

# Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 2 – Week 3

Tuesday, 14 May 2013

## WHAT'S ON

Tuesday-Thursday	14-16 May	NAPLAN Assessments Yr 3 & Yr 5
Friday	17 May	Yrs 3-6 Assembly 2:00pm
Monday-Wednesday	20/21/22 May	Water Catchment Model Demonstration
Tuesday	21 May	ICAS Computer skills test
Thursday	23 May	NAIDOC orders and payment due
Friday	24 May	Yr 5-6 Camp instalment due K-2 Assembly 2:00pm hosted by 2H TWPS P&C Raffles – Taree West Bowling Club
Tuesday	28 May	Taree and District Eisteddfod – <b>Choirs</b> <b>Yrs K-2 start 10:00am</b> <b>Yrs 3-4 start 11:30am</b>
Wednesday	29 May	Taree and District Eisteddfod – <b>Choir</b> <b>Yrs 5-6 start 10:00am</b>
Thursday	30 May	Mid North Coast Science & Engineering Challenge – Year 6 8.45am – 3.00pm
Friday	31 May	TWPS Sports Carnival

## Principals Awards

Riley B K-1C, Jessie Mc 2H

## Class Awards

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
<b>K-1C</b>	Loujane D	Taylor W	Leah B
<b>KC</b>	Adam B	Lincoln B	Alicia R
<b>KF</b>	Kan K	Reece M	Toby A
<b>KG</b>	Zayne S	Ramsay C	Elijah R
<b>KJ</b>	Zayden M	Hailey U	Aleaha B
<b>1-2R</b>	Charlie K	Roman A	Joshua G
<b>1B</b>	Jasmine H	Andrew Mc	Breanna C
<b>1C</b>	Amelie Mc	Alex H	Destiny P
<b>1L</b>	Ethan N	Amber S	Hannah W
<b>2D</b>	Connor O	Ebony B	Bailey T
<b>2H</b>	Zack H	Nathan P	Lillianah W

## Reading Awards

Bella A KG, William E KG, Deegan A 1C, Lillian Mc 1C, Amelie Mc 1C, Georgia M 1C, Rose M 1L, Annika S (x2) 1-2R, Seth A 2H

## Principal's Report

### NAPLAN testing this week

The annual National Assessment Program testing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 has commenced today and will continue on Wednesday and Thursday. Students who have been absent will have the opportunity to sit missed exams on Friday this week. It is very important that all Year 3 and 5 students make a very big effort to be here on time every morning this week so that they are relaxed and calm for the commencement of the test. If your child is absent and is unable to sit one of the exams please contact the school office.

Students are tested nationally as follows - Tuesday in writing and language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation), on Wednesday in reading and on Thursday in numeracy.

For more information including FAQs, a parent brochure and past results, go to: [www.nap.edu.au/](http://www.nap.edu.au/).

## Parent Parking

Parents and community members are reminded that they are not permitted to stop or park in either staff car park of a morning or afternoon when dropping off or picking up students. This is a Work Health and Safety issue and significantly compromises the safety of students and staff.

## P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will take place on Tuesday 21 May in the school Library. Parents and community members are welcome to attend.

## NAIDOC

To support NAIDOC week and provide awareness of the importance of culture, diversity and respect for each other, TWPS families are invited to purchase NAIDOC Week Respect Band packs and items through our school, as per note sent home last week.

Orders and correct payments should be handed to classroom teachers and must be received by **Thursday 23 May**.

Unfortunately no orders can be accepted after this date.

## Head Lice

There has been an outbreak of head lice within the school.

Please check hair regularly to prevent infestation.

**Symptoms:** Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hair; lice may be found on the scalp.

**Treatment:** There are a number of treatments available, for best results please speak to your local pharmacy. A recommended treatment of conditioner and fine tooth combing over a two week period also has good results.

