



# Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324  
6/10/2015 Week 1 Term 4

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back for what I am sure will be a very busy final term of 2015.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

### Student of the Week

Congratulations are extended to Charli Alchin from the AIF class who was our final student to be named 'Student of the Week' in term three. Charli received the award for being a polite, consistent worker who is a delight to teach. Congratulations Charli on being named student of the week.

Come to our assembly this Friday to find out who will be our next Student of the Week! Assembly commences at 9.10am and everyone is welcome. This Friday, our ministers will be hosting our assembly. Please come along and join us!



## Bouquets

### Merv Nagle

Thanks are forwarded to Merv for all his work over the holidays in keeping our school looking great.

## THE TELL THEM FROM ME- Partners in Learning – Parent Survey is closing soon!

### The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

The survey is a great opportunity for our parents to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about our school.

To commence the survey, please click on the following link:

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/>

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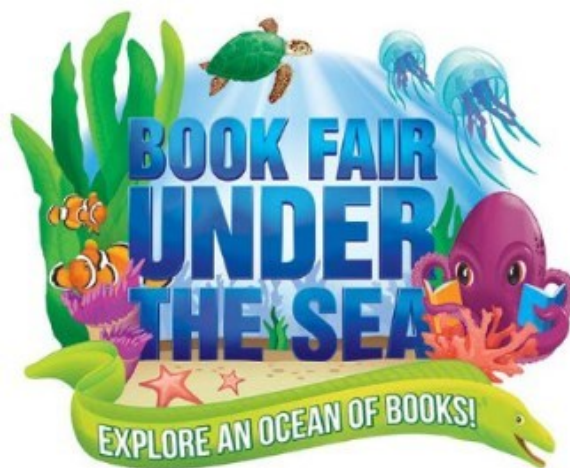
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## Coming Up

### "Around the World" P&C Trivia Night

Saturday 17 October. Book your table of 8 for just \$80. Dress up and win a prize! This is an over 18's event.

## Under the Sea Book Fair is coming to the library



In Week 3 (Monday 26 – Tuesday 27 October) we will be holding our **annual Book Fair**. Just like last year it will be a Scholastic Book Fair and hopefully it will once again be very successful.

The fair will be open before school on Monday and Tuesday. We hope to see everyone at our fair. Prices of books and stationery range from \$1 to \$25. EFTPOS facilities will be available.

Rachel Cooper  
Teacher Librarian

## Kindergarten Orientation commences on 29 October

Our Kindergarten Orientation program starts on **Thursday 29 October**. The children spend time in the classrooms with teachers. At the same time, our prospective 2016 Kindy parents are offered an information session on a range of topics including:

Is my child ready for school?

The First Day

The A-Z guide to Tea Gardens

What is Best Start?

What do students learn in Kindergarten? - **A day in the life of Kindergarten**

How can parents participate?

Our Uniform

What if my child has special needs?

The role of the School Counsellor

Question and Answer session

Parents will take a tour around our facilities and meet the Principal and staff who can answer all of your questions.

It is possible some previous communication about the starting date for the program has had conflicting information. The date Kindergarten Orientation commences is on Thursday 29 October. Please add this date to your calendars.

### **Myall River Festival and Duck Derby – Saturday 31 October 2015**

The P&C will again be running the traditional Duck Derby with some fantastic prizes to be won! We will need parent helpers in shifts throughout the day, just giving up an hour or two of your time will be invaluable to the success of our event. Duck numbers are on sale for \$5 each from the office

### **KINDY16**

#### **Kindergarten Enrolments 2016**

It's time to enrol for next year. Please contact the office to obtain an enrolment form if you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2016. 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](mailto:teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

**Mark Clemson**  
**Principal**

### **Tea Gardens Public Library Promotion**

Tea Gardens Public Library is running a competition for our students to encourage borrowing and use of the public library here in Tea Gardens. They are offering a free book to each student in the winning class who has the most members sign up for a library card. Those of you who already have a library card, let the librarians know the next time you use the library and ask them to add your name to the list. Application forms and information was left for each of the classes during Book Week. So, get in there and join the Great Lakes library.

### **KARUAH AND DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB SEASON 2015/2016 CALLING ALL JUNIORS**

Karuah and District Cricket Club have nominated sides in the Maitland District Junior Cricket competition. Games start at 8.30am and finish no later than 11.30am each Saturday. They break for the Christmas School holiday period. The club have Under 10's, Under 13's and Under 15's at this stage. We still have room for under 12 players as there are excess numbers in the 12 and 13 age brackets. Girls can play two years below their age group as well. Everyone is welcome along for a game.

Anyone interested must attend training at Memorial Oval, Witt Street, Tea Gardens this **THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER COMMENCING AT 4.30PM** so sides can be finalised as the first game is **SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**.

Contact Graeme Johnson 0418972049 for further details. Registration is \$65.00 which gets you a shirt and cap. Then it is \$5.00 per game per week. All players are covered by insurance through the association they play under and coaches are qualified.

### **P&C NEWS**

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### **REMINDERS**

#### **Request for support at school for student's with Health**

##### **Conditions— Urgent**

We are currently updating our records of all students with health conditions who may require medication or support at our school.

Forms have been sent home to all parents with children who have known medical conditions. These forms are to be completed by parents and returned to the office as soon as possible.

If your child has an **allergic reaction**, then an action plan will be included and needs to be completed and signed by your medical practitioner.

