



Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

16/11/2015 Week 7 Term 4

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Mitchell Barr from the Squadron classroom who is the student of the week. Mitchell receives student of the week for the following: working well in class; taking on more responsibility in the classroom and playground; being kind and considerate to younger students; completing his role as minister with pride and representing the school in a range of sports throughout the year. Congratulations Mitchell. 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, the Ministers will be hosting our assembly.



Diamond Award- Badge Assembly. A special badge ceremony assembly has been organised for Friday 4 December commencing at 9.10am

Students who have received or receive 35 weeks of on track behaviour up to and including 27 November this year, will receive their diamond badges on Friday 4 December. This will allow us to pay special attention to all our Award recipients in a special minister's assembly.

BOUQUETS

Australian Native Landscapes (ANL)

On Friday, our school took delivery of over 16 cubic metres of vegetable and garden mix soil donated by ANL. This donation saved the school approximately \$1500! Thank you to Australian Native Landscapes for their generous donation. We will be using the soil in our eight dedicated class garden beds in the Rotary Kitchen Garden.

Bulahdelah Show- Student Night Award Winners

Tea Gardens students entered the writing, public speaking and art sections of the 2015 Bulahdelah Show with outstanding results including:

Public Speaking



Stage 2:

2nd Place Gethyn Bryant "ANZACS"
Equal 3rd Place Caitlin Condie "In the Mud"

Stage 3:

1st Place Sophia Jeffries "Fears"

BULAHDELAH SHOW

PRIMARY WRITING COMPETITION AWARDS

EARLY STAGE 1 --- Your Favourite Story Book

1st Matilda Fidden	Tea Gardens P S
1st Stephanie McShane	Tea Gardens P S
3rd Shae Roberts	Tea Gardens P S

STAGE 1---The Best Movie you have ever seen

1st Darcy Ingram	Tea Gardens P S
2nd Isla Brumby	Tea Gardens P S
3rd Tyler Rodgers	Tea Gardens P S

STAGE 2---Free Choice Narrative

3rd Gethyn Bryant	Tea Gardens P S
Highly Commended	Jade Johnson Tea Gardens P S

STAGE 3---Free Choice Narrative

1st Sophia Jeffries	Tea Gardens PS
2nd Allysha Randall	Tea Gardens P S

OVERALL WINNER OF THE WRITING COMPETITION

Sophia Jeffries

Bulahdelah Show ART Winners

Early Stage 1 Line Drawing

1 st Place	Korban Patteson
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Early Stage 1 Painting

2 nd Place	Noah
Highly Commended	Rory Ingram

Early Stage 1 Collage

3 rd Place	Kalli Bates
Highly Commended	Kathleen O'Brien

Stage 1 Line Drawing

2 nd Place	Deena Clemson
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Stage 1 Painting

Highly Commended	Evie Braddick
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Stage 1 Collage

Highly Commended	Seth Rawlings
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Stage 2 Line Drawing

Highly Commended	Mia McDonald
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Stage 2 Painting

Highly Commended	Kaitlyn Smith
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Overall winner of the inaugural "Betty Bramble Memorial Trophy" was Sophia Jeffries. A fantastic achievement!



Newcastle Permanent / Hunter Region Mathematics Competition Winners

Congratulations to the following students who competed in the Hunter Region Primary Mathematics Competition and 1

gained the following awards:

Distinction

Casey O'Bryan
Allysha Randall
Sophia Jeffries
Cole Johnson

Merit

Toby Avery
Lily-Arum Laws
Zane Pietsch
Luke McCarthy
Hannah Gatenby
Shea Matenga
Dane Pope
Nathan Katz
Mikelle McAlinney-Nelson
Brandon Price
Tyreece Wolfram

Round Robin Sporting Competition

Over the past 8 weeks students have been participating in the Round Robin Sporting Competition each Friday. Even though students have been competing in teams, points have been accumulating each week for house groups.

Each week a junior and senior student was selected as the most valuable player and as showing the best sportsmanship.

