

Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

8/12/2014 Week 10 Term 4

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Students of the Week

I look forward to announcing our last student of the week for 2014 at our final assembly this Friday.

Congratulations to all of the students who have been selected and acknowledged for this special award throughout 2014. Well done, we are very proud of you all!

Bouquets

Christmas Chorale Concert

Last Monday, we were entertained by The School and Community Band and our Junior Band members at the Christmas Chorale Concert. Soloists performing included: Michael Civic, Harry Clemson, Indianna McDonald, Haley Steadman, Lilliarna Baillie, Hannah Avery, Jacob Avery, Toby Avery, Joaquin Viera, Lilly Arum Laws, Amber Sunner, Mia Reilly and Kerri Bunton. Everyone played well. Congratulations to Harry and Lilly Arum who received the special music awards for 2014. A special thank you is extended to Mrs Booth who coordinates our music program each year.



Presentation Day 2014

Thanks are extended to Mr Weightman for coordinating our Presentation Day again this year. In addition, many thanks are extended to Miss Winney for compiling the L3 Video clip and to Miss Cooper for putting together the "Tea Gardens Recipe" Video and the "Year that Was..." and Award Winners Slideshows. Thank you!

Special mention to the School Band, Indianna McDonald, Sophia Jefferies and Lilly Arum Laws who delighted the audience showcasing their tremendous talent. Congratulations to the following students who received awards on the day.

Army Award Winners

Academic Achievement	Seth Rawlings
Outstanding Improvement	Lewis Smith
Consistent Effort and Application	Sam White
Citizenship	Rosie Whitby

Pride Award Winners

Academic Achievement	Deena Clemson
Outstanding Improvement	Evie Braddick
Consistent Effort and Application	Cameron O'Brien
Citizenship	Sam Alchin

Team Award Winners

Academic Achievement	Harrison Linderman
Outstanding Improvement	Zane Halloran
Consistent Effort and Application	Maeve Brumby
Citizenship	Zarlii Ray

Mob Award Winners

Academic Achievement Yr 1	Haleigh Simmons
Academic Achievement Yr 2	Cameron Jeffries
Outstanding Improvement	Kayla-Jane Horne
Consistent Effort and Application	Isla Brumby
Citizenship	Lenita White

Pod Award Winners

Academic Achievement Yr 2	Kaitlyn Smith
Academic Achievement Yr 3	Jade Johnson
Outstanding Improvement	Jacob Avery
Consistent Effort and Application	Braiven Megallon
Citizenship	Charli Alchin

Troop Award Winners

Academic Achievement Yr 3	Caitlin Condie
Academic Achievement Yr 4	Casey O'Bryan
Outstanding Improvement	David Edgerton
Consistent Effort and Application	Keira McGregor
Citizenship	Abbie Smith

Corps Award Winners

Academic Achievement Yr 4	Sophia Jeffries
Academic Achievement Yr 5	Nathan Katz
Outstanding Improvement	Joaquin Viera
Consistent Effort and Application	Hannah Gatenby
Citizenship	Toby Avery

Colony Award Winners	
Academic Achievement Yr 5	Mia Reilly
Academic Achievement Yr 6	Charlie Pietsch
Outstanding Improvement	Ethan Stevenson
Consistent Effort and Application	Dakota Edgerton
Citizenship	Logan Craft
Armada Award Winners	
Academic Achievement Yr 5	Cole Johnson
Academic Achievement Yr 6	Hannah Avery
Outstanding Improvement	Lucas Barry
Consistent Effort and Application	Alex Hinitt
Citizenship	Jessica Page
Library Awards	
LIBRARY Award ES1	Disa
LIBRARY Award S1	Cameron Jeffries
LIBRARY Award S2	Makai Dvorik
LIBRARY Award S3	Aaliyah Masina
Young Mr Martin Award	Brandon Price
Improvement Awards	
NAPLAN Literacy Improvement	William Markham
NAPLAN Numeracy Improvement	William Markham
Outstanding Indigenous Participation	Hannah Avery
SPORT AWARDS	
Swimming Age Champion- Junior Boy	Zane Pietsch
Swimming Age Champion- Junior Girl	Sophia Jefferies
Swimming Age Champion- 11 Years Boy	Nathan Katz
Swimming Age Champion- 11 Years Girl	Mia Reilly
Swimming Age Champion- Senior Boy	Christopher Woodfield
Swimming Age Champion- Senior Girl	Charlie Pietsch
Athletics Age Champion- Junior Boy	Ryver McDonald
Athletics Age Champion- Junior Girl	Lilly-Ann White
Athletics Age Champion- 11 Years Boy	Mitchell Barr
Athletics Age Champion- 11 Years Girl	Emily Cusworth
Athletics Age Champion- Senior Boy	Lucas Barry and Cooper O'Bryan
Athletics Age Champion- Senior Girl	Kasey Brown
Sports Person of the Year	Christopher Woodfield
Outstanding Sporting Achievement	Lilly- Ann White
School Citizenship Award	Christopher Woodfield
Dux of School	Joshua Howarth

