



# Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

26/10/2015 Week 4 Term 4

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Rory Ingram from the Brigade class who is the student of the week. Rory receives student of the week for being a responsible student within the school. Rory takes a serious approach to learning and is a cooperative and engaged student.

Congratulations Rory.



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, Mrs Booth's Brigade class will be hosting our assembly. Please come along and join us!

## BOUQUETS

Many thanks to Mrs Booth who has been working hard behind the scenes in preparation for our Kindergarten Orientation program commencing this Thursday. I am sure our pre-schoolers will really enjoy coming to big school for the first time!

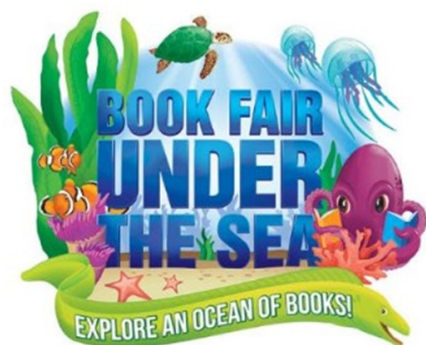
## COMING UP

### Junior Golf

Junior Golf is starting up for this term on Tuesday afternoon at 4pm.

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

Commencing today and concluding tomorrow, we will be holding our **annual Scholastic Book Fair**.



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

Any parent volun-

teers willing to help with book fair sales between 8.30-9.30am please contact the office and leave a message.

Rachel Cooper  
Teacher Librarian

## Kindergarten Enrolments 2016

It's still not too late 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)

## Kindergarten Orientation commences this

### Thursday 29 October

Our Kindergarten Orientation program starts on **Thursday**. The pre-schoolers will 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

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

On Saturday, our school will have dance groups performing on the main stage at 10am. In addition, the P&C will again be running the traditional Duck Derby with some fantastic prizes including a Fishing Kayak to be won! If you are able to assist at the stall selling duck numbers, please contact the office or just turn up and offer to help!

Duck numbers are on sale for \$5 each from the office or at our stall on Saturday morning only while numbers last.

## MS Office 2016 for home use – FREE!!

As part of the department's Enterprise Agreement with Microsoft, MS Office 2016 is now available under work-at-home rights for DoE staff and students. Under this agreement, a single copy for use on a single computer is provided to NSW public school students for **free**.

For your child to access their free copy of MS OFFICE 2016 please click on the following link

[https://nsw-students.onthehub.com/WebStore/ProductsByMajorVersionList.aspx?cmi\\_mnuMain=8fb89d35-b838-dd11-abb7-0030485a6b08](https://nsw-students.onthehub.com/WebStore/ProductsByMajorVersionList.aspx?cmi_mnuMain=8fb89d35-b838-dd11-abb7-0030485a6b08)

The student will need to login using their DoE email address e.g

[mary.poppins3@education.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mary.poppins3@education.nsw.gov.au)

## Office 2016 Quick Start Guides

Keeping up with changes to software can be a challenge at times. If you choose to become an early adopter of the latest release of MS Office, you will want to check out Microsoft's great range of quick start guides that were recently published. There's a separate guide for each of the modules of Office 2016 which should help you get up to speed quickly. <https://support.office.com/en-gb/article/Office-2016-Quick-Start-Guides-25f909da-3e76-443d-94f4-6cdf7dedc51e>

# Head lice

## The facts

Head lice infestations are a common occurrence, particularly in primary schools.

- about 23% of primary students have head lice at any one time
- anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is
- head lice move from one person's head to another via hair
- head lice do not survive long when they are off a human head
- head lice do not live on furniture, hats, bedding or carpet
- head lice have built up some resistance to head lice treatments

## Nitbusters is occurring at our school on Wednesday 18 November

Our school will be coordinating a Nitbusters Program

The Nitbusters program is a NSW Health initiative to reduce the prevalence of head lice in the community. This project was developed in consultation with the NSW Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations and the NSW Department of Education. It educates school children and parents about head lice and how to screen for and treat them as a community.

The program is aimed not at eradicating head lice but at identifying and managing infestations. Nitbusters tries to educate communities through schools about the most effective ways to reduce populations of head lice by encouraging school 'Nitbuster days'. On this day, parents who have consented for their children to be included in the program will have their hair checked by a School Learning Support Officer. All students checked will receive a letter to take home indicating one of the following:

- No head lice were found
- Nits (eggs) were found
- Head lice and nits (eggs) were found

In addition, the letter will offer suggestions on treatment options if required.

