

TRUSCOTT STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Monday 19 August 2019

Term 3 Week 5

What's on at Truscott St

Monday 19 August

Book Week

Tuesday 20 August

Author visit - Andrew Daddo

Wednesday 21 August

Zone Athletics at Homebush Athletic Centre

Thursday 22 August

Volunteers reading in library

Friday 23 August

9.45am Book Parade

Wednesday 28 August

8.45am SRC Breakfast

Thursday 29 August

Assembly: PBL Banners Presentation &

Friday 30 August

SRC Badges presentation

Tuesday 3 September

Years 1&2 Excursion to Field of Mars

Wednesday 4 September

School Tour for Kindergarten 2020

Father's Day Stall

Assembly:1B

Summer PSSA re-commences

ICAS Digital Technology

Odd Sox Day

7.00pm P&C meeting

Principal's Message:

We are now in the middle of this term, it's hard to believe the time has gone so fast. At the beginning of the term I shared with the staff why I like term 3 the best. As a teacher in the classroom many years ago now, term 3 always played out as a solid teaching term. I knew my students well, they knew me and our classroom learning was in full swing. As I listen to staff talk about what is happening in their classrooms I know there is lots of good learning happening throughout the school.

Mathematics

Over the past two Monday nights staff have stayed back at school to take part in two wonderful professional learning sessions in Mathematics – about the Working Mathematically components of the NSW K-6 Mathematics Syllabus around fluency and the ways teachers could develop their students' problem solving skills. Teacher feedback has been most positive and the new knowledge acquired has been incorporated into teaching and learning lessons. It is hoped that we will be able to share with the parents by the end of this term our K-6 revised Mathematics whole school syllabus overview.

Science Week

Last week was National Science Week across Australia. *Destination Moon: more missions, more science* is the school theme for National Science Week in 2019. Please enjoy reading about our creation of a Neural Knitwork which is now displayed in the foyer area, walkway side of the classroom block.

Evacuation Drill

As part of our WHS compliance program we will be having an evacuation drill for all students, staff and any additional people who maybe on site this Thursday 22 August at approximately 10.30am. Teachers will go through the routine with their students before the drill which will be held on the oval.

School Tours for Kindergarten 2020

We will be conducting school tours this term on Thursday 29 August & Wednesday 18 September at 10.00am meeting at the school office. Parents of Kindergarten 2020 are encouraged to call the office on 98781264 to book a school tour for one of the listed dates.

Goodbye to Mrs Taylor

It is my pleasure to announce that Mrs Jill Taylor our long time SAO (School Administration Officer) has been successfully appointed through merit selection as the new SAM (School Administration Manager) for the new school at Smalls Road. Jill will take up her position on Monday August 26 and her last day at Truscott Street will be Friday August 23. Jill has been at Truscott Street for just over 10 years and she will be very much missed, however we all wish her the very best at her new school in her new administration role.

I would particularly like to thank Jill as her support and valuable expertise and experience has been a great support to me as the new principal at Truscott Street. I hope if you have a chance please pop in and see Jill before she goes this week.

Thank you James and Ana

Earlier this term our two wonderful school cleaners received top marks for keeping our school in such good order. The staff showed their gratitude by presenting them with certificates at our Admin meeting. Well done and thank you James and Ana.

Anne Bartrop
Principal



Truscott Street Achievers

Congratulations to the following students who received awards last week.

Post Homes		Truscotts		Truscotts	
Huon B	2W	Owen A	3/4B	Mitchell C	2M
Mitchell O	KS	Charlie A	KW	Josie D	KM
		Samay T	KW	Angelina S	3/4B
		Charlie S	2M	Saad A	3/4B
		Amy LC	2M	Akshay S	1B
		Harry H	5/6F	Alana T	5/6F

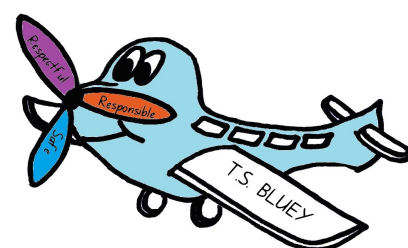
PSSA News

Senior Soccer		Junior Soccer		Girls Soccer			
TSPS v		TSPS v Gladesville		TSPS v			
Score:		Score: 0-1		Score:			
Player of the match		Player of the match		Player of the match			
		Whole Team					
Senior A		Junior A		Senior B		Junior B	
Netball		Netball		Netball		Netball	
TSPS v		TSPS v		TSPS v		TSPS v	
Score:		Score:		Score:		Score:	
Player of the match		Player of the match		Player of the match		Player of the match	
Senior AFL		Junior AFL					
TSPS v Kent Road		TSPS v West Ryde					
Score: 35-14		Score: 30-27					
Player of the match		Player of the match					
Whole Team		Whole Team					

Summer PSSA re-commences on Friday 30 August.

