

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 4 – Week 5

Tuesday, 8 November 2016

WHAT'S ON

Monday-Thursday	7–10 November	First classroom visit for Kindergarten 2017 students
Monday-Friday	7-18 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming
Thursday	17 November	PBL Fun Day
Friday	18 November	Library visit for Kindergarten 2017 students
Monday	21 November	Kindy 2017 Parent Information session – 5-6pm in Library
Monday-Thursday	21-24 November	Second classroom visit for Kindy 2017 students
Wednesday	23 November	Disco K-2 6:00pm 3-6 7:00pm
Tuesday	29 November	Hot Dog day
Monday-Thursday	5-8 December	Third classroom visit for Kindy 2017 students
Tuesday	6 December	Taree HS Year 7 transition
Thursday	8 December	Presentation Day
Friday	9 December	Glowstick night
Monday	12 December	Yr 6 Farewell

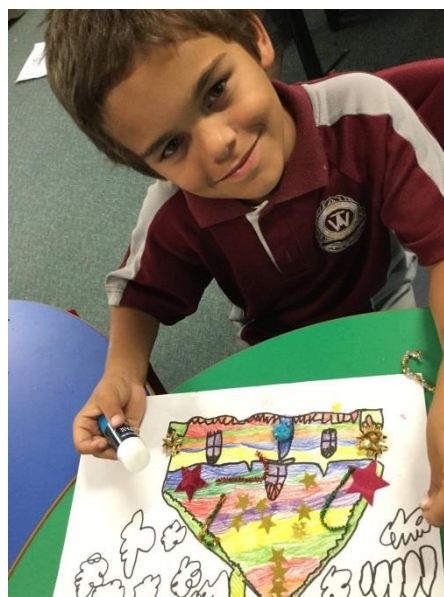
Principal's Report

What an incredibly busy week we have planned for many of our students this week. On Monday we started the ten day Year 2 Intensive Swimming Program. We also had 30 Stage Two students participate in a video conference with author Paul Jennings and thousands of students from across NSW. The first group of our 2017 Kindergarten students attended an orientation day with the remaining to attend throughout this week. This Thursday we will also be holding our mid-term Reward Day for students who have demonstrated our School Values of Respect, Responsibility and Care.

On behalf of the school, I would also like to apologise to parents, carers and community members who were inconvenienced last week by the closure of our school's back gate due to building works. We appreciate your understanding that this closure was necessary to ensure students' and visitor's safety. The works have been completed and the gate will be open of a morning and afternoon as per usual.

Joy Redman

Relieving Principal



Talen 2M working on his Gingerbread House artwork



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Biripi Medical Screening

To all parents/carers of Aboriginal students - Biripi Medical screenings took place at our school today. The medical team will be returning next Tuesday for the final group of students. Please return any outstanding permission notes for your child to have their hearing, eyesight and teeth checked if not previously returned.

Please contact the school if you require a new note.

National Water Week at Taree West 2016

As part of National Water Week 2016, students from Taree West Public School were given the opportunity to participate in a colouring competition K-2 or a poster competition for Years 3-6 organised by Mid Coast Water.

I was amazed at the number of students that participated in the competitions. There were over 200 entries from memory. 23 lucky students from our school were presented with their prizes donated by Mid Coast Water, last Wednesday during "WHIZZY the WATERDROP's" visit to our school. Prize winners were able to come on stage and shake hands with WHIZZY.

Anthea and Peter, WHIZZY's helpers spoke to the children about the ways in which they can help save water, reduce use of one use only plastic bottles, and raising an awareness of the value of water.

During this year's presentation, the students were shown a very new, interesting and informative power point presentation about "Choose the Tap". Ask your child if they remember what WHIZZY taught them..... "CLAP, CLAP choose the TAP".

Did you know that a 500ml bottle of water costs about \$3.00 in a shop compared to one thousand litres of tap water? Our tap water costs \$3.15 per thousand litres.

The students enjoyed their "Water Week 2016" and we appreciated hosting WHIZZY's visit.

Mrs Griffith



Happy 10th Birthday - Music: Count Us In

Throughout Terms 3 and 4, Taree West Public School students have been enthusiastically practising the 2016 theme song titled 'Let It Play'. This was in preparation for the song's final delivery which was held last Thursday, 3rd November at 12:30pm.

"Music: Count Us In" is a fantastic program that celebrates music education in Australian schools. The special part about the program is that all students across the nation sing the song at exactly the same time as over half a million other students all around the country!

This year we all celebrated the program's 10 year anniversary.

This years' program ended with each class singing the much loved song in their classrooms. Some classes were able to join up and sing along together. The 2016 MCUI Program Song was written and recorded by a group of primary and secondary school students from all across Australia.

Timeline - TWPS leadership elections for 2017

Student nominations begin Thursday week 4 and continue until Thursday week 5 ...10/11/16. Students may nominate themselves or another student. If they agree, all nominated students will receive a form to ensure teacher and parent support which need to be returned to school no later than Thursday 10/11/16.

All nominations close Thursday Week 5.....10/11/16

Thursday week 5.... 10/11/16 - Year 5 voting. At this point the 16 students – 8 boys and 8 girls with the most votes will proceed to the next level which is the 3-6 assembly where voting will be for the 2017 captains and vice captains– all others will become prefects.

3-6 assembly.... 16 speeches week 7 ...25/11/16

Parents of successful candidates for captains and vice captains will be advised and invited to attend presentation assembly.

Students notified of positions on presentation day when the captains and vice are announced. The other 12 students will prefects and form the Cabinet in the TWPS Parliament where they will each be responsible for a particular portfolio.

2C - Rubber Band Banjo experiment

I predict that the plastic cup and the rubber band would make a low note when I plucked it.

I stretched the rubber band over the cup and put the cup against my ear on the small end. I heard a low fast note like a guitar.

I thought it would make a low note and it did.

By

Isaac Jacobs, 2C



I predict that the rubber band will make a loud plucky noise.

I stretched the rubber band over the cup from top to bottom. It made a plucking boing noise.

I was really excited to hear what the sound was, it was like a guitar.

By

Imogen Maynard, 2C

Yr 2 Intensive Swimming

This week our year 2 students started their Intensive Swimming Scheme. Here are some photos of students during their water safety activities.



PBL

Infants Student of the Week: **Julius Case 1C**

Infants Class of the Week: **1C**



Primary Student of the Week: **Kyeisha McGrath-McLeod 5-6M**

Primary Class of the Week: **3-4B**

Community Advertisements

Manning Valley OOSH 2015 @ Taree West Public

Before School: 6:30am – 9am	Full fee before school – \$10
After School: 3pm – 6:30pm	Full fee after school – \$17
Vacation Care: 7am – 6pm	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%

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Crafty news

At **Craftathon Craft Show**, McDonalds Taree are sponsoring a free colouring in competition for all kids who attend the show. Each child who enters will receive a gift from McDonalds, and winners will receive a prize.

Plenty for Mum and Dad to see at the show as well.

Craftathon 2016 Club Taree Auditorium

19 & 20 November 2016

Sat 10am – 4pm.....Sun 10am – 3pm.

Admission \$5, kids under 12 FREE (with an adult)

All enquiries – Gail – 0416 078 429



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- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact John Edwards, Saver Plus Coordinator
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