

# TIGS News

Your essential weekly guide

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Stage 3 taking a stand against bullying



## Your upcoming event forecast



Saturday 23  
March

**Class of '78 – Alumni  
Reunion Tour**  
4.00pm at the Powell  
Street Entrance



Monday 25  
March

**Year 7  
Immunisations**



Wednesday 27  
March

**Year 11 and Year 12  
Study Skills Parent  
Evening**  
5.30pm – 6.30pm  
in the Goodhew  
Research Centre  
(Library)



Thursday 28  
March

**Kindergarten Literacy  
Parent Information  
Session**  
4.00pm – 5.00pm in KP  
Classroom



Friday 29  
March

**2020 Scholarships  
Close**



# Staff News

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Students, parents and friends of our TIGS community will be interested to know that after 35 years of service at TIGS, Mr Lanyon communicated his intention to retire at the end of Term III this year. Mr Lanyon has held several senior positions as an Economics Teacher, Supervisor of HSC marker, Director of Student Wellbeing and most recently as the Head of Senior School. Mr Lanyon's expertise as an educator and his heart for students and their families has had a profound impact on our school and we will miss him very much at TIGS. There will be opportunities later in the year for our community to farewell him properly and these will be communicated to you all. The recruitment process for a new Head of Senior School will commence shortly in order to ensure that we have sufficient time to appoint an outstanding replacement for this key role at TIGS.



*Mrs Judi Healy*

PRINCIPAL



# TIGS

The Illawarra Grammar School

## ArtsFest Showcase

### Senior School

ArtsFest Showcase features highlights from House Dances, Dramas, Video Presentations, Pop Songs, Original Music Compositions, Vocal Groups and Soloists.

DATE: Friday 5 April 2019

TIME: 6.30pm

LOCATION: The Illawarra Grammar Centre (IGC)

COST: \$5.00 per person  
\$10.00 per family

Tickets are available for purchase at the door on the night.  
Presented by Aranda, Coligan, Kogara and Wolgal Houses

All proceeds going to Nganambala School (Emu Point)

# More than just personal growth

## FROM THE HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL

In the Newsletter two weeks ago, I wrote about the reasons why community service opportunities are so important to our students. It develops their own personal wellbeing as well as their employability in the future. It also benefits community groups who perform vital work in our region and beyond. Every Year group in the Senior School will be involved in some form of service activity this year. The types of activities students will be involved in include:

### Year 7

Anglicare Winter and Christmas Appeal (Term I and IV). Year 7 is also responsible for the daily raising of the Australian Flag at School.

### Year 8

Organising sporting and other activities for students at Paramedows at their Annual Sports Day.

### Year 9

Supporting the KidzWish Foundation at their Christmas event for children and carers in the Illawarra (Term IV).

### Year 10

- The Crossroads mission in Hong Kong (Term III and IV).
- Supporting the Legacy Appeal in the Wollongong City Mall (Term III)
- World Vision and the 40 Hour Famine (Term III).
- Special Olympics with The Disability Trust (Term IV).

### Year 11

Various individual projects throughout the year including:

- The Disability Trust Sport and Recreation
- Manna House (Figtree Anglican Church)
- Food and Friends (St Mark's Anglican West Wollongong)
- Disabled Surfers

Year 11 students also have the opportunity to attend TIGS Sony Camp, which is a full weekend respite for clients of The Disability Trust (Term III). Some will also be able to attend a cultural exchange at Nganambala (Emu Point), a remote Indigenous community in the Northern Territory (Term III).

### Year 12

Charity fundraising for H.O.P.E. and the Nganambala (Emu Point) community (all year). The H.O.P.E. charity is a partnership between Anglican Aid and the Mothers' Union South Sudan, to raise funds to support access to education and educational resources in the UNHCR Adjumani Refugee camps in Northern Uganda's Moyo District.

### Elevate Education Study Skills Session

#### Year 11 to Year 12 Parents - Elevate Education Study Skills Session (Parents Only)

5.30pm - 6.30pm - Wednesday 27 March 2019 the Goodhew Research Centre (Library)

#### Year 7 to Year 10 Parents - Elevate Education Study Skills Session (Parents Only)

5.30pm - 6.30pm - Tuesday 2 April 2019 the Goodhew Research Centre (Library)

To book click [here](#)



*Mr Greg Lanyon*

HEAD OF SENIOR

## Robotics News

Several of our students have been involved with the robotics group, Project Bucephalus as part of the School's Co-Curricular Programme. Three of our students, George Barbas, Samuel Scott and Zachary Hah recently participated in the Southern Cross Regional Robotics Championships, as part of two different teams.