Student Parliament 2015

Prime Minister – Cole Johnson
Deputy PM – Paddy Nickle
Ministers –
Emily Cusworth
Taylor Simmons
Mia Reilly
Faith McKay
Shona Miller
Nathan Katz

Our last group of Diamond Award Winners for 2014 will be recognised at assembly this Friday!

I look forward recognising our final group of diamond award winners on Friday 12 December 2014. This year, we have acknowledged a record number of students receiving their diamond awards. This is absolutely fabulous, although, as a result, our badge stocks are running very low and it may be necessary to present a number of students with their badge early in the 2015 school year. Priority for badges this week will go to students leaving Tea Gardens at the end of the year (e.g. our Year 6 students). Students who will need to wait for a badge will receive a special certificate to acknowledge their achievement until the additional badges arrive.

Coming Up

Thank you Morning Tea

Tomorrow, our school will be hosting a morning tea to say "thank you" to our parents and other community volunteers who have assisted in any form during the past year. The morning tea commences at 10.45am. I hope you are able to join us tomorrow.

Year 6 Farewell

On Wednesday 10 December we officially say farewell to our Year 6 students. The dinner will be held at Mumm's Restaurant commencing at 5pm and the social will follow at the school. We would like to wish our departing students well as they embark on the next stage of their schooling and look forward to hearing about their successes over the many years to come.

Year 6 Farewell Social

Students from Years 3, 4 and 5 are invited to attend the Year 6 Farewell Social which will be held on Wednesday night 10/12/14. The dance / social will be held at Tea Gardens Public School from 7pm to 8.00pm. The entry cost for the social is \$1 per person. The social will be followed by the presentation of certificates and a slideshow to our graduating students. This presentation will conclude no later than 8.30pm. Parents are asked to collect their child/children from the COLA at school promptly at the conclusion of the event.

Student Reports

Student reports go home this Thursday. I hope you find these informative. As always, you are most welcome to request an appointment to discuss your child's report with the teacher. If an appointment is requested, please call the office or send a note in with your child to arrange a mutually convenient date and time. Please return your child's blue report folder to class teacher.

Class / Stage Party Day Celebrations

On Tuesday 16 December each of our classes will be celebrating the successful end to another year.

The Army, Pride, Team and the Mob classes will remain at school for a number of different activities. I hear Santa may even drop by to say hello!

The Pods, Troops and Corps will catch a ferry to Port Stephens to watch a movie. Due to the nature of this activity, students of these classes are requested **to wear their school uniform.**

While the Armada and Colony Classes have organised to go to the pool followed by a picnic lunch in Anzac Park.

Notes about the class parties, permission and payment have been circulated separately to students.

Library News—Stocktake

As the year is nearly over, all library books need to be returned to our school for stocktake. Please ensure that your child does not have any outstanding books from our library.

Bus Travel 2015

Year 2 going into Year 3

All students who are going into Year 3 in 2015 and who will be travelling by bus are required to fill out a new Bus Pass Application form. These are available from the school office.

If a form is not filled in and returned to the school by the end of term there will be no bus pass issued for next year and students may be required to pay until they send one in. Please send forms in promptly.

Final Day for Students in 2014

The last day of the school year for students is Wednesday 17 December 2014.

Change of Address

If you are leaving us at the end of this year, would you please notify the school of this in writing? This is particularly important if you are transferring to another public school, as we need to organise transferring your child's details. Advising the school also assists us in making informed decisions about the class structures and numbers.

Returning to school in 2015

The beginning of the school year is always interesting at Tea Gardens as new families arrive over the booming summer season into our community. This makes it difficult to form definite classes to begin from Day 1. We anticipate that we will be forming 8 classes to commence 2015.

