

Tuart Times

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Key Dates:

New entries

Week 3: 14/2 - 18/2

Mon Uniform shop open

8.30 - 9.00am

Thurs Board Meeting 5:30 -

7:00 pm

Week 4: 21/2 - 25/2

Tues Year 6 Leadership Day 1 at

Ern Halliday

Thurs Webex Assembly Yrs 1-6

Week 5: 28/2 - 4/3

Fri School Development Day

students do not attend

Week 6: 7/3 - 11/3

Mon Labour Day Public Holiday
Thurs Webex Assembly Yrs 1-6
Fri Swimming Carnival for
Year 4, 5 & 6 students

Week 7: 14/3 – 18/3

Wed P&C AGM 5:45-7:00pm

Week 8: 21/3 - 25/3

Thurs Webex Assembly Yrs 1-6

Board Meeting - 5:30 -

7:00pm

Week 9:

Mon 28/3 - 1/4

Year 4-6 Swimming Lessons commence

Week 10: 4/4-8/4

Fri Last day of Term 1

Year 4-6 Swimming Lessons finish Principal's Message: Keira van der Wal

It's hard to believe it is Week 3 already. Everyone is hard at work and adapting well to the frequent changes to school operations in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Although challenging at times, the silver lining is the increase in critical and creative thinking required to devise new ways of carrying out regular school activities and routines. This was demonstrated today during the weekly Year 6 leadership session, where students needed to think outside the box to redefine the roles of Mentor, Ambassador, Roadie and Event Manager due to the changes in some of our school routines. It was impressive to see them collaborating in their teams to think about new ways in which they can show leadership at school and demonstrate our values of Excellence, Care, Equity and Learning.



Thank you to all our community members for being so understanding and responsive to the frequent changes being made to school operations. Whilst it is necessary that we distance ourselves from each other, cover our faces with masks and limit face-to face-meetings and access to classrooms, we encourage you to keep in contact with school staff by phone, email and Connect. We value the partnership between home and school, as we continue to work together to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of your child.

SCHOOL DROP-OFF AND PICK UP

Finding a parking spot for school drop-off and pick up is challenging for most Perth Metropolitan schools.

Tuart Hill Primary School is fortunate to have a **Kiss and Drive** zone, which, if used correctly, significantly reduces the demand for parking spots around the school.

When using the Kiss and Drive you need to;

- Drive to the furthest available space in the marked area
- Stop for 1 minute only
- Move on as soon as your child has exited or entered the vehicle
- Make sure your vehicle is not blocking the Disabled Parking Bay
- Circle the block and try again if no spots are available or the chil
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 you are collecting has not arrived

Please note that it is not ok for the driver to wait in the car whilst another adult enters the school to drop off or collect their child.

We thank you for observing all council regulations when using the Kiss and Drive so that school drop-offs and pick-ups are safe and stress-free for every member of our school community.



STUDENT ABSENCES

It is really important that your child/ren attend school every day. This supports children to develop routines, allows them to have expectations around how their day will go and is critical to building strong foundations for learning. Students make the best progress and achieve to their abilities when they attend school regularly. **Missing school equals missing out**, socially, emotionally and educationally.

However, we know that germs and viruses abound, and accidents occur. If your child **must** miss school, you may let us know via:

- SMS <u>text 0417 931 262</u> simply state your child's first name and surname, Year Level, Room Number and a brief reason eg: *Beverly Innes. Year 3 Room 21 unwell*. Note: this is a no-reply number.
- The Website https://tuarthillps.wa.edu.au/information/student-absence/ fill in the online form.
- Email <u>tuarthill.ps@education.wa.edu.au</u> with your child's first name and surname, Year Level, Room Number and a brief reason eg: *Beverly Innes. Year 3 Room 21 is away today as she is unwell.*
- Phone the Administration 9413 1500

Tuart Hill Primary School works hard to support families and individuals to maintain high attendance rates. Parents may expect contact from your child's class teacher, the Front Office ladies or me, in my Principal capacity, in the event of unexplained and/or persistent absence. We care about making sure every child has the best opportunities to grow and develop and wish to work in partnership with you to maintain high attendance rates.

