

Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

15/9/2014 Week 10 Term 3

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Student of the Week

Congratulations to Cameron Jefferies who is this week's Student of the Week. Cameron receives the award for being an excellent class member who is supportive and willingly assists others. Congratulations, Cameron on being named this week's student of the week.



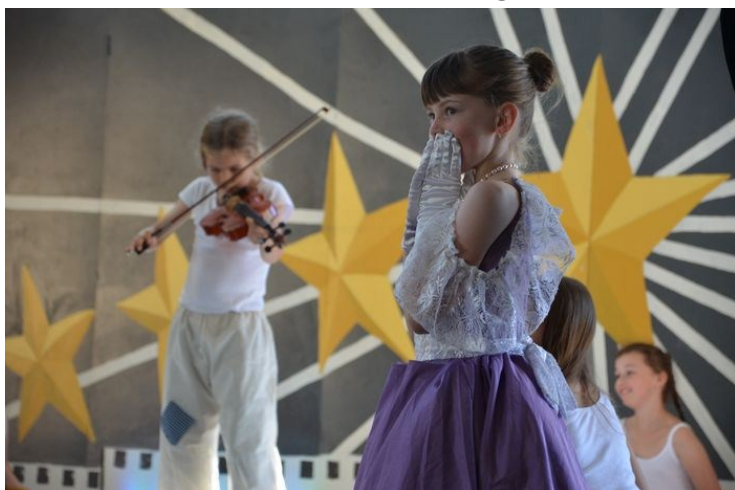
Bouquets

Christine Wisemantel

Christine has been working in the school canteen since the 2001 school year. It is with great sadness that we farewell Christine this week after many years of dedicated service to thousands of students over the last 14 years. On behalf of our school community, thanks Christine!

A special farewell function is currently being organised. Further details to follow.

School Concert- Our stars shine bright!



Extraordinary talent was on display with the 2014 Tea Gardens Public School Concert, "At the Movies". The biennial event saw over 200 performers strut their stuff in both a matinee and evening performance to a combined audience of 475 delighted fans. Hosted by Margaret and David (A.K.A Alex and Joshua) the two hosts displayed talent well beyond their years, keeping the audience entertained with some humorous and witty comments in between each of the performances.

After an overture from the school and community

band, performing songs from the Flintstones and George of the Jungle, the audience was thrilled by performances from the school dance groups based around the Chronicles of Narnia and the Harry Potter series.

Kindergarten then dazzled the audience with "South Pacific". Our littlest performers loved the experience. "I danced to wash that man right out of my hair. I liked to wiggle my bottom in the dance. It was fun"- Rosie

"I danced to South Pacific. South Pacific is the best and it was fun." – Boston

"Being in the navy for the concert was fun. The music was good. My mum was clapping."- Will



A vast array of performances followed, spanning from a ship sinking to Martians from outer space. Our budding actors performed to The Lion King, Despicable Me, Grease, Aladdin, Titanic, Mars Attacks! and The Blues Brothers.

The night concluded with the school choir performing a song from The Bee Movie.

Congratulations are extended to:

our budding stars (the students),
our staff,
School Concert Committee
School and Community Band
Eddie Groot- videography
Mel Carter- backdrop
Angela Condie- school choir
Joe and Jomeca – sound and lighting

Wildside Festival

Congratulations to Harry Clemson from the Troop class who won both the Myall Coast Native Flora and Myall Coast Native Fauna Primary School Photography Competition. The competition was judged by photographer Christian Patteson. Harry's winning photographs will now be printed and mounted onto canvas for him to keep. Congratulations, Harry.



Special recognition to Bianca Clarke, who also had a flora photo in the finals component of the competition.

Thanks to all of our students who submitted their photos to support this local community event.

Coming Up

Golf

Golf is on Tuesday afternoon from 4pm-5.05pm. This semester, there is no charge for this activity.

Assembly this week

This week's assembly will be hosted by the Pod class. Please come along and be a member of our audience. Assembly commences at 9:10am each week.

Science and Engineering Challenge – Thursday 18 September

Year 6 and invited Year 5 students have been selected to attend the Science and Engineering Day at St Peters Campus, Maitland on Thursday 18 September, 2014.

During the Science and Engineering day, students will be divided into 12 groups of 2 to 4 students. Each group will work on two half-day science and engineering based activities.

Our schools involvement in the Maitland Science and Engineering Discovery Day is being fully funded by the Rotary Club of the Myall Coast. We thank the Rotary Club for covering the transport and lunch costs for our students.

Spring Vacation

The spring vacation commences this Saturday 20 September and concludes on Monday 6 October. Students and staff return to school for term 4 on Tuesday 7 October. Please enjoy a safe and well deserved break.

