

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 3 - Week 4

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PRINCIPALS REPORT



Thank you to all parents, grandparents and community members for attending our Education Week Open classrooms and Literacy Cafe over the past fortnight.

Our teachers and students have been overjoyed in being able to share what we are doing with our community.

Upon entering classrooms it was great to see so many happy smiling faces.

Over the past few weeks our school hall has been receiving some minor adjustments. It is anticipated that our hall will be handed over next week.

I know that our school community is very eager to utilise the facility hence it will be open for school use as soon as the hall is handed over to us.

The hall will be a very welcome addition in that it will allow us to conduct better weekly assemblies, concerts, presentation days, and discos and take the pressure off our classrooms and playgrounds in the event of wet weather. It will also become a community asset as it can be hired out to outside agencies.

On the subject of the hall I would also like to acknowledge the lobbying and campaigning of past parents, students, teachers and P&C representatives who over the years have fought very hard in trying to secure a hall for Taree West Public School.

In acknowledging the efforts of these people I would like to invite all interested parties back to the school for the official opening of the hall which will more than likely occur in term 4.

The exact date will depend on the availability of federal politicians.

Thanks for your support and have a great week!

M.Royan

Assistant Principal



WHAT'S ON?

Day	Date	Event
Friday	13 August	Zone Athletic Carnival
Tuesday	17 August	ICAS Maths Comp
Friday	20 August	Father's Day – last day to order prepaid gift
Thursday	26 August	Book Week Parade Kinder – Year 2
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

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 Award	Class Award	Maths Awards
KC	Mitchell Starr	Miranda Frendin	Ashleigh Janett Oscar Holt
KF	Bryan Kong	Keira Kelly	Sophie Warren
KG	Jonathon H	Jessica Ferris	Lauren Weeks
1/2B	Amy Tregillgas	Dannielle Price	Clay T
1A	Cooper Wynbergen	Brianna Wheeler	Courtney Brydon
1M	Jessica Wallace	Brooke Durbidge	Jada Humphreys
1P	Cory Doherty	Lillian Maclean	Lauren Chadburn
2/3C	Hayden M	Ryan Doherty	
2J	Tamika Birchall	Sam Burnes	Ashleigh Pope
2K	Jake Ferris	Aleah Cusbert	Sam Brisby
2/3C	Phoebe Proctor	Tarsha Riley	

3/4B	Abby Evans	Joshua Corbett	
3B	Caelum McCarthy	Crystal Green Galen Wiseman	Hailey Yarnold
3K	Georgia Tran	Taheed Kemp	
4/5/6F	Nimaya Weththasinghe	Tahni Walters	Kezia McCarthy
4/5E	Ezabell Kong	Tahj W	Kiah Griffiths
4M	Ethan George	Lilli-Maree Sargent	
5E	Rachel Fletcher	Kai Williams	Nikaylla Burton
5M	Elle Debreceny	Brodie Warren	Jayson Ruming
6C	Ethan Green	Grace Shepherd	Ashley Doorey
6J	Jacob Searle	Chloe Clark	Kiesha McIntosh Liam Hardie

BOOK WEEK PARADE – Kindergarten to Year 2

As part of our Book Week Celebrations next week, we will be holding a dress up or Book Character Parade on Thursday 26th August 2010 at 9.15 am.

Our Book Week Theme this year is “Over the Story Bridge”, so a Fairy Tale costume would be most appropriate. They can also be dressed as any character from a book. Harry Potter characters, Batman, Spiderman, Fairies, Snow White, Shrek- all will be welcome.

Pupils are asked to arrive at school wearing their fancy dress costume. They will bring their school uniform to change their clothes immediately after the Parade. Please label all items with your child's name and put them in a bag

Parents, Caregivers, Friends and Relations are warmly invited to watch the Parade and then view the class displays celebrating Book Week in our Library.

We look forward to seeing you there.

K-2 NEWS

Stage One students are busy learning a number of new dances as part of their Friday Sport program. Kindergarten continues to develop basic fundamental movement skills such as skipping, leaping, throwing and catching as part of their Sport program.

K-2 students will soon be receiving a permission note to visit Taree Library. The students will have the opportunity to join the library if they are not already members. Membership forms will need to be completed and returned to school before the excursion.

Congratulations to Class 1P and Mrs Jobson for their wonderful K-2 assembly item and the way in which the students hosted the assembly.

