

Tom Price Primary School

A school for all- Building strong citizens, strong culture, strong community.



Jumps & Throws
Tue 26 August

Running & Team Games
Fri 29 August

Parent Assembly
Rm 16
Wed 3 September

ASA Jumps & Throws PPS
Tue 9 September

Parent Assembly
Rm 18R
Wed 10 September

Deadly Science Visit
Thur 11 September

ASA Running & Team Games
Fri 12 September

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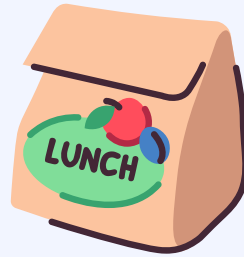


From the Principal's desk

Wow — it's hard to believe we're already halfway through Term 3!

It has been a busy and exciting start, with plenty more activities still to come in the weeks ahead.

It was wonderful to see our canteen run by our amazing P&C committee, open this week. Many students have been raving about the YUMMO food! A special thank you to Tash Lawn and Kellie Flugge for stepping into this role — you've been a hit!



Staffing

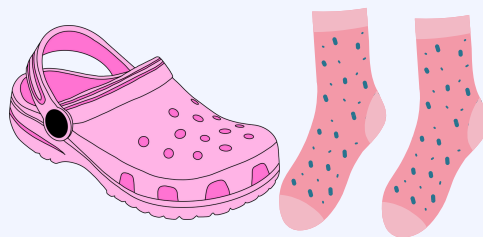
We are still seeking staff for the following positions: Relief Teachers, Special Needs Education Assistants, Chaplain, and Gardener. If you know someone with skills and interest in these areas, please contact our friendly Dream Team at the front office. They will guide you with any queries and the application process.

We also extend a warm welcome to Mr Cam Samuels, a Flying Squad teacher who initially joined us for two weeks whilst travelling but now has fortunately been secured until the end of term as internal relief. Mr Samuels brings a wealth of knowledge and experience, having taught from Kindy to Year 6, particularly within Catholic Education in the Southwest.

Our **Socks and Crocs Principal Reward** has been a big focus for students, helping them learn the importance of Caring for Country. This includes:

- Taking accountability for their own rubbish,
- Not walking past rubbish, and
- Caring for their class area once a week and allocating a 1–10 rating.

I am thrilled to share that last week, we achieved an **80% success rate** across the 12 class caretaker areas in our school — an outstanding effort by everyone!



Student Development Day

Teachers and Education Assistants recently attended their second day of CMS (Classroom Management Strategies) professional learning. We were privileged to host members of the SSEN:BE team here in Tom Price, who delivered workshops along with follow-up observations and staff conferencing.

Our whole staff is committed to this process — including the Leadership team (Mrs Capaan, Mrs Johnson, and myself). We are working towards certification in either CMS (Classroom Management Strategies) foundation or ISE (Instructional Strategies for Engagement), further strengthening our shared approach to supporting students.

Faction Carnival

The countdown is on — our Faction Carnival is almost here!

- Tuesday 26 August: Jumps and Throws (Years 1–6) at school
- Friday 29 August: Running and Team Games at Clem Thompson Oval

Please check the information already sent home (hard copy and on Compass) for details.

Let's cheer on our factions:

GO COPPIN!, GO MIAREE!, GO KYALINA!

CoRE Showcase

Congratulations to Miss Bev Leong, Ms Trish Chapman, and Mr Elijah Tilbee and their CoRE students who represented our school at the showcase at Tom Price Senior High School on Wednesday 13 August.

Thank you to the teaching staff involved, and to our students for your enthusiasm, dedication, organisation, and teamwork throughout the year. Thank you to Ruby Kelly who delivered the Acknowledgment of Country for this auspicious occasion.

Our involvement in this Ashburton Alliance initiative for seven years is a testament to the way our school leaders plan for the future, ensuring our students are well-prepared and have the opportunity to continue this specialised learning at Tom Price Senior High School. This pathway opens doors for them to pursue future careers in this field when they leave school.

Congratulations to the following Excellence Award Winners:

Edison Aberle Rm 15, Brodie Heath Rm 5 and Harper Stephens Rm 7.