Starting School- Kindergarten 2015

If you have yet to register your children as part of our Kindy 2015 intake, please contact the school ASAP to assist with planning. You can do this either by calling in, phoning the school on 0249970286 or emailing the

school at teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

2014 Annual Satisfaction Survey – Parent Edition. Win a \$50 COLES Gift Card!!!!

One of the things we do every year is a satisfaction survey for parents, teachers and students. The 2014 survey has been prepared and is accessible via a link included in the email with this newsletter. Your support in completing the survey is very much appreciated. As an added incentive, we have a \$50 COLES Gift Card to give away in a prize draw. Everyone who completes the survey (and their name) will be entered in the draw. Click on the following link to complete the survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3QH763W>

Has your family paid the voluntary contribution for 2014?

Pay your 2014 Voluntary Contribution of \$50 per family and go in to the draw to win a bike! The draw will take place at assembly **this Friday 19 September!** Each family who has paid the voluntary contribution by this date will receive one ticket in the draw.

100 percent of the monies collected from the 2014 voluntary contributions are going towards the replacement cost of air conditioners.



**Mark Clemson
Principal**



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aspirations
Longitudinal Study

Important Notice - Research in the School

The school is participating in the Aspirations Study, a research project run by Professor Jenny Gore and her colleagues at the University of Newcastle.

Students in Years 5, 7, 9 and 11 will be completing a survey during class time. If you do not want the data to be given to the researchers, please return a withdrawal form to the school. Withdrawal forms are available from the school office.

For more information or to download a withdrawal form, please visit www.newcastle.edu.au/aspirations.



4 year
study



"What do you
want to be when
you grow up?"

Good for Kids

good for life

Why does our school have
Crunch&Sip®?

Crunch&Sip® is a set time in primary schools for students to 'refuel' on fruit and salad vegetables and 'rehydrate' with water¹.

Research has shown that students who are not hungry and are well hydrated perform better in the classroom, show increased concentration, and are less likely to be irritable and disruptive¹.

Crunch&Sip® gives students the opportunity to eat at least one serve of fruit or vegetables a day and can help increase their overall total daily intake.

What to pack for Crunch&Sip®²

- A bottle of water
- And either:
- A whole piece of fruit or vegetables e.g. mandarin, banana, carrot
- A small container of bite sized fruit or vegetables e.g. berries, grapes, carrots, celery
- Vegetable sticks
- Dried fruit very occasionally

Consider fruits and vegetables that are in season as this will help to lower the cost and be sure to pack something for Crunch&Sip® everyday!

¹ www.healthy-kids.nsw.gov.au



TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just Ice Cream!!

Tasty Tuesday!

MAC & CHEESE

GREAT FOR TAKE AWAY

Best ever ham chunks in a cheese & onion cream sauce, macaroni & topped with the yummiest crunchy crumble! Served with a wee salad & warmed mini damper roll! **\$12.00**

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

PLEASE HAVE YOUR ORDER IN BY 8PM SUNDAY NIGHT!
(No Orders guaranteed after this time! :-)

2/79 Marine Drv. Tea Gardens Ph: 4997 1990

Sorry... CONTAINS WHEAT



PLAY TOUCH FOOTBALL

A Place on the Field for Everyone

Touch Footy in Maitland NSW - Sign up today!

- Touch Football is a fun game providing a great social environment for both boys and girls; competitions for all ages and skill levels
- Touch Football is a great, minimal contact sport to get kids active and meet new friends
- Mid-week and after hours' games will leave your weekends free
- Representative pathways that lead to club, state or even national honours
- Catering for individuals or as a team - A place on the field for everyone!

REGISTER ONLINE: www.maitlandtouch.com.au

JUNIORS: Under 8's, 10's, 12's, 14's, 16's and 18's BOYS & GIRLS Comps
Played on Thursday afternoons, All Term 4

ADULTS TOUCH COMPETITIONS - Ladies, Mens and Mixed Competitions
Competition starts mid-October until early March

PLAYNRL.COM

SCHOOL SUMMER UNIFORMS—ORDER

Please order girl's summer dress uniforms as soon as possible. The cost per uniform is \$50 from size 4 to 16. Please send your orders in early, so that we can order enough stock.

