

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 1 – Week 11

Tuesday, 9 April 2013

WHAT'S ON

Wednesday	10 April	Medallion Assembly and Grandparents Day 9:15am – 11:00am
Thursday	11 April	PBL Official launch – Fun Day
Last Day Term 1		
Friday	12 April	School Anzac service 9:30am K-2 Cross Country 12:00pm
Thursday	25 April	Taree RSL Anzac Day March – further information below
Wednesday	1 May	Term 2 commences for all students
Thursday	2 May	Taree and District Eisteddfod – Band and Guitar
Tuesday-Thursday	14-16 May	NAPLAN Assessments
Tuesday/Wednesday	28/29 May	Taree and District Eisteddfod - Choir

Principal's Report

This Friday is the final school day for Term 1 and the commencement of the April School Holidays. I would like to thank you for your support this term and hope that you enjoy the holidays with your children. Classes recommence for students on Wednesday 1 May 2013.

OOSH Commencement – Before and After School Care

The final processes are currently underway for the commencement, early next term, of the Before and After School Program at Taree West Public School. East Coast Child Care successfully tendered for the license to operate at our school site. If you would like to enquire about this service please contact Tom Dutton, OOSH Coordinator, on 0422 147 019 or via email on eastcoastchildcare@gmail.com

Staffing Changes for Term 2

I would like to congratulate Mr Royan, our Deputy Principal, as he will be the Principal at Taree Public School during Term 2. Mrs Linda Xerri will be relieving as our Deputy Principal and Mrs Jones as the Non Teaching Assistant Principal. Mrs Vanessa Frost will be the relieving Assistant Principal for Stage 3.

Mrs Wiseman has been transferred to Foster Public School therefore Mrs Shar Jensen will be the teacher on 5/6W (now 5/6S), Mrs Michelle Larbalestier will be the teacher on 5/6J (now 5/6L) and Ms Amy Bennett will be the teacher on KJ.

Mrs D Bensch

Principal

Principals Awards

Bailee Jobson 5-6W, Jack Stone 1-2R

CLASS AWARDS

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
K-1C	Jasinta B Ryder E	Riley B Riley B	Tora B Jessie H
KC	Tomas M Chloe S	Xanthia L Ciara W	Taisha B
KF	Nalani W Alicia E	Eric S Keanu Y	Armarlia W Lara W
KG	Benjamin W Kalim M	Lily A Mathew M	Xenae P Noah M
KJ	Jorja W Ava K	Mia D Laura W	Aleah B Ryan E
1-2R	Charlie K Roman A	Jack S Blake R	Sophie W Angel H
1B	Kaitlyn B Jaxon D	Tiah H Courtney G	Alyssa F Hunter M
1C	Alexander H Izaak M	Maddison O Connor H	Max P Madison L
1L	Eve W Rose M	Beau H Benjamin W	Declyn R Hannah D
2D	Cory W Hamish C	Bella W Sienna T	Connor O Taneha C
2H	Connor F Sofia M	Phoebe B Zoya H	Alex H Annie C

Reading Awards

Seth A 2H, Phoebe B 2H

K-Yr 6 Grandparents Day

Wednesday 10 April 2013 starting at 9.15am

Staff, students and the Community of TWPS invite all grandparents/or special 'older friend or relative' to Grandparents Day at TWPS.

- ✚ The day will commence with a K-6 medallion Assembly at 9:15am.
A special feature of the assembly will be a performance by the TWPS band.
- ✚ This will be followed by a P & C catered morning tea for grandparents or friend under the hall COLA.
- ✚ At 10:30am grandparents will be invited to join their grandchild in the classroom for reading activities.
- ✚ During the lunch break at 11:10am grandparents may join their grandchild for lunch and a visit to the library.

Please note: as not all grandparents will be able to visit the school on the day, those attending are encouraged to 'adopt a grandchild' if they see a child without a grandparent or special friend for the reading activities.

**PBL News**

On Thursday 11 April we are holding a **PBL Fun Day**. On the day students will come to school wearing one of the colours associated with our three values. We have allocated a colour for each stage:

*Care – **yellow** – Infants (K-2)

*Respect – **blue** – Stage 2 (Years 3-4)

*Responsibility – **green** – Stage 3 (Years 5-6)

As the day will involve physical activity, we ask that students wear a **shirt of the allocated colour and their sport shorts and joggers**.

The day will begin in the morning with students participating in a games session. We will come together for an assembly at **12:00pm in the hall**. We would like for you to join us for this. In this special assembly we will celebrate our successes with PBL, acknowledge our 'students of the week' and announce our winners of the PBL poster competition.

We look forward to seeing you at our special PBL assembly.