The team that included George and Zachary were members of the first ranked team and, as part of an alliance with another team, won the championship. The team has now qualified for the World Championships (three years running), in Houston Texas, in the April school holidays.

All of these students have invested hundreds of hours in the design, prototyping, construction, testing and programming of their robots, including the school holidays. Congratulations to all three students for their dedication and we wish George and Zachary all the best at the World Championships.

## Year 12 Parent Teacher Interviews

### Wednesday 10 April

We will be using the booking system Parent Teacher On-Line (PTO) for all Parent Teacher Interviews this year.

Year 12 Parents were emailed their login details on Thursday 21 March and the booking system is available now.

If you have not received any details for the Parent Teacher On-Line (PTO) system, please email Mrs Brooks [cbrooks@tigs.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cbrooks@tigs.nsw.edu.au)

## Sports

### South Coast Regional Futsal Championships

#### Futsal U14 Girls and Boys

The Girls team had a hard first game as they were defeated. They came to a draw in their second game. TIGS were victorious in the next two games against Kirrawee High School and Cedars Christian College.

#### Girls Team:

Joy McCall	Kate Morris
Jamaya Wayne	Jessica Llewellyn
Jaimie De Lutiis	Molly Buikstra
Jessy Harman	Mena Tsaganas
Ashley Armstrong	

Having gone through the group stages undefeated the Boys team had a convincing win in the quarter-finals to progress. The semi-final was a hard fought affair that saw goals hard to come by and the team was defeated.

#### Boys Team:

Alessandro Calmasini	Ishe Chibanda
Jude De Araujo	Ali Matar
Brandon Nugara	Christian Vujic
Oisín Garrett	Zachary Birch
Cooper Kerridge	

#### Futsal U16 Girls and Boys

The Girls team made an impressive start, winning all four of their pool games against teams including Illawarra Sports High School and Figtree High School. This put the girls straight into the quarter-finals which they unfortunately lost.

#### Girls Team:

Nina Segar	Maya Field
Kate Gorham	Adelaide Thompson
Carys Jenkins	Kate Morris
Jaimie De Lutiis	

#### Futsal Open Girls and Boys

In a tough pool that included schools that had travelled from Canberra, the girls performed exceptionally well, winning all of their games leading into the quarter-finals. They won their quarter-final against Dapto High School, coming back from 4-2 down with six minutes to go, to win the game 6-4. They then progressed to the Semi Final, where they beat Erindale College 1-0 in an extremely close game. In the final against Lake Ginninderra College, the girls lost in a hard-fought match, 3-0. Congratulations to TIGS Open Girls team who, as runners up, qualified for the State Championships, to be held early in Term II.

#### Girls Team:

Nina Segar	Anastasia Grozdanov
Adelaide Thompson	Kate Gorham
Claire Nguyen	Carys Jenkins
Alicia Burazin	Ashley Armstrong

The Boys team made an impressive start, winning all four of their pool games, including a tough game against Figtree High School. This put the boys straight into the quarter-finals, but they weren't able to come away with a win.

#### Boys Team:

Nathan Ball	Dean Borbilas
Joshua Field	Dylan Hogan
Michael Kyriakoudes	Bailey Morphett
Riley Nicholl	Omezikam Uchendu

#### AICES Hockey Trials

Congratulations to Connor Harvey, Liam Harvey, Claire Smallhorn and Poppy Townsend who competed in the NASSA Team for the AICES Hockey Championships. Claire Smallhorn was once again successful in being selected in the AICES Team as was Connor Harvey. Special mention to Claire Smallhorn who has also been awarded the NSW CIS Blues Award at the NSW CIS Awards Night earlier this year.

