

## WHAT'S ON

Thursday	1 August	Education Week Assembly 10.40-11.10am
Friday	2 August	Assembly 1.00-1.30pm School Sport 2.30-3.00pm

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Education Week

This week is Education Week. Taree PS will be hosting an Education Week celebration on Thursday 1 August. Parents and carers are invited to join us for any or all of the activities. Open classrooms 10.20am - 10.40am, Education Week Award Assembly 10.40am-11.10am, Sausage Sizzle Lunch 11.10am-11.50am. I look forward to celebrating Education Week with our school community.

### 2014 Kindergarten Orientation

Our Kinder Orientation program commences this term. Mrs Sherry Bungie (Community Liaison Officer) is currently sharing dates with our school community. Our first activity will occur at our Woombarra campus at Purfleet next Tuesday from 10.00am - 11.30am. All students and parents of children who will be ready to commence Kindergarten in 2014 are welcome to attend. Mrs Liz Cortaville-Smith and Mrs Narelle Clapson are available to assist parents with any enquiries.

### Taree PS Term 3 Kinder Orientation dates

Tuesday 6 August – 'Try Kindy' Playgroup morning 10.00am -11.30am for all 2014 enrolments at Woombarra campus

Tuesday 20 August - 'Try Kindy' Playgroup morning 10.00am -11.30am for all 2014 enrolments at Woombarra campus

Tuesday 3 September - 'Try Kindy' Playgroup morning 9.30am – 11.00am for all 2014 enrolments at Taree Public School.

### Personalised Learning Plans

Thank you to all parents who assisted teachers in completing personalised learning plans for students last week. Mrs Annette Gleeson (Learning and Support Teacher) and classroom teachers are now working together to ensure that the plans are put into action.

### Principal Position

The Taree PS Principal position is currently being advertised. Applications close on 9 August. The name of the successful applicant will be included in a future newsletter.

### Quick Smart

The QuickSmart program commenced this week for all year 4-6 students. Mrs Toni Harde and Mr Cecil Dumas are our trained facilitators of the program.

### School Values

All students are consistently displaying our school values of pride, safety and respect. Classroom and playground behaviour of students is exemplary. Teachers are very proud of the effort students are putting into their work and the improvements that are occurring. Well done boys and girls and keep up the great work!

Have a great week!

Matthew Royan  
Relieving Principal

### Assembly

Parents and Carers are invited to attend our assembly on Friday at 1.00pm in the Koori room.

### Excursions

Our Yr 3-6 camp has been booked and will take place from 18-22 November 2013. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit should now have been paid to confirm seats. Please refer to the payment plan sent home by Mrs Clapson in week 4.

Point Wolstoncroft Excursion Payment Plan \$355.00 per person



Design: Kathleen Morcome

## 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.

Month	Amount recommended you pay
May	\$55
June	\$50
July	\$50
August	\$50
September	\$50
October	\$50
Total payment	\$355.00

### **Introducing Mr Gerard Crowe Gukandi Classroom Teacher**

Mr Crowe is the Classroom Teacher for Gukandi. Mr Crowe teaches Taree Public year 6 students and joined our school at the beginning of 2013. Mr Crowe is the school's Sports Teacher with experience in a wide range of activities. Mr Crowe is a valued member of staff.



### **Positive Behaviour for Learning**

Taree Public School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning school. At Taree Public School we believe that PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) is a school wide behaviour initiative. PBL employs a whole school systems approach to address problem behaviour and reduce its effects on student's outcomes. PBL encourages positive behaviours from all students, which has been shown to improve their self-concept and motivation to learn. As part of the PBL program, we have established several clear rules for the behaviour we

expect in all areas of our school. We will explicitly teach those behaviour will be made clear throughout our classrooms and playground areas.

Our core school values for **all** students are **Safe, Respect, Pride**. These core values are taught in **all** school settings by **all** staff at **all** times.

**Congratulations** to Dwayne Simon and Braye Cochrane who were our PBL winners for Week 2. Our focus rule for week 3 is:

'I show respect in the toilets'

- \* Follow instructions
  - \*Place rubbish in bin
  - \*Allow privacy
  - \*Keep them clean
- Keep up the good work!

### **Thought for the Week**

"The secret in education lies in respecting the student."  
Ralph Waldo Emerson.

### **Uniforms**

The school stocks the Taree Public School uniform. These can be purchased through Mrs Willett. The prices of the uniforms are kept to a minimum to ensure all parents have the opportunity to purchase at a reasonable cost.

### **Out And About At Taree Public School**



Brendon Halliday



