



NEWSLETTER

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Term 4, Week 11

16 December 2021

Up Coming Events

Week	Date	Event	Time
11	Thursday 16 December 2021	Last of the Term	
Term 1	Friday 28 and Monday 31 January 2022	Staff Development Days	All Day
Week 1	Tuesday 1 February 2022	Students Return	
Week 2	Wednesday 9 February 2022	School Swimming Carnival	
Week 2	Friday 11 February 2022	Zone Swimming Carnival	



“And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings.”

– Meister Eckhart

Principal's Report

End of Year

What a year! After a disrupted 2021, we started off strong with many of our usual events recommencing, including the Swimming Carnival, Student Leadership Induction Ceremony, Intensive Swim Scheme, and for the first time we offered class orientation meetings for parents to meet their child/ren's teacher. On March 19 normality as we knew it ended and we began the journey to find our 'new normal' after the catastrophic flooding of Telegraph Point. Our students, families and community navigated a move to Hastings Secondary College (Westport Campus), including many students catching additional shuttle buses to make the journey. I would like to acknowledge every single member of the Telegraph Point Public School staff, who worked tirelessly to ensure this transition was as smooth as possible for our students, who remained our primary concern during this time of professional and personal upheaval.

With the complementary breakfasts and enormous daily step counts, we remember our six week stay at Hastings Secondary College fondly, but couldn't wait to return to our own school site mid-Term 2. Unfortunately, after only a few weeks we were faced with more disruption, in the form of renewed COVID-19 outbreaks and a return to remote learning. As has become synonymous with Telegraph Point Public School, we faced this adversity with resilience and determination. Teachers planned for continued educational delivery utilising online platforms and students tuned in to their classes from home. Again, I would like to acknowledge all teachers who went above and beyond to ensure that all students had access to high quality learning during this time. As a parent and an essential worker juggling work commitments and supporting my child through remote learning, I speak on behalf of parents everywhere when I say nobody was happier than parents to welcome students back onsite for the return of normal school operations.

Term 4 has seen continuing COVID-19 restrictions, which has impacted on our usual end of year activities. Acknowledging student success and farewelling our 2021 Year 6 class has been our first priority, negotiating the Department of Education guidelines to ensure Presentation Day and the Year 6 Farewell could both go ahead, albeit looking a little different than in the past! Thank you to Ms Hoelzl and Mr Fullbrook, our local cinematic visionaries, for ensuring the Presentation Day was recorded in high quality to share with our community. You can access the full assembly on our school Facebook page.

Planning for next year is well and truly underway, with many exciting events already filling the calendar. At this point I do not know what COVID-19 restrictions will look like when school resumes on February 1 2022, nor can I speculate about what will change or what will remain the same. Over the holidays the Department of Education will work with NSW Health to revise restrictions that are required to begin the school year. As soon as we know what restrictions will look like, we will communicate this to you through email and the school Facebook page.

Although 2021 is not a year any of us will soon forget, I am looking forward to a fresh start in our refurbished classrooms and beginning the year full of hope and optimism for 2022.

2022 class structures

With our numbers still fluctuating right across Kindergarten to Year 6, final class structures should be in place by the first week of 2022. Please find below draft class structures as they currently stand:

Kinder Red: Mrs Kate Connolly

1/2 Teal: Mrs Clare Walton

1/2 Blue: Mrs Karen White

3/4 Green: Mrs Julia Slade

4/5 Purple: Miss Nicole Jackson

5/6 Lime: Mr Adam Chalmers

Welcome to Nicole Jackson, Julia Slade and Clare Walton

Next year we are thrilled to welcome three new teachers to our staff at Telegraph Point Public School. Our students are already very familiar with Miss Nicole Jackson, who has been teaching 5/6H in Mrs Hendriks' absence. Mrs Clare Walton and Mrs Julia Slade are both joining us from Westport Public School, and our staff have been working closely with these teachers since the end of Term 1 this year. Nicole, Julia and Clare all come to us with a wealth of experience as educators, and with impressive experience supporting student learning in the classroom. We look forward to working together in 2022.