#### Inter-schools Mountain Biking Championships

The Inter-school Mountain Biking Championships were held over four days in Thredbo. We had six students from Year 7 to Year 12 compete; Abbey Kuiper, Hamish Chaffer, Alec Varmedja, Arthur Johnson, Dylan Kuiper-Gow and Lachlan Negus. Abbey Kuiper is to be congratulated on her riding throughout the weekend, placing third in the Flow Race, in the Downhill Race she showed incredible bravery and tenacity after a huge crash right at the finish line to drag her bike over the line and finish fourth. Dylan Kuiper-Gow finished fourth in both the Flow and Downhill competitions. Lachlan Negus placed ninth in a very competitive Downhill race. Hamish Chaffer finished 26th out of 206 competitors in his age group in the Downhill race. Alec Varmedja and Arthur Johnson in their first Inter-school competition rode solidly every session and performed extremely well throughout the competition.

#### Netball Schools Cup

The Year 7 to Year 8 TIGS Diamonds won their first two games convincingly and lost their third game against Warilla. The Year 7 to Year 8 TIGS Sapphires and our Year 7 to Year 8 Boys had some strong matches and showed much improvement in their games. The Year 9 to Year 10 Boys also played well and had convincing wins. Both Boys teams will progress to the next level and TIGS Diamonds should also join them at the Regional Championships.



# Reflect Upon God's Love

## FROM THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

### Take Love

1 John 4.19: "We love because he first loved us."

What a sense of community the school-wide Take Love mission week provided. Students across the Junior School were immersed in experiences that allowed them to think about how their thoughts, actions and messages impact those around them. The Take Love campaign gave our School the opportunity to reflect upon God's love with the encouragement to take that love to those in need. Students and staff enjoyed the celebrations and activities on offer. We thank you for your support. The Junior School donation baskets were overflowing with your generous offerings. The students proudly placed their items in the basket, knowing that they were contributing to those in need.



*Ms Geneva Clayton*  
HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

### No Way to Bullying!

With consideration to relationships and the care and kindness of others that our School promotes and encourages, the National Day against bullying was an important day with an important message, 'Bullying. No Way! Take action every day'. Whilst a specific acknowledgement of this day took place last Friday 15 March, students across the School engage in Personal Development programmes throughout the year. These programmes address bullying specifically. They aim to develop an awareness of what bullying is, clear strategies to report and manage situations of bullying, an understanding of healthy relationships and normal social development, improve interpersonal skills, consequently reducing the risk of bullying in the school community. The programmes further aim to empower young people to a part of a solution when addressing bullying, ensuring that students are helping create safe communities for everyone.

The important, specific details of the recent National Day included:

- Bullying can happen to anyone and it can happen anywhere. Bullying can be:
  - Physical
  - Verbal
  - Social
- Bullying is NOT the same as when you don't get on with someone or you have a fight one time.
- That's not ok, but it's not bullying.
- Bullying is when someone uses **power** they have over you to try to hurt or upset you again and again.
- **BULLYING IS NEVER OK!**

Each class generated its own anti-bullying statement.

We launched a special day with a video – 'Bullying Is Never OK'. Here's the [link](#), please watch it!

Please also find useful parent details [here](#).



### More News on OLLE

[Parents' Lounge](#)



[Junior School Awards](#)



# Belonging, Being and Becoming

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF TIGS PREP

Fundamental to our framework is the view that a child's life is characterised by 'belonging, being and becoming'. From before birth, children are connected to family, community, culture and place. Their earliest development and learning takes place through these relationships, particularly within families, who are a child's first and most influential educators. As children participate in everyday life, they develop interests and construct their own identities and understandings of the world.

Childhood is a time to seek and make meaning of the world. 'Being' recognises the significance of the 'here and now' in children's lives. It is about the present and them knowing themselves, building and maintaining relationships with others, engaging with life's joys and complexities, and meeting challenges in everyday life. The early childhood years are not solely preparation for the future but also about the present.

Elanora and Marana have been very enthusiastic to participate in the Unit of Inquiry 'Who Am I'. The Elanora children had the opportunity to bring in a bag containing items that are important to them to show the children in their class. Marana was given the opportunity to take home a Monkey toy for a week, take photos to place in a journal of them spending quality time with monkey and share their experience with the rest of the class.

There have been many learning opportunities to explore about what a good 'Show and Tell' presentation looks like and discussing factors that assist them to do this, such as, staying on topic, looking at the audience, speaking clearly and keeping our hands and body still. 'Show and Tell' time has also provided an opportunity for the children to gain an understanding of what a question is and how to ask one. It has been wonderful to see the children's oral language skills and confidence increase, as they partake in this experience.

