

WHAT'S ON

Friday	16 August	Assembly 1.00-1.30pm School Sport 2.30-3.00pm
Tuesday	20 August	Woombarra Kindergarten Orientation 2014 10am-11.30am Bringing Up Great Kids Program 1.00-2.30pm
Wednesday	21 August	Community Support Program 2.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to our practicum student, Miss Adelaide Steggall who will be working with 2-6R and Mrs Raymond for the next 6 weeks. I would also like to welcome the 16 new students who have joined us over the last term.

Picnic Reward Afternoon

A mid-term reward afternoon has been planned for Friday 23 August from 2pm-3pm. Students who have consistently displayed our school values of pride, safety and respect will be eligible to attend. Students will be issued with invitations this week if eligible to attend. Please return permission slips to class teachers asap. Parents and carers are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Principal Position

The advertisement for the Taree PS Principal position closed last Friday. Ms Leanne Davy is the selection panel parent representative.

Communication

I have been receiving very positive feedback from parents about the approachability and caring nature of

our teachers. I encourage all parents to keep the discussions around their children's education going. Great things are happening in our classrooms and the positive changes are assisted by the strong partnerships that have been formed. Well done Taree PS learning community!
Have a fabulous week!

Matthew Royan
Relieving Principal

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 next activity will occur at our Woombarra campus at Purfleet on Tuesday 20 August 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.

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

Tuesday 3 September –Woombarra Playgroup morning 9.30am – 11.00am for all 2014 enrolments at Taree Public School.

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.

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

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 impact 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.

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 Myarla Morcome and Danielle Ridgeway who were our PBL winners for Week4.

Thought for the Week

"Education is the power to think clearly, the power to act well in the world's work, and the power to appreciate life."

Brigham Young.

Homework Reminder for Burrang

Students from Mrs Raymond's Burrang class have homework handed out every Monday. Please ensure your child returns their homework completed by Friday of each week.

Bringing Up Great Kids Program

Our Parent Support program is running a Parenting Group here at the school. Bringing Up Great Kids is a fun program that focuses on how we communicate with our children and how to build strong relationships with

them. (The program has been designed for parents with children 12 years and under and has been developed by the Australian Children's Foundation.) The group runs for 6 weeks meeting weekly for a 1.5hr chat.

We invite you to join us on Tuesday afternoons from 1.00p.m. – 2.30p.m and our group starts on Tuesday 20th August at Taree Public School Koori Room. For further information, ring Sue Russell, Child Care Services Taree and District – 65525088. Enrol by leaving your name at the office. We hope to meet you there.

Annette Gleeson
Learning and Support Teacher

Community Support Program

Taree Public School is setting up a volunteer Community Support Program for students to improve literacy skills and social skills.

Parents and community members who are interested in being part of the program are invited to Taree Public School next Wednesday 21st August at 2:30pm to discuss the program.

Support Program Coordinator
Rosemarie Kelly

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 uniforms at a reasonable cost.