

Congratulations to all the Taree Public School students who represented our school at Crowdy head for the combined Crowdy Head and Taree Public School cultural day. Mrs Raymond and Uncle Geoff were proud of your behaviour. Many thanks to Mr Tsembis for organising the day and inviting us to join in.

As we all know, accidents happen, and it was a shock to all of us when Clayton Thorpe broke his arm on that day. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Clayton. We hope to see you back at school very soon.

Every Wednesday, boys in years 3-6, Uncle Cec, Uncle Geoff, Wise and Mr Hickson, along with some community members, take part in Men's Business. The boys are learning to be proud of themselves, to do the right thing and to work as a team. Reports from the past 2 weeks have been very positive concerning the boy's behaviour and enjoyment of the activities. It would be great if some dad's could join in on Wednesdays and if you have the time, please contact one of the men or the school directly.

Everyone is getting excited about camp this year. Starting with Pirate Day on the 16th November, this year at Happy Hallidays promised to be a lot of fun for everyone. Keep the notes and money coming in so that no-one will miss out!

While many Taree Public School students follow the school rules, get their work done to the best of their ability and play and speak nicely with their friends, there are some students who make wrong choices. Our yellow card system follows a set of procedures. If the student does not co-operate, or is in a dangerous situation, a yellow card will be written. A student who receives a yellow card goes to the 'red' room or 'time out' room the following day during the lunch or recess play period. Cards are given for various reasons: for example: leaving the room without permission, refusing to co-operate, using inappropriate language and constantly disturbing the class. If any student gets five yellow cards in one week, they are suspended from school for two days. We all hope that this consequence will see fewer

cards being written. Please talk to your children about their behaviour at school.

If you have recently changed your contact details, can you please return the attached slip letting the school know. We may need to contact you urgently. Positive Behaviour for Learning is a new program being introduced at Taree Public School. The first step is to define the most important values for our school. A group of staff members meet fortnightly on a Monday morning, to discuss options for the program and soon they will begin developing units of work about positive and explicit behaviours throughout the school. Parents/carers and students will be given an opportunity for input after the initial meetings.

Parents/carers interested in having a say regarding future directions are invited to a self – evaluation meeting at 2.30pm on Thursday, 11th November in the Connected Classroom. The 2011 proposed management plan will be available for discussion. If you have, or know of a child starting school in 2011, two kinder orientation days are coming up: Tuesday, 23rd November: 9.10am – 11.30am and Tuesday 30th November: 9.10am – 1.30pm. An information package will be available at the front office. There will be a parent information session about starting school at Taree Public at 12pm on the 30th followed by a cuppa in the staff room to meet the teachers.

We have started our performing arts groups on Thursdays and the children are settling in to their preferred group. Our end of year concert will be on Tuesday, 14th December – please keep the day free!!

The school presentation day will be Tuesday, 7th December – hope you can all be there to celebrate student achievement in 2010!

The last day of school for students will be Wednesday, 15th December. The staff has two staff development days – the 16th and 17th December. Enjoy the week.

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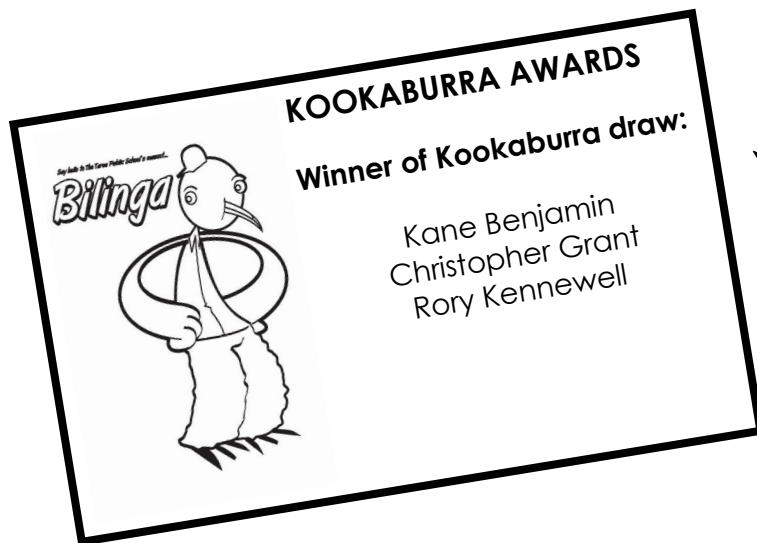


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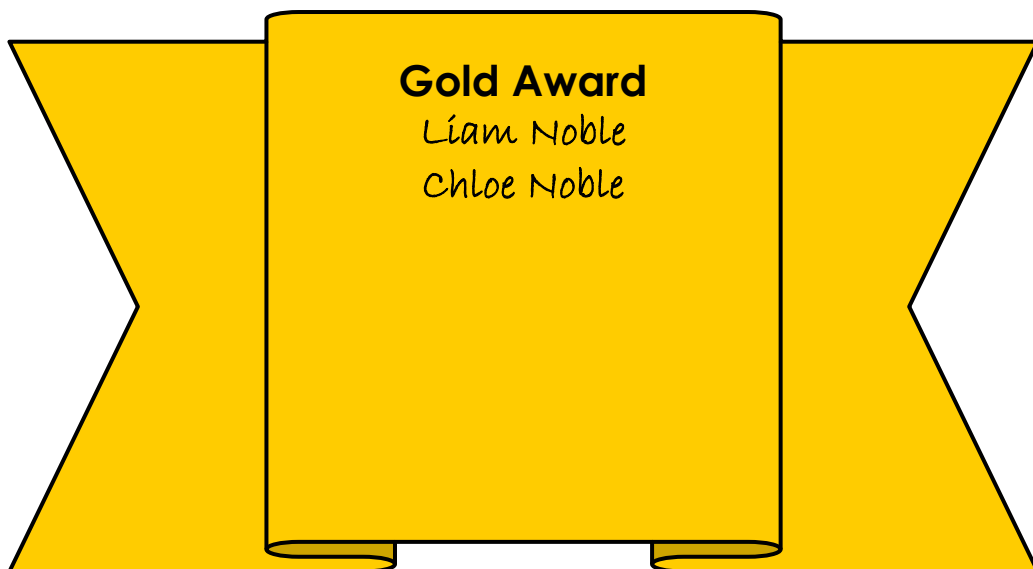
We would like to acknowledge the Biripi people who are the traditional custodians of this land. We would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Biripi Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginals.

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The children made cakes as
a fundraiser for camp.



Mrs Raymond's class having fun on the horses



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