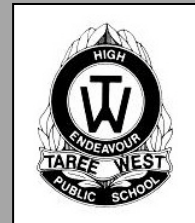


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Term 3 - Week 2

Tuesday, 27 July 2010

PRINCIPALS REPORT



Welcome back to term 3 I trust everyone had an enjoyable holiday. Term 3 is shaping up to be another busy term with many things occurring such as the handing over of our new hall and canteen. This promises to be a very exciting day for our staff, students and community as it will allow us to expand the educational opportunities for our students.

Events like assemblies, musical presentations and presentation day will now be able to be held on the school site. Thank you to our school community for their patience whilst these building works were taking place. The school is a hive of activity at the moment as students and teachers buckle down for another semester of quality teaching and learning. I look forward to seeing some of you at our Education Week celebrations in week 3.

Regards

D Roberts

WHAT'S ON?

Day	Date	Event
Thursday	29 July	Girls Hockey v Kahibah
Thursday	29 July	Visiting Author/Library
Monday	2 August	Literacy Cafe starts
Tuesday	3 August	ICAS English
Wednesday	4 August	Open Classrooms 12.30pm-1.30pm
Wednesday	4 August	Skippping Demonstration 2.10pm-3.10pm
Friday	13 August	P&C Raffles
Thursday	26 August	Sport/Yr 6 Photo Day
Saturday	30 October	P&C Dinner Dance
Thur/Fri	4-5 November	Yr 3 & Yr 4 Camp
Mon/Thur	8-11 November	Kinder 2011 Orientation
Wednesday	17 November	Kinder 2011 Library Visit
Mon/Thur	22-25 November	Kinder 2011 Orientation
Mon/Wed	29 Nov-1 Dec	Yr 5 & Yr 6 Camp

MONEY REMINDERS

School Voluntary Contribution due - \$20.00 per student

Year 3 – Year 4 Camp - \$130.00 in total

Year 5 – Year 6 Camp - \$225.00 in total

AWARD WINNERS

Class	Class Awards	Maths Awards
KC	Ethan Ruprecht, Lily Andrews Charlotte D	
KG	Harley Riley, Jasmine Jackson Samuel Frohmuller	
KR	Teleasha Dumas, Ethan Hill Bowen Coddington	
1/2B	Amy Tregillgas, Danielle Price Cody Barlow	Hailey Leonard
1A	Isaac Williams, Brianna Wheeler Lashana Maurer	
1M	Clay T, Isaac Moddero, Imogen Nelson	
1P	Ellie McLeay, Tyler Williams Alisha Lyons	
2/3C	Max H, Harrison Wesley, Harley H Ashlee Kreymborg, Harmony Burton	
2J	Conor Smith, Bree Pensini	
2K	Drew Pensini, Lachlan Richardson	Ethan Riley
3/4B	Tahj Ferguson, Matthew McKay	
3B	Mitchell Brown, Brittany Green Amy Hawkins	
3M		Trae Bernasconi
4/5/6F	Sam Holliday, Ryan Thompson Lachlan Pike	
4/5E	Bon Morse, Khiaecia Martin Michael Noonan	
4M	Chance Anderson, Elleyana Mentges	
5E	Olivia M, Charlotte T, Luke MacKay	
5M	Elle Debreceeny, Olivia Coddington Kirby Border	
6C	Ben Evans, Lucas Mephram Nikea Tisdell	
6J	Cassandra Wells, Layne Walters Matthew Alley	

EDUCATION WEEK

Please join us on Wednesday 4 August for our Open classrooms to celebrate Education Week. Open classrooms will take place from 12.30-1.30pm in your child's classroom. Parents are welcome to join students for recess after visiting their child's class.

K-2 NEWS

Welcome to Miss Amber Field who is working with KR following Miss Ross' retirement. KR and KC have just finished their four week gymnastics program. Classes 2J and 2K are looking forward to their gymnastics lessons over the next few weeks.

NAIDOC Week celebrations were held last term. Biripi elder, Uncle Rex Morris gave the Welcome to Country and enjoyed meeting the students and taking part in the many activities planned for the day. We look forward to Uncle Rex coming back for more visits during term 3.

Students from Stage 1 have been placed in their math group for this term following assessments at the end of term 2. The students will be working in stage groups rather than year groups based on those results.

An excursion to the Taree Library is being planned for all K-2 classes during Book Week with students having the opportunity prior to the visit to become a member. This will allow them to borrow on the day of the excursion.

3-6 NEWS**STAGE 2 (Year 3 and 4)**

Welcome back to term 3. Stage 2 students will be placed into their semester 2 maths groups this week. Students are placed in their groupings based on their semester 1 class and semester test results. Any movement between groups will occur before the end of week 4.

Welcome to Ms. Marsha Kosmeier who is working with 3M this semester. Ms Kosmeier has changed positions with Miss Erin Minogue who is now working within the GROW program. Thank you to both teachers for the expertise and professionalism you have displayed in the respective positions.

M.Royan

SPORTS NEWS**STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Congratulations to Portia Rennie (Year 5) for her outstanding achievement of competing in last Friday's PSSA State Cross Country Championships held at Eastern Creek Raceway. Portia competed in the 10 year old Girls race and finished 44th. Well done Portia!!!