### Marana

Over the last few weeks, Marana has been focusing on 'Being'. This is a fundamental part of learning, understanding that they are accepted for who they are and knowing that others care about them. Within early childhood, a child's sense of being can relate to how childcare professionals show respect to each individual child, through greetings, conversations and actions. When a child has a sense of being they build and maintain relationships with others, take part in life's journey and face challenges in everyday life.

The children have brought in a picture of their family celebrating a special event, they were very proud to share their celebratory events with their peers and educators. It is very evident that when the children are sitting in front of the group and showing their pictures they are very proud of their families. We look forward to sharing more family stories throughout next week. Their picture has been thoughtfully hung and displayed in the classroom. Throughout the year, the children often go to these pictures and share stories with one another. This is a great way of building their language and conversational skills.



*Mrs Taesha Duley-Smith*  
DIRECTOR OF TIGS PREP

### Elanora

Learning about a peer's family is a great opportunity for children to broaden their understanding of the history and traditions of other cultures. To encourage this concept in group time the children listened to a book called 'The Great Big Book of Families'. In this book, we see that some families have lots of people and some families have only two people, families can come in all sorts of shapes and sizes. No family or routine is the same, of course, because no family is the same.

After the story, the Elanora children were asked to think about their own family and who is in it. Some children only mentioned their parents and siblings while others mentioned grandparents and pets. Children's names are the most important words to them, and learning them leads to all other types of learning. The children's names are an essential part of learning about letters and literacy. The children have practiced recognising, spelling and identifying names in a fun and creative way whilst also working on their fine muscle development and coordination. Pre-writing experiences can inspire directionality in writing, and also help the children to process sensory information critical to the writing process.



## Second Hand Uniform Shop

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on two Saturdays in the coming weeks. Dates and times are as follows:

**Date:** Saturday 6 April 2019

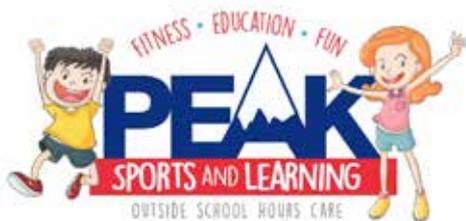
**Time:** 9.00am - 11.00am

**Date:** Saturday 20 April 2019 (Easter Saturday)

**Time:** 9.00am - 11.00am

We are offering **50% OFF** during Term I. The last day that the 50% discount will be offered is Thursday 11 April 2019 (Week 11).

To keep the shop open on a regular basis, more volunteers are needed. If you have an hour or two available each week or fortnight, or even on an occasional basis, we would appreciate you getting in touch with us at [pandf@figs.com.au](mailto:pandf@figs.com.au).



## Before and After School Care

### What's on next week?

**Monday:** Cricket

**Tuesday:** Hoop Hop

**Wednesday:** Cooking Pancake Animals

**Thursday:** 'I Can Grow my Brain'

**Friday:** Kids Choice

To view the April school holidays programme, visit our website [here](#).

Before School Care available from 6.30am - Breakfast provided

After School Care available until 6.00pm - Afternoon tea provided

To register or log in to make a booking click [here](#).

Bookings made within two days of a session cannot be made online and need to be requested through the Peak office open 8.00am to 5.30pm Monday - Friday.

Contact Peak on 1300 467 325 or email [admin@peaksportslearning.com.au](mailto:admin@peaksportslearning.com.au)

## Premiers Reading Challenge Update

A hardcopy of Premier's Reading Challenge usernames and passwords have now been handed out to Kindergarten to Year 2 participants. Students participating in the challenge in Year 3 to Year 9 have been emailed their information via their school Gmail. Please ensure this information is saved for current and future participation. If you would still like your child to participate you can complete the permission form located on the [Library OLLE page](#).

## Professional Sports Coaching - School Holiday Workshops

Students from across the region are invited to attend one of five professionally run sports coaching clinics to be held at TIGS in association with Absolute Sports Academies, Black Diamond Adventures and the Western Sydney Wanderers.

Each clinic will run for two half days on Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 April, with the option of registering for both days or on a per day basis. The costs vary slightly for each clinic depending on what is provided as part of the clinic as well as the sport specific coach/player ratios needed. All coaches are accredited and qualified.

Sports on offer include:

- Football
- Netball
- Basketball
- Athletics
- Surfing

Registrations and payments must be completed by clicking [here](#). Registrations close on 16 April 2019 or prior if full.