Our Student Attendance Policy is available on our Website https://tuarthillps.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Tuart-Hill-Attendance-Brochure-for-Parents.pdf and , as usual, I welcome conversation with all families to make sure all our students attend every day they can. Thank you.

MEET OUR STAFF

My name is Ainsley Poon and I am the new Year 3 teacher at Tuart Hill Primary School this year. Originally from Canberra, I moved to Perth in 2014 and started a degree in commerce, however over time I realised that my true passion was teaching. Outside of school my hobbies are playing soccer, cycling and golf. When given the chance, I also enjoy on road trips and camping with my fiancée and my dog Nacho. At home I also have two cats, Perry (as seen in the photo) and Liz.





Hi, my name is Thomas Baker and it is my honour to be teaching the Year 2 class in Room 12. I believe in providing every child with the academic, emotional and social tools they need to learn and thrive in and out of school. I believe that teaching is a collaboration between teacher, students and carers that should start with the building of mutual trust and respect. I love sport and reading (especially history), and on the weekend you will find me cooking, relaxing with friends or yelling at the television screen for the Eagles to pick up their game.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY: Thursday 10 February

On Thursday 10 February we held a whole school assembly via Webex, which was hosted by Mrs Bell, Ms Clegg and Mrs van der Wal from Ms Clegg's office.

The assembly followed our regular format including everyone standing and singing the National Anthem which was played over the PA by Mrs Edwards. The names of Merit Award winners were announced by Mrs van der Wal and the certificates were presented afterwards in the Hall.



CHANGES TO SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – Online orders only

To limit the amount of cash handling due to the current change in circumstances, we are now only accepting online purchases through the Scholastic Book Club.

To pay online, visit scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download the LOOP app. Your order will be electronically linked to the school's order. You **do not** need to complete the order form at the back of the catalogue.



NEW CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE

In response to changes in the operating guidelines for schools as a result of COVID-19, we need to restrict the mixing of Year Level cohorts of students as much as possible.

As a result of this, practice sessions will now be split into Year Level groups and be held **fortnightly**.

Please see the schedules below for specific days / dates and contact Mrs Edwards if you require further information.

Junior Choir – Term 1 2022 8:00 – 8:30 am in the Music Room

Week 4 - Wednesday 23 Feb	Year 4
Week 5 – Wednesday 2 March	Year 3
Week 6 – Wednesday 9 March	Year 4
Week 7 – Wednesday 16 March	Year 3
Week 8-Wednesday 23 March	Year 4
Week 9 – Wednesday 30 March	Year 3
Week 10 – Wednesday 6 April	Year 4

Senior Choir – Term 1 2022

7:50 – 8:25 am in the Music Room

Week 3 - Tuesday 15 Feb	Year 5
Week 4 - Tuesday 22 Feb	Year 6
Week 5 – Tuesday 1 March	Year 5
Week 6 – Tuesday 8 March	Year 6
Week 7 – Tuesday 15 March	Year 5
Week 8- Tuesday 22 March	Year 6
Week 9 – Tuesday 29 March	Year 5
Week 10 – Tuesday 5 April	Year 6

CONNECT – KEEPING IN TOUCH



Keeping in touch via Connect

Our school regularly communicates important information with families via 'Connect Now', a free app developed by the Department of Education WA that can be downloaded from Google Play or the Apple App Store. It will enable you to receive Connect Notices as push notifications. Please note: to view some attachments and posts in the Library section within Connect, you will need to log in via your Internet browser rather than via the app.

A parents 'how to guide' is attached at the bottom of this eNewsletter for your reference.

SCHOOL POLICIES

Mobile Phone and Devices

The Department of Education does not permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for medical or teacher directed educational purpose. It is recognised that there are a growing number of students who have a mobile phone for use outside of school hours. As such, the school is required to ensure effective boundaries are in place to minimise the risk of theft and the inappropriate use of mobile phones.

For the purpose of this policy, 'mobile phones' include smart watches, other electronic communication devices, and associated listening accessories, such as, but not limited to, headphone and ear buds. We strongly discourage students bringing mobile phones, smart watches and any mobile electronic device that is Wi-Fi enabled to school.

