

NEWS

11 June 2010

Dates to Remember – 2010

Wednesday 9 June – ICAS Science Competition
Wednesday 9 June – Junior Choir Taree Eisteddfod
Thursday 10 June – Boys Touch Football (selected students)
Friday 11 June – Girls Netball (selected students)
Monday 14 June – PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Thursday 17th June - Round 2 Hockey Girls (Taree Hockey Grounds)

For your information

Award Winners Week 7

KC – Natalia Richardson, Vaughan Gam, Oscar Holt	3B –
KG – Samuel Green, Jamaica King, Kaziah Boyd	3M –
KR – Laurah Powell, Curtis Gam, Samuel Wright	3/4B –
1A – Holly Mackay, Dyson L	4M –
1M – Isaac Moddero, Khan S, Katelind M	4/5E –
1P – Caitlin Holden, Sarah Price, Jazmin Campbell	5E –
1/2B – Kasharna Billingham, Chloe Neal, Courtney Martin, Rohan Wiseman	5M –
2J – Renae Wesley, Jade Stewart, Deaken Wilson	6C –
2K – Leon T, Khai Gahan	6J –
2/3C –	4/5/6F –

Class 4/5/6/F – Wangat Lodge Excursion

4/5/6F went on a camp to Wangat Lodge, Dungog. We learnt how to take care of nature properly and how to be a “Lightfoot”. We were led by Ken and Jane who were the people who taught us how to be “Lightfoots”. It was a really beautiful place to visit. If you get the chance check it yourself. Written by Taihla Fletcher.

On Tuesday 1st of June class 4/5/6F was roaring to leave and head off to Wangat Lodge.

The class learnt a lot about nature and wildlife and was taught to save energy and be “Lightfooted”.

We have now returned and hope to go back at the age of 20 or more maybe even with our own children. The day after we got to school we completed our Wangat Lodge activity books. Wangat Lodge would be a great bush retreat for you to visit. Written by Kezia McCarthy.

Class 4/5/6F – Murder Under The Microscope

Over the past four weeks, class 4/5/6F have been working on an online investigation called “Murder Under The Microscope”. Our job was to research and find out a victim, villain and crime site that they had chosen for us to research. After the long days of researching and the hard debating with each other, on the 4/6/2010, Class 4/5/6/F have successfully answered correctly! We are all proud of each other for this achievement and hope this will encourage other classes to take part in this wonderful investigation next year. Written by Caitlin Lannoy.

Borrowed School Uniforms

Over the last two terms we have lent out a number of articles of clothing for different reasons. Sadly only a small quantity has been returned. If your child has had the need to borrow some clothing, could you please launder it and return to the school office.

PSSA Basketball Knockout Boys

Last Friday our basketball team hosted Gloucester Public School at Saxby's Stadium. It was a perfect day to play indoor sport and our team were eager to play well. The team consisted of: Jacob Ryan, Jordan Nowlan, Jordan Mann, Aiden Anderson, Brock Saxby, Lucas Mephram and Matthew Alley.

After a valiant effort (and occasionally avoiding the coach's instructions), the boys went down by only nine points. The final score was Gloucester 24 to Taree West 15. Thank you to the parent/carers who were able to come down and support the team and Mrs Ryan for assisting with the official scoring.

End of Year Excursions

Stage 2 (Year 3 and Year 4) will be heading this year to Myall Shores. The excursion will take place from Thursday 4 November to Friday 5 November 2010. The cost will be \$130.00. A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 is required by Friday 11 June 2010. If your child did not receive a note please obtain one from the photocopy room.

Stage 3 (Year 5 and Year 6) will be heading to the Aussie Bush Camp. The excursion will take place from Monday 29 November to Wednesday 1 December 2010. The cost will be \$225.00. A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 is required by Friday 11 June 2010. If your child did not receive a note please obtain one from the photocopy room.

School Student Banking Helpers

We are in desperate need of some helpers to assist with the Student Banking on a Monday morning. This only takes a couple of hours out of a day. If you are able to help please contact the school office.

Attendance Why is regular attendance important?

Parents/Carers have the legal responsibility of ensuring that their children attend school.

Parents/Carers **MUST** provide the school with an explanation for each absence. This can be in the form of a written note, a phone call to the school, or a personal visit to the school.

Late Arrivals to School

The number of children arriving late to school has escalated over the last few weeks. Please note that children who are constantly late will be brought to the attention of the Home School Liaison Officer.

It is important that students arrive to school on time as this sets them up with their instructions for the day.

Late Arrivals Early Leavers

If your child is late to school they need to go to the office and collect a late note before going to class. If you need to pick your child up during the day you will need to come to the front office and sign them out, even if you have sent a note to the class teacher.

Concerts for Kids

The school has very recently received a list of upcoming events for children at the MEC. While there is not enough time for the school to organise to attend these events, we have included the list for your information:

Erth's Petting Zoo (children get to meet prehistoric insects, dinosaurs and mammals) Friday June 11 at 10am and 12.30pm. Tickets: Adults \$20, pensioners \$16, school children \$12

Fox - based on Margaret Wild and Ron Brooks' book, Wednesday June 16 at 10am and 12 noon. Tickets: Adults \$20, pensioners \$16, school children \$11

The Gruffalo - based upon a very popular children's book, this show is in the holidays and bound to appeal to young and old, Tuesday July 13 at 12 noon and 1.30pm. Tickets: Adults \$20, pensioners \$16, school children \$12

Tickets available at the MEC or Video Ezy.

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Principal

STRUM ON IN BEGINNER GUITAR LESSONS

Beginner guitar is just that, for beginners. If you have never played guitar and would like to try it, this is for you. The lessons will go for 2 terms only. Classes will commence in the 2nd week of term 3. There are only 6 places available, so first in with payment, best dressed. There will be 2 teachers in the lesson which will give your child a better chance to learn. It is important for the student to attend the 2 terms to learn both songs. One full term fee is: \$72.00. This can be paid in full or two \$36.00 payments.

If you would like your child to participate please fill in the form below and return it with payment to the school front office ASAP.

Please detach and return to Front Office ASAP

I give permission for my child _____ of Class _____ to participate in Beginner Guitar Lessons. I realise the cost will be \$72.00 for the term or two payments of \$36.00.

My child has their own guitar. YES ☐ NO ☐

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Carer