If you are happy to have your child(ren) checked, please return the consent form to school.

Participation in the Nitbusters program is voluntary (although-strongly encouraged). Consent to participate can be withdrawn at any time. Individual results are confidential. Reporting would only be in general terms like e.g. "On the day 157 students were checked with the following results:

- 87 Students had no head lice found
- 42 students with Nits (eggs) were identified
- 28 students had head lice and nits (eggs)"

## After School and Vacation Care Survey Results

Thanks to the 11 families who responded to the After School and Vacation care services survey.

The results highlighted that

12 students would utilise vacation care on one or more of the days during vacation periods and

9 students would utilise the after school service on one or more days per week during the school term.

## Rotary Christmas Car or \$13000 cash Raffle (only 500 tickets in total with only about 75 tickets left to be sold).

The Rotary Club are solid supporters of our school and we thank them for their continued support. Instead of their regular Christmas toy raffle, this year, the Rotary club are offering the winner of the raffle a new car or a cash prize of \$13000. Tickets are \$50 each. Have you purchased your ticket in the draw? Only five tickets are left available for sale in the school office.

**Mark Clemson**  
Principal



## LEAGUE TAG GALA DAY

Last Thursday, 20 students travelled to Salamander Bay to play in a League Tag Gala Day. This day was a fun opportunity for students to practice the skills they learnt as part of the Rugby League clinics that were held in the school during Term 3 and 4.

Cole Johnson, Mitchell Barr, Nathan Katz, William Markham, Paddy Nickle, Tyreece Wolfram, Mikelle McAliney-Nelson, Abby Fenner, Taylor Simmons and Indianna McDonald played in the Yr 5/6 competition. The Yr 3/4 team was Isaac Mitchell, Tye Carter, Jermaine Wolfram, Sonny Braddick, Makai Dvorik, Braiden Dvorik, Lily-Ann White, Sophie Frazer, Keira Bently-Baker and Charli Alchin.

Each team played 4 games during the day. Both teams each won 3 games and had a draw. All of the students had a great day and represented our school with pride.

We would like to thank Karen Stewart-Katz, Linda and Ben Braddick, Ngaire White, Rebecca McAliney, Fran and Dennis Flaus, Jayne Barr, Caroline Alchin and Mick Dvorik for giving up their time to transport students to the gala day, and for their assistance throughout the day.

The students are looking forward to participating in the Gala Day again next year.

Elizabeth Winney  
Co-ordinator



### Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive lessons

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are \$69 for school-aged children and \$49 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).



\$50

a ticket

WIN

a  
NEW CAR  
or

\$13,000.00 cash

ONLY  
500 tickets  
to be sold

For more information or to make a booking, visit  
[sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive](http://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive)  
or phone 13 13 02



Tickets available from school office





# **Don't be a Chicken..... Buy a Duck!** **Tea Gardens Public School P&C Myall River Festival Duck Derby**

A major fundraiser for Tea Gardens Public School and P&C each year is the Myall Duck Derby. The race is held as part of the Myall River Festival on Saturday 31 October 2015. We release 500 plastic numbered ducks on the Myall River and the first 3 past the post win the prizes:



## **First Prize**

## **Blue/White Camo Fishing Kayak Package**

Includes Paddle, Leash, De Luxe Seat, Swivel Rod Holder +  
Valued at \$389



## **Second Prize**

Ski Biscuit and tow rope package – valued at \$190



## **Third Prize**

Body Board- Valued at \$49



## WANTED

The Children at Tea Gardens/Hawks Nest Preschool need plastic bottle top lids for craft and fundraising projects. You can help by collecting plastic lids from home and dropping them off in the marked container at the office at Tea Gardens Public School.

Many thanks,  
Cathryn Gamble (Preschool Committee Secretary)



### Guess How Many Bottle Tops It Takes to Cover Our Koala and Win

#### Support the Tea Gardens / Hawks Nest fundraiser at the Myall River Festival.

The Tea Gardens / Hawks Nest Preschool have a fantastic new fundraiser lined up for this year's Myall River Festival. The children are currently helping to decorate a giant koala sculpture (pictured) with plastic bottle lids that they have collected as part of a project to learn about recycling.




