

# Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 3 - Week 3

Tuesday, 3 August 2010

## PRINCIPALS REPORT



Week 3 is shaping up to be another busy week at TWPS. This week we have 3 new SmartBoards being installed in classrooms and 10 new computers, the Literacy Cafe in the Library, Open classrooms celebrating Education Week, Australian School Competitions and skipping demonstrations.

As a school we are very fortunate to have such dedicated, talented and energetic teachers who create these opportunities for our students. We look forward to seeing our parents and community members visiting our school this week for either the Literacy Cafe or Education Week Open classrooms.

Have a fabulous week!

David Roberts

Principal

## WHAT'S ON?

Day	Date	Event
Wednesday	4 August	Open Classrooms 12.30pm-1.30pm
Wednesday	4 August	Skipping Demonstration 2.10pm-3.10pm
Wednesday	4 August	Expo Taree High – Yr 6
Friday	6 August	Soccer Gala Day <b>POSTPONED</b> till Friday 10 September
Friday	13 August	Zone Athletic Carnival
Tuesday	17 August	ICAS Maths Comp
Thursday	26 August	Sport/Yr 6 Photo Day
Friday	3 September	P&C Raffles
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

## SOCCER GALA DAY

Due to the wet weather the Soccer Gala Day that was to be held on Friday 6 August has been postponed till Friday 10 September.

## MONEY REMINDERS

School Voluntary Contribution due - \$20.00 per student

Skipping Demonstration - \$2.00 per student

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

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

## AWARD WINNERS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Maths Awards
KC	Charlotte D	Karlos Barry	Mitchell Starr
KF	Connor Ellem	Ethan Hill	
KG	Tylah Roach	Darbee Mathiske	Jasmine Jackson
1/2B	Cooper Ward	Madeline C	Tea Sedlen Rylan Hunt
1/2B	Hayden M	Cody Barlow	
1A	Logan Bridge	Kiaya Ralston	Shianne S
1M	Kaylah Thompson	Karen P	Callum Sawicki
1P	Raechellie T	Letesha Mancell	Jaryd Mitchell
2/3C	Katy McLeod	Abbey Wrigley	Emily Cooper
2J	Nathan English	Trinity Weiley	Brandon Miller
2K	Lyall Last	Madeline Hardes	Leah Gibson
2/3C	Andrew K		
3/4B	Lachlan Ward	Clayton Smith	
3B	Brittany Green	Izaak Lavandero	Taya Nelson
3K	Kayla Chhean	Hailey Yarnold	
4/5/6F	Simon Webster	Sophie Watson	Tia Barlow
4/5E	Gracie Miller	Brock Chapman	Elleyana Mentges
4M	John Eggleston	Emily H	Jayden H
5E	Willoughby Baker	Brock Saxby	Isabella S
5M	Sarah Crees	Matthew Collins	Samara Smith
6C	Latasha White	Jamaine Davis	Matthew Alley
6J	Joshua Glover	Jordan Nowlan	Jacob Ryan

## EARLY LEAVERS / LATE ARRIVALS

Just a reminder that if you are picking your child up early from school or your child is late to school you need to come to the office and sign them out. No student is allowed to leave a classroom/school without a yellow slip.

If someone else is picking your child up during school hours a written permission note or phone call to the school office is required.

## 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.

Please be aware that during Education Week Open classrooms it is not an appropriate time to conduct lengthy interviews with your child's teacher as teachers will still have responsibility over classes. Feel free however to make appointment times for a later date with the teacher if necessary.

### K-2 NEWS

Classes 2J and 2K have commenced their four week gymnastics program. Unfortunately due to the wet weather, lessons had to be held at school last week. The students are looking forward to going to the PCYC this week for their lesson.

Interactive whiteboards are being installed in Classes 2J and KF this week. Miss Field, Mrs Stone and the students of KF and 2J are very excited and can't wait to begin using them in their lessons.

Our new Stage One math groups are running well. Some student movement in these groups may occur over the next 2 weeks now that all students have been assessed.