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

Our school ANZAC Day Ceremony will be held on Friday, 12 April at 9:30 am in our school hall. Our school leaders will coordinate the ceremony, with our school band opening the service. Our school singing group will be performing accompanied on the keyboard by one of our Year 6 students, Mitchell Brown. Parents and community members are very welcome to attend and anyone wishing to place a floral tribute may do so.

Anzac Day March – 25 April

Taree West Public School will be participating in the Taree RSL ANZAC Day March. Students are asked to meet Mrs Griffith and Mrs Xerri opposite the clock tower from 9.30am for a 10.00am start. Students are asked to come dressed in full school uniform.

K-2 Cross Country

The K-2 Cross Country will take place this **Friday 12th April commencing at 12:10pm**. All students in K-2 will be participating and are required to wear their sport uniform on the day.

Where: Taree West Public School Oval / Gully

When: Approximate Start Times:

12.10pm	5yr old Boys and Girls
12.20pm	6yr old Boys and Girls
12.30pm	7yr old Boys and Girls
12.40pm	8/9yr old Boys and Girls

Students will be assembled under the Hall COLA before and after their race.

What to wear/bring: School Sport uniform, Asthma Puffers and water bottles.

Please Note: If your child has exercise induced asthma please encourage them to have their puffer prior to the race. Due to recent wet weather it is highly likely that the grounds will be wet and muddy in places, so we encourage all students to bring along a spare pair of shoes and set of clothes.

Parents will be able to watch races from a designated area as parents are not permitted on the course. Any parent who wishes to take their child home after their race (prior to 3.10pm) must inform one of the supervising teachers and sign them out at the designated sign out table under the Hall COLA.

School Concert Band Performances

Our school concert band will be performing on Wednesday 10 April at our Medallion ceremony for our Grandparents as part of our Grandparents Day, in the school hall at 9:30am.

The school band will also be opening our school ANZAC service on Friday 12 April in our school hall starting at 9:15am.

Taree and District Eisteddfod 2013

This year we are very excited to have students performing at the Taree and District Eisteddfod in band and guitar. Students in the school band and guitar group will be performing on Thursday 2nd May. We have around 10 students in guitar and 10 students in the school concert band who will be representing our school. All of the students will need to bring their own instruments along to the performance. The students will be required to be at the Manning Entertainment centre by 8:45am. A permission note with all of the details of the event will be issued to the students this week.

We also have many students who will be participating in the choir section of the Eisteddfod. This will be held on the 28th and 29th of May. We will include further details of this event early next term.

Kindergarten Scripture

Kindergarten classes will be commencing Scripture (Christian) in Term 2. If you do not wish for your child to participate in this program, please contact your child's class teacher in writing.

Introducing Our Focus on Reading Teachers



Vanessa Frost and Jodie Stone

Community Advertisements

Interrelate – all about relationships

Interrelate is running the following group in May
Parents not Partners – a 6 session program for separated parents who are in conflict over children. Focused on helping you manage conflict with the other parent to bring positive outcomes for your children.

Dates: Thursday May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and June 6

Time: 10am – 1pm

Cost: \$25 or \$15 for concession

Family Fun with Fiddler at the Library

Celebrated cultural historian Warren Fahey AM, and famous fiddler Mark Oats, will perform a fun family-friendly show at Taree Library, Wednesday 10 April 2013 from 6 pm to 7pm.

See Warren Fahey AM, and Mark Oats bring Australian history to life in this family-friendly concert by phoning 6592 5290.

Cost is \$6 per person and includes light refreshments from 5.30pm.

For more information, please contact Danielle Old, Events Coordinator on 6592 5390 or danielle.old@gtcc.nsw.gov.au

Greater Taree City Libraries

April School Holiday Program

Drama Workshop, Let's Get Crafty and a Movie Screening

Call your local library for further details.

Taree Library - 6592 5290

Wingham Library - 6553 4555

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER!

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Japan, the U.S.A and Canada will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Call your local coordinator, Dianne Aham on: 0429 406 126 for more information.



How does your garden grow?

How does your garden grow is a FREE 3 hour gardening workshop for parents and children.

Participants will learn basic gardening skills, sustainability, and healthy nutrition all whilst enjoying fun and quality time together.

Free craft activity and goody bag for children

When: Wednesday, 17 April or Tuesday, 23 April 2013

Time: 10am—1pm (Morning tea provided)

Where: Manning Support Services 78 Wynter St, Taree

Please contact Manning Support Services reception for further information on 02 65511800



Kids in the Kitchen

Kids in the kitchen is a FREE 3 hour cooking workshop for parents and children.

Participants will learn basic cooking skills, garden to plate, and healthy nutrition all whilst enjoying fun and quality time together.

Free craft activity and goody bag for children

When: Thursday, 18 April or Wednesday, 24 April 2013

Time: 10am—1pm (Lunch provided)

Where: Parkside Building, Fotheringham Park Victoria St, Taree

Please contact Manning Support Services reception for further information on 02 65511800