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Term Four 2020 commences for staff and students **MONDAY 12 October**.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 Term 4	12 Yes! School is OPEN! Welcome ☺	13 Senior Choir 8 – 8.30 am DANCE	14 Challenge 7.45 – 8.30 am Students writing Book Fair Wish Lists	15 Junior Choir 8 – 8.30 am Green Team Lunch time	16 Junior Assembly 2.20 – 2.50 PM Rms 10,11,12,13,14,15 & 22
Week 2 Term 4	19 Book Week Dress-up Kid-Free Christmas Book Fair Shopping 9 – 10 am Student with adult shopping 3 – 4.30 pm	20 Senior Choir 8 – 8.30 am DANCE	21 Challenge 7.45 – 8.30 am YOUR MOVE ACTIVE TRAVEL FESTIVAL P&C Meeting 5.45 – 7.00 pm in the Staff Room	22 Junior Choir 8 – 8.30 am Green Team Lunch time	23 SENIOR Assembly 8.45– 9.15 AM Rms 3,4,5,6,7 & 21 Year Six Leadership Development #2 2020
Week 3 Term 4	26	27 Senior Choir 8 – 8.30 am DANCE	28 Challenge 7.45 – 8.30 am School Board Meeting 5.30 – 7.00 pm in Room 8	29 Junior Choir 8 – 8.30 am Green Team Lunch time	30 No Assembly MUSICAL 1.50 -2.50 Whole school student only performance 4.00-5.00 Community Performance ALL WELCOME
Week 4 Term 4	2	3 Senior Choir 8 – 8.30 am DANCE	4 Challenge 7.45 – 8.30 am	5 Junior Choir 8 – 8.30 am Green Team Lunch time	6 Junior Assembly 2.20 – 2.50 PM Rms 10,11,12,13,14,15 & 22
Week 5 Term 4	9 Harmony Day NAIDOC Week	10 Senior Choir 8 – 8.30 am DANCE	11 Challenge 7.45 – 8.30 am	12 Junior Choir 8 – 8.30 am Green Team Lunch time	13 SENIOR Assembly 8.45– 9.15 AM Rms 3,4,5,6,7 & 21

Modifications to Improve Access Across Our School Site

Work commenced during the School Break to ensure our school site can be accessed by all members of our community. An assessment of our buildings and grounds found that significant work was needed to ensure our school is compliant with current standards.

Different jobs around the school take varying timeframes to be completed, and not everything will be finished by the time school starts.

1. An improved entrance to the Front Office from Banksia Street has been completed and will be ready for use on Monday. Safety rails and new curbing will be applied to the front on Monday at a suitable time.
2. The staff car park will be remarked as part of the project and will include an all access parking bay.
3. We are still to smooth the front threshold and widen the second door before the Front Office is deemed okay – those works will be carried out in a week or so to lessen disruption to the busy start of Term.
4. The Hall Ramp is being remodelled to have the required gradient and to be within the width guidelines. Compliant rails will be applied. This task will be completed by Monday afternoon.
5. The Canteen Ramp has been demolished and needs to be remade to apply the correct gradient. New rails will be added to the ramp; the Canteen ramp will be ready to use Tuesday but will be blocked off on Monday.
6. The steps to the outdoor learning area outside Rooms 15, 14 and 13 will be replaced with a ramp; these steps are out of commission for Monday but the ramp is expected to be ready for use on Tuesday.
7. The ramp outside the Partnership and Science room closest to the Pre Primary rooms will need to be remodelled. This work will occur during Week One; that area will be cordoned off for the least time possible – I apologise in advance for any inconvenience.
8. A new path by the side of the Partnership Room will be constructed at the same time as the ramp; I look forward to a good outcome that supports ease of movement in that area of the school.

9. A path from the corner of PPC to the Library verandah will link the spaces and the small return at the end of the Library verandah (on the way to the Universal Access Toilet) will be removed and remade to have a compliant gradient. This work is expected to be completed by the end of next week.
10. A wider, longer and compliant footpath will be constructed from the Early Childhood gates off Cape Street through the KPP Play space. This is a big job that might take six or seven days to complete; parents will see that the exclusion barriers are partially prepared. The construction company is working to make sure everything is ready to go before they need to block off that lower section of the playground to minimise disruption to students' play and parent access. At this stage, that work will happen in Week Two of this Term. I will let you know more next eNews.

