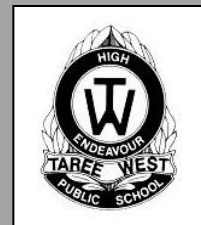


# Taree West Public School

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Term 4 – Week 4

Tuesday, 30 October 2012

## WHAT'S ON

Wednesday-Thursday	31 October-1 November	Naidoc/Saltwater excursion <b>CANCELLED</b>
Thursday	1 November	Music Count Us In Event
Friday	2 November	K-2 Assembly 2:15pm in hall.
Thursday-Friday	8-9 November	K-2 Billabong Park excursion
Monday-Thursday	12-15 November	Kindergarten Orientation First Classroom Sessions
Tuesday	20 November	P & C Meeting 6pm
Monday-Thursday	26-29 November	Kindergarten Orientation Second Classroom Sessions
Thursday	13 December	Presentation Assembly
Monday	17 December	Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday	18 December	P & C Meeting 6pm

## CLASS AWARDS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
K/1C	Andy M	Amber S	Connor F
KC	Ryder E	Bella D	Jillian R
KF	Josh H	Katie T	Hannah W
KG	Jasinta B	Lilly M	Imogen F
KH	Ebonie L	Hayden M	Dwayne S
1/2S	Jarod H	Annie C	Zavier W
1B	Ebony B	Georgia C	Kate F
1C	Holli C	Tom M	Ashley B
1G	Sienna T	Jesse L	Neevah H
2H	Emily M	Oscar H	Connor E
2S	William B	Sophie H	Madeleine P

## Stage 2 Saltwater Excursion

Due to staffing issues within the National Parks Department, the planned excursion to Saltwater National Park which was to take place on either Wednesday 31 October or Thursday 1 November, 2012 has been **cancelled**. A note outlining refund details was sent home with students yesterday.

## Music Count Us in Event

Parents and friends are welcome to attend our annual Music Count Us In Event which will take place this Thursday at 12:15pm in our school hall. Taree High School students and teachers will be joining us to help celebrate this fantastic event. More details in regards to the Music Count Us In Event can be found by visiting the website.

<http://www.musiccountusin.org.au/the-song>

## P&C Fete Committee Thank you Afternoon Tea

This afternoon TWPS staff are hosting a thank you afternoon tea for our extremely hardworking fete committee. Our recent fete was a huge success due to the hard work and commitment of the fete committee and our community as a whole. On behalf of the staff of Taree West Public School I would like to thank all persons who support our school in so many different ways. Community support is what makes a great school an excellent one and thankfully this is something that we have in abundance.

## P&C Playgroup

Well done to our P&C for this ongoing initiative. It is fantastic to see our future students, dressed in their pre-kindy t-shirts familiarising themselves with our school environment whilst having a great time playing with their friends. The future for Taree West PS certainly looks very bright. Well done to our P&C and we look forward to seeing some of our playgroup students on a more regular basis as part of our 2013 Kindergarten enrolment.

## Clothing Pool

The second hand clothing pool will be open on Friday Mornings 8:40am – 10.00am (located in the AP/Counsellor office area)

## K-2 Assembly

Friday 2 November at 2:15pm in the hall. 2H will be hosting and performing 3 songs.

### K-2 Excursion

Please remember to return the permission note and money for the excursion to Billabong Koala and Wildlife Park at Port Macquarie by Friday 2 November. This excursion will take place on Thursday 8 November for classes KG, 1C, 1/2S, 2H, 2S and 2B with the remaining classes KC, KF, KH, K/1C, 1B and 1G attending on Friday 9 November. The students will be involved in a tour of the park, a reptile show and the opportunity to cuddle a koala.

### School Concert Band



Our School Concert Band Program has begun with students receiving their first tutorials and participating in their first rehearsals. It has been great to hear music in the hallways of our school and Mr Griffiths, our tutor has been highly impressed with the students' interest and ability to grasp new concepts. We have had a number of students express their interest to join the band and they need to collect an expression of interest form from Mr Cook or Miss Littlewood if they are eager to participate in the program. Student tutorials will be held on Thursdays as of this week and this has changed from Fridays. We are looking forward to hearing the students perform at the end of term.