Any electronic device brought to school must be handed in to the Administration Office staff at the start of the day, to be collected at the end of the school day.

A copy of the Mobile Devices Policy can be viewed on the school website. We very much appreciate your support with this matter.



P & C NEWS

Welcome back to school for 2022.

We hope your children have settled into their new classes.

We have decided the next meeting will be at the same time as the AGM in week 7, details to be confirmed closer to the time.

We will need some new team members this year as some executive positions are becoming available and need to be filled.

Positions available....
Secretary

Vice President/s
Plus. of course, general members

Please email Pandcthps@gmail.com if you think you may be able to assist.



COMMUNITY NOTICES





FRIDAY 4 FEBRUARY

PLAYER REGISTRATION OPENS

HTTPS://WWW.REVOLUTIONISE.COM.AU/MODERNIANSHC/REGISTRATION/

MONDAYS 5-6PM (COMMENCING MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY) SCRATCH MATCHES @ CHARLES VERYARD RESERVE

WEDNESDAY SKILL SESSIONS @ WARWICK TURF RUNNING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

5/6 & 7/8 BOYS AND GIRLS / 4:30 - 5:30PM 9/10 &11/12 BOYS AND GIRLS / 5:30 - 6:30 PM

SATURDAY 2 APRIL 9 - 11AM

SEASON OPENER @ CHARLES VERYARD RESERVE SCRATCH MATCHES | SCRUMPTIOUS FOOD | FAMILY FUN

BRING A FRIEND / COME AND TRY MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY 5-6PM MONDAY 14 MARCH 5-6PM SATURDAY 2 APRIL 9-11AM

MOUTH GAURDS REQUIRED I PADS AND STICKS AVAILABLE TO USE RSVP JUNIOR CLUB PRESIDENT @ MHUMPHREYS71@GMAIL.COM





Stirling JFC 2022Club Open Day!

Bring the whole family down for fun activities for the kids, meet the coaches and mouthguard fittings.

Time: 11:30am - 2pm

Richard Guelfi Reserve, Delawney St, Balcatta

New players welcomed and registration is available on the day in our club rooms.

If you're a new player registering for the first time, all NEW players will receive a Saints Pack which includes a training top, jacket, shorts, socks, sports bag.

Returning players will receive a training top.

We do strongly encourage all our members to register online. This process is very easy, just click the appropriate link for your child below.

Register now to secure your spot on your team for Season 2022.

Also, if you meet the requirements for Kidsport funding, you can use the \$150 towards your registrations fees.

Go to our webpage to register www.stirlingjfc.com.au. Or click on the appropriate links below.

Register here for boys/girls Years 3 to 12: https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/a09bc3

Register here for Auskick Pre Primary to Year 2: https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/6dfbfe

Hope to see as many of members on the day and we welcome any new players interested in joining this fantastic club. Our committee will be available on the day to help with any of your questions regarding registration.



Congratulations on kicking off another school year! We would like to invite your school to participate in the **Schools 4 Saver Plus competition**, where your school could **win a \$2000 gift voucher for school supplies**.

What is Saver Plus?

Saver Plus is a free, ten-month program that provides financial education, budgeting, and savings tips to lower-income families. As a reward ANZ matches participant savings, up to \$500, for education costs such as laptops and tablets, school uniforms, books, school excursions and more.

How to Enter

Entering is easy, simply help us share the Saver Plus program with your parent community. Complete any of the below activities to earn points and once your school reaches 300 points, you will go in the draw to win one of three gift vouchers worth \$2000!

How does my school earn points?

Activity	Points
Post Saver Plus to your school's Facebook page	20 points each post
Include Saver Plus in your school newsletter to parents	20 points each share
Submit a testimonial quote about how Saver Plus has helped your school community	50 points
Co-host a Zoom info session and I'll present the program to parents	50 points each session
A parent from your school joins Saver Plus	100 points per parent

The competition starts 1 Feb 2022 and ends 30 April 2022. Once your school earns 300 points, your school will go in the draw!

Ready to win?

Register your interest to participate and we will send you all the materials you'll need to participate.

