

# Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 1 - Week 6

Wednesday, 2 March 2011

## PRINCIPALS REPORT

Congratulations to our newly elected "Student Representative Council". These students have been elected by their peers and have an important advocacy role within the school. Presentation of badges will be made at our main assembly on Monday 7 March in the hall at 2.00 pm.

We are fortunate to have the Life Education van visit our school. I encourage all students to attend as this program supports our PD & Health curriculum.

A big thank you to the teachers, parents and students who attended our informal "meet and greet BBQ" last week. It was a great opportunity to share expectations and for many new parents an opportunity to meet their child's teacher for the first time.

## WHAT'S ON?

Wednesday To Friday	2 March to 11 March	Life Education Van
Friday	4 March	Zone Winter Trials Rugby League Selected Students only
Monday To Friday	7 March To 18 March	Swim School <b>POSTPONED</b>
Thursday	10 March	Zone Winter Trials Hockey, Netball, Soccer Selected students only
Tuesday	15 March	School Photos
Tuesday	15 March	Hot Dog/Moosie orders close. <b>NO LATE ORDERS</b>
Monday	21 March	P&C Meeting 2.00pm
Tuesday	22 March	Hot Dog & Moosie Day
Saturday	26 March	Election Day Cake Stall
Thursday	31 March	Entries Close for International Comps Year 3 to Year 6 only
Friday	8 April	Anzac Service - School
Friday	8 April	2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment due for Camps
Friday	8 April	Last Day Term 1

## AWARD WINNERS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Maths Awards
K/1J	Taya H	Navren W	Zacharia T
KB	Makaylah N	Ryan H	Zavier W
KC	Jessica T	Blake R	Jake A
KF	Heath R	Tilani B	Arianna K
KG	Brydon S	Jasiah C	Lindsay S
1D	Mia L	Kaziah B	Ethan R
1K	Lana M	Lily-Rose A	Jasmine R
1/2C	Sophie W	Connor E	Makyah C
2B	Madeline C	Lauren F	Brooke D
2M	Alanna E	Jade E	Billie W
2S	Antonio S	Laticia E	Alisha L
3/4B	Ethan R	Madeline H	
3B	Aislinn K	Brendan W	Sophie H
3M	Lyall L	Samual B	Izak M
4/5/6F	Abbey L	Sophie W	Tia B
4/5S	Campbell W	Tammie S	Josie E
4M	Brianna W	Ashlee K	Maxine D
5C	Khloe C	Jayden H	
5E	Alesha L	Griffin M Griffin H	
6C	Amber W	Tamika B	Cameron P
6J	Portia R	Tyler B	Rachel F

## SRC (Student Representative Council) – 2011

Elections for the SRC in 2011 have taken place and our new representatives are:

2B	Izaac W	Tilley H
2M	Billie W	Jada H
2S	Charlie D	Alisha L
3B	Drew P	Renae W
3M	Ayeiesha G	Sam B
3/4B	Dane W	Laura B
4M	Jayson B	Indeah F
4/5S	Beau H	Tammie S
5E	Lachlan P	Emmie P
5C	Tahj F	Emily H
4/5/6F	Connor W	Tahni W
6C	Nathan N	Tamika B
6J	Josh D	Kirby B

## AUTHORITY TO PUBLISH NOTES

All students were given an Authority to Publish Note last week. If your child has not returned this note could they do so as soon as possible.

**LIFE EDUCATION VISIT**

Tomorrow is the commencement of Life Education. If your child has not returned a permission note and their money, please do so as soon as possible.

Below is a timetable for each classes visit.

		<b>Wednesday 2 March</b>	<b>Thursday 3 March</b>	<b>Friday 4 March</b>
		5C 4/5S KB	6J 4M 1K	6C KF 2S
<b>Monday 7 March</b>	<b>Tuesday 8 March</b>	<b>Wednesday 9 March</b>	<b>Thursday 10 March</b>	
3/4B 3M 2M	5E 3B 1D	K/1J 2B 1/2C	KG 4/56F KC	

"Harold" merchandise will be available for purchase on the day. Please provide the correct money in an envelope with the item written on the face of the envelope along with your child's name and class. Items for purchase are:  
Tattoo – 50c, Harold Key Ring - \$2.00, Stationery Set - \$3.00, Harold Hand Ball - \$3.00, Harold Soft Toy - \$8.00, Large Harold Soft Toy - \$20.00.

**SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

In 2011 the Voluntary Contribution will remain at only \$20.00 per child in Years 1 to Year 6. The school relies heavily on these contributions which equates to less than 10c per day. Monday collected is used in a variety of ways purchasing much needed learning materials.

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR PLACEMENT IN YEAR 7 - 2012**

Expression of Interest for Placement in Year 7 at a NSW Government secondary School in 2012 forms were sent home to all Year 6 students. A number of these forms still have not been returned to the school. If you have not returned this form could you do so as soon as possible.

