

# Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 3 – Week 6

Monday, 21 August 2017

## WHAT'S ON

|           |              |  |
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| Wednesday | 23 August    | <b>P&amp;C meeting 6pm</b>                             |
| Friday    | 25 August    | Book Parade<br>Daffodil Day – wear<br>yellow/flower    |
| Wednesday | 30 August    | Band day Tinonee P.S                                   |
| Thursday  | 31 August    | Father's Day stall                                     |
| Thursday  | 7 September  | Taree HS Yr 6 to 7<br>Transition day at High<br>School |
| Monday    | 11 September | Girls' Basketball State<br>Finals - Bathurst           |
| Tuesday   | 12 September | Hockey State Finals -<br>Narellan                      |



## Principal's Report

I will be commencing 4 weeks long service leave this Friday to travel to Alaska, Canada and other areas of the USA. During my leave, Mrs Linda Xerri will be relieving as Principal and Mrs Jenny Stockdale will be relieving as Deputy Principal. I will return to school at the beginning of Term 4.

## Student Numbers

We have had a significant increase in student enrolment numbers this term which is wonderful. We have welcomed 14 new students to our school so far with another 2 students due to commence in the next few weeks. We offer a very warm welcome to all of our new families.

## Student Learning Meetings

Our aim is to ensure that every parent/carer attends a meeting with their child and their teacher during this term. Please remember to book in for a meeting with your child's teacher. 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.

## Influenza within our school community

We have had a number of reports from parents today that several children have Influenza A, with a couple of them requiring hospitalisation. We ask that if your child is sick please keep them home until they are well, at least 24 hours after their fever resolves. Encourage your child to cover their face when they cough or sneeze and to wash their hands thoroughly and often. Symptoms include: fever and chills, cough, sore throat, runny nose, muscle aches, joint pains, fatigue, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea.

### System Changes

A new State-wide computer software platform will be operational in our school by 4 September. This operating system is a major reform for all schools across NSW public schools and has therefore required significant training for myself and two of our administrative staff over the past term. The system comes with many new features and, as with all new systems, a few glitches. Money cannot be receipted at the school from Monday 28 August to after the operational day on 4 September. Almost all of our current operating systems in the school will be replaced so we ask for your patience and understanding whilst we build our familiarity, iron out the glitches and build our competency.

### 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  | Aaliyah K   | Eric S      | Tom M       | Lilly E     |
| 3-4H  | Jordan F    | Joel T      | Jessica M   | Charntae L  |
| 3-4M  | Xavier H    | Sam M       | Kan K       | Toby A      |
| 3-4S  | Jermaine D  | Taylor W    | Nash T      | Khye A      |
| 3-4T  | Crystal S   | Jannali S   | Ellie M     | Sam D       |
| 5-6B  | Alex H      | Zack H      | Ruby T      |             |
| 5-6L  | Samuel C    | Ebony B     | Ryder E     | Timothy B   |
| 5-6N  | Breanna C   | Jasiah C    | Kate F      | Chayse S    |
| 5-6S  | Jessie Mc   | Leo F       | Matilda M   | Dillon J    |
| 5-6U  | Freya S     | Alyssa F    | Neevah H    | Adriana H   |

### Class Reward Pizza Parties

Taree West Public School is a Positive Behaviours for Learning school. As such, we implement a range of reward schemes to encourage and recognise expected positive behaviours.

One of these schemes involves points being awarded to classes that demonstrate excellent behaviour in class lines at assemblies. A winning Stage 2 class and Stage 3 class will be announced every half term.

The class that has earned the most points over this period of time will receive a class Pizza Reward Party. Congratulations to **3/4S** and **5/6S** who are the winners for the first half of Term 3.

A letter will be sent home with students of the winning class. If your child has any dietary requirements that may affect their participation in a Pizza Reward Party, please advise the school by returning the return slip prior to each party.

### Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day will take place after the book parade this Friday 25 August. Students may change out of their book parade costume and put on yellow, orange or floral clothing. A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated.

### TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between **21st August and 22nd September**. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary however, your responses are very much appreciated.

Every parent who completes this survey will be in the running to win a \$50 Woolworths voucher. To enter the draw you need to take a screen shot of the last page of the survey and email it to the school on [tareewest-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tareewest-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au). Otherwise just print the last page of the survey and drop it off to the Front Office with your name and contact details.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>  
The link to access the survey is <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/7szj8>





# Children's Book Week

## Week 6 – Term 3

Book week is finally here, students will have the chance to view books available in the Book Fair (25-8-17) in their class sessions this week.

Children may bring home a wish list with some ideas of books they may like. This is not a commitment to buy, but just an idea so that students can communicate some of the books that are available and how much they might cost.

If you would like, please feel free to join us at the library and view for yourselves, between 8:30-9:30am or 2:30-3:30pm on Friday (25-8-17). Don't forget the fabulous Book Character Parades (25-8-17) in the hall at 9:30am (K-2) and 10:20am (3-6).

Thank you for supporting this happy event!

Lucy Legge

Teacher Librarian



### Community Advertisements

#### ACTIVE OOSH 2017 AT TAREE WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

##### 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
- Sports drop offs available in the Taree district
- Afternoon homework program
- 3 Buses to cater for all schools and ensure a quick pick up
- Various afternoon activities including Kids Yoga, Dancing, Sport, Craft, Gardening, Cooking and much much more.

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