

Taree West Public School

Teamwork Welfare Performance Scholarship

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Term 4- Week 5

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WHAT'S ON

Monday-Friday	5-16 November	Year 2 Learn to Swim program
Wednesday	21 November	P&C Meeting
Tuesday	4 December	Yr 6 Taree H.S & Chatham H.S Orientation
Wednesday	12 December	Bully Zero-Anti-bullying program Stage 2
Thursday	13 December	End of Year Presentation Day
Friday	14 December	P&C Glowstick night
Monday	17 December	Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday	18 December	School Fun day
Wednesday	19 December	Final day 2018 school year

Principal's Report

We have commenced our 2019 Kinder transition this week. The children are visiting classes for the afternoon session this week and again in Week 7. The children will also be participating in a story time session in the library each Friday. It is wonderful seeing the excitement on their faces as they embark on their big school journey.



Jovi KB and Olivia – Kindy 2019



Congratulations Annika

A big congratulations to Annika Scott!

Annika has been recognised by the NSW Government for her representation of NSW in the 2018 Australian Basketball Championships.

Annika was presented with her very prestigious certificate by our local MP, Mr Stephen Bromhead.



Success for our School Debaters

A huge win for our debaters in the Lower North Coast Debating Competition. The girls debated with Gloucester Public School on the topic: 'We learn more from our parents than our teachers,' with Taree West on the negative side. A massive congratulations to Olivia Dawson, Lilly Barrett, Crystal Jenkins and Mia Denning who will now go through to the Grand Finals! Well done!!!



Online safety – Cyber Bullying

Is cyber bullying real for primary students?

Sadly, yes, however it shouldn't be if we all follow the rules and law in Australia around what age children should be on Social Media. There is an Age Guide below published by the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner for your reference. Primary age children are not emotionally mature enough to cope with online social interactions and relationships.

It is hard enough as an adult to cope when what can seem an innocent post on Facebook or other social media becomes a personal attack or a hate campaign from other keyboard warriors. This negative side of human behaviour is hard to work out as an adult therefore what hope do our children have. It is always very difficult for the school to work through the issues of cyber bullying as there are so many complexities and it will often also involve police.

I ask you to please consider the guide below and be aware of what your children are doing online as many 'games' also contain chat rooms.

Social Media	Terms of Use – Minimum Age Requirements
Facebook	13+
Facebook Messenger	13+
Instagram	13+
Kik	13+ (with parental permission up to 17 yrs)
Minecraft	All ages (parental permission required to create a mojang account if user is under 13 yrs)
Moshi Monsters	All ages (Directed at 6 – 12 year olds. If user is under 13, parent's email is required)
Skype	18+ (With parental permission up to 17 yrs)
Snapchat	13+
Twitter	13+
Vimeo	13+ (With parental permission up to 17 yrs)
YouTube	13+

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
K-1G	Jake M	Tori W	Thomas J	Shayla R
K-1S	Jake M	Lucy M	Ruby T	Matilda E
KB	Jovi K	Sienna W	Taylah W	Lachlan S
KC	Xavier H	Sophia M	Amelia C	Ava N
KM	Jaicob C	Ajay B	Sophia S	Holly I
1C	Cameron W	Malakai F	Maddison C	Lillian B
1G	Miley P	Isabella W	Zane K	Loma M
2-3R	David M	Tayla M		
2A	William W	James T	Lucia M	Eva-Lafaye C
2B	Roman B	Noah B	Koby C	Marli Z

Leichhardt Public School Band Performance

Last week we were treated to a performance from the Leichhardt Public School Concert Band and Symphony Orchestra. Around 80 students performed as part of both of these groups and some of our Taree West Band students participated in a 1hr workshop and sat in on the performance with the visiting students.

The Leichhardt PS students performed at a very high standard and our whole school really enjoyed learning about and hearing all of the instruments the students performed on. Our school was the first stop on their 4 day North Coast tour. A big thank you to Mr Roger Griffiths our band master who assisted in the organisation of the day and also for his work he does with our band students.

This was certainly a great opportunity for our students to perform with a really large concert band who played at a great standard.



PBL

Infants Student of the Week: **Ella Abbott 2-3R**

Infants Class of the Week: **KC**

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

Primary Class of the Week: **5-6P**



Stage 3 Public Speaking Competition

Our Stage 3 Public Speaking Final showcased the impressive talents of our Year 5 and 6 finalists. Each student spoke on a selected subject of their choice, ranging from describing the mysterious creature of the Megladon to explaining the ins and outs of the Tour de France. All of the speeches were very engaging and well-presented.

Year 5 Finalists and their topics:

Amarlia Willis – ‘Sports’

Carly Hooper – ‘Alaska’

Taylah Brown – ‘Imagine’

Olivia Dawson – ‘Dreaming’

Evie Barton – ‘Freaky Friday’

Year 6 Finalists and their topics:

Lilly McLeay – ‘Megladons’

Connor Humphrey – ‘Our Family Holiday to Europe’

Ryder Eyb – ‘Tour de France’

Ruby Tait – ‘Cows’

Each finalist is to be commended for their wonderful efforts. Congratulations to our equal Year 5 winners – **Evie Barton 5-6N** and **Olivia Dawson 5-6B** – and our Year 6 winner **Lilly McLeay 5-6B**. These students will present their fantastic, winning speeches at our Primary Assembly in Week 7.



Student Writing

Our teachers and students have been working incredibly hard during writing this year. We have a strong focus on developing our children's vocabulary for speaking and writing. One of the ways we do this is through reading and studying quality rich literate texts (beautiful stories). We explicitly teach the rich language from the books we study with the children. We are seeing the positive impacts our teaching practice is having.

Please enjoy the following story by Year 1 student, Kaiden, from K1S. He wrote it independently.

Father Emu by Kaiden from K1S

"One day in a father emu's nest three little hatchlings lay down because of the heat of the sun. The sun is like a burning star in the middle of the galaxy but feels like you have a burning flame aura around you.

As the sun sets a blue and gold aura surrounds the world and it becomes colder and colder. Now it feels like an ice aura.

As the baby emus grow up they start to realise their father is gone and they start to get worried. They wander off to look for their father and they explore for days and days.

All of a sudden they find a giant emu and they take a look at him and realise it is their father! So they make their way back to the nest and they feel the cold mid-night breeze. The baby emus are soon relaxed and slowly start to sleep."

Community Advertisements



ACTIVE OOSH hours

Before school: 6.30am – 9.00am

After school: 3.00pm – 6.30pm

Vacation Care: 7.00am – 6.00pm

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PCYC Taree Fundraiser

Movie Premier of The Grinch

Thursday 29th November

Tickets available at PCYC Taree