

# Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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## PRINCIPALS REPORT STUDENT WELFARE

The year has certainly slipped away on us and Christmas is approaching rapidly. At this time of year students do become tired and small issues, then have the potential to become large ones. Please encourage students to report any concerns to teachers and use the Sort and Talk room if necessary. It is better to be proactive and avoid problems than being reactive when they occur. We want all students to enjoy the last few weeks of the 2010 school year and finish the year off on a positive note.

Thank you for your continued support.

## TALENT QUEST

Our school Talent Quest takes place tomorrow in the hall from 12.20-1.30pm.

## STAGE 3 AUSSIE BUSH CAMP

I apologise for the lateness of this newsletter. I had the pleasure of attending the stage 3 camp this week. I'm pleased to report that the behaviour and attitude of all of our students was exemplary. Activities included archery, canoeing, high wire ropes, flying foxes, giant swings, sumo wrestling, beach swims, bush craft and various other fun activities that haven't come to mind at this very moment.

The focus of the camp was to assist students in broadening their comfort zone which could be deemed a huge success.

Well done Taree West PS students on an excellent camp. Thank you parents/CARER for providing the funds to enable students to attend. They were a pleasure to take away.

## WEEK 9

Week 9 is one of the busiest weeks on our calendar. Week 9 events are listed below.

## VOLUNTEER MORNING TEA

Next week we have our Volunteer Morning Tea occurring on Monday at 11.40am in the staffroom. Class teachers have already spoken to helpers but a formal invite will go out today. Thank you to all helpers for your ongoing assistance.

## CHRISTMAS SCRIPTURE SERVICE

Our Christmas Scripture service occurs on Tuesday at 9.45am in our school hall. Thank you to our Scripture teachers for their ongoing support.

## YEAR 7 ORIENTATION DAYS

The Chatham High School Orientation Day takes place on Tuesday and The Taree High School Orientation Day takes place on Wednesday. Parents need to organise transport for their child to and from the relevant High Schools.

## PRESENTATION DAY

Presentation day takes place on Thursday 9th December. The K-2 session will take place from 10-11am and the Year 3 - Year 6 session will take place from 12-1pm.

We look forward to seeing all parents in our school at some stage next week. Enjoy the rest of your week.

## WHAT'S ON?

Monday	6 December	Class Helper Morning Tea
Tuesday	7 December	Christmas Service
Tuesday	7 December	Chatham High Orientation
Wednesday	8 December	Taree High Orientation
Thursday	9 December	Presentation Day Kinder – Year 2 10.00am – 11.00am Year 3 – Year 6 12.00pm – 1.00pm
Friday	10 December	Carols By Glowstick
Monday	13 December	Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday	14 December	Yr 5 & Yr 6 Excursion The Big Buzz
Wednesday	15 December	K – 2 Manning Point Excursion
Wednesday	15 December	Yr 3 & Yr 4 Excursion One Mile Beach Forster
Wednesday	15 December	Last Day for students
Friday	28 January	Staff Return 2011
Monday	31 January	Year 1 to Year 6 return
Tuesday	1 February	Kinder 2011 commence

## AWARD WINNERS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Maths Awards
KC	Jasmine W	Ashleigh J	Ethan R
KF	Sophie W	Keira K	Jasmine R
KG	Isabella T	Lauren W	Harley R
1/2B	Allana T	Amy T	Emily H
1A			
1M	Drew P	Kahn S	Zac T
1P	Caitlin H	Cory D	Kaylah T
2/3C	Ayeiesha G	Ryan D	
2J	Jade S	Topanga Y	Rohan
2K			
2/3C	Phoebe P		
3/4B	Abbey L	Brandon W	Arlen C
3B	Laura B	Eric H	Indeah F
3K	Jasmin G	Lilly B	Kayla C
4/5/6F	Lachlan P		
4/5E	Gracie M	Taylor S	
4M	Khloe C	Chance A	
5E	Isabella S	Hannah W	Nikaylla B
5M	Aaron C	Portia R	Nicole B
6C			
6J			
Sport			
Ms M			

## K-2 NEWS

Students from 1/2B have been busy writing persuasive texts. Their task was to write a letter to Mrs Bird, trying to convince her that their choice of animal was the best for the tank she had in the class. There were many convincing arguments made to support their choices and they made for great reading. Congratulations 1/2B and Mrs Bird for your great letters.

## K-2 Assembly

K-2 Assembly last week was hosted by Class 2/3C. Thank you to Ms Cameron and the class who put on a wonderful performance for the children and K-2 and parents that attended.

## Kindergarten Orientation

Our parent information session was held last Friday followed by a BBQ. Thank you to all the speakers who delivered important information to the parents of our new Kindergarten children for next year. Thank you very much to Helen Wyatt, Ashley Hinten and the team from the canteen for organising the food. The sausage sandwiches were great! Last week our Year 4 buddies had the opportunity to meet their little mates for next year. They were all very excited and did a great job showing our incoming Kinder students around. Well done Year 4. This was the concluding activity for orientation this year.

## K-2 Gymnastics Program

Classes 1J and KG will participate in their make-up session on Monday 6 December.