Congratulations to the following Endeavour Award Winners:

Lily-Rose Seuga Rm 15, Annalise Blundell Rm 5 and Tyler Seuga Rm 7.



Warm regards

Jasmine Rolton

Foodbank Incursion

The year 3-6 students were treated to a visit from the wonderful ladies at Foodbank to talk about healthy eating and nutrition. They then had a cooking session which resulted in enjoying some delicious food. The students were asked about what they enjoyed and what they learnt from the day. Here are some of their responses:

“The cooking and eating the food that was delicious”.

“Learning about each food group, their effect on your body, and what they do”.

“My favourite part was cooking chocolate balls and eating them. I also cooked them at home”.

“I loved baking the foods and they were all so delicious! The steps were easy to follow, and it was heaps of fun. There were also some parents there to help us, and they were all so welcoming I loved it”.

“I learnt how to hold a knife properly and how to eat healthy food”.

“I learnt that your normal everyday foods are actually superhero foods in disguise”.

“I learned that Grains help you poo and we need to eat healthy foods to grow healthy and strong just like our Mum and Dad”.

“I learnt how to be careful with a knife”.





What the students had to say about the **Wildcats** visit!



On Wednesday, 23 July, the Year 3–6 students took a bus to the Area W Basketball Court, thanks to Rio Tinto and Mrs. Johnson for organizing the event. We went there to see professional basketball players from the Wildcats and Perth Lynx!

Room 2 went during Period 2, along with Rooms 3 and 7. To start, the players introduced themselves and shared some facts that we had to remember. We played games such as "In and Out," "Red Light, Green Light Basketball," and "Number Basketball."

Towards the end, everyone received a poster from the Wildcats and Perth Lynx, and the players signed them. The whole class loved it!

Mia.D Room 2



This month, the Perth Wildcats and Perth Lynx players came to Tom Price and taught our school some drills. First, they introduced themselves. Then, we played games like "In and Out," "Red Light, Green Light," and a number game. In the number game, you are given a number, and when the person calls out your number, you have to play a 1v1 against the person with the same number. It was pretty fun! At the end of the session, they gave us a signed poster, and we got to take photos with them.

Jett Rm 5

Merit Certificates

6 August 2025

Anastasia
Archer
Aria
Billie
Claudia
Cruz
Elodie
Faith
Indi
James
Jasper
Jett
Kiara
Michael
Nate
Oisin
Piriama
Ruby
Russell
Theo
Valour
Zaiden
Zamaya



Volunteers WA

On Monday 21 July, TPPS was fortunate enough to receive the help of Volunteers WA to help spread the new sand for the long jump pit.

Organised through RIO Tinto, the 6-man group of volunteers worked hard to spread out the sand, rake the leaves around the school and prepared sandwiches in the Welcome Centre. Huge thanks to Karla Hitchcock for helping organise the group! Tom Price Primary School is so grateful.



August Birthdays!

Nadyne
Annalise
Malaysia
Kenny
Ryker
Charlie.C
Emily
Frankie
Mia
James
Bruce

Clifford
Stephanie
Oscar
Austyn
Benny
Shirley
Cali
Kiara
Kobie
Walley
Nevaeh



Attendance Statistics

Attendance information and communication plays a vital role in helping us uphold accurate records and maintains clear communication between the school, families and staff.

We kindly encourage parents and caregivers to use one of the following options to notify us when a student will be absent from school

- Compass- add an attendance note which directly notifies the school of your child's absence quickly and easily.
- Call or Email- call the school office on 9188 3000 or email tomprice.ps@education.wa.edu.au

If the school has not been notified of a student's absence, a text message is sent to parents/caregivers at 9:00 AM daily. Please click the link in the message and select the appropriate reason for their absence.

At the end of each week an email is sent out for any unexplained absences, if you receive this email, please contact the school or complete the tear-off section and return it to the school office.

Your prompt response helps us keep accurate attendance records. Thank you for helping us keep our records accurate and our students supported! 😊

Sara Wittkopp

Attendance Officer

Room	Percentage %
Room 2	76.31%
Room 3	75.98%
Room 5	75.55%
Room 7	75.60%
Room 11	75.42%
Room 12	76.22%
Room 13	75.08%
Room 14	76.22%
Room 15	75.56%
Room 16	77.01%
Room 17	75.80%
Room 18B	75.79%
Room 18R	75.93%%
Total School Attendance	75.88%

PBS FOCUS



Whole School PBS Focus

Be Caring at all times by putting all rubbish in the correct bin.

