Congratulations to Prue Dickson on achieving the substantive position as Assistant Principal (AP) at Tighes Hill Public School. Prue is already a well known member of our staff and now as an AP her dedication and contribution will be of great benefit to the school and our community.

Congratulations Dayna Garside, last Tuesday Dayna represented Tighes Hill Public School at the NSW All Schools Diving Championships held in Sydney. Dayna placed second in the State (Public Schools) and fifth in the all schools completion (Public & Independent Schools). Well done Dayna!

Congratulations to all our children who have worked extremely hard during this term in all areas of school. I am particularly delighted to see that so many children are on track to achieve their 80% or more of their stars in our Star Card Program and will next week receive an invitation to participate in the Star Card reward activity. Well done everyone!

As this is the very last newsletter for this term I want to draw your attention to the many activities (explained in detail below) that will occur before school ends on Friday 12th April, particularly since most activities will involve the majority of classes. I also want to thank all parents for their wonderful support this term in all the matters that can arise each day, in particular, uniforms and hats, behaviour and attitude Star Cards, homework supervision, interviews and Meet and Greet, and not least the many kind words of encouragement and gratitude and the suggestions for improvement. The teachers and I really appreciate working in this community with all your children and families. I would like to wish you a very happy, restful and safe holiday and look forward to another busy and productive learning in Term 2.

P&C Meeting: Next Monday the 8th of April is our third meeting for the year and will commence at 6.00pm. We would love to see some new faces from our new families or our long term families who feel they would like to get involved. Some people come to P&C meetings for a look and a listen while others like to get involved, the P&C is a great place to find out in greater detail about what is happening at the school and seek clarification about programs and activities. I am looking forward to seeing you there.
Music Program: I am so very excited to hear all the wonderful music that is emerging from the many programs offered at our school this year. As well as Mr Britt delivering music based lessons each week in each class, our school band is up and practicing with individual tuition being delivered for the students. We are very fortunate to have Paul Isaacs, one of our Year 1 dads holding guitar lessons on Tuesday afternoons each week. Mrs Ireland, Miss Beker and Mrs Cooper are working with our senior choir while Mrs Behsman and Miss Robinson work with our K-2 choir. Thank you to all our band masters and tutors.

ANZAC Day Service: All of 5/6I and 5/6A will attend this outstanding Service at Civic Theatre on Thursday 11th of April. I want to remind the children that they must wear their full school uniform and make sure that they display impeccable behaviour. The cost of this activity is $3 for bus transport (the RSL clubs are sponsoring the additional $3 cost). Our own school ANZAC service will be conducted on Friday the 3rd May at 12.00pm. (first week back). Parents are very welcome to attend.

Aboriginal Cultural Days: Our Aboriginal students will be attending cultural days held at Marook. Years 1-4 will attend on Tuesday 9th April followed by years 5 & 6 on Thursday 11th April. Have a great day kids.

Hat Parade: Thank you so much to all the families who assisted in making this activity such a success. The hat creations were outstanding! Thank you to Miss Beker for all your hard work and organisation in making this day so special.

Easter Egg Raffle: Thank you to the many parents and teachers who contributed to our enormous Easter Egg raffle. There were many prize drawn at the Hat parade. Thank you Mrs West and all Star Struck helpers for volunteering their play time to sell the tickets. $620 was raised from the raffle, the money raised will be used to assist our Star Struck dancers with costumes.

School Development Days: Day 1 and 2 in Term 2 have been set aside for School Development Days looking at the new curriculum implementation. Thank you in advance for keeping your child at home on these days.

School Fees: Thank you to all the families who have paid their school fees already. The $30 per child is used to help fund the many, many reams of paper that are used each year for classroom tasks and all the paper used for notes and newsletters. Thank you for your support!

Text Book Packs: Thank you to all parents who have already purchased their children’s packs, teachers are ready to commence formal work within their designated text books and are only waiting for all their class to have their books to begin. We do not want to disadvantage any child nor do we want to delay this vital class work therefore if you have not done so already please send payments in to the office as soon as possible. Anyone experiencing difficulty meeting these payments please come and see me and we can assist by setting up a payment plan to expedite this process. As a school we are unable to carry the loss we experienced in previous years, the impact of this loss stops us fully funding other programs.

Road Safety: Please talk to your child about using the designated road crossing areas when coming to or leaving school as so many have been seen running across the road quite often risking an accident with the traffic. Children travelling to school by bus also need to be reminded of their responsibility to wait quietly at their bus stop and not play running across the road games.

Sun Safe Hats: Congratulation to most of our children who are now wearing appropriate hats to school each day. I have had many positive comments by a great number of parents and visitors about the children, their wonderful behaviour but most particularly about how smart they look in their uniforms and hats. Well done! If you are experiencing difficulty purchasing a hat, please come and see me and we will make some arrangement. I don’t want a child to miss out on anything because of financial reasons.

Got It! Tip Of The Week
Give your children lots of physical attention. Children often like hugs, cuddles and holding hands.
PEANUTS/Anaphylactic Reaction: The number of children with allergies to different food products and substances is growing. At this school we have had students with severe (life threatening) reaction to eggs and peanuts enrolled. Each Monday we have a Kindy Club student who has such an allergy to peanuts. To maximise the wellbeing and safety for all students, parents are asked not to pack peanut butter or nut sandwiches for your children and to make sure that you are vigilant in reading labels of all pre-packaged foods. Please let’s work together to provide a safe environment for all students.

