

# Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

23/6/2014 Week 9 Term 2

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Student of the Week

Congratulations to Taylor Simmons from the Armada class for being selected as this weeks Student of the Week. Taylor receives this award for always working well. She is polite and considerate in the playground. Taylor performs her role as the shadow minister for the environment with great diligence.



### Bouquets

Many thanks are extended to the **NAIDOC Committee** for their hard work in preparation for our celebrations this week.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank **Mrs Fowler** for all her efforts behind the scenes ensuring that we have a very successful athletics carnival on Friday.

Thanks to all the students who supported our **Red Cross fundraiser** last week. It's great to think that our students can make a difference to other students doing it tough elsewhere.

Our teachers have been busy working on **semester 1 reports** over the past few weeks. I am most impressed by the quality of the reports that I have read so far. I hope you are too. Remember, you are always welcome to meet with your child's teacher to discuss progress. Contact the office or the teacher to make an appointment.

### Coming Up

**REMINDER: No Weekly Assembly this week due to our K-6 Athletics Carnival**

### NAIDOC Week Activities

**Tomorrow is the last chance to pay for the Snake Tails Performance- only \$5.00 per student.**

Don't let your children miss out!

**Wednesday 25 June 2014, NAIDOC day**

**Highlights of the day include:**

- Snake Tails performance
- Indigenous food sampling (Crocodile, Emu and Kangaroo Sausages, Kangaroo stew, damper)
- Free to wear Red, Black and / or Yellow to celebrate the day.
- Boomerang Painting
- Hunter River High Cultural Dance Group

Indigenous Sporting Activities and other exciting activities.

### School Athletics Carnival

Our annual K-6 Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday. Students will participate in activity based tabloid style activities throughout the day. Please return the permission note and \$2 bus fare by Wednesday. We ask that all students travel together on the bus, as costs are calculated on this basis.

Further information is located later in the newsletter.

### Reports

Student reports will be going home this Thursday. Please return your blue report folders to the classroom teacher or the Administration office.

### School Vacation

Students return to school on Tuesday 15 July 2014

### Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

The Stage 3 Canberra Excursion is fast approaching. This excursion begins on Monday 28 July. Please continue to make payments as this needs to be paid by Friday 18 July.

### Mark Clemson Principal

### Flu season is here!

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two

Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

### Banish the "I'm bored" complaints these holidays

It's harder in winter to keep kids occupied with anything other than a small screen. Here are some websites that have great tips for things your family can do these school holidays, whether you're staying put or taking off on a holiday across the state:

[Destination NSW](http://bit.ly/1niJ7sl) (<http://bit.ly/1niJ7sl>)

[Winter school holidays in Sydney](http://bit.ly/1nQsVC6) (<http://bit.ly/1nQsVC6>)

[School holidays in Newcastle](http://bit.ly/1nljpg) (<http://bit.ly/1nljpg>)

[Winter school holidays Central Coast](http://bit.ly/1ingSwX) (<http://bit.ly/1ingSwX>)

[Attractions for kids in regional NSW](http://bit.ly/1IE8vMw) (<http://bit.ly/1IE8vMw>)

[Sydney Olympic Park – What's On](http://bit.ly/1IXUJ7Z) (<http://bit.ly/1IXUJ7Z>)

[Australian Museum](http://bit.ly/1uEBxD) (<http://bit.ly/1uEBxD>)

[Movie Reviews – Raising Children Network](http://bit.ly/1pKNjb6) (<http://bit.ly/1pKNjb6>)

[Kids Camps – NSW Sport and Recreation](http://bit.ly/1hWxTra) (<http://bit.ly/1hWxTra>)

### Keep brains ticking over these holidays

If your child is working on a personal project or a school assignment these school holidays (or you want to make use of the break for a little revision), don't forget [www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au](http://www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au) has lots of information and fact sheets to help with homework. For students polishing their spelling skills, the free Spelling Bee mobile app also allows them to record a list of their own words and then test themselves. You might even want to challenge them with a list you create. Here's where you'll find the free app to download: <http://bit.ly/Q9ez0G>