Thank you to the many parents who attended the assembly and the Literacy Cafe sessions.

3-6 NEWS

It has been a very busy week in the primary grades at Taree West PS. Thank you to Ms Kerry Cooen for organising our school Spelling Bee last Friday. Congratulations to our exemplary stage 3 spellers, Sam Ferraro Worth, Ethan Green and Tia Barlow who will go on to represent our school at district level. Similarly congratulations to Connor Wiles and Hannah Hartup who are representing our stage 2 students.

LIBRARY NEWS

We were very pleased to have a visiting author in our Library last week. Aleesah Darlison released and introduced her first picture book “Puggle’s Problem”, about a baby echidna who didn’t have any spines on his back. Her background information on echidnas was most interesting as was her talk to the senior classes about becoming an author.

Literacy Cafe

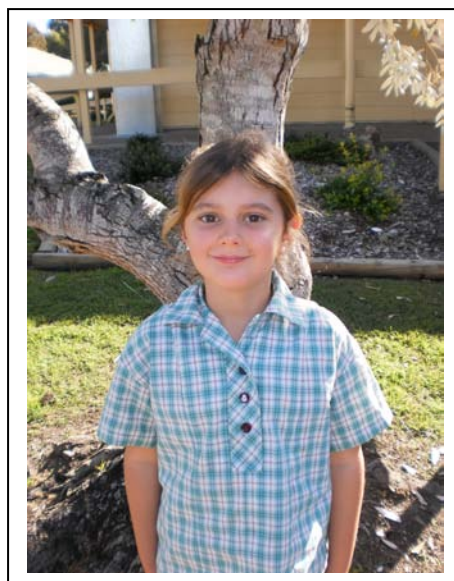
In week 3 we also commenced the Taree Western Literacy Cafe where each class welcomed their parents, friends and family into the Library during the break times. The students presented their stories, poems and sometimes a short play. The senior students have been very busy greeting the guests and serving tea and coffee. The other classes are looking forward to presenting their Literacy work so please check the date and time on your invitation.

SPORTS NEWS

Our girl's hockey team have travelled to Newcastle today to compete in the PSSA Hockey knockout against Grahamstown Public School we wish them all the best.

Good luck also to the students travelling to Tuncurry on Friday for the Zone Athletics Carnival.

GOOD NEWS STORY – RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE



Trinity Weiley is a caring, kind and helpful student who is always willing to lend a hand. Her homework is always neat and tidy and she loves a challenge! Especially in Literacy and Numeracy.

PROMOTING OUR SCHOOL

This week we are highlighting our Quicksmart program. Quicksmart is a National Partnerships program that focuses on improving students' mathematics results for students who have previously experienced difficulty in the subject. The program focuses on improving performance in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division by developing automaticity in the recall of maths facts allowing students working memory to be freed up so that they can grasp the concepts necessary for more difficult mathematical processes. Mrs Gai Hickson is our Quicksmart co-ordinator. The program is run in 3 half hour sessions weekly per pair of students by our SLSO's. Thank you to Mrs Chris Crisp, Mrs Hannah Grimley, Mrs Kylie Hinten, Mrs Sue Minett and Mrs Julie Atkins for the great job you do.

P&C NEWS

"STOP PRESS" PAVER Orders have now been extended for another week!!!! Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity.

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.

GENERAL NEWS**Music Count Us In 2010 - Come Play Your Part**

Preparations for 2nd September 11.30am

Taree West is getting excited about this year's song. Classes from K-6 have begun learning the lyrics. This year is extra special as an orchestra and two choirs will be coming to Taree West for the big day, to play and sing with our students. Our senior choir has had some tuition with Miss Ralston from Taree High to develop their harmonies - very ably accompanied by musicians from Taree High (ex TWPS). The Taree West and Taree High combination for the day is a wonderful opportunity for students and teachers from both schools. Fingers crossed, the hall will be ready in time!!

Akoostik Colouring In Competition Winner

Huge congratulations to Nimaya Weththasinghe from 4/5/6F whose combination of colours stood out to the judges. The t-shirts are off to the printers and prizes will be presented to the winners in the near future. Runners up were Lachlan Pike and Sophie Watson (both from Year 4). Thank you to all the entrants.

**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:
Joan Guthrie – 6551 3725
Pam Sunderland – 6552 2936

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

30th 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