I try really hard to have works in the school grounds completed during school breaks, and am sorry that sometimes tasks spill into the school Term. I am sure we can move safely around the school and get full benefit of learning experiences while this project is being completed. Please do not hesitate to email me beverly.innes@education.wa.edu.au or chat face to face if you have queries, comments or feedback. Thank you.

I look forward to working closely with the managers at Access Without Barriers – the company undertaking these alterations - and the site supervisor, making sure all works are completed to the highest standard so that these modifications will improve our school right now, and long into the future.

Dance Lessons 2020

Dance Lessons commence on Tuesday 13 October in our School Hall and continue each Term Four Tuesday for all PP – 6 students. Dance is part of The Art curriculum, promotes positive interpersonal skills, supports creativity and allows students to use both sides of their brain in an exciting, open, supportive environment.

Our school employs highly experienced specialised dance teachers from Humphreys Dance Studios to teach appropriate dances to our students. Dance lessons cost \$45.00 per student; please see the attached note for ways to pay for your child/ren.

Please email beverly.innes@education.wa.edu.au or chat to me if you have any queries regarding Dance; thank you.



SAVE THE DATE Friday 30 October 2pm (Students only) and 4pm (Everyone!!)



Thank you to the families who helped with Musical Prop Preparation last Wednesday 7 October – you were so effective and efficient and such a pleasure to work with.

Senior and Junior commence Week One Term Four – I can't wait to greet **Senior Choir Tuesday 13 October 7.55 am** and **Junior Choir Thursday 15 October 7.55 am**.

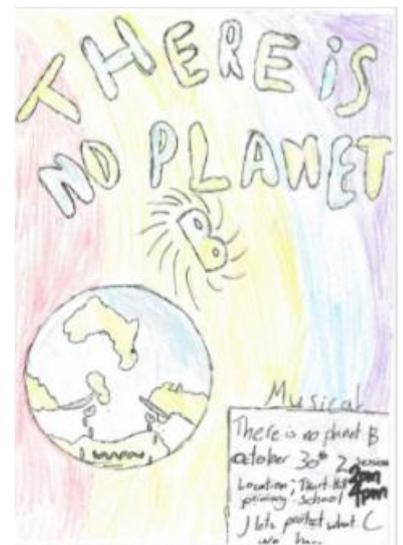
The Musical 'There is no Planet B' will Premier **Friday 30 October at 2pm** and **4pm** in the Tuart Hill Undercover Area.

- ✓ There will be **2pm** Performance for the Junior School.
- ✓ Then a **4pm** Performance for Parents, Carers and your special guests.

I am enjoying the excitement of preparing for an amazing event for our students and our school community.

Email fay.edwards@education.wa.edu.au if you have any queries; thank you.

Fay Edwards Music Specialist



Bookweek 17 – 23 October 2020 PLUS Book Fair



This year Book Week has been moved to October **and** our school is hosting a Book Fair!! How exciting!

The Book Fair will be set up on Tuesday 13 October in our Kitchen. Teachers will bring their students through to write their 'wish lists' from Wednesday to Friday.

Dress as a character from your favourite book and bring the book to read on Monday 19 October for our annual BookWeek Parade.

Then, parents, carers and grandparents, you are invited to slip privately off to the Kitchen to choose your Christmas book gifts – 9 -10 am Monday 19 October.

Students may purchase after school on Monday, 2.50 – 4.30 pm, with an adult.

EFTPOS is available and of course we will take cash. Encourage your children to do jobs on the school break so they have cash to spend up big on their best choices.

The School Library benefits from a percentage of the whole school spend – we are excited to replace worn titles, fill gaps in series and update our school collection. I look forward to welcoming you to our Fair!

2021 School Planning and Class Placement Requests

Our staff is currently planning how 2021 classes might look, and teachers are looking at constructing next year's class lists. Please help us in our planning by letting the School know via email tuarthill.ps@education.wa.edu.au as soon as possible **if your child will not be returning to our school in 2021**. Thank you.

Do you have a particular educational request for your child moving in next year? Student placements into classes are planned very carefully with a number of factors taken into consideration. These include:

- Special needs
- Friendship groups
- Social skills
- Academic performance
- Educational comments and requests

Comments and requests from parents should be addressed to me, beverly.innes@education.wa.edu.au and must be received in writing by midnight Friday 30 October 2020. I will consider all requests in conjunction with school organisational needs as well as professional advice from staff.

