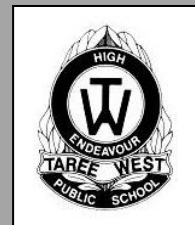


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Term 2 – Week 7

Tuesday, 5 June 2012

WHAT'S ON

Wednesday	6 June	ICAS Science Test
Friday	8 June	P & C Raffles Taree West Bowling Club
Thursday	14 June	Out of Uniform Day
Friday	15 June	End of Year Excursion Instalment due
Tuesday	19 June	ICAS Spelling Test
Thursday	21 June	End of Term Social
Tuesday	31 July	ICAS English Test
Tuesday	14 August	ICAS Maths Test
Sunday	16 September	School Fete
Every Monday		School Banking

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is with pride that I commend the staff and students on the success of the various programs and activities coordinated and undertaken last week. It was an action packed week, with a soccer knockout game, the K – 6 Athletics Carnival, a Year 4 -6 Choir Eisteddfod, a Year 5/6 Science Challenge Day and the Reconciliation Week celebrations with a special school assembly, BBQ and a whole school walk of recognition. The end of the week saw students and staff very happy, tired and looking forward to a restful weekend. I was also very proud of the behaviour of our students as they represented our school proudly and were acknowledged by many community members. Congratulations to our Choir who won the Highly Commended Award and the Encouragement Award and Gift Voucher at the Eisteddfod. Well done Girls and Mrs Jensen!

There are a number of activities also coordinated for this week including 2 Rugby games, a school visiting performance today - Adamoriginal, a Year 3-6 assembly on Thursday afternoon, and a

Student Representative Council meeting. A short assembly was held Monday morning to acknowledge the high quality art work entries by KG in a Sustainable Education competition coordinated by Mid Coast Water. Our school won first prize and was awarded a certificate and a Bunnings Voucher – Well done KG and Mrs Griffiths!

School Vandalism

Once again, over the weekend, our school grounds were damaged, building and posts were sprayed with graffiti and several gardens damaged. Parents and Community members are asked to please contact the school security unit on 1300 880 021 or Taree Police on 6552 0399 if you notice trespassers in the school at night, over weekends or during school holidays.

National Cyber Security Awareness Week

National Cyber Security Awareness Week runs from 12-15 June and aims to inform and empower everyone to stay safe online. The Federal Government's cyber safety website, www.staysmartonline.gov.au, provides tips and info on how not to fall victim to online crimes such as identity theft, fraud, phishing, scams and cons. There is also a section on smart socialising online as well as separate pages full of great advice for children and teens.

Also, check out School A to Z for plenty of technology info and the latest on cyber safety at:

www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cybersafety.

Health resources

Some great online resources to support your child with an existing or acute medical condition can be found at two Westmead Children's Hospital websites:

www.physicalasanything.com.au and

<http://kidshealth.schn.health.nsw.gov.au>.

For information sheets and updates on common childhood illnesses and current public health warnings go to the NSW Department of Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/index.asp.

Remember, in a life threatening emergency always dial 000 for an ambulance.

Donna Bensch

Principal

FACEBOOK

Facebook usage amongst our students continues to be a problem. Issues raised by parents include bullying, inappropriate posts and images that students may find offensive.

I would like to remind parents that in line with the facebook site policy any student under the age of 13 cannot have a facebook account.

This means that no students at our school should have a facebook account.

Parents and educators are able to request that accounts belonging to children under the age of 13 years be deleted.

I encourage all parents to visit the url www.facebook.com/help/parents and take appropriate action.

I appreciate the support of our parents in resolving this issue.

COMMUNICATION

Occasionally problems or issues can arise. It is often helpful to ask students if they have told a teacher or attended Sort and Talk prior to contacting the school. After all, if we don't know about a problem we can't solve it.

If students have done the above things and the problem is still evident the steps below can assist parents in finding a resolution to a problem in the most efficient way.

1. Speak to your child's teacher. Your child's teacher works with your child daily and is often the best equipped person to resolve any problems.
2. Speak to the Assistant Principal assigned to your child's stage. Kinder - Mrs Maree Cheney, Year 1 and 2 - Mrs Joy Redman, Year 3 and 4 - Mrs Kathy Jones, Year 5 and 6 - Mrs Julie Cockburn. Assistant Principals oversee the running of the grades outlined.
3. Speak to the Deputy Principal - Matthew Royan
4. Speak to our Principal - Donna Bensch

In our experience at least 90% of issues can be resolved at classroom teacher level. We encourage all parents to get to know their child's teacher. Research has proven that the better the partnership between teacher and parent the better the educational outcomes achieved by the child.

Have a great week!

M.Royan

Deputy Principal

RECONCILIATION WEEK ASSEMBLY AND COMMUNITY BBQ

Thank you to the many families and Community members who supported our Reconciliation Week Assembly and BBQ last Friday. Items presented by our Year 5/6 Singing Group and the students from Classes 2S and 2H made the event even more special.

