills- counting forwards and backwards; learning about the number before and after a given number; and learning how to read and use ordinal numbers (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, etc). KS/F have been learning a variety of games to support their learning in Maths such as number bingo and racing bears.



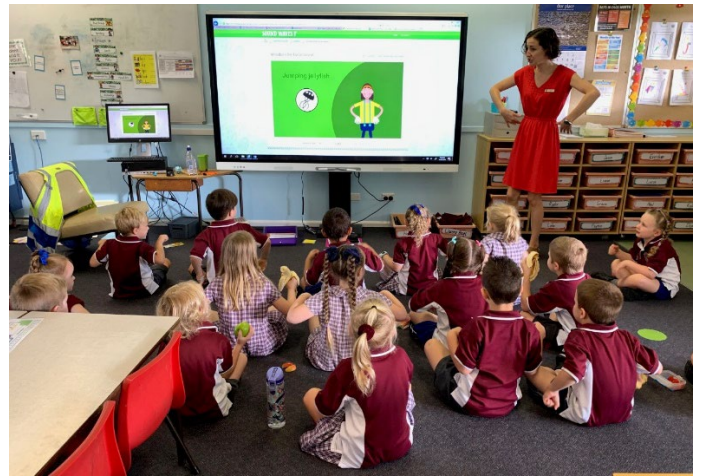




We have started modelled writing lessons which are short and sharp to begin with, focusing on using capital letters at the beginning of a sentence, using finger spaces between words and ending sentences with a full-stop. Students have also been learning how to use their butterfly cards to identify sight words and sounds. These lessons are done as a whole class but very shortly we will move to more intensive, small group lessons- very exciting learning ahead!



Students are enjoying the Soundwaves spelling program and the accompanying activities that complement the learning. This term, we are focusing on a new sound each day and each day there are new activities to support students learning. There are interactive games played on the Smartboard, hand-on games (which we are slowly learning how to play) and we always do an artwork for each new sound. Our 'Colourful Crazy Kites' are bright and beautiful and really brighten up the room and our 'Friendly Fish' have really brightened up the bag area. By the end of the term, we will have many artworks to proudly display, so come on in and check them out.







We thought it would be a nice idea to ask students what they have liked about school so far.

These are there responses:

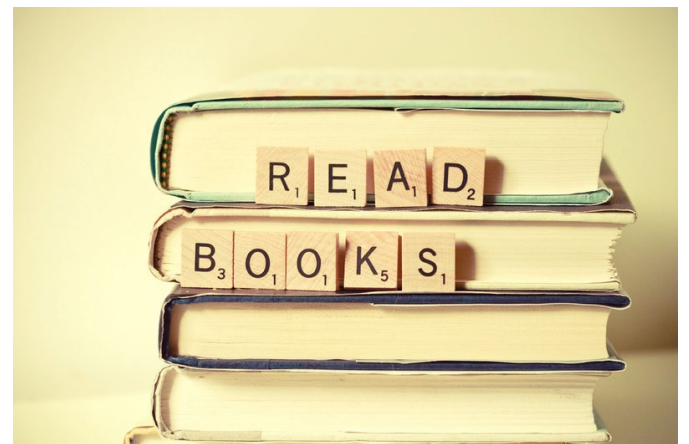
"We can see our mates"	<b>Georgia</b>
"I like the games in class"	<b>Rhyder</b>
"I like eating lunch"	<b>Kylah</b>
"We can play with our friends"	<b>Hayden</b>
"I like playing with my buddy and going to the canteen. Today I am getting a slushy!"	<b>Deliah</b>
"I like being at school with my brother"	<b>Kayd</b>
"I like the canteen"	<b>Everdeen</b>
"We get to play with the play dough"	<b>Jaxon</b>
"I like lunch"	<b>Logan</b>
"I like lunch because I have lot of food"	<b>Ryder</b>
"I like painting"	<b>Callie</b>
"What I like best about school is painting"	<b>Payton</b>
"Playing games in class"	<b>Elijah</b>
"I like playing memory"	<b>Keira</b>
"Playing with my buddy on the equipment"	<b>Gracie</b>
"I like using the tongs"	<b>Luke</b>
"I like learning about the letters"	<b>James</b>
"I like learning about numbers"	<b>Jovi</b>
"I like painting jellyfish"	<b>Abel</b>
"I like making new friends"	<b>Lucus</b>

So, as you can see, we have had a massive start to Kindergarten in KS/F. Mrs Stephens and Mrs Farnworth are so impressed with how well the students have settled into new routines and class expectations. Students are working really hard in class to complete class work and all students have made new friends, which is so lovely witness.

We are very much looking forward to the year ahead ☺

Mrs Stephens and Mrs Farnworth

## NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY



Welcome back to the new school year.

Just a few updates from the library.

Student borrowing has begun for all grades except Kindergarten who will start in Week 5, so please remember to bring your library bags.

There are still some outstanding overdues from last year, notices will be sent home again to remind students which books to look for.

The Premiers Reading challenge for 2020 will officially begin on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, but any books you have read



after the end of the last challenge (31<sup>st</sup> August 2019) can count towards this year's total. Reading logs are available in the library, so time to start reading!