Farewell Mrs Owen & Mrs King

It's with mixed emotion that we farewell Mrs Owen this year. Her family will welcome their first child into the world at the end of January, and as such she will not be returning to Telegraph Point Public School at the beginning of next year. In the year that we have been lucky enough to have Mrs Owen on staff she has held the highest expectations for her students every day, and this is apparent in the incredible academic results of our Year 2 students this semester. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Owen back to our staff in some capacity later next year and, in the meantime, we will miss her and her infectious positivity!

We also farewell Mrs King this year, who has secured a position at Willawarrin Public School. Our loss is certainly Willawarrin's gain, as I know Mrs King will make a valuable contribution to their staff. We wish Mrs King all the best in her new school setting, which will be a much shorter commute than Telegraph Point!

Rebuild in 2022

Between now and Christmas six of the demountables that we have called home for the past seven months will be pulled apart and taken away. The team of construction workers will continue working hard over the break to ensure that our refurbished buildings are ready for occupancy on February 1 2022 for our first day of school. There will also be some landscaping work completed. We can't wait to see the end result!

Christmas school holiday

Please be reminded that school starts back for all students Kindergarten to Year 6 on Tuesday 1 February 2022. Kindergarten will begin at 9.30am to ease transition on their first day of school.

Again, I would like to extend my thanks to the entire Telegraph Point Public School community for your support during this incredibly difficult year. I hope everyone is able to enjoy this time with family and friends during the Christmas break and we look forward to another exciting year together in 2022. Have a great holiday and be safe.

Duncan Adams

Principal

2022 School Leaders



Evie C

Prime Minister



Zac C

Deputy Prime Minister



Felicity G



Brooke I



Finn R



Ardiena W

Parliamentarian Parliamentarian Parliamentarian Parliamentarian

2022 Sports Leaders



Cohen T
Captain
Hastings



Heidi B
Vice Captain
Hastings



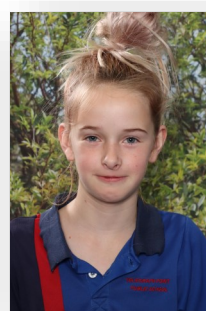
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Mariah



