

# Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 3 - Week 8

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## PRINCIPALS REPORT WELCOME

Welcome to Mrs Sheila Capperauld from Upper Lansdowne PS who is helping us out in Mr Robert's absence. Mrs Capperauld will be working in the Non Teaching AP role at our school whilst Mr Roberts is on leave.

## USE OF SCHOOL GROUNDS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS

Sadly there has been some recent incidences where school gardens and equipment have been damaged. Entry inside school grounds outside of school hours without a valid reason or permission is trespassing.

Please ask students not to enter the school grounds outside of school hours.

If any parents or community members witness anyone displaying anti social behaviour leading to the damage of school property please contact the School Security Unit on 1300 880 021 or contact Taree Police on 6552 0399.

## MUSIC COUNT US IN

Last week Taree West PS students and staff participated in the Music Count Us In event in our new hall. The celebration was made even more special by the Taree High School band who performed live and the live video link we watched which showed us other prominent sites in Australia which the event was taking place at.

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Bird, Mrs Muller and Mrs Leanne Ralston for making this event possible. A fantastic time was had by all.

## TAREE HIGH SCHOOL GATS CLASS 2011

Last week notes were sent home to current year 6 students who wished to try out for the Taree High School Gifted And Talented Student (GATS) class next year. Notes should be returned to the front office.

## SPORTS IN SCHOOLS

Thank you to all families who returned expressions of interest for the Sports In Schools sessions which will occur on Wednesday afternoons. A sufficient number of responses were returned for the program to run. Sessions will take place in Term 4, more information later.

## TAREE WEST PS ENRICHMENT CLASS 2011

During term 4 nominations will take place from current year 3 students entering year 4. Students who are interested in applying for the enrichment class will be able to collect nomination forms from Mrs Frost at the beginning of term 4.

## SOCCER GALA DAY

Good luck to all students participating in the Gala Day at Wingham this Friday. Mrs Redman will be accompanying the students. Ensure you take plenty of steak sandwich money with you Mrs Redman as the food is delicious!

### WHAT'S ON?

Day	Date	Event
Friday	10 September	Soccer Gala Day
Tuesday	14 September	Little Cake Day Kinder & Year 5
Monday	20 September	Library Visit – KF, 1J, 2K, 2/3C & 1/2B
Wednesday	22 September	Year 6 GATS Testing Taree High School
Friday	24 September	Last Day Term 3
Monday	11 October	All Staff & Students return Term 4
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	Ashleigh Janett	Natalia Richardson	Lily Andrews
KF	Talia M	Jesse Hackmann	Jasmine Robertson
KG	Jamaica King	Bailey Corrigan	Ashleigh Barlin
1/2B	Logan Yates	James Dumas	Courtney Atkins
1A	Courtney Brydon	Holly Mackay	Brianna Wheeler
1M	Emily Reeves	Imogen Nelson	Caleb Schmitzer
1J	Jazmin Campbell	Ellie McLeay	
2/3C	Aleah Clark		
2J	Sophie Hopkin	Renae Wesley	Lillian Griffin
2K			
2/3C	Kaya Campbell	Lachlan Starr	
3/4B	Tahj Ferguson	Hannah Hartup	Hayden Hill
3B	Eric Holdon	Amy Hawkins	Hailey Yarnold
3K	Joshua Boyd	Hannah McLeod	Samuel Moddero
4/5/6F	Taiha Fletcher	Lane Everingham	Jacob Hawkins
4/5E	Ethan Erickson	Tahj Wood	John Eggleston
4M	Taylah Clark	Griffin Humphreys	
5E	Tayler Kurtz	Luke Mackay	Nicholas Mann
5M	Ashlee Clinch	Nikaylla Burton	Holly-Jo Miller
6C			
6J	Jacob Ryan	Joel Bowman	Nikea Tisdell
Library	Lauriel Cooper	Emily Cooper	

## K-2 NEWS

Congratulations to Class KF and Miss Field for their wonderful assembly item last Friday. Having the hall to hold the assembly in made it even more special.

We still require parent helpers to assist with listening to some K-2 students read. If you are available on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoons from 2.40pm- 3.10pm please contact the school or Ms Redman.

GOOD NEWS STORY - Kinder – Year 2  
RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE

Samuel Green is a sensible and considerate class member. He shows initiative and is always willing to help out.