P&C NEWS

Memorial Hall Pavers can be purchased through the canteen.

There are a number of uniforms available for purchase at the canteen. Items include:

Maroon Trackpants – Sizes 12, 14, 16. Maroon Zip Jackets Size 16, Maroon Jumper Size 12, Grey Jumper Size 16, Grey Track Pants Size 4, Winter Dress Girls Size 16, Summer Dress Girls Size 8, Maroons Sports Shorts Size 12, 14, 16, Blue Sports Shirts Size 16, 14, 12, 10, 8, 4, Red Sports Shirts Size 4, 10, 12, 14, 16, Yellow Sports Shirts Size 4, 12, 14, 16 – all items \$5.00each.

P&C HALLOWEEN DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER

Taree West Public School P&C will be holding a Fundraising Dinner Dance with a Halloween theme on Saturday 30 October 2010 at Taree West Bowling Club. The night will kick off at 5.30pm with a 2 course meal. Cost of this great evening will be \$30.00 a head. Tickets are available at the school office, along with seating arrangements.

All money raised will go towards covered walkways and new lunch areas.

GOOD NEWS STORY – RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE

Each newsletter we promote a Good News Story about a school community member who consistently displays our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Care.

This week our person is our school captain Noah Kircher. Noah is reliable, courteous and caring to all. Well done Noah, you are a credit to yourself, your family and your school.

KINDER ORIENTATION

Mrs Cheney is currently preparing our Kinder Orientation program. 2011 Kinder students can enrol from now. Please spread the word to any friends, neighbours or acquaintances who have school age children. The sooner the school is aware of our 2011 kinder enrolments the sooner we can include students in the orientation program.

EXCURSIONS

Please return expression of interest forms and deposits/payments as soon as possible.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Staff members at TWPS have recently undergone professional development in the use of Smartboards with Susanna Christie and Educating Boys with Celia Lashlie. We will endeavour to keep parents informed of professional development that staff are undertaking.

PROMOTING OUR SCHOOL

As a staff member of Taree West Public School I am well aware of the high quality education delivered by TWPS to its students. Recent discussions with my own past school friends who now have students entering kindergarten has made me aware that perhaps we are not communicating to our community as well as we could be what makes TWPS the excellent school it is.

During term 3 we will be completing a 'Promoting our School' project which will centre on strengthening our communication processes and promoting what we do to the wider school community. Surveys will be issued to a percentage of parents to inform the directions of this program.

TWPS delivers quality inclusive public education to all students. Our school is a reflection of the society in which we live which enables students to develop skills to be able to get along with a majority of people setting them up for success in later life.

TWPS has exemplary programs which are proven to produce strong results. Our programs have been developed in consultation with students, staff, parents and the community to meet the needs of our students.

Examples include

GROW program.	GROW stands for Guided Reading, Organised Writing. This program gives all K-6 students access to explicit support from the class teacher, specialist teacher and two highly trained SLSOs three times a week on top of the normal classroom program.
Maths Ability Groupings	All students are placed in ability groupings across stages to ensure work is at their appropriate level.
Quicksmart	A National Partnerships remedial maths program for students experiencing difficulty in mathematics.
Reading Recovery	Students experiencing difficulty in reading in year 1 are put on the program to support reading skills.
STLA/School Counsellor/ Learning Support Team	Students experiencing difficulty in social, emotional, behavioural or educational domains are given support through the Learning Support Team.
Student Welfare System	TWPS has a student welfare system based on positive reinforcement, clear consequences and rewards for appropriate behaviour. Parents are kept informed of contacts both positive and negative.
Sport	TWPS has a specialist sport teacher who delivers an exemplary fitness program and coaches PSSA sport teams
Technology	State of the art technology such as SmartBoards, Connected Classrooms and appropriate hardware and software available to all classes to support teaching and learning. The TWPS technology program prepares our students as digital learners for the future.
Music/Cultural Events	TWPS has extremely talented music teachers as evidenced by our 2009 concert
SRC/Leadership	Student leadership informs decision making and the school is actively led by our year 6 student leaders
Enrichment Class	2010 is the first year of our Enrichment class which is likely to serve as a precursor to the THS GATS

	class.
Strong Results	TWPS has always enjoyed strong results. 2010 has seen these further improve as a result of our outstanding programs
Fine reputation	TWPS upholds its fine reputation and we look forward to continuing to improve and grow as we educate future generations.

In closing TWPS has all of the ingredients to ensure student success, dedicated experienced teachers, exemplary programs and resources, ongoing professional development and community support. We look forward to sharing more details of our successes with the wider community.

M.Royan

GENERAL NEWS

Amber Lawrence performance

Amber Lawrence will be back in Taree next Tuesday 27th whilst on tour and will be performing at the Leading Edge store, Taree at 3:30pm if anyone wanted to come along.

MANNING VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP CAMP QUALITY FUNDRAISER

Family Fun Day on Sunday 15th August 2010
10.00am start at Taree West Bowling Club
Cost: \$5.00 per family

Barefoot Bowls, Prime Possum, Jumping Castle, Disco & more
Sausage Sizzle
Afternoon Entertainment featuring Bob Berrigan & Country & Western Artists plus more!
For a great family day out, come & join us & support the sick children in our area.

More information please phone:
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