

Congratulations to the 46 Taree Public School students who competed in the school cross country event last Friday, 18th March. All the children had fun! They were well behaved and teachers and parents were very proud!

The fastest walkers: Cameron Halliday and Noah Davison

The fastest runners: Boys: Joshua Brady (clear winner!), Derek Simon, Trevor Davis, Rory Kennewell, Joshua Leonard, Clayton Thorpe

Girls: Kiralee Ridgeway, Zoe Morcome, Chloe Noble, Rhain Davison

Thanks to Mr Mawby, Mr Dixon, Auntie Sherry, Mr Muir and Steve for organising this great event and for cooking our lunch. The fish was delicious! It was fantastic to see so many parents involved!!

Parents, remember you are needed at the PCYC as part of the program. There are only a few weeks left!! The children in Years 5 and 6 really enjoy the session at PCYC on Tuesdays. Contact me if you have any questions.

Don't forget that we have a parent group meeting at 10am on Friday mornings in the Koori room. The small group who come along every week are working on a special project sorting and presenting old school photos. In just a few years, Taree Public School celebrates 150 years and the preparation of photos is in readiness for that huge event.

Coming up in the next few weeks:

Life Education Van: \$7 per student. Please see the office if you are experiencing financial difficulty and would like assistance for your child/children to attend this worthwhile program and meet Happy Healthy Harold!

Small Schools Basketball Day: Taree Public will be sending a team along for a fun day.

Warners Bay and Belmont High Band concert at Taree High School (Monday, 4th April)

Intensive swimming

ANZAC service

Regards

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COMMENDATION AWARDS

Latoya Simon

KOOKABURRA AWARDS

Winner of Kookaburra draw:

Liam Noble
Clayton Thorpe
Marley Delaney
Sophie Noble



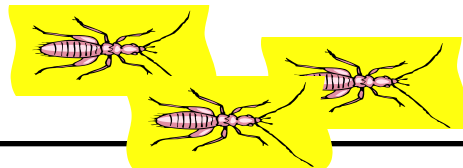
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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.

CONGRATULATIONS

BRONZE AWARDS

Samuel Trotter
Liam Noble
Kane Benjamin
Kayla Hills
Janara Simon
Steven Jones
Dylan Austin
Rory Kennewell
Reece Saunders
Kiralee Ridgeway
Zoe Ocon Torres Mulry
Sophie Noble



CONTROLLING PESTS & TREATING CHILDHOOD DISEASES

In this hot humid weather we are experiencing a very common phenomenon and certainly not only at our school.

To assist in trying to minimise the outbreaks of the most common pests we have attached a flyer to this newsletter.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries.



“Our School’s a Great School”

NEW LAWS RE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN A RENTED PROPERTY

What tenants and occupants need to know If there is violence in your rented home you should contact the Police or one of the advice services listed below.

There are also steps you can take under the tenancy agreement to improve your safety.

Changing the locks

If you obtain an Apprehended Violence Order (AVO) which prohibits a person from accessing the rented premises where you were both living, you can immediately change the locks. This applies if the AVO is a provisional, interim or final order.

You do not need the landlord's or agent's consent to change the locks as you would normally do. However you must give them a key for the new lock within 7 days unless they agree not to have a key. The cost of changing the locks is your responsibility. If you do give a key to the landlord or agent, they cannot pass it on to the person who has been excluded from the property.

If the excluded person is named on the tenancy agreement as a tenant, your action in changing the locks does not end their tenancy or make you a tenant instead. All it does is prevent them from using their keys to enter the property while the AVO remains in force.

Changing the tenancy agreement

If the person excluded from the premises was named as a tenant on the agreement, a final AVO made by a magistrate terminates that person's tenancy. If you were named on the agreement as a co-tenant the tenancy simply transfers to your name. There is no need for you to sign a new agreement or do anything else. Any share of the bond owing to the excluded person does not have to be paid back until you vacate.

If your name is not on the agreement, you can ask the landlord or agent to have the agreement put into your name. If they refuse you can apply to the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal for an order to be recognised as the tenant and be given a tenancy agreement.

If you are an occupant of social housing premises (e.g. Housing NSW) the Tribunal can only make such an order if you meet any eligibility requirements. Contact the social housing provider to find out what you can do.

Ending the lease early

Tenants cannot usually break a fixed term agreement early without paying a penalty or compensation. However, if you are a tenant and you obtain a final AVO which prohibits a co-tenant or occupant from accessing the premises, you have the option to end the lease early without having to compensate the landlord. This may be helpful if you cannot afford the rent on your own. You must give the landlord or agent 14 days notice in writing of your intention to leave.

Tenancy database listings

If you are listed on a tenancy database due to damage to the property caused by a co-tenant or occupant during an incident of domestic violence, there are steps you can take. You can ask for the information about you to be removed or changed and you can apply to the Tribunal for orders. More information can be found on the Tenancy databases web page on the Fair Trading website.

Further advice and support

Domestic Violence Line (Community Services)

Tel 1800 656 463

Domestic Violence Legal Advice Line

Tel 8745 6999

Toll free 1800 810 784

Women's Legal Contact Line

Tel 8745 6988

Toll free 1800 801 501

Rape Crisis Centre

Toll free 1800 424 017

Women's and Girls' Emergency Centre

Tel 9360 5388

Victim's Services

Toll free 1800 633 063

Another Closet (information on violence in gay and lesbian relationships) Website

www.acon.org.au