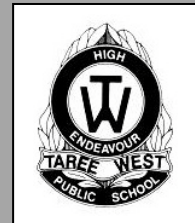


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Term 3 - Week 6

Tuesday, 24 August 2010

PRINCIPALS REPORT



I apologise for missing the deadline for last week's newsletter.

SASS RECOGNITION WEEK

Last week was SASS (School Administrative Support Staff) recognition week. We are very fortunate to have such wonderful SASS staff at our school. Last

week was our opportunity to say thank you. There were flowers, chocolates, pizza, morning teas and plenty of laughs shared by all.

Thank you SASS team for "KEEPING SCHOOLS AFLOAT".
You help make our school a great place to be!



BOOK WEEK

Week 6 is shaping up to be another busy week at TWPS. Our library has been transformed into a wondrous environment for our 2010 Book Week theme, 'Across the story Bridge'. I am constantly in awe of the work that Mrs Clifton and Mrs Minett complete in our library.

Many thanks to all classes for the excellent displays that have been produced.

As part of our Book Week celebrations a number of our 3-6 students will be attending a special bookweek show called 'Matty Forever' at Manning Gardens Public School today from 10.00am-11.00am.

SPORT IN SCHOOLS

A fortnight ago students were treated to a visit from Sport In Schools Australia. A survey was sent home yesterday to gauge student and parent interest in running the program in term 4. Please return any surveys by this Friday so a decision can be made.

BUS TRAVEL

On a student welfare level there has been some issues in relation to student travel on buses. I would like to alert all parents and students to the information contained in the Student School Transport Scheme Code of Conduct. The document clearly outlines the responsibilities of students travelling on buses and outlines the consequences of inappropriate behaviour. The website link is <http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/student-conduct.html>

An excerpt from the policy is pasted below.

If a student misbehaves on a bus, the bus operator concerned will contact the parents and the school.

Depending on the gravity of the offence, *students may be required to give up their school bus travel pass or may be refused travel on the bus for a period of time determined by the bus operator.*

On a school level, on the way to and from school is part of our playground policy. Bus issues will be dealt with through the Sort and Talk process.

The bus company does have the right to take bus passes from students displaying unacceptable behaviour and it becomes the parents' responsibility to transport students to and from school. We would be appreciative if parents of students travelling on buses could discuss this information with their child.

PARENT SUPPORT

Finally thank you to all parents who volunteer in our canteen, attend our P&C meetings and help out around our school in a multitude of ways. Your assistance is very much appreciated.

Have a great week!

M.Royan

Assistant Principal

WHAT'S ON?

Day	Date	Event
Thursday	26 August	Book Week Parade Kinder – Year 2
Thursday	26 August	Sport/Yr 6 Photo Day
Thursday	2 September	Count Us In 11.30am
Friday	3 September	P&C Raffles

Tuesday	7 September	Sticks & Stones Performance \$4.50
Tuesday	14 September	Little Cake Day Kinder & Year 5
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

Sticks & Stones Performance - \$4.50 per student by 3 September

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	Makaela S	Jasmine Wilson	Caleb Whitehouse
KF	Sophie Hawkins	Tyler O	Laurah Powell
KG	Makyah Cusbert	Willow Roberts	Harley Riley
1/2B	Charlie Dignam	Allana Trotter	Courtney Brydon
1A	Isaac Williams	Logan Bridge	Billie W
1M	Kaylah Thompson	Khan S	Alex G
1P	Christiarne Maddalena	Tyler Williams	Alanna Ellem
2/3C	Ayeiesha Griffis		
2J	Blayd Honan	Kahurangi G	Bree Pensini
2K	Aislinn Kramer	Jacinta Williams	Max H
2/3C	Madeline Bolte-English	Britney H	
3/4B	Clayton Smith	Hannah Hartup	Haydon Hill
3B	Madison Saunders	Campbell Webster	Hannah McLeod
3K	Hana McKewen	Trai Bernasconi	
4/5/6F	Connor Wiles	Jack Silvia	Caitlin Lannoy
4/5E	Khiaecia Martin	Jaala Saunders	Kirsti Hill
4M	Elleyana Mentges	Khloe Cooper	
5E	Kylie Addison	Rachel Fletcher	Kai Williams
5M	Aaron Cook	Georgia McKewen	Gracie Miller
6C	Ben Evans	Jaidyn Eames	Jordan Nowlan
6J	Jacob Searle	Nicholas Mann	Amy Barnes-Dundon

K-2 NEWS

Class KF had to postpone their assembly last week, due to the Book Week display in the library. Our apologies for any inconvenience this caused. Their assembly will now take place on Friday 3 September at 2.10pm.

It is pleasing to see so many students participating in the daily Crunch & Sip program operating within the school. Thank you for supporting this program by providing your child with a piece of fruit each day. We will be having a special focus on the importance of eating fruit and vegetables during the month of September with the students completing a variety of activities.