## Excursions

Our **Yr 3-4** camp has been booked and will take place from Monday 21 October – Wednesday 23 October. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit should now have been paid to confirm seat. Below is a payment schedule for remainder due:

Friday 14 June	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 19 July	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 16 August	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 13 September	<b>\$35</b>

Our **Yr 5-6** camp has also been booked and will take place from Wednesday 30 October – Friday 1 November. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit should be paid to the school office by Friday 24 May. Below is a payment schedule:

Friday 24 May	<b>\$50</b> non-refundable deposit
Friday 14 June	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 19 July	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 2 August	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 23 August	<b>\$50</b>
Friday 13 September	<b>\$50</b>

**Every child in Yrs 5-6 must return the permission note and indicate whether or not they will be attending the excursion. For those attending, permission notes will not be accepted without \$50.00 deposit.**

## Grip Leadership Conference

On Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2013, the school leaders headed to Forster to the leader's conference. It was great fun and we learnt a lot about being the best leaders possible for our school.

Hunter Willett and Hannah Hartup

## PBL News

### PBL Focus Rule

Our focus rule for this week is: **Sit quietly**. It is expected that when students line-up in the morning and after each break, that they sit quietly. This allows teachers to quickly give messages and instructions. Classes can then go back to their rooms and begin their lessons promptly. Our SRC will be giving out Eagle tokens to students who are sitting quietly in lines and in assemblies.

### PBL Classes of the Week:

Congratulations to **5/6M** who earned the title of this week's **Primary PBL Class of the Week** by a convincing margin.

Our **Infants PBL Class of the Week** is **KG**! Congratulations!

### Students of the Week

PBL Infants Student of the Week: **Breanna Colvin 1B**



PBL Primary Student of the Week: **Gryphon Shepherd 5/6L**



Last term our 'Students of the Week' enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea. Mrs Bensch and I are already looking forward to the afternoon tea with this term's 'Students of the Week'. If you receive an Eagle token, it could be you!

Ms Cooper  
PBL Coordinator

### Water Catchment Model Demonstration



On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Week 4 we are fortunate to have Kirsty Hughes, the Waterwatch/Catchment Officer from MidCoast Water visiting our school. Kirsty will be presenting the interactive water catchment model to the students K-6 with assistance from Year 6 students. Students will gain an insight into how a water catchment works, how to care for our

environment, water sustainability in the environment, erosion and sediment control. The model is based on the Wallis Lake catchment.

### Introducing TWPS Administrative Staff



Mel Turner, Mandy Small, Sharon Smith

### Community Advertisements

Free fun program for kids to become healthier, fitter and happier!

The Go4Fun program is a FREE healthy lifestyle program for children 7-13 yrs who are above their healthy weight or who would benefit from a healthy lifestyle program. The program runs for 10 wks after school hrs in a variety of community locations. Term 3 programs planned for the Greater Taree area will be running every Tuesday and Thursday from 3.30 – 5.30 at Physiotherapy Network, 2 Potoroo Dr Taree NSW 2430

Sessions include:

- ☐ Games and activities for kids
- ☐ Fun and effective ways to improve your child's self esteem, nutrition and physical activity
- ☐ Demonstrations and tips on healthy foods, label reading and portion sizes
- ☐ A fun supermarket tour

To register for the program or to find out more information, free call 1800 780 900 or register online at [www.mendcentral.org](http://www.mendcentral.org), or contact Jane or Rebekah at Physiotherapy Network on 6551 0055.

### Cartooning Program

Coming to Taree, the first ever cartooning program in the area for local children.

**When:** Sat May 18th - Sun May 19<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Chatham High School, St Vincent & Davis Streets, Taree

**Cost: Short Day:** \$30.00 per child per day (9.30am - 3.30pm) Most of the activities listed in the brochure take place within the Short Day.

**Long Day:** \$35.00 per child per day (8.00am - 6.00pm or part thereof) Long Day is a service we provide for those families that are working or for children that want to do more activities. All the activities listed in the brochure will take place within the Long Day.

**Night Camp:** \$20.00 (6.00pm - 9.00pm) Saturday night

**Enquiries:**

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