Office News

Payment for Stage 1 excursion is now due.



School News

Debating

Last Wednesday on the 14th August four of our dynamic debaters met with four Kent Road students. Grace, Mayaan, Arianne and Joe were prepared to debate the topic “All Plastics should Be Banned.” Grace was our first speaker and opened with fabulous rebuts (written by Joe) and presented with a great deal of confidence. Mayaan continued our case and left the Kent Road team almost speechless. Arianne finished strongly with a multitude of rebuts leaving the teachers in attendance extremely proud of our team’s efforts. Joe worked consistently hard throughout the entire debate constructing rebuts that would blow the opposition’s case sky high. Congratulations to all four students who were wonderful representatives of Truscott Street Public School.

Sue Buckland

Assistant Principal



Library News—Wednesday 21 August

Parents and friends are invited to come into the library from 9.00am if they would like to read a story to the students before school. Book parade will then commence in the hall at 9.45am. Students may choose to dress up as a book character. Parents and friends are welcome to join us and to take photos at the conclusion of the parade.

Jess Hills

Teacher/Librarian



Odd Sox Day



Our little girl Amity could be quite zany at times - hanging upside down in trees and doing funny impersonations. One of the things she loved to do was wear different socks, preferably pulled all the way up to her knees! That's why, in her memory, Truscott Street Public School is having an Odd Sox Day.



On Amity’s birthday, 4 September, the whole school is invited to wear odd socks and/or purple in memory of Amity and to raise funds for brain cancer research. Students are invited to bring a gold coin for donation to support The Cure Starts Now.

The Cure Starts Now is a charity dedicated to fighting diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma (DIPG), which is the type of tumour which took Amity’s life. DIPG makes up only a fraction of all paediatric brain tumours, but is the leading cause of brain cancer deaths in children. It is an exceptionally deadly type of cancer. In more than fifty years, there has been no significant progress in the treatment of DIPG. The Cure Starts Now says ***'enough is enough, the cure must start now!'***

The Rogers Family



P&C News

Canteen

We have had an increase in the amount of children not having lunch orders, I believe the problem may be due to Flexischools changing their payment system. Please see the below note that Flexischools emailed account holders, and please check your account.

“As you would be aware we have recently updated our payment gateway to Braintree (a service of PayPal). For security reasons, certain account holders may be required to re-enter their credit card details. Affected account holders will either be prompted on placing an order (or will receive an email that their credit card has failed where they have automatic top-ups configured). Please take this into account and allow extra time when placing your next order to ensure it is placed before any applicable cutoff time. “

This week's class to volunteer is 1B. Thank you to Kristy, Amanda and Sonoko for volunteering.

The allocated classes for the rest of Term 3 are below.

Week	Date	Class
6	30-Aug	1J
7	6-Sep	2M
8	13-Sep	2W
9	20-Sep	3/4F
10	27-Sep	3/4K

Selina Dowling

Canteen Co-ordinator

Trivia Night

The 2019 Trivia night will be held on Saturday 7 September in the school hall.

Tickets can be purchased from the Flexischools website. Don't worry if you can't get a table together we will find a table for you so you don't have to miss the fun!

This years theme is Back to the 80's. The questions range from general knowledge, movies/music to sports so there is something that everyone can answer. We are looking forward to a fun night with you all. The event is just for grownups, so book in your baby sitter!

