



TEMPE HIGH SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 1

Term 1 Week 5

February / March

2020

From the Principal

Our first newsletter has good information about our school and what has been happening. More timely information is available from our website, Parent and Student Portal and directly to you via email. If you have not been getting our emails it might be that we do not have your correct email address. You can check this by ringing our office on 95582023.

Staff Changes

Ms Taoube will be relieving as Deputy for years 10 and 11 this year whilst Dr Pinnington Wilson has been called up to assist with rural and remote schools. Mr Dias and Mr Tennent will be joint Head Teachers of English. Ms Yin will be our Head Teacher of Administration whilst Ms Trotter Heads PDHPE. Mr Pedley has stepped up to the Head Teacher Teaching and Learning Role while Ms Glasgow assists the Maths Association for the year. Additionally we have some new members of staff in Maths, TAS, HSIE and Learning support.

Mr Greene has begun an induction program for our new members of staff and they have all settled in well.

School Plan

Our 2018-20 school plan is entering its final phase. We have seen improvements in our communication, wellbeing procedures, Technology and Financial management. Additionally our study skills program has been rolled out to all year groups. All staff have been trained in using Data to assist with teaching. We have worked on differentiating the curriculum for gifted students as well as for students with learning difficulties. Whilst these achievements are all noteworthy we still need to meet this year's milestones.

Towards the end of the year we will be evaluating our progress and formulating the school plan for 2021-23. Parents will be part of this process and I urge you all to participate through the P&C.

School Improvements

Towards the end of last year and over the holidays much was done to improve our school's physical environment:

* Front office refurbishment	* Elective Art Murals installed in Quad
* New Science Lab D10	* Refurbished Art Rooms
* New Business services	* Most of the school has been repainted
* Room D4	* New Emerging Technology Room
* New Music Tech Room C7	
* New outdoor furniture	
* Staffroom refurbishments	

This year we plan to renovate and refurbish our Library and Common room. We will increase outdoor furniture and shaded areas. Additionally the oval will be laser levelled and re turfed. We will be installing irrigation which will be fed by water we will be harvesting from our buildings.

The school will also be undertaking an audit of our recycling and reusing practices to ensure that we are minimising waste.

School charges and voluntary fees

One of the reasons we have been able to make major improvements in the school is because we are well supported by our parents with their contributions to subject charges and voluntary fees.

You will be receiving an invoice soon that will detail the subject charges for materials that are used by your child in class. Additionally there are some voluntary fees that assist us with communication, school beautification, the purchase of additional resources and P&C levy. Though these are voluntary, the majority of parents and cares do pay them and they make an enormous difference to our capacity to provide the best environment for our students that we can.

If any family has a difficulty in making payments for these contributions, uniform, excursions or any other education related matters; please book an appointment with me as I may be able to assist.

Socrates Dassaklis

Principal



New furniture for our Bus Hub



New seating near E Block



Mural's completed by our Art Students



Revamped D4

Our School



New Lab D10



New Seating near D Block

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	Feb 24 <u>Zone Swimming</u> <u>Carnival</u>	Feb 25 <u>Open boys cricket</u> <u>knockout</u> <u>Open girls</u> <u>basketball</u> <u>knockout</u> <u>5pm Year 7 and</u> <u>new parents</u> <u>evening</u> <u>6pm Elevate</u> <u>presentation Yr7</u> <u>parents</u>	Feb 26	Feb 27 <u>School Tours</u> <u>Open Boys Soccer</u> <u>Gala Day</u>	Feb 28 <u>School Tours</u> <u>Open Girls Soccer</u> <u>Gala Day</u>
6	Mar 2	Mar 3	Mar 4	Mar 5 <u>Year 7 - Elements</u> <u>of Rhyme 2pm -</u> <u>3.08 HALL booked</u> <u>- Dias</u>	Mar 6
7	Mar 9	Mar 10 <u>7pm P&C Meeting</u>	Mar 11 <u>Sydney East</u> <u>Girls Soccer</u> <u>Trials</u> <u>u15 girls netball</u> <u>knockout</u>	Mar 12	Mar 13
8	Mar 16	Mar 17 <u>Sydney East</u> <u>Swimming</u> <u>Carnival</u>	Mar 18 <u>08:45am Photo</u> <u>Day</u>	Mar 19	Mar 20 <u>Year 7 Geography</u> <u>Fieldwork Excursion</u> <u>(3 colour groups)</u> <u>Harmony day</u> <u>Assembly</u>
9	Mar 23 <u>PSC L2L Day</u> <u>08:45am Photo</u> <u>catch up day</u>	Mar 24	Mar 25	Mar 26 <u>Year 11 Othello</u> <u>@Seymour Centre</u> <u>10.00am : Taoube</u> <u>and Tennent</u> <u>Year 7 Geography</u> <u>Fieldwork</u> <u>Excursion (3</u> <u>classes)</u>	Mar 27
10	Mar 30 <u>Sydney East</u> <u>Boys Soccer</u> <u>Trials</u>	Mar 31	Apr 1 <u>CHS Swimming</u> <u>Carnival Day 1</u> <u>Volleyball</u> <u>Schools Cup</u>	Apr 2 <u>CHS Swimming</u> <u>Carnival Day 2</u>	Apr 3 <u>CHS Swimming</u> <u>Carnival Day 3</u> <u>THS Cross Country</u>
11	Apr 6	Apr 7 <u>3:30pm Year 7, 11</u> <u>and 12 Parent</u> <u>Teacher Night</u>	Apr 8	Apr 9	Apr 10