On the student's first day back, **Wednesday 28 January**, Year 1-6 students will line up in their 2014 class lines under the COLA.

Kindergarten Best Start Assessments 2015

Each year, all Kindergarten students entering government schools in NSW participate in the Best Start / PLAN Kindergarten Assessment. The purpose of this assessment is to identify the literacy and numeracy knowledge that our youngest learners bring to school. Additionally, the assessment provides information about each student to guide teaching and learning and gives practical advice to parents to support learning at home. The 2015 Best Start / PLAN process will be completed from Wednesday 28 January to Friday 30 January inclusive. 2015. **Kindergarten students commence school post these individual assessments on Monday 2 February 2015.**

Thank you in advance to our staff who will administer this one on one assessment and to all families for supporting this

important activity. Letters will be sent home advising parents of the time and date of their child's initial "Best Start" test.

Calendar of Coming Events

Tuesday	9 December	Thank you morning Tea
Tuesday	9 December	P&C Christmas Dinner 6.30pm for 7pm start
Wednesday	10 December	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday	11 December	Reports home today
Friday	12 December	Ministers Assembly- Presentation of Diamond Awards
Tuesday	16 December	Army, Pride, Team and Mob Party Day at school
Tuesday	16 December	Pod, Troop and Corps Party Day Travelling via ferry to Nelson Bay to go to the movies. Return to Tea Gardens Waterfront at 4.30pm
Tuesday	16 December	Armada and Colony Class Pool Activities and Picnic Lunch
Wednesday	17 December	Last day for students
Friday	19 December	Last day for staff

Mark Clemson
Principal

POSITION VACANT

Housekeeper required for busy Motel in Hawks Nest.

2 days per week

9.00am to 2.00pm

Call Paula or Karina on 4997 0941



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 10

WEDNESDAY 10 TH DECEMBER Deb Smart Angela Condie	THURSDAY 11 TH DECEMBER Danielle Driscoll Vanessa Ray, Shelly Linderman	FRIDAY 12 TH DECEMBER Danielle Driscoll Bill Ewen/Lee Burgess
<p>Meal – Chicken, lettuce & mayonnaise wrap \$4.50</p>  <p>Snack – Watermelon wedges in a cup .50c each</p> 	<p>‘CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY’ Meal – Mini fish & chips 2 cocktail fish & small chips tartare sauce \$4.50</p>  <p>Snack – Assorted Christmas party food from .25c</p> 	<p>LAST DAY OF CANTEEN FOR THE YEAR. NO MEAL TODAY ONLY SNACKS & DRINKS AVAILABLE Canteen Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea 10am – 11am All Volunteers Welcome</p> 
PLEASE CONTACT DANIELLE DRISCOLL	0421976137 IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND	ON YOUR ROSTERED DAY THANK YOU



T.G.P.S. SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS APPEAL

GIFTS OR GOLD COIN DONATION

Assisting senior citizens and the needy with a small gift for Christmas Day for all those who don't have

family to be with.

Supporting Mrs Sue Douglas and her helpers who volunteer their time on Christmas Day to prepare Christmas lunch and give gifts to senior members of our community. Please leave your donation at the school office reception.

(e.g. talcum powder, hankies, socks, biscuits etc or any items that would be a suitable



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

13TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON FOR SENIOR CITIZENS OF OUR COMMUNITY

\$10 PER PERSON

**TO BE HELD AT THE MASONIC HALL,
TEA GARDENS**

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

PHONE: 4997 2267

If you know of anyone in the community that will be alone this Christmas, please let them know about this Luncheon.

Find out if you're eligible
for the PVC subsidy at
transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc

If you're not close to public transport and need to drive a student to a bus stop or school, the Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy can provide twice-a-year payments to help you cover the expenses.

Can't get online?

Ask about the PVC subsidy at the school or call 1800 010 123 for more information.

To apply online and see full
terms and conditions visit
transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc



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STUDENT BANKING TUESDAYS

10 Tokens redeemed for each of the following items. Tokens already saved this year can be carried over for 2015

Term 4

- Moneybox (Dollarmites, Pru, Spen & Pat)
- Scented Pencils
- Blue Wallet
- Knuckle Jacks Game
- Headphones
- Sea Streamers plus two new items
- Dollarmites Slap Band Ruler
- Dollarmites Beachball

