

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 4 – Week 8

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

REPORTS

During Semester 2 Taree West PS teachers are completing student reports on the state wide School Based Student Reporting system (SBSR) endorsed by the Department of Education and Communities (DEC). SBSR has a slightly different look and feel to our previous report format. SBSR reports against strands which may mean that there may be some blank space against a strand in key learning areas other than literacy and numeracy as a strand may not have been addressed in this semester.

Student reports will be sent home in week 10.

WHAT'S ON

Tuesday	29 November	Taree High School Parent Information Session 5.30-6.30pm
Thursday	1 December	Chatham High School Parent Information Session 6-7 pm
Monday	5 December	Chatham High Orientation Day
Wednesday	7 December	Taree High School Orientation Day
Thursday	8 December	Presentation Day K-2 10.00 am 3-6 12.30 pm
Friday	9 December	Carols by Glowstix
Thursday	15 December	Year 6 Farewell

ELECTION PROCESS FOR SCHOOL LEADERS 2012

TWPS is currently in the process of electing our School Leaders for 2012. To be eligible for a School Leader position, students must uphold the school rules and values of 'Teamwork, Welfare, Performance and Scholarship.' A School Leader at TWPS would need to be in full school uniform, including a hat, display our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Care and have an exemplary behaviour record. Students' eligibility for nomination will be assessed against the above criteria this week.

STUDENT CONCERNS

Parents are reminded that they must not approach students about any issue. All parents are to approach the teacher on duty or a member of the school Executive with any concerns they have.

ANTI BULLYING

Most parents feel extremely upset if they feel their child is being bullied. If parents don't know what to do, they feel more powerless than their child. If you were bullied as a child, share your experiences. It will show your child that you understand and empathise with what has been happening to them. The extremely powerless and victim mentality might provoke the bullying. Teach your child assertive strategies, as these strategies create a win-win situation where no-one is a loser. Some characteristics of assertive children include:

- The ability to identify the emotion they are feeling. For example, sad, angry or scared.
- They know how to release their negative emotions in positive ways.
- They act with self-respect and confidence, realising that at times they have to stand up for themselves.
- They are able to protect themselves without being disrespectful, destructive or hurtful to other children.

THANK YOU

Taree West Public School would like to thank the following businesses for their support during 2011:

- Retravisation – Peter and Donna Bolte
- Lions Club of Manning River Inc.
- The Lions Club of Taree Inc.
- Club Taree
- Lowes
- Club Old Bar/Taree West
- Amalgamated Pest Control

WOMEN'S CONCILIATION CAMP

Eight students from TWPS and Ms Redman will be attending the Conciliation Camp at Saltwater on Wednesday 30 November. Girls from other schools will also be attending. The students are looking forward to experiencing activities based around bush tucker and nutrition, footcare, health talks and bushwalking.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Summer Reading Club is here once again at your local libraries. This is an exciting program for young people from 4-16 years which encourages them to read during the long summer holiday period.

Registrations for the club open on Thursday 1 December at all GTCC Library branches. For more information contact Debbie Horgan at Taree Library on 6592 5298.

This program is different to the Reading is RAD program being offered through our school but would support it with the students being able to read the books from the library and write them in their RAD diary.

PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Taree West Public School wrapped up its commitments in the Primary School based basketball conducted by Taree Basketball Association during Term 4.

The squad of John Baker, Trae Gersbach, Hannah McLeod and Ryan Thompson, together with two boys 'borrowed' from other schools, competed well to finish 5th from the six teams entered. Trophies were presented to the group following their 38-22 victory on Saturday over St Josephs Primary School.

Taree Basketball Association will be conducting another competition tipping off in February 2012 and are inviting Taree West Public School to again participate.

Taree Basketball's Mr Paul Healy will be pleased to offer a special coaching clinic at Taree West Public School for those students in Years, 4, 5 and 6 at a date to be advised.

Please note the Primary School based basketball competition is run on a Saturday morning from 9.30 am. The plan from Taree Basketball's point of view is to run the competition in Terms 1 and 4 only so as to avoid conflict with other popular Saturday morning sports such as hockey, netball and soccer.

TWPS REPRESENTATIVE SPORTS SHIRTS

For the next few weeks, Mr Uwland would love any TWPS Sport Representative Shirts that may be haunting people's houses to be returned ASAP. No questions asked! Our stock is dwindling. Shirts can be left in Mr Uwland's office or dropped off at the front office.

CLASS AWARDS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
K-1J	Ashleigh B	Karlos B	Navren W
KB	Makaylah N	Harry N	Arwen E
KC	Keoni F	Janaya E	Blake R
KF	Jesse L	Matilda M	Damian B
KG	Emma D	Kyana B	Brydan S
1-2C			
1D	Ethan R	Bowen C	
1K			Madison M
2B	Maddy C	Amy T	Brook D
2M	Mackenzie R	Karen P	Cooper W
2S	Calib H	Kiaya R	Alisha L
3/4B			
3B	Jacinta W	Steven J	Aleah C
3M	Emily C	Max H	Henry B
4-5-6F	Sam H	Hailey Y	Oliver B
4/5S	Tara Mc	Emma W	Brittany G
4M	Crystal J	Trai B	Joshua B
5C			
5E	Nathan M	Gabby M	Rea G
6C	Tayla H	Amber W	Michael M
6J	Tenisha C	Mathew M	Shona M

Ever wanted to try a
TRIATHLON?

Well here is your chance.
Port Macquarie Triathlon Club is
running its annual Camden Haven
Triathlon on the 28th and 29th
January 2012.
Races to cater for 5yrs old up to
adults.
For more information and entry
forms visit

