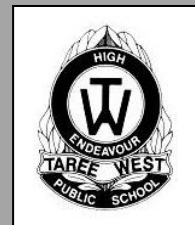


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Term 2 – Week 6

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

WHAT'S ON

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	Performance 'Adamriginal'
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

Senior Constable Brad Barry attended our school last Thursday and addressed our Year 3 – 6 students at a morning assembly. Senior Constable Barry is a Police School Youth Liaison Officer in the Manning Great Lakes Command; therefore he works only with children and adolescents. He spoke to the children about issues in relation to bullying, including cyber bullying; aggression; violence, including encouraging and inciting violence; and the use of mobile phones and social media including Facebook. He spoke to the children about the law and the Young Offenders Act including possible consequences for students who incite violence or enact violence whilst at school or travelling to and from school. Senior Constable Barry also explained to the children that it is illegal for any person under the age of 13 to have

a Facebook account, this being something they would need to talk to their parents about if they currently have an account. His presentation to students is part of the Crime Prevention strategy that is provided to all schools in NSW.

Student Absences from School

Student absences from school are closely monitored by the classroom teacher and assistant principals. It is a legal requirement of the Education Act for children to attend school every day the school is in operation therefore it is very important that all student absences are explained and followed up with a note from parents explaining the reason for the absence. If your child is going to be absent from school for 3 or more days then parents are asked to contact the school to explain the reason for the absence.

Notes Home

We have received a number of concerns from parents that children are not bringing home their school newsletter and accompanying notes. The school newsletter is sent home every Tuesday. Can you please check your child's bag or ask them regularly about school notes. The school newsletter is also available to the school community through our school website at www.tareewest-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Help for learning difficulties

The Learning Difficulties Coalition (LDC) supports parents who have children (5-18 years) with a learning difficulty. The parent helpline (02 9806 9960) is open 10am-3pm school days during term, or you can visit the website: www ldc org au/ .

Registrations are now open for the seminar, Building Resilience in Children and Adolescents with Learning Difficulties, held 19 June at Parramatta Leagues Club.

Diabetes awareness

May is Jelly Baby Month which aims to raise awareness and funds for Type 1 Diabetes - often called Juvenile Diabetes. To find out more about Type 1 Diabetes and Jelly Bean Month, go to www.jdrf.org.au/help-find-a-cure/jelly-baby-month. Here you can sign up to receive a monthly newsletter.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

A performance titled 'Adamoriginal' will be held at the school for students from Kindergarten to Year 6. If you would like your child to attend this performance, please complete the permission note and return with \$4.00 to your child's class teacher by Friday 1st June. NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE TAKEN.

K-2 GYMNASTICS

Tomorrow Classes K/1C and 1B will start their six week Gymnastics 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.

RECONCILIATION WEEK ASSEMBLY AND COMMUNITY BBQ

Thank you to the many families who have indicated they will be attending our Reconciliation Week Assembly and BBQ this Friday 1st June 2012 to recognise National Reconciliation Week. If you haven't contacted us and would like to attend please return the note sent home or contact the school on 6552 1910 so we can finalise our catering. The assembly will start at 1.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The TWPS Athletics Carnival is still scheduled for this Thursday. The forecast is getting more favourable every day. Please tune into 2RE or Max FM in the morning of the event to see if it is postponed due to bad weather. If it isn't broadcasted, it will be on. The backup date for the Athletics Carnival is Thursday 7th June.

If you intend to bring your child to the carnival or take them home earlier, it is important to sign them in and out at either the infants or primary tent. The school is required to know where all children are at all times. Thank you for your co-operation.

As a precaution, all children need to be prepared for cooler weather. There is immediate emergency shelter if rain becomes a problem. Please remember the \$3 for the bus. The P&C will be running a sausage sizzle in the middle of the day and the canteen will have cold drinks and chips available for purchase.

ZONE TOUCH TRIALS

On Friday 18th May six girls and nine boys attended the zone touch football trials at the Manning recreation grounds. All students played well demonstrating improved skills. Cooper Murray, Harry Wesley, Tahni Walters, Taylah Clark and Bree Pensini were all chosen to play in possible / probable matches on the day. Congratulations to Bree Pensini who demonstrated enough talent to be selected to play for the Manning Zone PSSA Girls Touch Football Team.

SOCCER KNOCKOUT

On Friday 18th May, Taree West PS had two teams play Chatham PS in the Primary School Sports Association Knockout Competition. The experienced boys' team were unfortunately defeated on the day 2 to 4. Jacob H played well as goalie and stopped many opposition goals. Up front, Mitchell F kicked the goals for Taree West PS. Overall, it was a wonderful team effort. They are now out of the competition. The team was: Trae G, Mitchell F, Trai B, Ryan T, Matthew L, Connor W, Ethan E, Jacob H, Jayson B, Izaak L, Brandon W and Rory M.