Deputy Principal

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back our students and staff to another year at Tempe High School. In particular our new Year 7 students who have had a smooth and successful start to the year. I would like to thank parents and teachers for their support in making this happen. Finally a big thanks to Miss Mustafa, the Year 7 Year Advisor who has worked tirelessly to make sure the transition from primary school to high school is as smooth as possible.

Students have arrived heeding our message about school uniform and the school looks fantastic, with lots of school pride on show. A reminder that shoes are to be enclosed black leather. This is a Department of Education Work Health and Safety issue that covers such diverse areas as the Canteen, Art, Technology and Science classes. A big thankyou to our parents and students for supporting us with this. While we are talking of uniform, the school has decided that we will allow the Tempe High School sport short to be worn every day as part of the uniform. It carries the THS logo and looks very smart.

'Bring Your Own Device' has started for Years 8 through to 12. The expectation is that every student will have a portable device on them for all lessons. A reminder that phones and iPad minis are not considered suitable devices. Year 7 will be able to bring their own device after they have completed their digital citizenship course in Term 1. The school offers a laptop loan program for families who may be experiencing financial hardship. Parents and carers are encouraged to contact the Principal for advice and support in this regard.

Homework Club is staffed by teachers and runs most Tuesday afternoons from 2:14pm in the School Library. Homework Club does not run if the Library is closed (check the student and parent portal).

Subject changes are all well and truly done. All courses are now settling down and moving steadily through teaching and learning programs. Assessment periods will shortly be upon us and assessment task due dates will start to appear in student diaries

Organization is key to reducing stress levels and keeping up to date with the demands of high school. I refer students and parents to the [Assessment and Reporting page](#) of our school website and to our study skills program called [Elevate](#).

We would like to wish everyone an enjoyable, safe and productive Term 1.

From the Office of the Deputy Principal



Vaccinations for 2020

This year, both year 7 and year 10 are being offered free vaccinations at school. Students have already been given forms at the start of the school year. These are due back to Ms Bolton in the PDHPE staffroom now. If you would like to have your child vaccinated and have not yet received a form, please ask them to collect a form from me as soon as possible.

Year 10: Meningococcal ACWY

Year 7: Human Papillomavirus (HPV) and Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (dTpa)

D.Bolton (Vaccination Co-ordinator)

Study Skills

On the 31st of November our Year 7 and 10 students participated in an Elevate Education study skills workshop. The workshop focused upon time management practices, equipping students with strategies and skills to enhance their academic achievement.

Elevate Education enable our student's exclusive access to their Elevate Student Portal which includes features of video tips, study skills templates, practice exam questions and written tips.

Students and parents are welcome to view the Elevate Education student portal which can be accessed via <https://au.elevateeducation.com/>

Tempe High School (presenters) password: rondo



Mr Corey Newton

Study Skills Co-ordinator

Student Opal Card Reminder

Please ensure your students are aware of the condition of use of their Opal Card, and the importance of carrying and using their card whenever they travel.

It is a condition of travel that all students tap on with their Student Opal card every time they board the bus, and tap off when they alight. This allows Transport for NSW and bus operators to assess the patronage of bus services, including School Special buses, to ensure that resources are used efficiently and meet customer demand.

If you have any questions about these service changes, please contact Peter Whitney, Area Manager Business Support Services on (02) 8778 5887.

Regards

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Valentine's Day at Tempe High School

On the 14th of February, Tempe High School's very own Year 12 cupids spread love and happiness around the school. This was done through the delivery of roses, memes and song dedications that students had the opportunity to buy the week prior. In addition to this, tasty treats baked by Year 12 students were sold at recess. Overall, over \$1500 was raised which will be contributed to the end of year formal for Year 12.

We hope everyone had a love-ly day.

Christan Ibrahim Yr 12 Advisor



Swimming Carnival

On Thursday 13th February, all of year 7 and 8-12 competitors participated in our annual swimming carnival. It was a great day overall with some fierce competition! Congratulations to APOLLO who was the winning house on the day. A special mention to our year 12 house captains - Serhan, Stephanie, Maxwell, Anjali, Patryk, Vivianne, Gabriel & Monique, and our sport captains- Oscar & Daniela, for encouraging, motivating and timekeeping on the day! They were outstanding and really assisted the teachers and students all day long.

