

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 3 – Week 4

Tuesday, 8 August 2017

WHAT'S ON

Wednesday	9 August	Girls Basketball-Maitland School Social K-2 – 6pm – 7pm \$3 3-6 – 7pm – 8:30pm \$4
Thursday	10 August	Boys Basketball-Maitland Girls touch football knockout - Taree
Friday	11 August	Regional Athletics- Glendale, Newcastle
Friday	18 August	Final Camp payment due for all camps. Boys Soccer Gala Day- Wingham Boys & Girls Hockey- Taree
Monday	21 August	Book Week Literacy & Numeracy week Book Fair
Tuesday	22 August	P&C Hot Dog day
Wednesday	23 August	P&C meeting 6pm
Friday	25 August	Book Parade Daffodil Day – wear yellow/flower
Thursday	31 August	Father's Day stall

Principal's Report

Taree West School OPEN DAY

We had a wonderful day at our Open Day on Saturday. It was a great opportunity for us to meet so many of our new students and families. The excitement and smiles on the faces of the children as they explored their new school was delightful.

It was so good to have members of our school P&C available to provide parents with lots of information, cakes and a cuppa. Our school OOSH also provided great information about their services and did an awesome job with face painting.

It was also great to have so many staff available on a Saturday to eagerly share information about our school and our programs and successes. We had a great time and hope that all of our visitors did too!



Student Learning Meetings

Invitations were sent home last week with every student for the learning meetings. Our aim is to ensure that every parent/carer attends a meeting with their child and their teacher during this term. If you haven't received a personal invitation and booking details, from your child, about the learning meetings, please contact your child's class teacher or the school office.

We look forward to seeing you all at the learning meetings.



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Our School Facebook Page

Please find us and like us on our school Facebook page. We often share photos and information with our school community.

Donna Bensch
Principal

Class Awards

Class	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award	Class Award
3-4B	Taylah B	Sommer A	Xavier L	Dylan R
3-4H	Jasmine W	Jackson W	Archer S	Xenae P
3-4M	Amelia A	Kan K	Imogen M	Wade B
3-4S	Igor G	Lachlan P	Abbey T	Kasey J
3-4T	Paige T	Sam M	Takian K	Sam D
5-6B	Tiah H	Bella D	Jasinta B	Hannah D
5-6L	Sethe B	Jonmia R	Sofia M	Tyree H
5-6N	Sophie W	Gabe M	Elsa W	Bailey D
5-6S	Haylie M	Julian H	Lillianah W	Seth C
5-6U	Cooper H	Brydan S	Emma D	Grace J

Camp Reminder

Due to a change in our finance system, **ALL** camp payments are to be paid in full to the office no later than Friday 18 August.

PBL

Infants Class of the Week: **KM**

Infants Student of the Week: **Miranda Hammond 1S**

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

Primary Student of the Week: **Clairah Sadler 3-4H**

**Spelling Bee**

Congratulations and well done to our Stage 2 & Stage 3 Spelling Bee school finalists - Annie Chen and Gabe Martin, both from 5/6N, and Lily McNeil 3/4H and Taylah Brown of 3/4B.

The finalists will now go on to compete at the Regional level at the end of Term 3.

Both competitions were very exciting and our spellers were exceptional.

We are very proud of all of the class finalists who participated in the school finals. A wonderful effort was witnessed by all students!

**Congratulations Riley**

Riley Brown from our school band has received an invitation to play percussion with the Hunter Wind Ensemble in Newcastle. This is a Dept of Education endorsed music ensemble where he will represent Taree West Public School. Only the best musicians are accepted and he will be among the three youngest members. Congratulations Riley, we are so very proud of you.



Taree West PS Sport

PSSA Knockouts

Congratulations to the continuing success of our sporting knockout teams in netball, touch football, hockey and basketball. They have been successful in all their matches so far and are moving into the business end of their draws. All the teachers accompanying the teams this year are extremely proud of the sportsmanship and skills shown by our students. It is always a pleasure to be a part of a school that conducts themselves admirably on and off the field. Also, thank you to all the parents who have supported the school and our student's extra curricula activities. It is truly appreciated.