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Vice Captain
Mariah



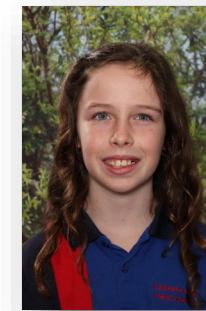
Scarlett W
Captain
Oxley



Rose W
Vice Captain
Oxley



Zoey L
Captain
Wilson



Ruby L
Vice Captain
Wilson

Presentation Awards

Academic Excellence



*Lincoln S
1C*



*Mitchell K
2O*



*Aurora L
3H*



*Alice K
4C*



*Evie C
5C*



*Finn R
5H*



*Mahli G
6H*

Class Awards



*Thomas K
Immity F
1C*



*Maddison C
Grace B
2O*

Class Awards



*Tully C
Lacinda M
3H*

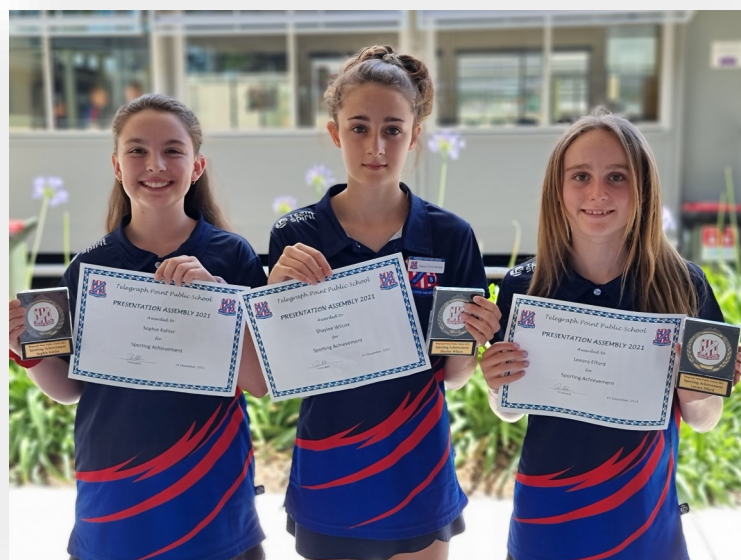


*Caylana Willott
Zac Clissold
4/5C*



*Ardiena W
Wynter M
5/6H*

Sporting Achievement



Leeara E

Shaylee W

Sophie K

Major Awards



Ella R

*Hastings Secondary College
Scholarship*



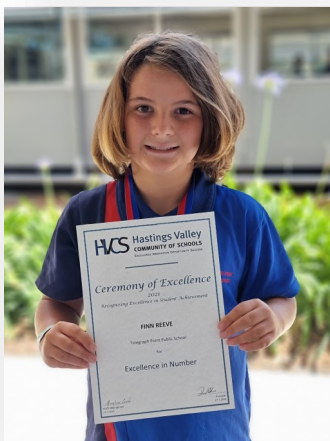
Franki W

*Port Macquarie-Hastings
Council Citizenship*



Sophie K
DUX

Hastings Valley Community of Schools Ceremony of Excellence



Finn R

Excellence in Number



Sophie K

Excellence in English



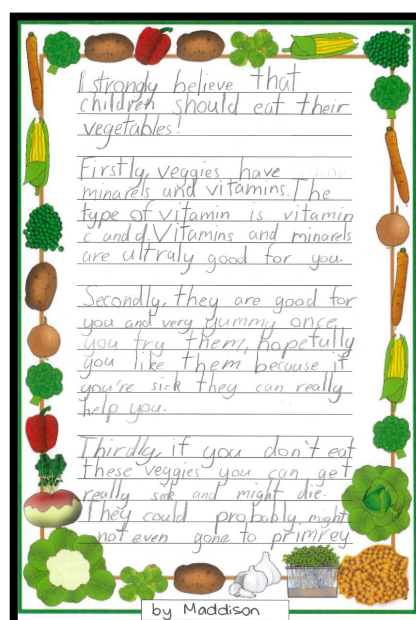
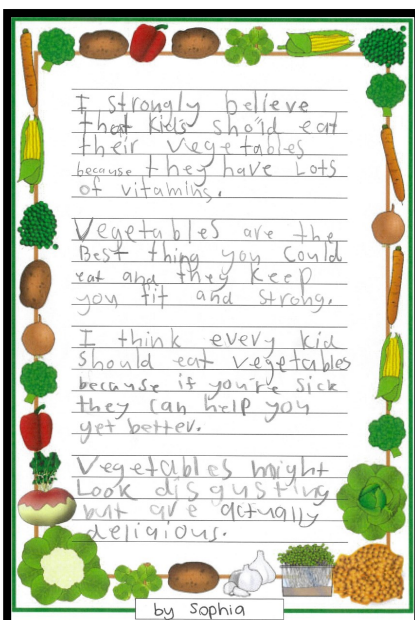
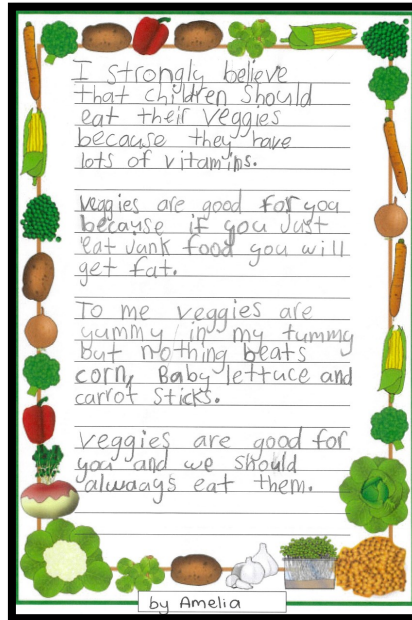
Alice K

Excellence in Spelling

Class Report - 20 Mrs Owen

In Year 2 this term, we have been working hard to improve our writing. We have been looking closely at persuasive texts. We have been coming up with reasons and examples to support our opinion and experimenting using language features to make our arguments more convincing. We enjoyed our a class debate on the topic 'dogs are better than cats' and we had a class divide over 'students should not do homework' with some very convincing reasons on both sides. We then listens to the story Eat Your Peas by Kes Grey and we wrote a persuasive text about the topic 'children should eat their vegetables'.