Kagan Cheer – Coaster Cheer

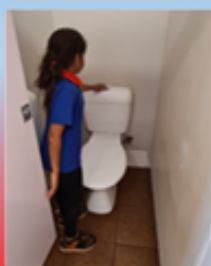


Procedure Focus – Toilet Time

Toilet Time



- **Walk** quietly to the toilet.
- Wait for a free cubicle.
- Use the toilet **appropriately** and **flush**.
- **Wash** your hands using 1 pump of soap and water.
- Keep the soap and water in the sink.
- Use **one piece of paper towel** to dry your hands.
- Put the paper towel **in the bin**.
- Leave the bathroom and return quickly and quietly to class.



Safe on Social

Tips to Help Get Your Kids Offline and Sleep Better

In today's tech-driven world, there's always something online vying for your child's attention. From schoolwork to socialising with friends and exploring the latest apps and games, the digital realm offers great opportunities for learning and development. However, if not managed properly, it can severely disrupt their sleep. Sleep is essential for children's physical and mental well-being. Lack of sleep can lead to trouble focusing, poor academic performance, heightened anxiety, and even risky behaviours.

To help your child enjoy a good night's rest, try these five practical tips:

1. Create a Device-Free Sleep

- Zone Remove all devices, including phones, tablets, and gaming consoles, from your child's bedroom before bedtime.
- This prevents late-night distractions, such as group chat messages or social media notifications.
- Use an alarm clock instead of allowing them to use their phone for this purpose.

2. Set Online Boundaries with Your Child

- Establish clear rules about screen time and online gaming, especially in the evening.
- Collaborate with your child to decide on end times for activities. When they are involved in rule-making, they're more likely to respect the boundaries.
- Remind them that rest is key to staying sharp for both school and fun.

3. Address Online Challenges Head-On

- Discuss the importance of positive online interactions. If they encounter bullying or negative behaviour, encourage them to report it and talk to you about it.
- Cyberbullying and social conflicts can keep children up all night worrying. A supportive environment at home helps them feel secure.

4. Enforce a Screen-Time Curfew

- Cut off all screen usage at least an hour before bedtime.
- Blue light from screens suppresses melatonin production, tricking the body into staying alert and delaying sleep.
- Instead, encourage calming activities during this hour to help their body prepare for rest.

5. Reintroduce Traditional Bedtime Activities

- Swap out screens for low-tech, relaxing activities like reading, journaling, or playing board games.
- These activities not only promote relaxation but also create meaningful family moments.
- Activities like storytelling or even mindfulness exercises can help your child wind down after a busy day.

Additional Support

If your child consistently struggles with sleep despite these strategies, consider consulting your GP for further guidance. Persistent sleep difficulties may require professional advice

Athletics Carnival



Athletics Carnival Menu

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Orders need to be made via Quickcliq by
8.00am on the 29th August 2025

Chocolate Muffin \$2.00

Apple Slinky \$2.00

Hot Dog with Cheese & Sauce \$5.00

Juice Boxes \$2.00

Water \$2.00

CANTEEN IS CLOSED TO THE KINDY &
PRE-PRIMARY STUDENTS ON THIS DAY



**ATHLETICS 2025
CARNIVAL CHEER ITEMS
AVAILABLE NOW ON
QUICKQLIQ!**

**GET YOUR ORDERS IN
BEFORE THURSDAY 28
AUGUST BEFORE 12!**



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TUTU \$17



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OPEN AFTERNOON

This is a wonderful opportunity to see your child's learning in action and share a relaxed lunch together.
We hope to see you there!

A short parent and staff survey will follow the event to help guide our planning for 2026.

Thursday 18 September

12:25pm Picnic Lunch

1:05-2:15pm open classrooms

Classes will remain open until 2:45pm

Kindy Blue families are invited to attend their Open Afternoon on Wednesday 17 September, with visits from 1:05-2:10pm (Room 18 will remain open after school pick up until 2:45pm).



