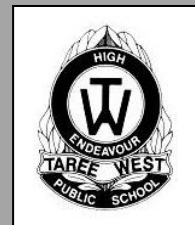


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Term 2 – Week 5

Tuesday, 22 May 2012

WHAT'S ON

Thursday	24 May	Reward Day
Wednesday	30 May	Senior Choir Eisteddfod Year 6 Science Challenge
Thursday	31 May	School Athletics Carnival Whole School Event
Friday	1 June	Reconciliation Assembly 1.00pm
Tuesday	5 June	Whole School Performance Note to go home
Wednesday	6 June	ICAS Science Test
Friday	8 June	P & C Raffles Taree West Bowling Club
Tuesday	19 June	ICAS Spelling Test
Tuesday	31 July	ICAS English Test
Tuesday	14 August	ICAS Maths Test
Sunday	16 September	School Fete
Every Monday		School Banking

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to congratulate our Year 3 and 5 students on their enthusiasm and commitment in undertaking the NAPLAN tests last week. I would also like to thank the teachers for their flexibility and coordination of our 300 Year 3 – 6 students thereby ensuring the provision of optimal conditions for the 147 students who completed the tests over the 4 day period.

A special thank you needs to go to Emma Roberts who has joined us over the past 5 weeks to complete her final teaching practicum. Ms Roberts has coordinated several events for the students in her class

and other classes during this time including a visit from NSW Police and the NSW Fire Brigade as well as organising a visit to the Police station this week. The children have really enjoyed these special visitors and experiences. The Firemen who attended our school last week commended the K – 2 teachers on their skills and management of the 240 children, stating that the children at Taree West behaved better than any other school they have visited. Well done to all staff and students!

Assembly

Year 3 – 6 School Assembly will take place this Thursday 24 May 2012 in the school hall at 2:10pm. Parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Kids' winter camps

Bookings are now open for Kids' Winter Camps run by the NSW Office of Communities (Sport and Recreation). Camps are a great way to boost children's confidence, help them make new friends and encourage shy children out of their shell. Camps are offered around the State, including snow camps, fishing camps and cooking experiences. Camp packages include activities, accommodation, 24-hour supervision and nutritious meals. Supervised transport is also offered to and from most camps.

For more info go to: www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/.

Healthy habits start young

Finding a sport or activity that your child likes to do is a great way to keep them active and motivated and in doing so, keep them healthy. Play for Life – Join a Sporting Club – is supported by the Active After School Activities Program. You can browse sporting clubs by location and type of sport and find one that suits your family. With over 70 sports to choose from, you're sure to find something that will appeal. For more info and to check out other great tips go to:

www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/campaigns-programs/play-for-life-join-a-sporting-club.aspx.

DEBATING

On Monday the 21 May, Taree West Public School's debating team headed north to face their opponents for the first round of the Manning Regional Debating Competition. It was with trepidation that we met Mitchell Island PS participants at their beautiful rural school. The topic 'Children should be paid pocket money to do chores', was hotly debated by both sides. TWPS, being the negative team, put forward extremely persuasive arguments. Rebuttals flew back and forth – it was close, however TWPS bravely congratulated their opposition on a narrow victory. With renewed resolve TWPS are now looking forward to the next debate in the competition.

K-2 GYMNASTICS

This Wednesday will be the last gymnastics lesson for Classes 1/2B and 1G. The students have really enjoyed their visits to the PCYC. Next week Classes K/1C and 1B will start their six week program. Students involved have received their permission note and PCYC application form. Both of these forms must be completed and returned with payment to the school by Wednesday 30 May.

NAIDOC WEEK INITIATIVE ORDERS

This is the last week for students/families to order items to support NAIDOC Week. All orders must be returned with correct payment by 25th May 2012. Please contact the school if you still require an order form. Three items are available - NAIDOC Pack which includes pencil case, Respect band, ruler, pencil, sharpener and eraser (\$2.50), Watch (\$4.00) and NAIDOC Polo Shirts (\$10.50).

RECONCILIATION WEEK ASSEMBLY AND COMMUNITY BBQ

On Friday 1st June 2012 Taree West Public School will be having a Reconciliation Assembly in the hall followed by a BBQ lunch for parents and community members to recognise National Reconciliation Week. Students took home an information note yesterday. If you will be attending the Assembly and BBQ please return the note which was attached indicating the number of people attending. This will enable us to organise our catering.

FIRE BRIGADE VISIT

Stage 1 is studying a unit of work about Community Helpers in HSIE during this term. As part on this unit, on Thursday the 19th May, Stage 1 and Kindergarten had a special visit from Taree firemen Shane and Andrew. They spoke to us about fire safety procedures and what a fireman does. They brought their fire truck and showed us all of their fire fighting equipment. We got to use the fire hose and tried on the special fire fighting uniform. We had lots of fun.

CLASS AWARDS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
K/1C	Layla B	Jayden B	Keea A
KB	Jordyn L	Joshua H	Hannah W
KC	Beau H	Courtney G	Bella D
KG	Erin T	Tahnee G	Deegan A
KH	Maddison O	Hayden M	Huntah L
1/2B	Seth M	Sophie W	Jarod H
1B	Jessica O	Chyna J	Keoni F
1C	Cassandra D	Taylah M	Holli C
1G	Neevah H	Jesse L	Brydon S
2/3B			
2H	Talarah R	Ashleigh J	Kaytlin L
2S	Sam W	Cory D	Madeleine P
2/3B	Tyler W	Rahni S	Lily A
3J	Issaac W	Hannah E	Shai Y
3M			
4/5/6C	Eric H	Ethan E	Brianna W
4O	Bailey J	Errica C	Courtney M
4U			
5/6C	Hanah H	Abby E	Lane E
5/6J	Britney H	Phoebe P	Lachlan S
5/6M	Joshua B	Katherine H	Riley C
5/6X	Kaya C	Lilly B	Joshua Mc

KINDERGARTEN 2013

Information packs are now available at the School Office for families wishing to enrol a child in kindergarten next year.

SCHOOL CAMPS

School Camps are now closed. The next instalment needs to be paid by Friday 15 June 2012.

COMMUNITY ADVERTISEMENTS



Are having a
garage sale /BBQ fundraiser
on Saturday May 26th
9am – 2pm

We would appreciate donations. You can drop them off at Taree & District Preschool, Barton Street, Taree or contact Paula 0265561152 / 0411202822 to have them collected.

PAID ADVERTISEMENTS

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