Snowy the Elf turned up in our classroom on Thursday and the cheeky thief took all our chairs from our room and we had to follow the clues to find them. Meanwhile, Snowy was hiding deep in the branches of our classroom Christmas tree looking on and having a good laugh I am sure.



Assembly Award Recipients - Term 4 Weeks 9 & 10

Class	safe	respectful	personal best	merit
KW	James O	Aeden C	William M	Petra B
K/1C	Stella B	Liam T	Riley W	Lucy C
2O	Will B	Taj M	Mitchell K	Donovan G
3H				
4/5C				
5/6H				

Class	safe	respectful	personal best	teacher
KW	Luka R	Chloe E	Ebony S	Shannan P
K/1C	Shivarnie A	Lincoln S	Sienna B	Arabella E
				Xander P
2O	Will B	Taj M	Mitchell K	Donavan G
3H				
4/5C				
5/6H				



Voice of the People...



Harry C - 5/6H

Q. What has been your most memorable moment at Telegraph Point Public School?

A. My favourite memory is when we have thrown water at all the past Year 6 students on their last day.

Q. What are you most looking forward to moving into high school?

A. More subjects that are fun besides English and Maths.

Q. What are you going to miss about primary school?

A. I am going to miss being part of a smaller school.

Q. If you could tell your younger self something what would it be?

A. To be more confident.

Q. Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?

A. I'll be 22 and I would like to have invented something that will help human kind and make me wealthy.

Q. If you were a fruit what would it be and why?

A. Apple because I like them.

Q. What has been your most memorable moment at Telegraph Point Public School?

A. My most memorable moments have been when I was running in the Cross Country events.

Q. What are you most looking forward to moving into high school?

A. More subjects that I will find interesting.

Q. What are you going to miss about primary school?

A. Having no home work.

Q. If you could tell your younger self something what would it be?

A. Do more public speaking.

Q. Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?

A. Working hard

Q. If you were a fruit what would it be and why?

A. Dragon fruit because I like the name.



Hugh C - 5/6H

Voice of the People...



Reuben F - 5/6H

Q. What has been your most memorable moment at Telegraph Point Public School?

A. My most memorable moment was the flood back in March and moving to Hastings Secondary College Westport Campus.

Q. What are you most looking forward to moving into high school?

A. Having more subjects and doing metal work.

Q. What are you going to miss about primary school?

A. Being part of a smaller school.

Q. If you could tell your younger self something what would it be?

A. I would tell myself not to worry so much.

Q. Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?

A. Doing something that involves working with metal.

Q. If you were a fruit what would it be and why?

A. Mango because I like them and they are yummy.



Mahli G - 5/6H

Q. What has been your most memorable moment at Telegraph Point Public School?

A. I have enjoyed going to the swimming carnival and cheering my friends on.

Q. What are you most looking forward to moving into high school?

A. I am looking forward to doing cooking.

Q. What are you going to miss about primary school?

A. I am going to miss the little kids and helping them.

Q. If you could tell your younger self something what would it be?

A. I would tell myself to get my head out of a book a bit more.

Q. Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?

A. Working in hospitality.

Q. If you were a fruit what would it be and why?

A. Lychee because they are strong on the outside and soft on the inside like me.

Voice of the People...



Sophie K - 5/6H

Q. What has been your most memorable moment at Telegraph Point Public School?

A. My most memorable moment was when I was awarded Parliamentarian for 2021.

Q. What are you most looking forward to moving into high school?

A. Making new friends and having new subjects.

Q. What are you going to miss about primary school?

A. I am going to miss my friends in the younger grades and all the teachers and staff.

Q. If you could tell your younger self something what would it be?

A. I would tell myself not to be so hard on myself.

Q. Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?

A. Teacher at Telegraph Point Public School.

Q. If you were a fruit what would it be and why?

A. Banana because they are my favourite and my favourite colour.

safe



respectful

personal best