3-6 NEWS  
WELCOME

Mrs Sheila Capperauld will be working with our primary students this term. Please feel free to speak with Mrs Capperauld in regards to any issues.

## EXCURSIONS

Excursions are occurring in stage 2 and 3 this year. Students are reminded that they need to display appropriate behaviour at school in order to be included in excursions. Students can be excluded from excursions for safety reasons. If this is to occur, parents will be notified in advance.

## BUS TRAVEL

A reminder that students must come directly into school grounds and assemble under the main cola after alighting buses in the mornings. This ensures that all students are safe and that adequate supervision is provided.

GOOD NEWS STORY - Year 3 to Year 6  
RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE

Hailey Yarnold always pays close attention in class. She has excellent manners, always stays on task and is a good friend to others.

## MONEY POLICY

Any notes requiring money that are sent home will have a cut off date on them. No money will be accepted after cut off dates.

All money needs to be in prior to events because deposits need to be paid and exact numbers of students attending needs to be ascertained. This allows us to let the company running the event know exact numbers for their planning and allows the school to work out supervision for students attending and not attending.

Money and notes brought in at the last minute place considerable strain on teachers, office staff and the company or personnel providing the event.

We always endeavour to provide advanced notice prior to events. Please submit any money or notes prior to the cut off date to allow us to plan adequately.

Thank you for your understanding.

## FRUIT & VEGETABLE MONTH

### GO FOR 2 & 5®: HOW MUCH IS A “SERVE”?

Targets for fruit and vegetable consumption are referred to as “serves”. We need to know how much a serve is so we can work out how much we are already eating and if we need to eat more.

A “serve” of fruit or vegetables is as follows:

One serve of FRUIT is 150 grams of fresh fruit or:

#### Fruit



1 medium piece  
(e.g. apple)

2 small pieces  
(e.g. apricots)

1 cup chopped  
or canned fruit

One serve of VEGETABLES is **75 grams** of vegetables or:

#### Vegetable



1/2 cup cooked  
vegetable or cooked  
legumes

1 medium  
potato

1 cup salad  
vegetables

You will notice that a serve of vegetables is half the amount of a serve of fruit (75 grams instead of 150grams). In fact, 2 ½ cups of cooked vegetables every day will give an adult their recommended daily intake (5 serves of vegetables)! Knowing the correct serving size helps people to put the target of 2 serves of fruit and 5 serves of vegetables into perspective.

## READING is RAD

All students wishing to take part in this holiday reading program need to return their permission note by 17 September as we have to order the kits. Whilst this program is free for families, it costs the school \$5.00 per student. For this reason only those students who return their notes will receive the reading kit. If your child has not received a permission note or has misplaced it please contact the school for a new note. All notes need to be returned to Ms Redman.

## COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

From Thursday 2 September until Sunday 31 October 2010, every \$10 spent at Coles Supermarkets will earn customers a Coles Sports for Schools voucher worth 1 point. For as little as 85 points schools will be able to get some brand new sporting equipment! Coles Sports for Schools is a great way to grab some sporting equipment for our school simply by collecting vouchers if you shop at Coles. We've got 8 weeks to collect Sports for Schools vouchers – and extended family and friends and neighbours can help. Please place your vouchers in the collection box at the school canteen.

## 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.

### MUSIC COUNT US IN 2010

Last Thursday saw the culmination of a dynamic collaboration between Taree West Public School and Taree High School. The joint effort was made around the Music Count Us In event where students around the country sing the same song at the same time.

Taree High concert band, male choir “Fellas”, the girls’ choir “Singas”, Year 8 voice class, Year 9/10 vocal extension and the whole of Taree West Public School gave a high energy performance. Technology in the new hall supported the viewing of the live stream footage of the event in capital cities on smartboards.



## P&C NEWS

A big thank you to everyone who attended the raffles on Friday night. It was a great night and all the students loved it. If you missed this one, put aside the 5th of November and come along and enjoy the free kids entertainment.

### Little Cake Day

Students in Kindergarten and Year 5 are asked to please supply cakes, slices etc to be sold for 50c each on a cake stall. The stall will be held on Tuesday 14 September. If you are able to help on the stall please contact the school canteen.