Electronic Newsletter:
Thank you to the families that have already responded to our request to receive the Newsletter by email or view it on our website. Please email the school at tigheshill-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au if you are happy to receive an electronic copy only (a paper copy will no longer be supplied) or alternatively view the newsletter on our school website www.tigheshill-p.school.nsw.edu.au

Star Card Award Day: Will be held on Friday 12th April, 2013. Invitations will be sent out later this week to all successful children. A special tabloid games session is being organised by Mr Gillett involving all classes K-6 with iceblock breaks to reward our star children. I know that the children will all have a lovely time as a reward for their hard work and application this term.

Next week’s assembly is a Principals Personal Best beginning ~ Monday 2.15 pm

ASSEMBLY AWARDS Week 9

KD  Sophie McCulloch, Max Baudelaire, Nora Prieto
KR  Samara-Lee Anderson-Boyd, Fraser Haug, Callum Heron-Heslop
K/1R Lotte Potts, Finn Coker, Natasha Howell
1L  Stephanie Morgan, Lupin Witherow-Quill, Brooklyn Fletcher
1E2 Haydn Wakefield, Georgia Perry, Evie Nash
2G  Imogen Hanwright, Logan Yarnold, Jamie Farthing
3W4 Zelda Cesare, Harmony Turner-Cotterill, Elias Johnson
4J5 Brianna Michie, Kingsley Kiina, Djala Parry
5I6 Joseph Wasson, Bella Gough, Chloe Tonkovic
5A6 Samantha Young, Ethan Bailey, Peyton Ford-Ling

Congratulations Everyone! Fantastic Effort!

Tony Selwood
Principal

Woolworths Earn and Learn Competition

This year’s Earn and Learn competition starts Monday 8th April. Each time you shop at Woolies you can collect points which can be put on a points’ sheet. These sheets can then be handed in at school (outside the office) or at your local Woolworths store. Last year was very successful for our school with us earning close to 80,000 points and purchasing lots of learning resources for classrooms. Let’s see if this year can be even better. Thanks in advance for your support and happy shopping!
Dear School Community,

The Canteen Committee wishes to thank those members of the school community who contributed ideas and feedback at the Committee Meetings held on the 25th February and the 2nd April.

The canteen is committed to serving fresh, high quality food and ensuring food safety. For these reasons the Canteen Committee wish to advise that from the Monday 8th April all MUFFINS and BACON & CHEESE ROLLS will need to be PRE-ORDERED for recess and lunch.

These items are stored frozen and will be thawed as they are ordered on a daily basis. This will ensure that freshness is maintained and wastage is prevented.

So, from Monday 8th April no MUFFINS or BACON & CHEESE ROLLS will be sold at the canteen window during recess and lunch.

All feedback about the new procedure will be very welcome at the next Canteen sub-committee meeting.

Thank you,
The Canteen sub-committee.

End of Term Veggie Stall

On Friday 12th April (last day of Term 1) we will be holding a morning veggie stall selling fresh produce from the garden including: Lettuce, Beans, Snow Peas and fresh herbs

All proceeds go to purchasing more seedlings and garden improvements.
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Mindfulness - Based Yoga and Meditation
Classes for 2013
113 Albert St, Wickham
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Term 1 – 6th Feb - 12th April  Term 2 – 1st May – 28th June

There will be no classes in school holidays or on public holidays
This gentle yoga class is based on mindfulness practices, incorporating the union of breath and movement to prepare the body for meditation and present moment awareness. Yoga improves circulation throughout the body, reducing stiffness and lowering stress. This class is suitable for beginners to experienced practitioners, pre & post natal and those recovering from illness or injury.

Prices: Wednesday & Friday - Casual $18 & $15 concession
Please bring along a yoga mat and wear loose comfortable clothing, which doesn’t restrict your breathing. Yoga mats for sale at the venue $25 each.

Call Lisa if you have any questions about suitability for the above classes or are interested in one on one private yoga sessions to develop your home practice $80/hour.
View www.lisapollard.com for detailed bio on Lisa’s Yoga & Meditation qualifications
lpollard2000@hotmail.com Ph - 0403 186 146 www.lisapollard.com
Thank You

Marketown Shopping Centre
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Growers Best very kindly supply our school with a box of fruit each week for ‘Fruit Break’.

Next time you visit, thank them on behalf of Tighes Hill Public School.

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2013

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Saturday, 13th April & Sunday 14th April * 10am - 4pm
Special Evening session Saturday 13th * 7pm - 8pm
Visitors & Locals All Welcome * $10 per family
At Tomaree Education Centre MPC
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All profits go to Hunter Koala Preservation Society

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Free Play Area    Lego for Sale
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Games - Theme Days - Excursions - Movies - Cooking
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Monday, 15th April 2013 - Friday, 26th April 2013

Monday, 15th April
GAMES EXTRAVAGANZA
Limbo Handball Twister
SCAVENGER HUNT WITH CRICKET AT CENTENNIAL PARK

Tuesday, 16th April
MAD SCIENTIST DAY
Don’t miss the fun!
Experiments
Cooking

Wednesday, 17th April
We're off to see the wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz!

Thursday, 18th April
HARMONY DAY
Indigenous Book Reading
Let's celebrate Australia’s multi-cultural diversity!

Friday, 19th April
It's time for some monkeying around at...
TreeTop Adventure Park
WEAR A RED SHIRT!

Saturday, 20th April

Monday, 22nd April
You’re invited to a...
Mad Hatter’s Tea Party
Make a Mad Hatter’s Hat
Party food cooking
Fancy dress in something from Alice in Wonderland (eg. rabbit ears or a bow tie)

Tuesday, 23rd April
MOVIE DAY
Midday Snack provided

Wednesday, 24th April
Indoor Sports Day
Volleyball
Basketball skills
Obstacle course
Trampolining
Table tennis
...and more

Thursday, 25th April
ANZAC DAY
Public Holiday Vacation Care closed

Friday, 26th April
Lake Macquarie Ability Playground
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