The Koala will be finished and on display at the Myall River Festival, where there will be a competition to guess the number of bottle tops covering it. The closest three guesses on the day will win one the following fabulous prizes:

- Two nights' accommodation in a new lakeside safari tent at Myall Shores Holiday Park valued at \$280.
- A family pass for Taronga Western Plains Zoo valued at over \$130.
- A voucher for Lazy Paddles Kayak Hire for a family of four (2 doubles for 2 hours) at a value of \$90.

Come and join in the fun on Saturday with guesses at only \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. All proceeds raised will go towards the completion of the preschool building extension which will contain a much needed therapy room and disabled toilets.

Cathryn Gamble (Secretary Tea Gardens / Hawks Nest Preschool)

### CANTEEN ROSTER AND MEMU 28-30 OCTOBER

<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> 28 October Danielle Driscoll, Bill Ewen (9-12) Amy Rodgers (9-2)</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b> 29 October Deb Smart, Lerane Jarman (9-12) Vanessa Ray (9-2)</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b> 30 October Danielle Driscoll, Trudy Brumby (9-12) Peta Shelton (9-2)</p>
<p>Ham &amp; egg/mayo salad wrap</p>  <p><b>**Salad- lettuce, carrot, tomato &amp; cucumber**</b></p>	<p>Curry chicken &amp; rice with beans &amp; corn spears</p>  <p><b>**Optional plain yoghurt**</b></p>	<p><b><u>HALLOWEEN SPECIAL</u></b> <b><u>\$5.00</u></b> Hot dog with sauce &amp; cheese &amp; a popper – apple, orange or abc</p>  <p><b>*Sauce – bbq, tomato or mustard*</b></p>





## MYALL RIVER GREENPAWS PET SHOW SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER 2015

TIME 12.15 Centre Stage

### Categories



**Best Trick**—does your dog do a great trick? Come and show everyone.

**Fastest runner**—is your dog a fast runner? Come along and try and beat Teddy the Wonder Dog!

**Best ball catcher**—high jumps, fast moves, better than Teddy, lets see how good your dog is?

**Lookalike Competition**—dress you and your pet like Rock Stars!! Use your imagination and go wild!!

**Cutest pet** in the whole area. We are looking for the cutest, most adorable, loveable pet in the area. Do you have the winner?

**The Happiest Dog** with the Biggest Smile. Come along and brighten our day

Please enter your pet in one or more categories prior to the competition by either visiting the Greenpaws stall at the Festival on the day between 10 and 12pm or emailing [greenpaws1@bigpond.com](mailto:greenpaws1@bigpond.com) or calling Sharon on 0432 766 755

We have some great prizes this year so come on down and have some fun with Teddy. All dogs must be on a lead please.



# HALLOWEEN

**FREE Kids Disco & Karaoke**

**Friday 30th October**



**5pm-8pm**



## Kinder 2016 Community Health Screening

Hunter New England Local Health District is offering a **FREE** screening program for all children starting school in 2016.

The program covers assessments on vision, hearing, speech, height and weight

The next health screening for students entering Kindergarten for 2016 will be held at the Hawks Nest

Community Centre on 3 November.

Please phone 6592 9315

For an appointment

## Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 23 October 2015. They were:

### ALLIES

Zoie Hunter

Working well in class

Matilda Fidden

Working well in class

### BRIGADE

Rory Ingram

Exemplary creative & imaginative writing

Jack Nolan

Great effort & application with his work

### HEROES

Finn Matenga

Positive contributions to our class

Sam Alchin

Consistent application & approach towards reading

### MATES

Isla Brumby

Thinking of excellent questions

Indyanna Horne

Working well in all areas

### POPPIES

Simone Miller

Consistently working well in class

Logan Clarke

Making a positive start to Term 4

### AIF

Stephen

Great effort & participation

Charli Alchin

Quiet achievement

### CADETS

Sophia Jeffries

Being a responsible student

Piper Matenga

Always being willing to help in the class room

### SQUADRON

Mikelle McAliney-Nelson

Excellent work completing her animal adaptations presentation

Cole Johnson

Excellent work completing his animal adaptations presentation