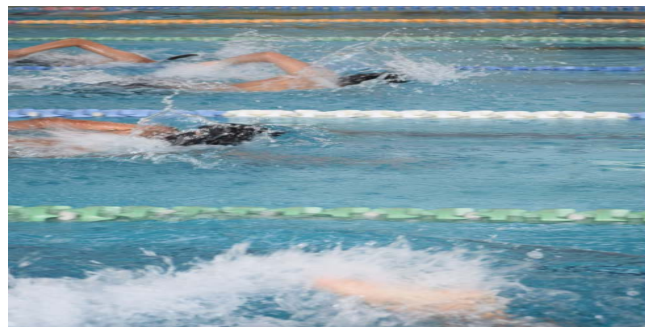
A special congratulations to the following students who broke records on the day:

- **Alva Tsai - 12 years girls 50m freestyle**
- **Tara Olah - 15 years girls 50m freestyle, backstroke & butterfly, 200m individual medley & 200m freestyle**
- **Rachel Sapalo - 16 years girls 50m freestyle & breast stroke, and 200m freestyle**
- **Charlotte Gibson - 16 years girls 50m backstroke**
- **Clayton Yau - 16 years boys 50m freestyle, backstroke, breast stroke & butterfly, and 200m freestyle**
- **Karl Smith - 17+ years boys 50m breast stroke**

Congratulations once again to all involved and best of luck to those competing at the zone carnival!

Ms Paras

Sports Coordinator



CHS Girls Volleyball

On Monday the 17th of February, the girls volleyball team made their way to Menai Sports Centre to play in the Sydney East CHS knockout. The girls have been training hard and have improved out of sight from last year. Unfortunately we were knocked out of the semi-finals by Kingsgrove who just managed to get the better of us on the day. We will continue to train and hope to progress even further next year. Well done to the girls for always giving it their all.



Boys CHS Volleyball: WE ARE GOING TO STATE!!!!!!

We are going to STATE!!!!!! For the second year running, our open boys CHS team has proven themselves to be a powerhouse in Volleyball. Out of all of the schools in Sydney East, they have managed to come in the top two and are now going through to play State!

On Friday the 21st of February, our team made their way to Olympic Park for an early start.

The incredible talent that these guys show at their matches is undeniable. Although nerves were high and the pressure was intense, we managed to keep our cool and overcome Sydney Tech to secure our place in State.

Special mention should go to Alan Doan who was selected to represent Sydney East in Volleyball at the end of this term. This is an incredible achievement as the competition is fierce and we haven't had an individual selected in the last twenty years to represent our school.

Onwards and upwards Tempe, as we prepare to compete in upcoming Schools Cups and onwards to training for State in July. **Deb Bolton (Volleyball Coach)**





CONGRATULATIONS

Tempe High School

This certificate verifies that your canteen
is meeting the requirements of
The NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy

Date issued: 6 February 2020 Valid until: 6 February 2022



Note: This certificate is valid for two years from the date of issue. To re-new your certificate please review your menu against the Food and Drink Criteria of the Strategy and re-submit a Menu Application Form to the Menu Check Service.

ATTENTION: BUSINESS SERVICES OPPORTUNITIES

BE INVOLVED IN THE EDUCATION, CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Students enrolled in a VET Business Services subject, need to do a mandatory work placement in year 11 and year 12. This allows students to develop self-confidence, skills and understandings that will assist them in their transition to meaningful work.

Southern Sydney Business Education Network (SSBEN) are currently recruiting businesses to host students from Tempe High School.

Host employers are required to:

- Provide a safe and welcoming environment
- Provide supervision and training for 1 week
- Provide duties which are relevant and suitable

If you work in an office environment or own a business, you could provide an opportunity for students. Family, friends and business contacts are welcome.

- Insurance provided
- Fully supported by SSBEN and the school

SSBEN arrange over 5,000 work placements each year and work with 70 schools in the Sydney metropolitan area.

To find out more, contact **Ziad Mutasim** on 0415 437 740

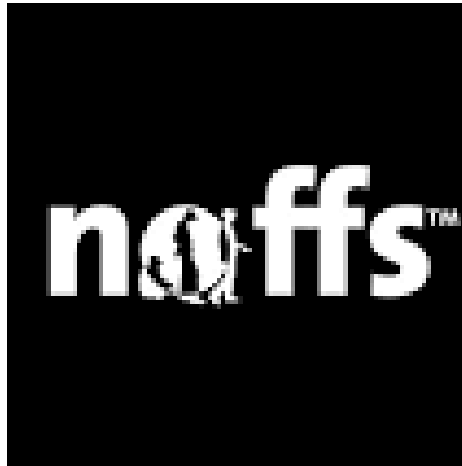
or check out our socials.

<https://www.facebook.com/SouthernSydneyBEN/>

<https://www.instagram.com/ssbenworkplacement/>



SECOND HAND UNIFORMS



The NOFFS SHOP has kindly agreed to sell second-hand uniforms for Tempe High School, with proceeds helping to fund services for disadvantaged young people.

The shop is at 290 Marrickville Rd, Marrickville, on the corner of Illawarra Rd and Marrickville Rd (opposite Westpac Bank).

Donations are welcome during shop hours:

(10am - 5pm, Monday to Saturday, or until 4pm on Sundays).

Alternatively, uniform drop-offs can be made to the school office