### Staff and Class Profiles



**Name:** Shar Jensen.

**My job at the school:** Classroom Teacher of 5/6 J.

**My favourite colour is:** White.

**My favourite foods are:** Anything Indian and Mangoes.

**My favourite leisure time activities are:** Sunday lunch with my family, the beach, reading and gardening.

**Number of years teaching:** My teaching career spans almost 30

years! But there have been a few breaks and various careers. I worked for Red Cross in Sydney. I taught in Tanzania and Kenya. I also worked on a yacht sailing the South Pacific and a bus travelling from Kathmandu to London. I ran a Drama Academy in Sydney and a shop "Heart and Soul" in Taree.

**What do you like most about being a teacher at Taree West Public School?** Everything! I particularly like teaching Stage 3 as the children are beginning a journey ready to take on the world. They start developing specific interests and expressing their opinions. They become really interested in the topics we study and independently seek more knowledge. I love watching their personalities develop and I love hearing the words "I get it".

### INTRODUCING CLASS 5/6J



**Name of class:** 5/6J

**Classroom Teacher:** Shar Jensen.

**Number of students:** 30.

**Some interesting things we plan to do this term in class:** Look at Kiah Griffith's dad's motorbike as we are studying machines and transport. We are also going to make Wire of Transport sculptures.

**Our favourite classroom activities are:** Art, Cooking, Maths and experiments.

**What we are doing in class now:** Narrative writing, learning about State and Federal Parliament.

**What are the best things about being at Taree West Public School?**

**Campbell W said:** I like being at school because I get to see my friends.

**Abby B said:** I like being at Taree West because it is such a great school with lots of friendly staff and children.

**Nathan M said:** I get to learn Maths with Ms Jensen.

**Kelly M said:** The best thing about school is doing all the fun arts and crafts.

Please note: All students have permission to have their photo's published.

## Staff and Class Profiles



**Name:** Louise Barriball

**My job at the school is:** Class Teacher 2/3B

**My favourite foods are:**

Mexican, Thai, Stir fries and Tropical fruit.

**My favourite colour is:** Red.

**My favourite holiday**

**destination:** Would have to be Italy and Paris.

**What are your hobbies?** My

hobbies include cooking, yoga, pilates, health books and golf.

**Number of years teaching:** I have been teaching about 32 years,

**Schools that I have taught in:** Gloucester, Bathurst, Cobar, Harrington and Taree West.

**What do you like most about being a teacher at Taree West Public school?** I love to see the growth and development of children from kindergarten to year six and on to high school. I am also teaching children of students I have taught in my early years at Taree West.

## INTRODUCING CLASS 2/3B



**Name of class:** 2/3B

**Classroom Teacher:** Louise Barriball.

**Number of students:** 26

**Our favourite classroom activities are:** Art/Craft, Computers and Library lessons.

**What we are doing in class now:** State and National Parks and Mini Worlds.

**What are the best things about being at Taree West Public School?**

**Jade said:** I like computers and art/craft work in class.

**Cooper said:** I like playing with friends, computers and art work.

**Jasmine said:** I like Library lessons, borrowing books and class work.

**Griffin said:** I like telling and listening to news and Friday afternoon activities.

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## 2/3B Children's Story Writing

### The Tree

The tree is death. It may seem beautiful and it frolics in the wind silently in summer and in spring. But in autumn and winter it will unleash its wrath on the world. The tree withers and everyone lives in fear in his gloomy, cold, wet grassland. His favourite time is at night because once an owl lands on him it will face his wrath. At night you can still hear the animals that once lived.

**Makyah Cusbert**

The tree looks like a ghost swaying in the wind. The tree is a statue when tiny children run around it. The tree is like Mother Nature when lots of animals use her shelter.

**Lily Andrews**

My tree is a dancer, dancing in the rain. Her skirt is made of blossoms and the roots are her ribbons. All her body parts are made from nature. Her mother is a guardian fairy watching over her day and night. Her father is an emperor making demands.

**Rahni Seckold**