The inexperienced girls team played well and enjoyed their match. Chatham kicked the first goal and then TWPS were able to score two goals. It was an exciting match with everyone contributing to a wonderful team performance. The score was 2-1. The girls then went on to play Old Bar yesterday. Old Bar had some very talented players and scored heavily in the first half to lead 6-0 at half time. To the credit of our girls, they held Old Bar to only one goal in the second half. The final score was 7-0. The girls are also knocked out from the competition. The team was: Taylor S, Ebony B, Maxine D, Taya N, Kirsti H, Tarni W, Abby B, Abby E, Taylah C, Khiaecia M, Paris C, Sophie W, Kiah G and Bailee J.

Thank you to the parents for supporting the boys and girls in the matches. There are Zone Gala Days in the near future for these teams.

HEALTHY TIPS



Cool Kids Crunch&Sip*!

Don't forget the bottle of water and fruit or vegetables for Crunch&Sip* everyday!



STAFF AND CLASS NEWS

Introducing Class KC

TEACHER: MRS MAREE CHENEY

My job at the school: Relieving Assistant Principal for the last three years, supervising Early Stage One.

Number of years teaching: I have been teaching for 22 years and this is my 7th year at Taree West Public School.



What do you like most about being a teacher at Taree West PS?

I enjoy teaching at Taree West because I enjoy working with the friendly children and staff each day. I also have a special connection with the school as I attended Taree West as a child and had my first casual teaching block here when I finished college.

What are your hobbies?

I love arts and craft and all things vintage. My latest interest is making baskets from lomandra (a native grass). I did a workshop at the art gallery to learn traditional methods of basket making that the local indigenous people used.

Today I had the pleasure of spending some time with KC in their classroom. I got to see them do the daily calendar which is a part of their morning routine each day. KC has started to learn some words this term, which are displayed in the classroom on Humpty's Word Wall. They were able to recognise and read the words with Mrs Cheney, KC learnt a new vowel sound today i.e they even have a song that they sing to learn vowels, "When two Vowels go walking, the first one does the talking".



This is what some of the students of KC said are the best things about being at Taree West PS.

Gillian said "Because there's a canteen and I like it when I get a lunch order".

Cooper said "Because I like doing drawings".

Tiah said "Because I like the teachers".

Alex said "He likes to play with the toy cars".

Carol Campbell
Community Liaison Officer

P&C NEWS

Microfiber jacket:

We received 85 forms for YES and 2 for NO. From the results of survey we will proceed with purchase of jackets as an OPTIONAL extra to current uniform. A BIG thank you to everyone who returned their forms.

They will cost \$35 per jacket and an order will be placed this week.

Parents who have placed an order through the form sent out will be able to purchase jackets from the canteen, and the jacket will only be available at Canteen for sale. Date of availability is yet to be announced.

NOTE: The grey jumper for winter uniform has not been deleted from the school uniform.

This jacket is an optional extra for those who wish to purchase a jacket for the cooler days.

Our school uniform policy will be reviewed with the consultation of parents/guardians, teachers and students using the uniform policy & protocols later this year.

The School Fete will be held on Sunday 16th Sept 2012 (10am to 3pm.)

Fete committee minutes are available from the front office at TWPS.

Major raffle to be drawn at the Fete is:

1st prize a Holiday package donated by The Emerald Beach Big 4 caravan park @ Coffs harbour 2 nights stay + many other inclusions at the park

2nd prize 42" TV-donated by Retraction,

3rd prize To be advised.

Fundraising:

Mother's Day Gifts – Raised \$535 for the School P & C

The next raffle night at Taree West Bowling Club is Friday 8th June 2012. There will be entertainment for the kids (of all ages) – Karaoke from 7-9pm.

There will also be a lucky ticket draw with some extra prizes.

P&C are organising a Pie Drive this term, notes to go out this week, orders to be returned by Friday 15th June 2012.

Doughnut & frozen Moozie day to be held on Friday 22nd June 2012 at recess time (an extra 5-10 mins will be allocated for the kids) the cost is \$2.50 for a cinnamon doughnut & frozen moozie.

Canteen

A canteen forum was held on Mon 14th May 2012, and some canteen volunteers and a staff member attended.

The new menus were discussed and there needs to be some adjustment to the menus to include more "green" healthy foods. The canteen wishes for the P & C committee to be involved.

A committee is to be established to work on a new menu.

A meeting date has been set for Tues 29th May 2012, 2.15pm at the meeting room. All welcome.

More volunteers are always welcome to the canteen.

Next P & C meeting is Tuesday 19th June 2012, 6pm in the school Library. All are most welcome.

If you cannot attend and you have an issue you would like raised, please put your concerns in writing addressed, Majida Mitchell, President P&C School Association.

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