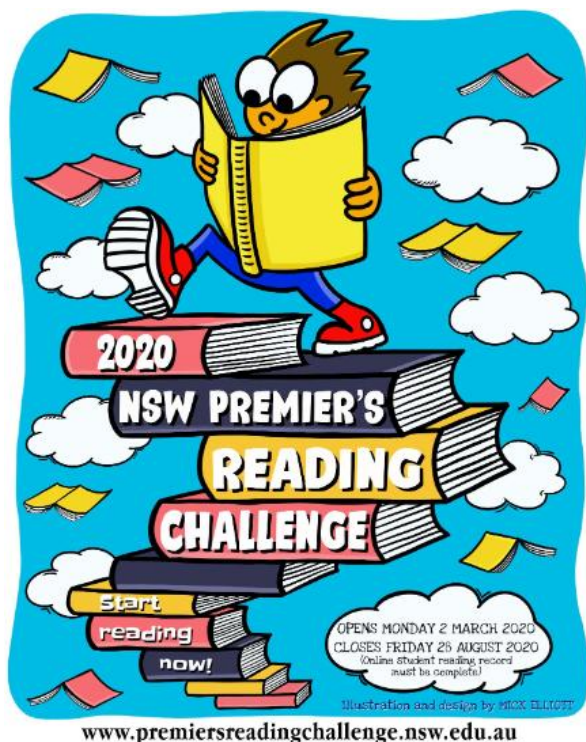
All K-2 will be completing the challenge and Mrs Wealleans will be keeping track of their reading logs in the library.

Remember, everyone who completes the challenge will not only receive a PRC certificate, but will also be invited to a special celebration in the library.

### Book Club

Book club has also kicked off for the year with orders from the first catalogue due today!

Please remember all orders must be placed and paid for online. Every order earns the school points to purchase new books for the library and your support is greatly appreciated.



Remember to come and visit at lunch times, Mrs Wealleans.

### CANTEEN

Ph 0419 733 292

The canteen is always in need of extra volunteers. If you can spare any time to help out please see Bron at the canteen  
Bron ☺

PLEASE ORDER BEFORE 9.15AM DAILY VIA FLEXISCHOOLS. ORDERS CAN BE MADE UP TO 1 WEEK IN ADVANCE.

**If your child is unwell and not attending school and you have placed a lunch order, it will need to be cancelled by a parent/carer before 9.30am sharp otherwise you will incur the cost of the order. Please contact the canteen on 0419 733 292**

### Our wonderful volunteers are:

#### Week 4

Mon 17/2	Tue 18/2	Wed 19/2	Thur 20/2	Fri 21/2
Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Robert	Robert	Leanne

#### Week 5

Mon 24/2	Tue 25/2	Wed 26/2	Thur 27/2	Fri 28/2
Volunteer Required	Shelley	Robert	Robert	Leanne

### UNIFORM SHOP

#### 2020 Uniform Shop Hours

Wednesdays 8.45 – 9.15am

Fridays 8.45 – 9.15am

ORDERS MAY BE PLACED AND PAYMENT MADE VIA FLEXISCHOOLS. ALL ORDERS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED EACH WEDNESDAY

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**2021 IT SELECTIVE CLASS**

Applications Open Now!

Applications close 25th March 2020  
Attend our Information Evening on Tuesday, 3rd March 2020 at 4:30pm for more information.  
Ph: 4353 1088





## WYONG HIGH SCHOOL



# Year 7 2021 Information Evening

**Tuesday, 3rd March 2020**

School tours & BBQ commencing  
4:30pm. Presentation 5:30pm -  
6:00pm

MPC (School Hall)

Ph: 4353 1088 for more  
information



**WADALBA**  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

PROGRESS WITH PRIDE

## YEAR 7 2021 TRANSITION PROGRAM FAMILY INFORMATION AND TOUR SESSIONS

Wednesday 26th February 2020

Sessions begin at 4.00pm

Wadalba Community School

The Year 7 2021 Family Information Tour provides students and their families with the opportunity to experience 'A Day in the Life of year 7' through a guided tour of Wadalba Community School.

The tour sessions focus on informing you and your child about;

- Transition into Year 7 everyday high school life
- Wadalba Community School and its facilities
- Key staff members that will be supporting your child through their school years

We look forward to building a positive partnership with you and your family with the aim of providing quality education to your child.

*Please note: Each session will run for approximately 1 hour. It is important to arrive on time as tours will be leaving promptly.*

Could you please RSVP your intention to attend using the simple steps on the reverse side of our invitation by Monday 24th February 2020 at 3pm.



UNLOCKING THE BRILLIANCE IN EACH OF US



GIRL GUIDES  
AUSTRALIA  
NSW & ACT

## Girl Guides invite you to Come and Try Guides!

Local meeting nights are:

**Junior Guides** (Ages 5 to 10 years) Tuesday 5pm—6.30pm

**Guides** (Ages 10—14 years) Thursday 6pm—8pm

**Senior Guides** (14—18 Years) Wednesday 7pm—9pm

Guides enjoy cooking, craft, games, earning badges, getting out in the community, personal challenges, outdoor activities, camping and so much more.

**GIRLS HAVING FUN TODAY—LEADING THE WORLD**

**TOMORROW**

Location: Wyong Guide Hall, Levitt St  
Wyong

Please call 8396 5200 to find out how to join  
us for a free night.

Or Visit [www.girlguides-nswact.org.au](http://www.girlguides-nswact.org.au)  
to find out more about Guides in your  
area.



Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents

On **Wednesday 26th February 2020** WCS will be holding the Year 7 2021 Family Information and Tour Sessions.

You can now book your tour time that suits **YOUR FAMILY BEST**.

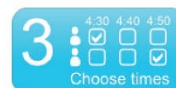
Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

**BOOKINGS CLOSE Monday 24th February 2020 at 3pm.**

Please note each tour goes for approximately 1 hour.

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Enter THIS school event code.  
Then follow the 2 simple steps.



When you click **finish**, your session time and information will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, please contact the office staff to make a booking on 0243 562888.

If you require translating or interpreting services please contact Mrs Sam Martin.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 0243 562888 and ask for Mrs Sam Martin.