Requests for specific teachers will not be considered.

Please note - the Principal's decision is final.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries regarding 2021 classes; thank you.

Safe routes to Tuart Hill Primary School



The Department of Transport has developed a partnership with the City of Stirling to explore a multi-layered approach to increasing healthy activity for all members of the community and to lessen the number of vehicles on the roads by creating safe alternatives to driving where possible. Critical to this initiative is transport routes to and from schools.

The Your Move 'Safe Active Travel to School' project has been developed in collaboration with the City of Stirling. The project aims to improve safety for our most vulnerable road users and increase walking, cycling and scooting to school as it is well recognised that this helps keep our kids healthy and happy.

By identifying and providing wayfinding signage and pathway improvements to 5 safe routes to your school, we believe it will help parents and students walk, cycle and scoot to school more often.

Tuart Hill Primary School is pleased to be assisting this program and enjoying the benefits such a partnership might bring. We are an important community hub and our proactive decisions and actions will have a positive effect on student, family, community and environmental health and wellbeing.

The Your Move program has asked for our help to create a safer walking and bike-friendly environment around Tuart Hill Primary School. The Department of Transport has identified five safe routes to our school, but first, they need our feedback. Open <https://www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au/safe-routes-thps>. Use the map embedded in the website to let the program coordinators know if they are on the right path, help by identifying hazards or missing infrastructure and suggest any new safe route.

The interactive feedback website is open from now until 23 October 2020. Based on the feedback received, the City of Stirling has committed to prioritising upgrades and/or upkeep of community-identified safe routes to and from our school.

What an opportunity. Let's get on board – make your voice count!

Have your say today or later during the school break, as you trial some of the suggested routes and propose extra ones.

Containers for Change

Our P&C has signed up for this initiative that is making it worth our while to recycle containers that otherwise go into landfill. We will have two large bins delivered to us in the next couple of days – we think we will locate them near the Canteen Al Fresco area. Look out for them, and help us clean up the planet at the same time as raise funds for the P&C.

Our scheme ID is **C1029156**. Depositing containers under this ID will ensure any funds raised for eligible container deposited for the P&C at any of the recycle centres will go directly into the P&C Bank Accounts.

Containers for Change commence from 1 October 2020. However, you can start saving your eligible containers now for the school – our Container Deposit Bins are about to be delivered! They will be placed by the Canteen Alfresco area. Do your bit to save our planet **and** raise money for our school – drop empty containers into the correct bin.

Not all containers are eligible. Here's a catchy way to remember which ones can be returned for cash:

*Aluminium is a win.
Glass and Plastic are always 'in'.
Steel and paper are good to go –
But milk and wine bottles are a no.*



Visit <https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/> for all the information you may need. Offer to collect your neighbour's eligible containers too and help our P&C supplement the schools' educational programs and amenities.

All funds raised by the P&C are expended in the year they are raised on educational items and equipment that benefits your children. Currently members are considering:

- a Nature Play addition for the Senior play space;
- indoor-outdoor carpet for the Hall (marked with Badminton courts to encourage even greater variety of sports to be easily accessed);
- huge fans for the Hall – remember how stifling the Hall is when it is hot?;
- an upgrade to the Sound System in the Hall...

...as well as the usual donations to increase the Library collection, support the provision of quality reading series, add to Maths equipment to enable 'hands-on' practical exploration of maths concepts, allow ongoing replacement of Sports equipment and contributions to the cost of replacing the schools' technology. Do you have any other thoughts that you would like the P&C to consider? Email pandcthps@gmail.com with your suggestions; thank you.

Members of the P&C think about making expenditure choices against the following suggested criteria:

- Does the suggestion/item/idea support the schools' values of Learning, Excellence, Care and Equity?
- Does the suggestion/item/idea benefit a wide range of students, frequently, over several years?
- Will the suggestion/item/idea build our community in a positive way?
- Will the suggestion/item/idea positively promote Tuart Hill Primary School as a high quality educational institution?
- And of course – do we like the suggestion??

All parents in our school community are invited to attend P&C meetings at any time, and all those who are members of the P&C (by paying a \$1 fee and/or the P&C Voluntary Contribution) are eligible to vote on motions. Come along!

Meetings are fun, and efficiently managed. The next P&C meeting is planned for **Wednesday 21 October** 5.45 for a prompt 6 -7 pm meeting, in the Staff Room at the school. See you there!