

# Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

24/11/2014 Week 8 Term 4

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



### Students of the Week

Congratulations to Makayla Williams from the Colony class who is our Student of the Week. Makayla is always respectful in class and friendly with her peers. Makayla displays an excellent effort in sport every week. She has also excelled in poetry. Well done, Makayla and congratulations on being named our student of the week!

### Bouquets

#### Lioness Dinner Presentation

Thanks are extended to Charlie Pietsch, Christopher Woodfield, Kasey Brown and Alexandrah Hinito who presented speeches at the Lioness Dinner last Monday. Congratulations and well done!

### Rotary Readers

We are fortunate at Tea Gardens Public School to be joined every Tuesday morning by Rotarians who read with our students. Due to swim school over the next couple of weeks, we have concluded the program for 2014. Thanks are extended to our Rotary Readers and to Peter Syvler who coordinates the readers each week.

### Breakfast Club

The last day for Breakfast Club at our school is Tuesday 2nd December. Thank you to all the Red Cross ladies who donate their time for our students.

### Kindergarten Orientation

Many thanks are extended to Mrs Booth who has coordinated our Kindergarten Orientation program this year. We anticipate that we will have 29 Kindergarten students commence at Tea Gardens in 2015.

### Diamond Award Winners continue to be recognised!

At assembly, last Friday, it was great to see so many students up on stage who have already received their diamond award for 2014. As school principal, I am ex-

tremely proud of all our students who continue to conduct themselves with honour across all facets of school life. Well done! I look forward to inducting more students at our final assemblies for 2014.

### Coming Up

#### Swim School Commences

In excess of 150 students have commenced swimming lessons or squad swimming today. Many thanks are extended to Mrs Booth for coordinating this annual program. In addition, thanks to our supervising staff and extensive parent volunteers who make this all possible. A fantastic team effort!

#### Christmas Scripture Service

The annual Christmas Scripture Service will be held at the Baptist Church this year. The service commences at 2.05pm. Parents are welcome. Our students will walk to and from the Baptist Church supervised by teachers and School Learning Support Officers. Students will return to school by 2.55pm.

#### Christmas Music Concert

Next Monday, there will be a band concert held commencing at 4pm. Students who have been learning to play a musical instrument will perform at the concert too. Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### Year 5 Parliament Speeches and voting- Wednesday 26/11/2014

We wish the best of luck to our Year 5 students who will present a brief speech on why they would like to represent our school on the student parliament in 2015. Following this, students in Years 2-5 will have the opportunity to vote for students they would like to represent them as Ministers in 2015. The announcement of the 2015 parliament will be made at our Presentation Day assembly on Friday 5 December.

#### School Chaplain Feedback Wanted

Late last week, I sent an email to all our newsletter subscribers indicating that an opportunity exists for our school to apply for funding to engage a school chaplain under the National School Chaplaincy Programme (NSCP) in 2015.

The programme aims to support students through the provision of pastoral care services and the promotion of strategies that support the emotional wellbeing of students and the broader school community.

Pastoral care is defined in the Agreement with the Commonwealth as "the practice of looking after the personal needs of students, not just their academic needs, through the provision of general spiritual and personal advice."

Your thoughts / feedback in relation to Tea Gardens Public School applying for a fully funded school chaplain are welcomed. Please email your thoughts / feedback to: [teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) by next Thursday 27/11/2014

### Chalk Catalogues and Order Forms

Chalk Christmas Catalogues are available. Anyone interested considering purchasing items may collect a catalogue from the office.

### Coming Up

#### Calendar of Coming Events

Monday-Thursday	24/11/14 - 27/11/14	School Swimming Scheme- Week 1
Tuesday	25/11/2014	Christmas Scripture Service at the Baptist Church commencing at 2.05pm
Tuesday	25/11/14	Art & Craft Expo meeting 7pm
Wednesday	26/11/14	Year 5 Speeches for Parliament Elections- 2015
Friday	28/11/14	The Pride Assembly and the Senior Dance group performing
Monday-Thursday	01/12/14 - 04/12/14	School Swimming Scheme- Week 2
Friday	5/12/14	Presentation Day Assembly at the Baptist Church commencing at 1.20pm
Tuesday	9/12/14	Thank you morning Tea
Tuesday	9/12/14	P&C Christmas Dinner 6.30pm for 7pm start
Wednesday	10/12/14	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday	11/12/14	Reports home today
Friday	12/12/14	Ministers Assembly- Presentation of Diamond Awards

**Mark Clemson**  
Principal

### Successful Kindergarten Orientation

A very successful kindergarten orientation program was held over the past 4 week at our school. Twenty nine children enjoyed activities which included listening to stories, art and craft activities, indoor and outdoor games, using technology-interactive whiteboard, i-Pads and our newly acquired XO's – a type of small personal computer. The children joined our current kindergarten students, who will take on the role of 'buddies' when they begin 'big school' next year. The children were also treated to delicious 'crunch and sip' at each visit.