**PRIMARY CAMPS****Stage 2 – Year 3 & Year 4 – DEPOSIT DUE**

Stage 2 students will be given the opportunity to attend a 3 day Aussie Bush Camp this year in the week starting 27 June and ending 1 July. The total cost will be \$235.00. Numbers will be limited to 54 per grade for transport cost reasons places will be filled on a first in, first served basis. If your child plans to attend please get deposits in promptly.

**Year 5 – DEPOSIT DUE**

Year 5 students will be given the opportunity to attend a camp to Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Centre this year from the 27-29 July. The total cost will be \$260.00. Places will be limited to 54 due to transport cost reasons and will be filled on a first in, first served basis. If your child plans to attend please get deposits in promptly. Further information will go out this week.

**Year 6 – DEPOSIT DUE**

Year 6 students will be given the opportunity to attend a 4day Canberra Excursion from 19-22 July. The total cost will be \$345.00. If your child plans to attend please get deposits in promptly to enable us to give our numbers to the travel company. Further information will go out this week.

**STUDENT DETAILS**

A printout was sent home with your child's details on it. If there are any changes to address, phone numbers etc could you please make the appropriate changes and return as soon as possible so we can update our system.

**PICASSO COWS**

The Dairy Australia Picasso Cows initiative is a free, six week curriculum program that is currently aimed at primary schools located in Australia's dairying regions.

Picasso Cows is a learning experience that aims to:

1. Educate students, teachers and parents about the importance of dairy health and nutrition.
2. Educate students, teachers and parents about the role the Australian dairy industry plays in the world food market.
3. Engage the local community in a positive and interactive school project that focuses on dairy.
4. Encourage participating students to reflect on their learning and practice what they have learnt at home.

Taree West Public School is very lucky to be part of this program for 2011.

This week we will be having a naming competition. Each class will be submitting a name suggestion, this will be reduced to 6 and then the children will vote. It will cost 50c to place a vote, students can vote as many times as they like but each vote will cost 50c.

The successful name will be announced at the school assembly next Monday and the winning class will have the privilege of the cow visiting them for the week.

Further activities will be arranged between now and the official presentation on 30 June.

**BUS PASSES**

If your child has previously held a bus pass and have now gone into Year 3, they will need to reapply for a pass. Please note that you must reside outside a certain radius to be eligible for free bus travel.

**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

If you would like a family photograph, please call to the front office and pick up an envelope.

Please do not send money or envelopes in until the day of the photos, Tuesday 15 March.

**INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS – Closing 31 March**

The school will once again be participating in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools for Science, English, Spelling, Computing Skills and Mathematics.

These competitions are open to all students in Year 3 to Year 6. If you would like your child to participate in one or all of the competitions please fill out the entry form and return with payment by Thursday 31 March 2011. Please note that no late entries will be accepted.

**PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival**

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February, eighteen students were selected to represent our school in the Primary School Sports Association Manning Zone Swimming Carnival at Wingham Pool. The event was efficiently hosted by Wingham Public School. It was a wonderful event with representation from as far west as Barrington, as far north as Harrington and as far south as Bungwahl. TWPS representatives were Ashleigh P, Hannah H, Brodie W, Kezia M, Hana M, Georgia M, Sarah H, Bree P, Kainen W, Tahj W, Samuel C, Logan W, Harry W, Beau K, Thomas N, Ethan E and Oliver B. Many of our swimmers swam great times in their races.

Congratulations to Hannah H who will continue on to the Hunter Regional Carnival. She will contest the Junior 50m Butterfly, Junior 50m Backstroke and the 10 year old 50m freestyle. We wish her well with her preparation and hopefully continued success.

**P & C NEWS**

The office bearers for 2011 are:

President – Rebecca Wheeler Vice President – Brett Eggleston

Secretary – Amanda Birchall Treasurer – Lee-anne Cook

P&C meetings will be held at 2.00pm every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month.

**P&C RAFFLES**

Taree West P&C run the raffles every 9 weeks at Taree West Bowling Club. Free kids entertainment is provided.

Come along and help the school raise money by buying some raffle tickets to try and win a meat tray.

Next raffles run by the school will be on Friday 11 March 2011 commencing at 6.00pm. This is a great night, hope to see you there.

**P&C ELECTION DAY CAKE STALL**

If you are able to supply cakes, slices etc or help man the stall on Election Day, please contact the canteen. Phone: 6552 3137.

**WILLOW TREE CHILD CARE CENTRE**

"Where nurturing your child comes naturally....."

You are warmly invited to our "OPEN DAY"  
on

Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of March from 11am till  
12 noon

Come and look around our beautiful, unique  
centre and see

for yourself what we can offer you and  
your family...

We are located at 15 Rosebank Avenue  
Chatham,

Or you can phone for more information on  
65527000

**CLUB TAREE BAND**

Come & join us, every Tuesday night at  
Taree High School Hall  
Macquarie Street Taree

Time: 7pm-9.00pm

Beginners to Advanced, All Welcome

Phone: Band President – Terry Green 6552 1584

Musical Director – Amanda Kavanagh 65523702