Tickets: \$10 per person

Date: Saturday 7 September

Time: 7:00pm for 7:30pm start

BYO: Drinks and Food



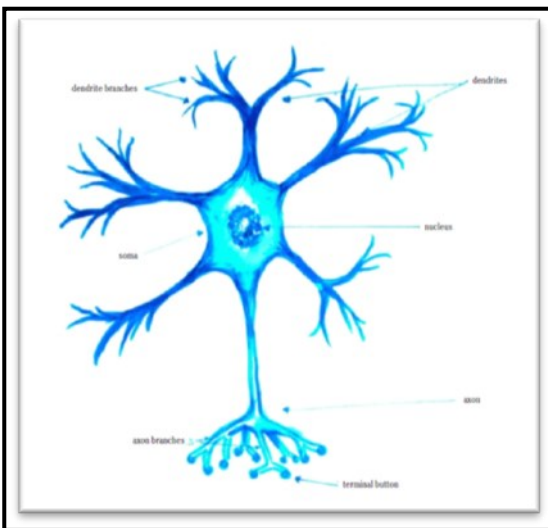
national science week 2019



This year for National Science Week, the students, teachers and amazing members of our Truscott Street Public School community banded together to create a spectacular artwork known as a 'Neural Knitwork'.

Wait a second... What is a Neural Knitwork?

Neural Knitworks is an original project from Cambridge University in the United Kingdom. The initiative is based around the idea that yarn craft, with its mental challenges, social connection and mindfulness, can help keep brains and minds sharp, engaged and healthy. People of all ages and walks of life are encouraged to knit and knot yarn, fabric and other materials to create 'neurons'. These individual neurons are then connected to one another to create a 'network' or 'community nervous system'.



No knitting experience was required for students to get started, and it has been wonderful to watch children from all years communicating and learning from one another!

For more information about this installation artwork, go to <https://www.scienceweek.net.au/neural-knitworks/>

Why knitting?

Knitting has been proven to:

- increase attention spans and test memory
- forge friendships through teaching and learning
- improve fine motor skills
- calm and relax the mind



Truscott Street's Neural Knitwork

Students began crafting and knitting their neurons towards the end of Term 2. Parents, teachers and caregivers consistently donated wool, material, buttons and pipe-cleaners to the Library, where Mrs Hills and Miss Borg were able to set up lunchtime sessions for everyone to contribute their time and effort to the science artwork. This continued up until Term 3 Week 4.



From Tuesday to Friday of National Science Week (13th-16th August), teachers and students collaboratively planned and assembled the 'Neural Knitwork' in the stairwell foyer. Over 130 neurons make up the Knitwork; and that's not including all the extra finger-knitting, stitching and winding that went into the final piece!

You can watch our time lapse video here on the TSPS website! [TSPS website Science Week](#)
Thank you to Mrs Nairn for the use of her camera, as well as Mr Mark for securing the main artwork in the foyer.

And finally, a big thank you to everyone in the TSPS community who donated and participated in the science artwork. Everyone had an absolute blast!

Erin Borg
Science Teacher



Team Mia-Rose, Christina & Aarya made the most Neurons



Robbie did the most finger knitting



Tanisha & Shira made the largest Neuron



Lucas made the most Neurons per person



2M contributed the most class Neurons

Community News

Have Fun Good Health Worthy Cause



"Dress Up"

North Ryde Fun Run
25 August 2019 (Sunday)
9am-1pm

PRAM PUSH CASH PRIZE for school
MC by Stephen Sim
Variety of Stalls
BBQ sausages & cakes
Raffle prizes
Free foodie bags

Macquarie University Sport Fields,
corner of Culloden & Talavera Roads,
Macquarie Park

Program:
9:00 Registrations open for events
9:45 Assemble for Open 2km Walk
10:00 Open 2km Walk starts
10:15 Pram Push starts
10:30 Assemble for 5km Run
10:45 5km Run starts

Sports Star
Ambassador
Michael Wells
(rugby Waratahs)

For Youth Mental Health
research & treatment - Cool Kids Program at
Macquarie University Centre for Emotional Health
& Rotary projects

COST:
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\$15 for students/children
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Beneficiary: Youth Mental Health, Centre for Emotional Health, COOL KIDS PROGRAM

Organised by: Rotary Club of North Ryde

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Volunteers urgently needed

Due to ongoing interest, along with volunteers moving on, we need volunteers for Ethics classes.

Ethics classes give children a chance to practise reasoning, disagreeing respectfully and building on each other's ideas. As a teacher/facilitator, it is fun and rewarding to see the children learning to think logically and give reasons for their ideas.

- Thursdays between 12-1pm, during school terms
- No prior experience - full training and support from Primary Ethics

Find out more at primaryethics.com.au/volunteer or contact Rachel Fallowfield on 0439994022 / rachel.fallowfield@gmail.com

Classes cannot be guaranteed next year without extra volunteers joining the team.

Rachel, Michelle and Kate
(current volunteers)

Primary
ETHICS

REASON
THINK
DISCUSS