All students had the opportunity to walk through our "Walk of Recognition" before the rain came. Unfortunately the display had to be dismantled before the assembly started but all the visitors had an opportunity to view a slideshow of pictures taken during the students' walk.

We would like to thank Aunty Barb Clarke (Biripi Elder) who presented the Welcome to Country and Tracey Anderson who gave an Acknowledgement to Country in language and shared a dreaming story with the assembly.

The focus of the week was to continue building strong, trusting and respectful relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and other Australians.



TWPS leaders who assisted with the running of the day

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY – THURSDAY 14 JUNE**Theme:** Colours**Cost:** Gold Coin Donation**END OF TERM SOCIAL – THURSDAY 21 JUNE****Theme:** Celebrities**Times/Cost:****K-2** 5.30pm - 6.30pm \$3.00 entry and a bottle of water**3-6** 6.30pm - 8.00pm \$4.00 entry and a bottle of water and packet of chips.**END OF YEAR EXCURSION PAYMENTS**

Just a reminder that the next Excursion Payment for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 is due by Friday 15th June 2012.

CHILDREN'S CONCERTS

Sinfonia Mid North Coast will be performing Prokofiev's PETER AND THE WOLF, with special guest dancers from Andrea Rowsell's Academy of Dance and Haydn's TOY SYMPHONY at Taree West Public School Hall. There will be two sessions held on Sunday 24 June at 1.30pm and 3.00pm.

Family tickets are \$10.00 and are available from Bass 'n' Blues Albert Street Taree.

Contact phone numbers: 6551 0292 or 6551 5067.

LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure all clothing and school bags/lunch bags are clearly labelled with your child's name. All items currently in lost property without a name will be given to charity this Friday.

HEALTHY TIPS**5 facts about kiwifruit**

1. Another name for them is Chinese Gooseberry
2. They come in green and gold varieties
3. Their brown skins are edible, however they can be tough so some people prefer to scoop out the flesh
4. They are a good source of Vitamin C
5. They are a perfect snack for Crunch&Sip*!

WINNERS OF NAME THE FETE 2012**“September Fest at Taree West”**

Won by: Lilly Border 5/6X



Pictured with Julie our Fete co-ordinator



Picture won by: Annika Scott KC



“A Date with Fete” won by: Sienna Thornton 1G

Congratulations to the three winners

Their prize is a certificate and 2 tickets to Fays Twin Cinemas each.

Thank you to all who entered the competition

TWPS fete committee” September Fest at Taree West”

2012 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Thank you to all the family and friends for attending the TWPS Annual Athletics Carnival this year. We were very lucky with the sunny weather and we all stayed dry.

The 5, 6 and 7 year olds all had a wonderful day with their 70m sprint, tabloid activities, picnic lunch and 70m final sprints. There were many smiles and great sporting efforts. The results for the 70m finals for each age and gender will be announced next week.

The 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12/13 year olds also had an enjoyable day. It may not look busy, but in the 4 ½ hours of competition, there were 56 competitive and 8 novelty events held. Unfortunately, there were three events that still need finalising due to lack of time. These will be sorted as soon as possible. When completed, announcements of event placing, individual age champions and champion house will take place.

Thank you to the P&C for running a BBQ and a canteen on the day.

They remained busy and we thank you for the support.

The Manning Zone Athletics Carnival will be held in Week 4 of Term 3.

The team will be determined by:

100m- The first three placings in each age group (8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13)

200m- The fastest two runners (Juniors (8, 9 & 10), 11, 12/13)

800m- The fastest two runners (Juniors (8, 9 & 10), 11, 12/13)

Shot Put, Long Jump and High Jump competitors will be selected if they achieved qualifying distances or heights. 8, 9 and 10 also compete as Juniors in these events.

Four relay teams (senior boys, senior girls, junior boys and junior girls) will also be formed by times from our athletics carnival.

Thank you for your patience and co-operation through this process.

Hunter Team Selection Success

Congratulations to Bree Pensini (Yr 4) on her selection into the Girls Hunter Touch Football Team after selection trials last week. This is a wonderful effort because she is only Year 4. We wish her and the rest of the Hunter Team success at the State Carnival.

CLASS AWARDS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
K/1C	Lincoln P	Damian B	Emily N
KB	Max P	Tora B	Jackson P
KC	Connor H	Ethan N	Georgia M
KG	Joshua C	Eve W	Sethe B
KH	Dwayne S	Mathew B	Chelsea M
1/2B	Jasiah C	Megan H	
1B	Ethan P	Sierra G	Bella W
1C	Liam B	Navren W	Sofia M
1G	Zoe M	Rylei M	Bailey T

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The workshop enrolment forms can be found on our website, contact page :)

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