## 1/2B Parent Interviews

Mrs Bird is unable to hold her interviews on Monday 6 December. They will now be held on Tuesday 14 December. Sorry for any inconvenience.

## School Dance

What a fantastic evening we all had at the K-2 dance last Thursday. Thank you to Mrs Griffith, the parent helpers and all involved in the organisation of this successful night. The students had a great time and our new hall was a wonderful venue for it.

## Sport in Schools Australia Program

This week was the last of our Sport in Schools Australia sessions. All the staff and students who have participated have thoroughly enjoyed the variety of activities and equipment which this program has provided. We will be evaluating this program and will decide early next year whether to participate again for a term in 2011. We would value any feedback from parents about this program.

## K-2 Gymnastics Program

Classes KG and 1J will be participating in a makeup Gym lesson on Monday 6 December between 9.45am and 11.15am.

## Infants COLA Manners Award Winners

Congratulations to Year 1 for exhibiting great manners under the infants COLA.

They received the Gold Award and trophy. Year 2 collected the Silver Award and trophy.

Keep up the great work.

GOOD NEWS STORY - Kinder to Year 2  
RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE

Isabella Tait for being a sensible class member. Isabella is always willing to help. Congratulations Isabella. You are a wonderful role model.



## 3-6 NEWS

## Year 7 2011 Orientation Days – Public High Schools

For students attending Chatham High School next year their Orientation Day will be Tuesday 7 December.

Students attending Taree High School next year Orientation Day will be Wednesday 8 December. All students are expected to attend these days. Students need to make their own way to their designated High School and home again.

### GOOD NEWS STORY – Year 3 to Year 6 RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE

Janaya Mitchell is developing in confidence in all KLA's, especially reading and spelling. She displays citizenship and is a caring responsible class member.



### GENERAL NEWS

#### Cricket/Soccer Clinic

Two-day development clinic for boys and girls aged 8 to 15 years. This combined clinic is designed to provide participants with the opportunity to develop and enhance their soccer and cricket skills. Top coaching from accredited coaches will focus on improving skills, batting, bowling and fielding, attacking and defending, game play and much more.

Who's it for?

Girls and boys aged 8 to 15 who play cricket & soccer at club or school level

When: 20-21 January, 2011

10am-1pm

Where: Taree Recreation Centre,  
Manning River Drive, Taree

Cost

\$60 per person, includes two days coaching and a drink bottle

For more information

Call 13 13 02 or visit [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au)

For those parents interested please contact the school on 6552 1910 to arrange an enrolment form to be sent home.

#### Student Requirements - 2011

Below is a list of items that your child/children will require next year. It would be appreciated if each item could be clearly labelled indicating the student's name and class.

**Kindergarten** – all equipment is supplied by the school.

#### Year 1 & Year 2

1 glue stick, 1 set coloured pencils, paint shirt (an old T-shirt would be suitable), library bag, 1 box of tissues, 1 display folder (A4), 1 whiteboard marker (non permanent).

#### Year 3 & Year 4

HB Lead Pencils, 1 set coloured pencils, eraser, red pen, black/blue pen, 30cm ruler (not metal or floppy), glue stick, scissors, 1 display folder (A4), 1 box of tissues, 1 whiteboard marker (non permanent).

#### Year 5 & Year 6

HB Lead Pencils, 1 set coloured pencils, eraser, red pen, black/blue pen, 30 cm ruler (not metal or floppy), glue stick, scissors, 1 display folder (A4), 1 box of tissues, 1 whiteboard marker (non permanent). Please do not send students to school with excessive equipment as things can be misplaced.

### GUITAR LESSONS 2011

Mr Michael Hindmarsh will again be conducting guitar lessons in the school. If your child is in Year 3 to Year 6 next year and would like to take part, please call to the front office and pick up an enrolment form. Numbers will be limited.

If you require more information please contact Michael Hindmarsh on 0422 092 761.

### P & C NEWS

#### Christmas Raffle Tickets

Christmas Raffles tickets sold and unsold should have been returned to the school canteen by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 10 December at the Carols By Glowstick.

#### Carols By Glowstick

Craig 'The Diceman' Huth will be a special guest at our annual Carols By Glowstick on Friday 10 December. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar as a great fun night for all the family.

#### Glowstick BBQ

Taree West Public School P & C are asking for volunteers to help cook/serve BBQ food and sell Glowsticks at the Carols By Glowstick on Friday 10 December from 5.30pm. If you are able to help at any time please contact the canteen on 6552 3137.

## BASS N BLUES MUSIC EXPO

WHEN: 4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2010  
WHERE: TAREE HIGH SCHOOL

There will be a huge focus on music education & getting kids playing musical instruments. We also have a special day on SATURDAY for music educators & teachers.

For program updates, you can checkout website, [www.bassnbluesmusic.com.au](http://www.bassnbluesmusic.com.au) or FACEBOOK: Bass n Blues Mega Music Expo, where you can register or upadates.

To register an appointment contact Tanya Ph: 6551 5067 or email [sales@bassnbluesmusic.com.au](mailto:sales@bassnbluesmusic.com.au)