### School Social

The school social will be held on Wednesday 25 June. It will be held from 6-7.30pm. Please make sure students turn up just before 6 to ensure that they are supervised. The entry cost will be \$1 and poppers will be sold for \$1. The theme for the night is "Fantasy". Tomaree and Corrie to bring a plate of food.  
Emily True

### Golf Tournament

Tuesday 24 June at 3.45pm at Hawks Nest Golf Club



## WANTED CANTEEN WORKERS FOR CHRISTMAS IN JULY LUNCH FRIDAY 25 JULY



### Boys' Soccer

Last Thursday our boys' soccer team played Raymond Terrace at Memorial Park, Tea Gardens. After a quiet first half, the boys worked hard in the second half to secure a victory of 6-1. Well done boys! I will pass on any information regarding our next game as soon as possible. I would like to thank Mr Woodfield and Mr Barry for their assistance on the day and setting up the field. We look forward to our next game.  
Emily True



### Helen Holdom

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Helen Holdom. Mrs Holdom was part of our staff for many years. Helen retired at the end of 2009 after a teaching career which spanned 43 years. She had a number of roles at our school, including class teacher, art and craft teacher and teacher librarian. Many students developed a love of reading through Mrs Holdom's encouragement.



### BAND FEES REMINDER

Band fees were due  
by  
Monday 16 June.



## Athletics Carnival

Our annual Athletics Carnival will be held this Friday 27 June 2014 at Myall Park, Hawks Nest. Please ensure that your child has returned their permission note and \$2 bus money. The carnival will run from 9.15am – 2.00pm. Parents / caregivers are most welcome to join us on the day.

Students have been allocated a house colour and may like to wear a t-shirt and other clothing of that colour on the day. Otherwise, sports uniform should be worn. The houses and colours are: Corrie – yellow, Stephens – green, Tomaree – red and Yacaaba – blue.

The canteen will be operating throughout the day selling sausages sandwiches (\$2.50), muffins (50c), Icy Bites (50c), flavoured milk (\$1.20), poppers (\$1.00), bottled water (sm-\$1.00, lg-\$1.50), tea, coffee and milo (all \$1.00). Students will need to order their sausage sandwiches and drinks prior to the day. Please have orders in to the canteen by Wednesday 25 June and ensure your child's name, class and 'Athletics Carnival' is clearly marked on the envelope. If you are able to assist serving the lunches at the carnival, please see Christine Wisemantle at the canteen on the day.

Please note that many events for representation at zone, region and state level are based on "Junior"- aged 8-10 years, 11 years and "Senior" aged 12/ 13 years. Winning an individual race or event does not guarantee a position in our school representative team. The results from the tabloids of individual age groups will be compared against other individual age groups and qualifying heights / distances to select our zone representative team.

Below is a copy of the program of events for the day.

Time	Sprints & Relays	Long Jump	High Jump	Shot Put	Ball Games	Tug 'O' War / Javelin	Egg & Spoon / Sack Races
9.15-10.00	200m races (Seniors, 11 yrs and Juniors)						
10.00-10.30	10 yrs	11 yrs	9 yrs	5/6 yrs	7 yrs	8 yrs	12 yrs
10.30-11.00	12 yrs	10 yrs	11 yrs	9 yrs	5/6 yrs	7 yrs	8 yrs
11.00-11.30	8 yrs	12 yrs	10 yrs	11 yrs	9 yrs	5/6 yrs	7 yrs
11.30-12.00	7 yrs	8 yrs	12 yrs	10 yrs	11 yrs	9 yrs	5/6 yrs
12.00-12.30	Lunch 800m races – Juniors, 11yrs and Seniors						
12.30-1.00	5/6 yrs	7 yrs	8 yrs	12 yrs	10 yrs	11 yrs	9 yrs
1.00-1.30	9 yrs	5/6 yrs	7 yrs	8 yrs	12 yrs	10 yrs	11 yrs
1.30-2.00	11 yrs	9 yrs	5/6 yrs	7 yrs	8 yrs	12 yrs	10 yrs

