

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 4 – Week 3

Tuesday, 27 October 2015

WHAT'S ON

Thursday	29 October	Music Count Us In. Combined school song performances in school hall
Friday	30 October	K-2 assembly 2:00pm in hall hosted by 1-2H
Tuesday	3 November	Hot Dog day
Thursday	5 November	Stage 1 Wingham Brush & Museum visit
Monday- Friday	9-20 November	Swim School year 2 students
Monday	16 November	Kinder 2016 Parent information session
Wednesday	18 November	P&C meeting
Wednesday	2 December	Power of One Mentor morning tea
Thursday	10 December	Presentation Day Assembly K-2 – 10:00am 3-6 – 12:00pm
Friday	11 December	School Volunteers thank you morning tea Glowstick night
Monday	14 December	Yr 6 Farewell Reports home

Principal's Report

I would like to congratulate and commend all of our Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 students who represented our school community so proudly at their camps this week. The behaviour of each child was exemplary. I am so proud that there was not one reported behaviour concern. The children and teachers came home very happy and just a little exhausted. Well done to all of you - I am a very proud principal!

External School Validation – School Excellence Framework

Our school has been selected to undertake a pilot of an external school validation process against the Department of Education's School Excellence Framework. The framework supports all NSW public schools in their pursuit of excellence by providing clear descriptions of the key elements of high quality practice across the three domains of learning, teaching and leading. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school as it will provide a very clear evaluation of our strengths and directions for the future. This process will take place over the next 3 weeks.

School Swimming Program

The Intensive Swimming Program will be running for 2 weeks from Monday 9th to Friday 20th November for all Year 2 students at a cost of \$60. The program combines intensive swimming lessons with water safety activities, making it great value especially in the lead up to summer holidays. Secure a place for your child by returning their permission note and payment to their classroom teacher this week.

Donna Bensch

Principal

Principals Awards

Phoebe Barkwill 3-4B, Matilda Munro 3-4K



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ENVIROMENTORS VISIT 2015 AT TAREE WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

This term we were fortunate to have the EnviroMentors visit over a 2 day period. The visit was funded by Greater Taree City Council and Keep NSW Beautiful.

Students in K-2 participated in environmental workshops about "Catchment Action".

Students role-played the harmful activities carried out by characters in a catchment story. After observing the effects these actions had on water quality and biodiversity, students brainstormed environmentally friendly practices to protect our fragile waterways.

The 3D interactive catchment model was a fascinating part of each presentation.

The students were engaged and enjoyed the learning experience. The workshop was an excellent reminder of how we can protect our waterways and neighbouring environments.

2G's EnviroMentor Presentation

On Tuesday my class went to the hall to learn about water. **Alicia**

There was only one EnviroMentor and her name was Caitlin. **Connor**

My favourite part was when we got to touch a model of our environment. **Lily**

At the EnviroMentors we talked about saving water. **Noah C**

We were taught not to throw rubbish into our rivers, beaches and oceans. **Hope**

We heard a story about pollution. **Nelly**

There was a tank. We had to put rubbish, milk, dirt, mud, a cigarette and weed spray in it to see what happens. **Natalie**

Some people that played the characters got to pour things into a tank to see what happens. **Taylor**

We read a book that was about water. There were about 20 characters in the book. **Khya**

We got to touch the model. **Judah**

Representative Sport Shirts

A number of our Rep shirts have not yet been returned to the school.

All Sport Rep shirts are to be returned to Mr Uwland ASAP.

PBL News

Our PBL rule this fortnight - **walking sensibly in two straight lines.**



The Great Aussie Bush Camp – Stage 2

Congratulations to all the Year 3 & 4 students who attended camp last week. Behaviour over the three days was excellent and every student seemed to have had a wonderful time. The camp instructors thought our students were great and the teachers who attended camp found it a joy to witness every student getting involved with the activities, even the ones that challenged comfort zones. Student self-confidence and self-reliance was seen to grow over the three days and everyone is better for having had the experience. Well done to all!

D. Kingsland – coordinator

Ethics Classes in 2016

Ethics classes have been run successfully at Taree West Public for Stage 2 and 3 children for the last two terms and will continue in 2016. We would like to offer Ethics classes in 2016 to Stage 1 students (Years 1 and 2) as an option for children who do not attend Special Religious Education (SRE) / Scripture.

For the classes to commence for Stage 1 at least 2 more volunteers are needed as teachers for each class. You will be trained and given all required information to run the classes effectively. All you need is an inquiring mind, an interest in inspiring and listening to young people and around an hour a week.

For more information about Primary Ethics including our curriculum, or if you would like to volunteer as an Ethics Teacher at the school please go to www.primaryethics.com.au. Alternatively you can contact Kelly Kingsley Wilson by email: tareewest.primaryethics@gmail.com or phone 0421 813 023.

Community Advertisements**Taree West Public School Playgroup****Wingham Rd, Taree 2430****Monday 9.30 – 11.30am****in the school hall.****For further information please contact Leanne****0418 237 775****Manning Valley OOSH 2015 @ Taree West Public**

Before School: 6:30am – 9am
After School: 3pm – 6:30pm
Vacation Care: 7am – 6pm

Full fee before school – \$10
Full fee after school – \$17
Full fee vacation care – \$42

Enrolling is Easy!! Casual and on the day bookings accepted!!
Pay as little as \$0 Before School Care \$2.05 After School Care and \$3.65 Vacation care, with Centrelink percent at 100%

Kerrie@eastcoastchildcare.com.au Kerrie- 0499258875

Self-Defence for Women

In support of the Taree Women's Refuge, local Martial Arts club, Fudoshin Budo Ryu, will be hosting a self-defence class for women to raise funds for the ongoing costs of the centre.