If your child has **asthma**, then an action plan managing your child's asthma will be included and also needs to be completed and signed by your medical practitioner.

All parents with children who have medical conditions will also receive a **consent for doctor** to provide information about their child's health condition. These also need to be completed and signed by the child's parent.

#### **A reminder to notify the school about your child's health**

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or is a new health condition develops. (forms are available from school office)

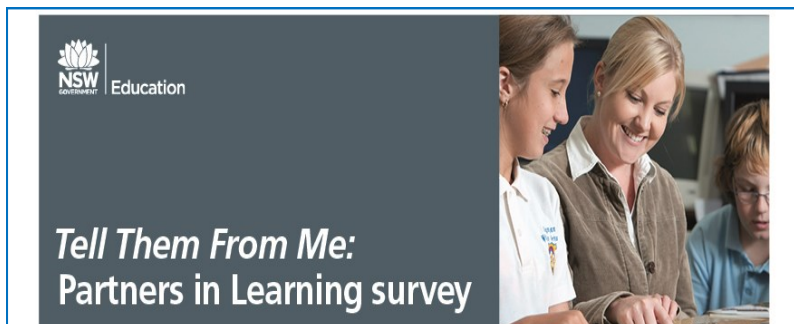
Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided in writing to the principal.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

**CANTEEN NEWS**  
**NO CANTEEN WEEK 1**  
**CANTEEN WILL RESUME ON**  
**WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER**



**WIN**  
a  
**NEW CAR**  
or  
**\$13,000.00 cash**  
Tickets available from school office



**Tell Them From Me:**  
**Partners in Learning survey**

You're invited to participate in the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM)* Partners in Learning survey designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

### Why should I participate?

Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

### What does it involve?

This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary.

If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children's experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once.

### How can I participate?

You can access the survey in your own time, between 17 August and 16 October 2015.

Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:

If you require access to a computer at school to complete the survey. Please contact Mark Clemson – School Principal who will make these arrangements for you.

More information on the Partners in Learning survey can be found on the NSW Department of Education's TTFM website: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>



## Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 18th October 2015. They were:

### ALLIES

Izabelle Pollock Working well in class  
Jenayah Hall Working well in class

### BRIGADE

William Barlow Effort and application to all his work  
Kathleen O'Brien Excellent improvement in writing

### HEROES

Bianka Patteson A great effort in visual arts  
Cameron O'Brien Excellent artworks and drawings

### MATES

Zarlii Ray For her fantastic presentations and Application  
Claire Carter For always trying her best

### POPPIES

Braiden Dvorik Enthusiastic participation in PE & Sport lessons  
Shannon Stockell Improvement in reading

### AIF

Braiven Megallon Answering questions thoughtfully  
Breanna Foran Listening carefully

### CADETS

Riley Barry Working well with averages  
Ethan Pinch Excellent contributions to classroom discussions

### SQUADRON

Haley Steadman Working hard to improve her projects  
Paddy Nickle Excellent attitude and application in all areas

## Staff car park

The staff car park is for staff only. Please do **not** use the car park to drop off and pick up your children. Please teach your children to enter and exit the school grounds using the pedestrian access gates located on Ogden Street or Witt Street.



## Disabled parking and bus zones


Only cars displaying a valid disabled parking tag may park in the disabled parking area. Cars are not permitted to park or drop off children in bus zones between 8.30am-9.30am and 2.30pm-4.00pm.

**Penalties exceed \$258 and the loss of 2 demerit points.**



**FAMILY PORTRAITS**  
IN SUPPORT OF TEA GARDENS / HAWKS NEST PRESCHOOL

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10 x 13 inch family portrait

Keyring

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**\$1500**

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STUDIOS

**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER AT PRESCHOOL (YAMBA STREET HAWKS NEST)**  
Ph: Preschool 49970037 or Shelley Linderman 0429455660 for Bookings

Get ready to go

**\* AROUND THE WORLD \***

For the Tea Gardens Public School P&C Fundraising

**TRIVIA NIGHT**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 \* 6.30 for a 7pm start in the school hall  
Tables of 8 @ \$80 (call to join a table!)

*Dress up for great night of fun and prizes!*

Tea, coffee and slice provided BYO food and drinks.  
To book please call the school on 4997 0286  
or call Jude on 49972135

\*This is an over 18s event.





**Myall Coast ENTERTAINERS INC.**

**present...**

**He Said and She Said... & The Misused Mill Girl**

**\$15 per seat**

**October Wed 14<sup>th</sup> - Sat 17<sup>th</sup>**  
5 performances...

Tickets on sale from 7<sup>th</sup> September at: Ice Cream Shack, Hawks Nest & Tea Gardens Pharmacies.

Evenings - doors open 6pm, show starts 7pm at Hawks Nest Community Hall.  
Saturday matinee doors open 12midday, shows starts 1pm at North Arm Cove Community Centre.

Proudly Supported By Great Lakes Council.

For more information please [find us on Facebook](#) at Myall Coast Entertainers




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## HELP NEEDED TERM 4 2015

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN TO OFFICE IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP IN OUR CANTEEN.**



### Canteen Volunteer

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     |
| <input type="radio"/> 9am-12pm  | <input type="radio"/> 9am-2pm     |



Many Thanks,  
Danielle Driscoll  
Canteen Supervisor  
**0421976137**