Kathryn

Fowler  
Carnival Coordinator



# Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 20th June 2014. They were:

## PRIDE

Kobi Wells Improved reading and writing  
Montana Delaney Working well in reading groups

## ARMY

Disa Godwin Great hearing of sounds in words  
Jack Steffen Great hearing of sounds in words

## TEAM

Lara Randall For improved effort in maths  
Jaydon Condie For fast typing skills during computer lessons

## MOB

Shaylee Gibbs For working well in maths  
Kayla-Jane Horne Working well in all areas

## POD

Logan Craft Consistent effort and application in reading groups  
Angie Roberts An improved approach towards her class work

## TROOP

Mikayla Stuart Improvement across all key learning areas  
Casey O'Bryan Fast recall of number facts

## CORPS

Lillarna Baillie Great answers to questions  
Jackson Gibbs Great work in maths

## COLONY

Harry Roberts Great effort in writing  
Carlin Ussher-Durham Great effort in writing

## ARMADA

Georgia Stevenson Enthusiasm for drama activities  
Zoe Hockings Improving her skills when using power point

## CANTEEN NEWS—TERM 2 WEEK 9

WEDNESDAY 25th June

NO CANTEEN

THURSDAY 26th June (Melinda Scott/Leanne Whitby)

Chicken Quiche & Salad \$4.50 meal only

FRIDAY 27th June

## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL—HAWKS NEST OVAL

Sausage Sandwiches	\$2.50
Flavoured Milk	\$1.20
Poppers	\$1.00
Bottled Water (sml)	\$1.00
Bottled Water (Lge)	\$1.50
Tea, Coffee, Milo (all)	\$1.00 each
Muffins & Icy Bites	50c

Students will need to order their sausage sandwich, drinks and food by 25th June.

**PLEASE NOTE: CANTEEN WILL NO LONGER BE OFFERING MEAL DEALS. MEALS ARE \$4.50. DRINKS SOLD SEPARATELY**

SMALL JUICE POPPERS	\$1.00
LARGE JUICE POPPERS	\$1.30
MILK	\$1.20

## GET THE KIDS ACTIVE!

Do you find it challenging to get the kids away from their computer or TV to play outside?

We all know how important it is for a child's health, growth and development to be physically active each day, but with increasing technology in our lives, this can sometimes be a real challenge!

We may have the answer for you!

Go4Fun is a FREE healthy lifestyle program for families with children aged 7-13. It is run after school hours by a qualified Dietitian and Exercise Leader. To see if your child qualifies for the Go4Fun program, or for more information, visit the Go4Fun website at <http://go4fun.com.au> or call 1800 780 900.

Term 3 programs being offered in Maryland, New Lambton, Raymond Terrace, Anna Bay, Maitland and Belmont North – even a Saturday afternoon program to meet the needs of busy families.

REGISTER BEFORE THE END OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!!!!

Encourage your child to be active, happy and healthy TODAY!



## TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just Ice Cream!!

# Tasty Tuesday!

## Mini BEEF POTATO TOPPED Hot Pot!

Tender Slow cooked Beef in a delicious gravy of Bacon, Onion, Garlic, Mushrooms, Tomato, Salt & Pepper to taste!

Served with Fresh Vegies & a Damper Roll!

GREAT FOR TAKE AWAY! \$12.00

To ensure you don't miss out on your favourite dishes, please e-mail your order direct to: [anne@teagardensicecreamshack.com.au](mailto:anne@teagardensicecreamshack.com.au) or Phone: 4997 1990

PLEASE HAVE YOUR ORDER IN BY 8PM SUNDAY NIGHT!

(No Orders guaranteed after this time! :-)

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