Classes involved in the Literacy Cafe this week are 1P and 1A (Thursday) and 2J (Friday). Next week's classes are 1/2B and KF (Monday), KC and 2/3C (Tuesday), 2K (Wednesday), 1M (Thursday) and KG (Friday). Invitations should have been received last week. The students are allowed to dress in "western theme clothes" on their day.

### 3-6 NEWS

Last week our final adjustments were made to our Semester 2 maths groups. Any movements between groups will be finalised by Week 4. We would like to thank Ms Simone Black for leading our team in restructuring the maths groups. We have also had a change of teacher in 3M which is now known as 3K. Welcome Ms Kosmeier to our Stage 2 team.

A big congratulations to all Stage 2 students for the settled way in which you have returned to school and the quality of your school uniform.

### Year 6 Orientation Activity

We have had some late mail in regards to an activity at Taree HS this Wednesday for our Year 6 students. Taree West PS students will be travelling to the Taree HS hall to watch last year's Year 6 doing High School work in a High School setting. They will be able to ask questions and get answers from past students. This will be a valuable activity for all year 6 students and is likely to lessen any anxiety associated with students entering high school. **Unfortunately this clash will mean that Year 6 students and parents will miss our Open Classroom activity but parents are welcome to join their child at the High School for the Orientation activity.** Students will be returning in time for the Skipping presentation.

A bus will be leaving Taree West PS at 11.15am and returning at 1.15pm at a cost of \$3.00 per student to be paid directly to the driver.

## SPORTS NEWS

### PSSA Knockout: Girl's Hockey

Taree West PS progressed into the final 16 teams in the state-wide competition after a comprehensive win over Kahibah PS (located east of Charlestown). The Taree West PS girls played well scoring 10 goals to nil in the first half. Kahibah have a developing team and showed tremendous spirit with a wonderful school war cry. After half time, our more experienced players rotated on and off the bench to allow for others to experience other roles. The final score was 13 to nil.



The team will play either Scone PS or Grahamstown PS in a few weeks time.

Picture Teleah Davies 6C

## P&C NEWS

**HURRY!!!!!!** Last days to purchase Memorial Hall Pavers through the canteen.

There are a number of uniforms for \$5.00 each available for purchase at the canteen.

## 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

This week our person is Alisha Lyons from Class 1P. Alisha always follows our Aussie Fair Rules and is a polite and courteous class member. Well done Alisha!



**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.

**PROMOTING OUR SCHOOL**

This week we are focusing on our GROW program staff consisting of Mrs Gai Hickson, Mrs Glenda Cross and Ms Erin Minogue. These three teachers have specialist skills in literacy and head up our GROW teams. These teachers are supported by our School Learning Support Officers (SLSO's) Mrs Christine Crisp, Mrs Kylie Hinten, Mrs Sue Minett, Mrs Julie Atkins, Ms Joanna Van Ansem and Mrs Hannah Grimley. These highly skilled teachers and support staff work daily to assist students in developing their skills in reading and writing.

We are seeing some amazing results as part of this program and we are delighted to have such talented, knowledgeable and professional staff that are committed to assisting students in reaching their potential.

Keep up the great work GROW team!

**GENERAL NEWS****TAREE CITY CHESS CLUB**

Any students interested in learning to play chess are invited to attend Taree City Library on Saturday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm. For more information please contact: Mike Weltner – 6553 7047

**MANNING VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP  
CAMP QUALITY FUNDRAISER**

Family Fun Day on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 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:  
Joan Guthrie – 6551 3725  
Pam Sunderland – 6552 2936

**TAREE WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL  
P&C****HALLOWEEN DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER****FANCY DRESS**

30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2010

5.30AM START

2 COURSE MEAL

TAREE WEST BOWLING CLUB

BOOKINGS OF UP TO A TABLE OF 10  
CAN BE MADE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE  
\$30.00 A TICKET

**PRIZES & GAMES**

MONIES RAISED TO GO TOWARDS  
COVERED WALKWAYS & NEW LUNCH  
AREAS

P&C ORGANISERS: AMANDA BIRCHALL, REBECCA WHEELER,  
BRETT EGGLESTON & LEANNE COOK

