



TPS Bulletin

Term 1 Week 1

4 February 2020

From the Principal

Hello Everyone,

I have come to Tammin from Useless Loop Primary School, which is just across the water from Denham. I have been a Principal for 20 years, and worked in small schools for most of my teaching career (also went to a small school myself). I love the role because I can get to know the children (and parents) much better.

I am passionate about good teaching, and I work hard to ensure that teachers have access to appropriate resources in order to produce excellence in teaching.

We will continue to **Build on Strength** of current programs to ensure that the current upward trend is maintained. We will continue to monitor current and investigate new programs in meeting the needs of our students.

I would like to thank all of the parents and caregivers who have welcomed me into the school community. I would like to commend you on the lovely children at the school, they are well-mannered and considerate. At my first morning assembly with the children we discussed what makes a good school to reinforce their beautiful behaviour.

My focus at the school this term is to get to know everyone as best I can, to learn about the students and the community in which they live. Parents are an extremely important aspect of childrens' progress in school. Without the positive support of parents, students fail to understand what is

expected of them. I will be issuing invitations to groups of parents to come to school for a cuppa and a chat to assist me in understanding the vision of the community.

Attendance at school continues to be a priority both at Tammin PS and in the Wheatbelt District. I would urge parents to seriously consider the repercussions of taking children out of school for reasons other than illness or medical appointments. Not only do children miss important teaching activities, they also experience a sense of disconnection from the rest of the class during lessons. The attached table will support you in understanding the long-term impact of poor attendance.

Should your child sleep in, or you are running late, send them to school anyway. We are more than happy to assist with clothing or footwear if the need arises. *There is no reason why your child cannot attend school—we are here to help.*

Parents will receive an SMS if your child is absent. Please feel free to phone and discuss any issues, or to provide a reason as to the absence.

I look forward to working with everyone to ensure that students, staff and parents have a happy and productive year.

Kind Regards,

Marita Henry
Principal

Nurture our virtues, not our shortcomings.

Sport

Students are encouraged to wear closed in, appropriate gym style shoes for sport. Students participate in morning fitness on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mornings. Sports is programmed for the year 3-6 students on Tuesday afternoon and K-2 students on Wednesday.

Lunch orders

Lunch orders will be available to order from the Puma Roadhouse every Monday and Thursday as per lunch order menu sent home yesterday. Paper bags are available in the office. A copy of the price list can be found on the website.

www.tamminps.wa.edu.au

Uniforms

Uniforms can be purchased via the office anytime this week. Then we will follow the usual process of ordering uniforms which will then be available for pick up from the office on Mondays. We apologise for size 6 shirts being unavailable at the moment. These have been ordered. Orders forms are available on the school website.

A note from Kellerberrin Junior Tennis

Junior Tennis Coaching Sessions - Expression of Interest

We have a Coach travelling from Perth who is offering 4x Saturday morning coaching sessions

\$50 for FOUR sessions - 45 minutes each

Dates: 22 Feb, 29 Feb, 7 March, 14 March

BYO tennis racquet & water bottle

Ages 4 years and above

Please confirm interest to kellerberrintennisclub@gmail.com or

Clare Leake 0400 120 388 by this FRIDAY 7th FEB

Payment & enrollment forms to be completed to confirm attendance.

Minimum numbers required for sessions to go ahead

We hope to see you there, all welcome so please share with anyone who may be interested.

Coming up...

⇒ Thursday 6 February-Breakfast Club

⇒ Monday 10 February-Barry Peters dance and music - whole school

Figure 1 - Parent table

If your child misses...	that equals...	or...	From Kindy to year 12 that adds up to...	Which is the equivalent of attending until:	Attendance rate
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	1 month per year	nearly 1 ½ years	part-way through year 11	90%
1 day per week	40 days per year	2 months per year	over 2 ½ years	part-way through year 10	80%
2 days per week	80 days per year	4 months per year	over 5 years	the end of year 7	60%
3 days per week	120 days per year	6 months per year	nearly 8 years	the end of year 4	40%

Figure 2 - Student table

If you miss...	that equals...	or...	From Kindy to year 12 that adds up to...	Which is the equivalent of attending until:	Attendance rate
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