	Size	Qty	\$	Price ea
Girls Summer Uniform	_____	_____	_____	\$50
Short Sleeve Blue Polo	_____	_____	_____	\$18
Short Sleeve Yellow Polo	_____	_____	_____	\$18
Grey Shorts	_____	_____	_____	\$15
Maroon Sport Shorts	_____	_____	_____	\$12
Girls Navy Culottes	_____	_____	_____	\$20
Girls White Socks	9-12, 13-3, 2-8	_____	_____	\$14 /5pair
Boys Grey Socks	9-12, 13-3, 2-8	_____	_____	\$14 /5pair
Bucket Hat	S/M M/L	_____	_____	\$12

Student Name: _____

Total \$ _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone: _____



STUDENT BANKING TUESDAYS

10 Tokens redeemed for each of the following items

Term 3 only

- Whale shark pencil case
- Penguin/Shark plush key ring

Term 3 & 4

- Dollarmites moneybox
- Swimming Bag



Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 12th September 2014. They were:

PRIDE

Noah Rodgers Excellent school concert participation
Kalista Hall Producing quality work

ARMY

Gabriel Fa'asolo Great dancing skills
Bianka Patteson Great dancing skills

TEAM

Jackson Hind Enthusiasm when performing on stage
Indyanna Horne Enthusiasm when performing on stage

MOB

Kayla –Jane Horne For hr outstanding skills and effort in her performance during the concert
Gemma Brown For her outstanding skills and effort in her performance during the concert

POD

Jordan Dorante Improvement in his book work
Jemima Ryder For her effort in reading groups

TROOP

Jasmine Mundell Great effort at concert
Jamie Freebody Great effort at concert

CORPS

Ethan Pinch Pleasing work in creative arts
Will Markham Great effort in the school concert

COLONY

Charlotte Bultitude For her effort in dance
Shea Matenga Fantastic behaviour this week in class and at the concert

ARMADA

Cameron Vaerua Always working well in class
Dylan Smith Enthusiasm in PDHPE activities

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WEDNESDAY 17th September (Deb Smart, Bill Ewen)
Meatballs, Pasta and Sauce \$4.50

THURSDAY 18th August (Christine, Leanne Whitby)

Pork/Apple Sauce/Gravy Roll \$4.50ea
Roast beef/Gravy Roll

FRIDAY 19th September (Christine, Caroline Jeffries)

Chicken Burger
Or
6 Chicken Nuggets with tomato sauce \$4.50ea

DRINKS SOLD SEPARATELY

Milk (Chocolate, strawberry, banana, plain) \$1.20
Bottled Water—Large \$1.50
Bottled Water—Small \$1.00
Juice (apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant) 200ml \$1.00
Juice (apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant) 250ml \$1.30
Milo (hot or cold) \$1.00

Bullying...

Information for Parents

Is fighting bullying?

While fighting between two students of equal power is of concern, it is not bullying. It is the presence of a power imbalance that distinguishes bullying from fighting, conflict, violence and disagreement. It is this imbalance that makes mistreatment of the victim possible. However, if one of the students establishes power over the other and continues to threaten or fight that student and that student can't make it stop, this would then become a bullying situation.

Why do children bully?

Reasons that children exhibit bullying behaviour include the following:

- to get what they want
- to be popular and admired
- fear of being the one left out
- jealousy of others
- it seems like fun, or they are bored
- it has worked for them before
- they enjoy the power
- they see it as their role at school
- their significant role models bully



What factors contribute to the development of bullying behaviour?

Aggressive behaviour among significant others contributes to bullying. Children who have role models who bully are more likely to imitate this behaviour, and bullying may be spurred by harsh physical punishment by family members. Children may bully smaller, weaker children to copy what happens to them at home. Further, poorly monitoring and supervised children may believe it is okay to use bullying behaviour to get what they want.

If children have peers that bully, they may feel they have to bully to fit in. Some children also feel that they need to strike first for fear of being bullied. They believe that if they use their power and assume a hostile stance it will discourage other children from bullying them. Children who bully typically lack empathy for the child they are bullying.

Source: <http://friendlyschools.com.au/fsp/what-should-i-know-about-bullying/>





Road safety around your child's school

Your child's safety depends on you

Drop off and pick up by car

Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly.

Stick to the **40km/h speed limit** in a school zone as children are about.

Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing **wig wag lights**.

Always park and turn legally around schools.

Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always **give way to pedestrians** particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Drop your children off and pick them up on the **school side of the road** in your school's designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic.

It's safest for children to get out of the car on the **kerb side of the road** to be away from passing traffic.

Walking together to and from school

Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

Always **hold your child's hand**. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.

Talk with your children about **Stop, Look, Listen and Think** every time they cross the road.

STOP! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK! for traffic to your right left and right again.

LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK! whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these **safe pedestrian habits** from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.



Did you know your child is learning about road safety at school?
Join in by visiting safetytown.com.au.



Transport for NSW

Centre for Road Safety