Saturday, October 31st

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

\$20.00 pp

Spaces limited, bookings essential

For more information or to book, contact Haley on

043 899 6789

The class will be conducted by Fudoshin Budo Ryu Head Instructor,

Graeme Dunning, assisted by students of his senior class.

All proceeds will be donated to the Taree Women's Refuge.

**PORT MACQUARIE TRIATHLON CLUB****Enriched Health Care-****Camden Haven Triathlon Festival****21st and 22nd of November 2015**

For entry forms and fees visits www.portmactriclub.com.au
or contact Nathan Pensini on 0402068186

Saturday 21st of November

1km ocean swim --12pm(15 y/o and over)

LUSC junior aquathlon (6-10 yr olds) and triathlon (11- 15 yr old)-
From 1pm

A bike to be won as a random prize

Sunday 22nd of November- 7am start

Enriched Health Care senior triathlon –
600m swim/28 bike/6.5km run

Over \$3000 combined in prize money and random draw prizes

Taree Public School**Celebrating 150 years**

The Taree Public School community invite you to join us for the celebration of our 150th year anniversary on Friday 6 November 2015.

The open day will commence at 10am on Friday 6 November and historical displays will also be available to view on Saturday 7

November.

Please RSVP by Friday 30 October

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Free Discover Sailing

Sunday 25th October 2015
From 10am

Sailo's
Taree Aquatic Club Macquarie
Street Taree

Discover Sailing Days are FREE to attend. We look forward to welcoming you and showing you how fun, safe, accessible, and affordable sailing is.

Discover Sailing Day is a fantastic way to have a great day out with your family. Children and adults of all ages can participate.

All boats and safety equipment are provided by the Club. A sausage sizzle will also be available on the day.



For more information contact
Cassie Cause
Junior Sailing Instructor
0428222018



Taree Cycles

Free workshops for kids U13

How to change a bike tyre

By the end of the workshop
kids will know the importance of
taking the bike off the road and
finding a safe place in the shade to do the job.
They will know everything they need to know
to complete the tube change

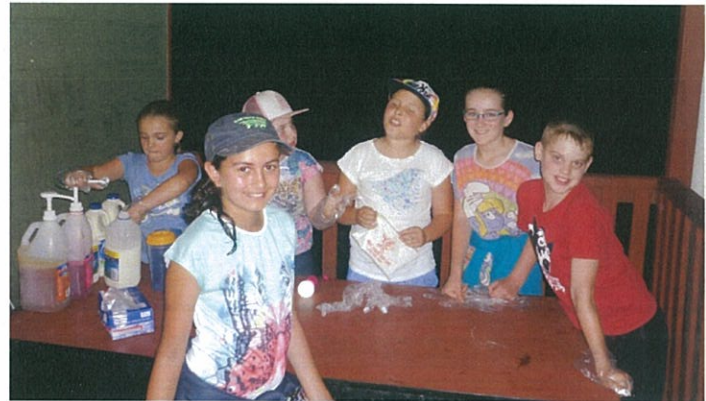
Bring your own bike and gear
Parents welcome too

We are targeting kids 13 and under
Under 10-year-olds will need a parent to accompany them.

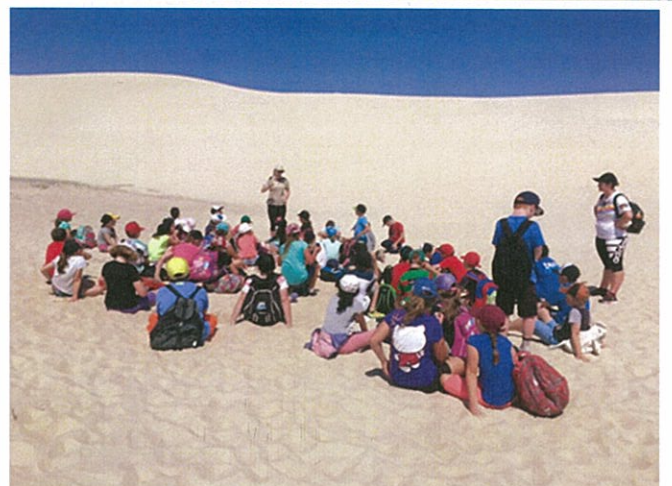
Workshop at Taree Cycles will be at
4.30pm on Monday 9 November

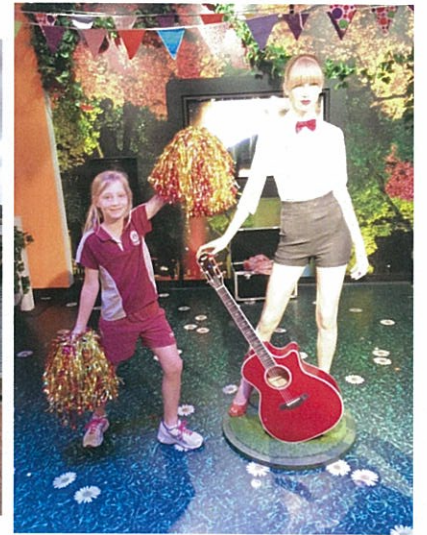
Workshop at Foster Cycles will be at
4.30pm on Tuesday 10 November

To book your place call 6557 7774



**Great Aussie
Bush Camp**





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