October School Holiday Therapy Program

Week 1 - Paraburdoo (days & times TBC)

Week 2 - Tom Price (Tuesday 7th & Wed 8th)

Messy Madness
Kindy - Year 1

Busy Brains
Year 3-teens

Box & Crash
Year 1 - 4

Social Kitchen
Year 2- teens

Fun with Feelings
Prep - 3

Crafty Readers
Year 2-teens

Legomasters
Year 1 -6

Writing for Fun
Year 1 - 4

**Facilitated by OT/ Speech
& Therapy Assistants**
**Small groups - flexible to
meet child's goals**

**NDIS & private paying
families welcome
(rebates available)**

**Click link below to complete an Expression of Interest,
any questions email aileen@thrive-togethertherapy.au**

40
WORKING
WEEKS PER
YEAR

Flexible
WORKING
DAYS

10
WEEKS
PAID LEAVE
PER YEAR

**Part-time
& Full-time**
ROLES
AVAILABLE

Paid
PROFESSIONAL
SUPERVISION

PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
AND

Support

Work
Anywhere
in WA

ONLINE
SHOPPING
Rewards
PROGRAM FOR
STAFF &
FAMILY

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the call
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Chaplain**

We take care of our chaplains

A YouthCARE Chaplain provides non-judgmental pastoral care, supporting students, staff, families and the wider community and importantly, we support our people with benefits that mean more to you.

To apply and find out more
about positively impacting your
local school community, follow
your heart and head here.



What does a Chaplain do?



- ◆ PASTORAL CARE
- ◆ SUPPORT PROGRAMS
- ◆ SCHOOL EVENTS
- ◆ COMMUNITY LINKS
- ◆ BREAKFAST CLUBS
- ◆ AGENCY REFERRALS
- ◆ LEADERSHIP & MENTORING
- ◆ ENCOURAGING & EMPOWERING



YouthCARE Chaplains come from a wide range of academic backgrounds and life experiences. They are driven by the values of care, respect, compassion and service to connect students, staff and parents to opportunities that create meaningful experiences and positive impacts.



YouthCARE Chaplains are part of a supportive, collaborative network of 400+ chaplains in over 600 WA state schools. This allows for resource sharing, the development of programs and access to a wide range of benefits.

Supporting wellbeing for everyone within our school communities is so important and gives students a better chance at a brighter future as they journey along their education pathway.

You could be the positive difference a community near you needs to help them thrive. Check out our local vacancies or contact us today.

Scan the QR code to apply.



SCAN ME

TERM 3 PLANNER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
20 July WEEK 1	21 July	22 July	23 July KINDY BLUE Wildcats/Lynx visit	24 July	25 July	26 July
27 July WEEK 2 Book Week	28 July	29 July	30 July KINDY RED Student Assembly Book Week Celebration	31 July Newsletter	1 August	2 August
3 August WEEK 3	4 August	5 August	6 August KINDY BLUE Assembly Rm 3	7 August	8 August	9 August
10 August WEEK 4	11 August	12 August Food Bank Incursion Athletics Australia Clinic	13 August KINDY RED Food Bank Incursion CoRE Resource Challenge Showcase	14 August	15 August	16 August
17 August WEEK 5	18 August SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	19 August Photo Day 1	20 August KINDY BLUE	21 August Newsletter	22 August Photo Day 2	23 August
24 August WEEK 6	25 August	26 August Jumps & Throws	27 August KINDY RED	28 August	29 August Running & Team Games	30 August
31 August WEEK 7	1 September	2 September	3 September KINDY BLUE Assembly Rm 16	4 September School Board	5 September 3-6 Shakespeare Incursion	6 September
7 September WEEK 8	8 September	9 September ASA Jumps & Throws PPS	10 September KINDY RED Assembly Rm 18R	11 September Deadly Science visit	12 September ASA Running & Team Games NTPPS	13 September
14 September WEEK 9	15 September	16 September Constable Care	17 September KINDY BLUE Assembly 18B	18 September Newsletter Open Afternoon	19 September	20 September
21 September WEEK 10	22 September	23 September	24 September KINDY RED Kindy/PP Athletics	25 September	26 September Students last Day	27 September
28 September	29 September KINGS BIRTHDAY	30 September	1 October	2 October	3 October	4 October
5 October	6 October	7 October	8 October	9 October	10 October	11 October