### 2010 Akoostik Colour Competition Winner

Students in the local area were given the opportunity to choose the colours for this year's Wingham Akoostik Music Festival Logo. There were hundreds of fantastic entries and the judging process was long and rigorous. The winning entry was created by Nimaya Weththasinghe of Taree West Public School. She followed the criteria carefully and created a colour/design combination that looks great on the black t-shirts. Congratulations to Nimaya on a fantastic effort. Other winners were Lachlan Pike and Sophie Watson. For more information about the Akoostik Festival please visit the website: [winghamakoostikfestival.com.au/](http://winghamakoostikfestival.com.au/)



Winner of colour design competition Nimaya Weththasinghe (centre) and runners up Lachlan Pike and Sophie Watson of Taree West Public School.

### KIDS KIDS KIDS at the Fair

Village Fair @ Comboyne on 19 September is definitely catering better for the kids this year! Not only do kids under 18 get free entry but we have loads of attractions especially for kids big and small.

In the past the fair has been mainly for mums and dads and grandparents – but now we are hoping to see lots of our young people enjoying the day as well.

More about the fair at [www.comboynevillagefair.co](http://www.comboynevillagefair.co)

Crowdy Head Surf Life Saving Club Inc  
Junior Activities Group

To Taree West Public School,

The new Surf Life Saving 2010/2011 season is approaching and Crowdy Head Junior Activities Group (JAG) ask if your school would kindly place a notice in your school newsletter for our club.

Children aged between 5 to 14 years of age are invited to come and join Crowdy Head Surf Life Saving Club Junior Activities Group (JAG)/Nippers. Crowdy Head Nippers is holding registration days and pool proficiency swim at Manning Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Taree in September Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> between 4.30pm and 5.30pm and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> between 1pm and 4pm (before the school holidays). The season begins on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 9.30am at Crowdy Head SLSC. Registration cost \$35 and covers the children for the 2010/2011 Surf Life Saving season. Your children will learn about surf awareness, have fun and laughter in the beach activities, along with making good friendships. For any enquires please phone Des Augey on 6556 5075 or Toni Davis on 6553 3634.

Thank you from Toni Davis (Crowdy Head JAG Secretary)

TD (29.8.10)



Supporting school aged students on the  
Autism Spectrum

### Two Day Workshop and Information Sessions for PARENTS/CARERS of School Aged Students on the Autism Spectrum

Workshop: **NSWPC35** Location: **TAREE**

The two day workshop and information sessions for parents/ carers of school aged students on the autism spectrum are part of the Positive Partnerships: supporting school aged students on the autism spectrum initiatives. These initiatives are funded by the Department of Education and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) through the Australian Government's Helping Children with Autism package, and also includes a national professional development program for teachers and other school staff. The Positive Partnerships initiatives are being developed and delivered by the Australian Autism Education & Training Consortium (AAETC).

#### What will you learn?

As a result of participating in the workshops and information sessions as parents/carers you will gain:

- information on the most up to date information about ASD and how this directly impacts on your child's learning at school;
- an understanding about the processes and strategies for effective parent, school and teacher partnerships;
- specific strategies on how to advocate to support your child's participation and ongoing learning needs;
- information about your local school system's processes to support learning at all stages of the educational pathway; and
- opportunities for you to network with other parents/carers and local support personnel.

#### Workshop details

Venue: CLUB OLD BAR  
1 Belford Street OLD BAR

When: **Two-Day Workshop – 21 & 22 September 2010**

Day 1: 9.00 a.m - 4.30 p.m (Registration from 8.15am)

Day 2: Information Sessions 9 a.m – 4.00 p.m

Registration opens 6 weeks before the workshop, and closes 1 week prior.

Registration may stay open up to one day before the workshop if spaces are still available, but we strongly recommend that you register as soon as possible.

You will receive a confirmation of your registration.

Online registrations preferred: please go to the website [www.autismtraining.com.au](http://www.autismtraining.com.au). If you know of someone who wishes to attend but is unable to register online, please print this form for them to fax and/or mail to ensure a place.

Only complete the following form if you do not have access to the Internet and fax or mail to:

Fax: 03 8610 2170; Mail: Think Business Events, Suite 6, 19 - 23 Hoddle St, Richmond VIC 3121

Positive Partnerships Info Line number: 1300 881 971



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