Parents can view the up-coming draw and further information on the NSW PSSA Knockout website.

Individual Trialists

It has been a very busy year with our individual trialists making numerous Hunter Regional Teams.

Congratulations to the following students for achieving Hunter representation in the following sports:

Hunter Regional Team Basketball: **Taya Hunter, Annika Scott and Navren Willett**

Hunter Regional Team Hockey: **Taya Hunter, Lillianah Williams, Kurt Walters**

Hunter Regional Team League: **Navren Willett, Josh Hopkins**

Hunter Regional Union: **Navren Willett**

Hunter Touch Team: **Josh Hopkins, Kurt Walters, Taya Hunter, Samira Mitchell & Navren Willett**

Regional Cross Country: **Josh Hopkins, Zane Hopkins & Taya Hunter**

Some of these students then went on to be selected into State Teams. This is a truly amazing achievement.

Congratulations to:

Navren Willett: State NSW League

Kurt Walters: Touch Football

We are extremely proud how our school is represented by these students and enjoy being able to offer extra-curricular opportunities for their skills.

Zone Athletics Carnival

Good luck to all the TWPS representatives heading to Tuncurry on Friday at the Zone Athletics Carnival.

Mr Umland

Children's Book Week Week 6 – Term 3

Once again we have the fantastic opportunity to celebrate Children's Book Week and to appreciate the wonderful talents of our Australian authors and illustrators. Our Book Week theme this year is:



We have already begun to look at the shortlisted books in class and many children have already picked a favourite in "Go Home, Cheeky Animals!" by Johanna Bell and Dion Beasley. We will continue our book week celebrations with a **Book Fair** on **Friday 25th August**, where a selection of books will be available for sale. Books usually range from \$5 - \$25 and every purchase helps our school collect valuable resources for our Library. As with previous years the Library will be open from **8:30am – 9:30am** and **2:30pm – 3:30pm** on sale day for families to come and purchase from the Book Fair, students will be able to purchase with their class throughout the day.

Also on **Friday 25th August** we will celebrate with a **Book Character Parade**, where students are welcome to come dressed in their favourite character costumes. Students are welcome to pick a character that they love or think about the theme 'Escape to Everywhere with Books'.

Thank you in advance for all your support during this really exciting time of year.

Lucy Legge

Teacher Librarian

Tips for Helping your Child with Writing

To help your child with early spelling;

You can help your children learn how to spell by:

- Ask your child to tell you a story. Write it down, then help them read it to you every day. This will help your child understand that words don't change.
- Each day, read books that have only one or two lines on the page.
- Buy a dictionary of first words and use it together.
- Give them writing materials.
- Have your child practise writing letters and hang up their paper where they will see it each day.
- Use playdough to make letters.
- Have your child trace the shape of letters using their finger on sandpaper. The feel of the letter will help them to remember.
- Provide chalk and chalkboard.
- Encourage your child when they try to write their name. You can also write their name and ask them to copy it.
- Give your child lots of encouragement when they try to write.
- Be ready to write words for your child to copy when they ask.

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2017 Opening times and Daily full fees

Before school: 6.30am – 9.00am Full Fee \$13

After school: 3.00pm – 6.30pm Full Fee \$17

Vacation Care: 7.00am – 6.00pm Full Fees \$50

***Centrelink rebates do apply**

Enrolling is Easy!! Casual and on the day bookings accepted!!

- Healthy nutritional Meals provided.
- Hot breakfast Thursdays and Fridays
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- Afternoon homework program
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If you've ever thought about making a difference in a child's life, come along to one of our information sessions.

Uniting Foster Care information session:

Taree – 11 August, 6:30pm

Manning Valley Visitors Information Centre

21 Manning River Drive, Taree

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