Register Here

If you have any questions about Saver Plus and/or the Schools 4 Saver Plus competition, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Connect Quick Guide for Parents (Primary)



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Login to Connect at connect.det.wa.edu.au

Your school will provide you with a secure user name (also known as a P number) and a password. Log on to communicate easily with teachers, stay informed about school activities and events, securely access your child's learning assessments and feedback and engage in your child's learning anytime, anywhere and on any device.

Connect: Home Page

All information about your children is accessible from the landing page of Connect.

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- **Change Password**

Manage your password and notify the school if you change your email address.

- Classes Solost w
 - Select your child's name to see all the Connect classes available for that child.
- School Space
 Find the latest notices and information from your school.
- Send Absentee Note

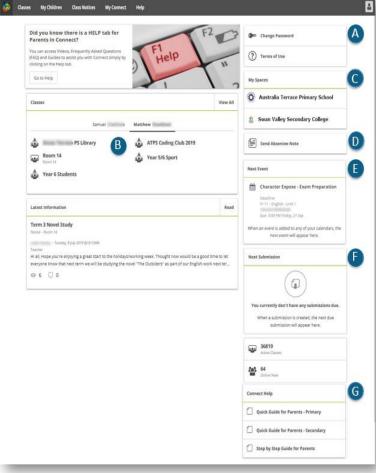
 Notify the school of the reason for your child's absence and attach a medical certificate.
- Next Event

 Stay up to date with school and class events and deadlines.
- Next Submission

 View homework and assignments due in all your children's classes.
- Help
 Your link to both quick and detailed Guides to help you to use Connect.



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Connect: Navigation Toolbar

Classes View all classes for all children.

My Children

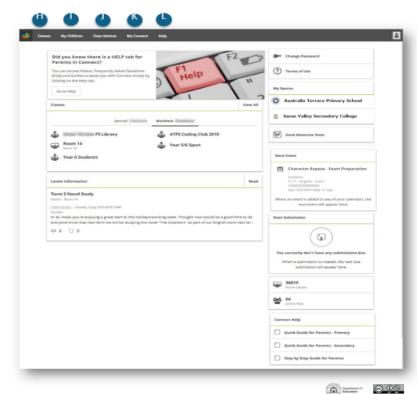
View attendance, performance and report data about your children.

Class Notices

View all notices from all your children's classes.

My Connect Reset your password, change your preferences and manage your notifications using My Connect.

Your link to a range of Videos, FAQs and Guides to help you to use Connect.





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Quick guide for parents (Primary) Sept 2020

Connect: My Children

In My Children, you can see each child's classes and teachers (on the right side of the Overview screen). It is important to note that schools determine which information is available and not all sections will be visible to all parents.

Overview

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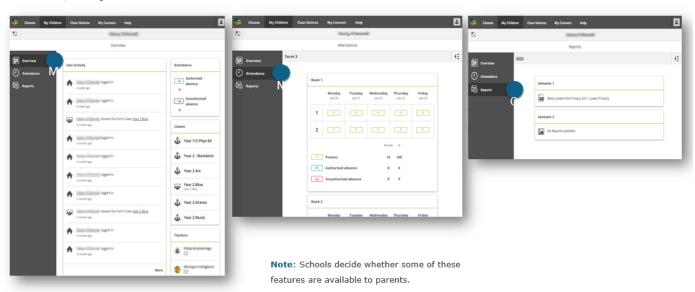
View each of your children's Connect Classes to see your child's logins and activities related to notices, calendar events, learning activities and submissions.

Attendance

Click through each week of the term to see a detailed attendance record. View trends in your child's attendance with a week by week record.

Reports

Open your child's semester reports to download or print.



Connect

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Connect: Responsive Screens and Easy Navigation

Connect is responsive to your viewing screen. Menus will move out of your way to improve your view on a phone or tablet.



Switch Between Children

See information about each of your children - regardless of school. Use the 'Quick Switch' button 😂 to change between your children.



Expand the menu

Click on the **=** icon to expand the menu and easily switch between Overview, Attendance and Reports.



View past Attendance and Reports

Click on the icon from the Attendance screen to view attendance of previous weeks. From the Reports screen, click on the 😉 and view Reports from previous years.







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