The reindeers ride through the sky,  
The elves sing a song to say goodbye.  
Santa delivers presents one by one,  
I'm sure they all weigh a tonne.  
As he leaves with a "ho ho ho",  
All the children sing high and low.  
Now Christmas is here,  
Its almost the end of the year.  
*By Makayla Williams (Colony Class)*

As I was wandering through the quiet mist,  
I trip and accidentally twist by wrist  
I get up and hear a distant crack.  
I turn my head and look directly back,  
As I keep searching through the lonely night,  
I turn and see a flickering light.  
I hear a "bang, bang, bang" as loud as a gun.  
So I start to scream and run.  
I do not know what happened in the silent dark  
And I will never know what happened in that deserted park.  
*By Charlie Pietsch (Colony Class)*



# Casual Work Available—Employment Guaranteed Tea Gardens Public School Canteen



**When:** Weekly Fortnightly Monthly

**Hours:** 9-12pm

**Experience:** Not necessary. Everything you need to know will be learnt within a short space of time.

**Salary:** "A la Carte" lunch (healthy), plenty of tea or coffee and best of all, friendship and a good chat.

**Bonus:** Your child or children will be happy to see you in their favourite place—school! You get to spoil them by spending a little extra money (all for a good cause) and you get to meet new people and make good friends within the school community.

## Applications

**Close:** NEVER!

Please complete the form below and send it back to the canteen as soon as possible. Your roster and orientation pack will be sent home to you.



## Canteen Volunteer 2015

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Please nominate: (day which you prefer to work and how often)

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Wednesday | <input type="radio"/> Weekly      |
| <input type="radio"/> Thursday  | <input type="radio"/> Fortnightly |
| <input type="radio"/> Friday    | <input type="radio"/> Monthly     |



If possible I would like to work with: \_\_\_\_\_

## TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEER ROSTER—TERM 4 WEEK 8

<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER</b> <b>Danielle Driscoll</b> <b>Bea Treharne</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER</b> <b>Danielle Driscoll,</b> <b>Melinda Scott/Leanne Whitby</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER</b> <b>Deb Smart</b> <b>Trudy Brumby/Lerane Jarman</b>
<b>Meal – Sweet &amp; sour chicken with rice</b> <b>\$4.50</b>  <b>Snack – Apple &amp; cinnamon pikelets</b> <b>.30c each or 2 for .50c</b> 	<b>Meal – Tacos with lettuce, tomato &amp; cheese. Optional sour cream &amp; sweet chilli sauce</b> <b>\$4.50</b>  <b>Snack – Banana bread</b> <b>.80c per slice</b> 	<b>Meal – Hot potatoes topped with baked beans or spaghetti &amp; cheese. Optional sour cream</b> <b>\$4.50</b>  <b>Snack – Hedgehog balls</b> <b>.20c each or 3 for .50c</b> 



# Art & Craft Show 2015

The P&C will be holding a meeting on **Tues 25th November at 7pm** in the library to start the planning for next year's Art Show. **This major fundraising event needs many helpers to make it a success, so any time you can spare to help with this event would be greatly appreciated.**

## P&C Xmas Dinner

**All Parents/Carers are invited to attend the P&C's end of year Dinner on Tuesday 9th December at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Venue to be advised based on numbers attending. Please RSVP your attendance to the School Office by Tues 2nd Dec.**

## Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 21st November 2014. They were:

### PRIDE

Deagon Cook	Always working well and trying his best
Lorelai Milne	Working really hard when story writing

### ARMY

Boston Marchant	Great work in reading
Sam White	Great work in reading
Seth Rawling	Great work in reading

### TEAM

Darcy Ingram	Great work ethic in class
Jessie Lawler	Constant effort in mathematics

### MOB

Anthony Eldridge	Improved classroom behaviour
Lenita White	Excellent spelling results

### POD

Jemima Ryder	Writing a beautiful simile poem
Mathew Price	His concentration and application in maths

### TROOP

Austin Battle	Working hard in division
Jermaine Wolfram	Finishing work on time and trying his best

### CORPS

Luke McCarthy	Consistent effort in class
Riley Barry	Excellent work with Picasso and tessellations

### COLONY

Abby Fenner	Persistence in poetry writing
Chloe Powell	Excellence in narrative writing

### ARMADA

Georgia Stevenson	Always doing her homework
Hayden Harvey	Always doing his homework

## PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

### Gala Family Fun Day Booner St, Hawks Nest November 30

10AM - 5PM

#### 10AM - 2PM

Below Surf Club on Booner St in the car park  
Car Boot Sale  
Face Painting  
Carnival Rides

### MOVEMBER PARTY

**Benchmark on Booner**

*Fund Raiser for Prostate Cancer Research*

#### 2PM - 5PM

Best Mo Competition  
2 nights in Nambucca Heads  
Must be registered with "Movember"  
Gourmet Finger Food  
Live Band  
Competitions  
Auctions  
Raffles  
Entry Donation

*ALL net proceeds from 30<sup>th</sup> November will go directly to Hunter-based Prostate Cancer Research*

## THE P & C NEEDS A NEW TREASURER

Joining the P&C is a great way to find out what is happening and be involved in our school.

If you (or someone you know) might be interested in taking on the Treasurer's position for 2015 please contact the school office 4997 0286 or Karen on 0412 443 403 for more information.

## TEA GARDENS DENTAL SURGERY

OFFERS

**CHILD DENTAL BENEFIT SCHEDULE  
SCHEME**

**(ELIGIBLE CHILDREN CAN USE THEIR  
\$1000 GOVERNMENT BENEFITS ON  
SELECTED SERVICES)**

**WE ARE BULKBILLING  
(NO OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES)**

**PLEASE CONTACT FOR AN APPOINTMENT ON  
0249979111**