Classes from K-2 will commence their visits to the Greater Taree City Library on Monday next week with 1A, 1M and 2J attending. KC, KG, 2/3C and Year One students from 1/2B will attend on Friday 3.9.10. Other classes will be in a couple of weeks time on Monday 20.9.10. Please keep bringing in your library membership forms if your child is not already a member of the library so that they will be able to borrow on the day. Forms for 1A, 1M and 2J will be need to be in no later than Wednesday to give the library enough time to process the applications.

Please remember to return your Greater Taree Library membership form to Mrs Cheney as soon as possible.

FRUIT 'N' VEG MONTH 2010

Did you know that eating enough fruit and veg might be the single most important change needed to improve health and reduce the risk of disease?

During Weeks 7-10 in Term 3 (30th August – 24th September) many schools, including Taree West Public will be participating in Fruit 'n' Veg Month. Fruit 'n' Veg Month is a fantastic chance for kids and their families to get excited about fruit and vegetables. There will be lots of classroom lessons, great prizes to win and a homework twist that the whole family can get involved in. This year, the Sydney Markets Canteen Campaign joins Fruit 'n' Veg Month to help create an even bigger stir!

Each week we will be publishing some useful and practical information to help you and your family reach your target of fruit and veg every day. Watch this space!

3-6 NEWS

Just a reminder to all Primary parents that you do not have to wait until reporting times to request an interview with your child's teacher. An interview time can be made at any point throughout the school year. Interview times can be made by contacting the front office.

In the event that you are unable to have an interview with the class teacher you can request an in interview with the stage supervisor or Principal.

It has been proven time and time again that good communication between all parties is the best way to avoid any problems.

Stage supervisors at TWPS are:

Early Stage One - Mrs Cheney, Stage 1 - Ms Redman, Stage 2 - Mr Royan and Stage 3 - Mr Dailhou.

SPORTS NEWS

Girls Touch Football

On Thursday 19 August the girl's touch football team went to the Wingham Sporting Complex to play a game against Wingham Public School. We struggled to get through Wingham's defence until Mr Evans called the "water bottle" play and we almost scored. We were down 5-0 at half time but with a much better second half we ended up only losing by 8-0. The girls played extremely well and never stopped trying, it was a great game. By Layne Walters

GENERAL NEWS

Prescription Medicine Procedures

If your child needs to take prescription medication at school, you need to come to the office and hand in the medication and to fill out the appropriate forms.

School Camps Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

A reminder to any students interested in attending the Year 3 & 4 camp to Myall Shores and the Year 5 & 6 camp to the Aussie Bush camp who have not as yet paid a deposit. These camps will be closing to any further participants on Friday 3 September 2010, as numbers need to be given.

Holiday Reading is Rad

Holiday Reading is Rad is a fun program to encourage students in Years K-6 to do more reading over the summer holiday.

Please find attached to the newsletter an application form to fill out and return to Ms Redman if your child would like to participate in this program.

Sticks & Stones Performance

A permission note was sent home today regarding the in school performance 'Sticks & Stones'. This will be held on Tuesday 7 September at a cost of \$4.50 per child. All notes and money are to be returned to the class teacher by Friday 3 September.

PIXI FOTO Team/Group/Year 6 Photographs

Just a reminder that Pixi Photos are coming this Thursday 26 August to take team/group/Year 6 photos. If your child was involved in the SRC, Public Speaking and Junior Choir they will need their full summer uniform.

Year 6 students are required to wear their sports uniform.

All representative sporting team members will need to wear their sports uniform and a rep shirt will be given out on the day.

Please note that both uniforms may need to be brought to school if your child is a part of different groups.

Payment envelopes need to be returned on the day and handed directly to the photographers.

Supervised School Crossing

PEDESTRIANS: you must wait on the footpath where shown, until the School Crossing Supervisor stops traffic and indicates that it is safe to cross.



DRIVERS: if you are approaching a supervised school crossing and the School Crossing Supervisor is carrying a

STOP – Children Crossing

Sign, you must slow down and stop. You may only proceed when the School Crossing supervisor and all other pedestrians have left the crossing.

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 or at the Taree West Bowling Club where there are eftpos facilities, along with seating arrangements.

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

P&C NEWS

Taree West Bowling Club will now be holding kids activities on Friday nights in conjunction with the meat raffles. Come along, buy some tickets and help raise money for our school.

THE PARTY PROFESSIONALS PRESENT

FAMILY FUN SHOW

3hrs of fun for the whole family

TAREE WEST BOWLING CLUB

1 **BINGO!**
Heaps of fun for everyone!
Heaps of prizes to be won!

Join our **DANCE COMPETITIONS** HEAPS OF PRIZES
with classics like 'Nutbush', 'YMCA', 'Ketchup', 'The Twist' & 'The Limbo'

2 **KARAOKE IDOL & DISCO**
win prizes for singing Karaoke, & then dance the night away!

3 **Karaoke Idol!**

APPEARING 13TH AUG - (3RD SEPT) - 15TH OCT
5TH NOV - 17TH DEC