The most successful girls team was the "Lightening Strikes" and the most successful boys team was the "Chicken Legs"

House Results

1st Stephens
2nd Corrie
3rd Yacaaba
4th Tomaree

- **Junior Girl Most Valuable Players**
Ellie Watson, Lenita White and Sophie Frazer
- **Junior Boys Most Valuable Players**
Braiden Dvorik and Braiven Megallon
- **Senior Girls Most Valuable Players**
Tyleya and Abby Fenner
- **Senior Boys Most Valuable Players**
Seth Gregory and Mitchell Barr
- **Junior Girl Sportsmanship**
Charli Alchin
- **Junior Boy Sportsmanship**
Isaac Mitchell
- **Senior Girl Sportsmanship**
Shona Miller
- **Senior Boy Sportsmanship**
Paddy Nickle

Congratulations to all.

Mrs Fowler and Paddy Nickle

COMING UP

Volunteers Morning Tea- 17 November, 10.45am

On Tuesday, our school will be hosting a morning tea to say "thank you" to our parents and other community members who have assisted our school in many ways during the year. Over 200 invitations were sent home and out a few weeks ago. If we have somehow overlooked you or the invite didn't make it home and you have helped out throughout the year, please join us at our thank you morning tea!

Nitbusters- 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.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016

We currently have 22 students enrolled for Kindergarten in 2016. It's still not too late to enrol for next year. Please contact the office to obtain an enrolment form. 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

Our final Kindergarten Orientation session is on this Thursday 19 November

Our Kindergarten Orientation program concludes this **Thursday**. The pre-schoolers will spend the morning session in the classrooms with teachers.

Rotary Debate- 23 November at 6pm

On Monday 23 November, our debating team will be involved in a debate against Bulahdelah Central School at Tea Gardens Country Club hosted by the Rotarians. We wish our debating team the best of luck.

Swim School Commences on Monday 23rd November

Road Safety

We really enjoyed NRMA visiting Tea Gardens Public School to deliver the Science & Road Safety Day program. Here are some of the road safety messages discussed during the presentations.

1. By law, all children under the age of 7 must use a booster seat. A booster seat allows children to sit taller in the seat so that the adult seatbelt doesn't rest across their neck which is very dangerous in a crash.
2. Did you know that for maximum protection, your child's seatbelt must sit on their collarbone and across their hip bones? If your child is constantly slipping their seatbelt under their arm so that it rests against their ribs, then they may still need a booster seat. We need to keep the seatbelt away from the rib cage as it is not strong enough to withstand the forces generated in a crash.
3. The front seats of cars are potentially dangerous places for children. Airbags deploy at 300km/hr and they are designed to hit an adult at chest height. For any child under the height of 150cm it will hit around head height. Australia growth charts show that less than half of children reach 150cm by the age of 12, so delay your child's move into the front seat for as long as possible.
4. For a bike helmet to do its job, it must stay on your child's head in a crash and the best way to do this is to adjust the straps to ensure there is no more than a two finger space above the eyebrows and between the chin and strap. Take off your cap to ensure your helmet stays in place or wear your hair in plaits rather than a high pony tail when riding.
5. Never slash or cut the inside foam of your bike helmet as this is the part that absorbs all the force

that would be transferred to your head should you crash. If you have a crash and your helmet hits the ground, you will need to replace the helmet even if it still looks okay. This is because the all-important inner foam has been compressed and it is now too hard to absorb the force of another crash.

6. Make sure your child's bike is the right size bike so they can always be in control – are the balls of the feet able to reach the ground when they are seated on the bike? If not, you will need to lower the seat. Make sure that the brakes, gears and bell are in easy reach when riding.

Visit mynrma.com.au/childsafety or email education@mynrma.com.au to learn more.

Mark Clemson
Principal

REMINDERS

Swimming School and Squad Training

Swimming school and squad notes were sent home 3 week's ago and commences next week. **Enrolments for this program close today 16 November. No late enrolments will be accepted.**

Summer Reading Challenge

Help stop the Summer Slide by encouraging your child to read every day during the school holidays. Research tells us that children who read for at least 10 minutes a day over the summer holidays have a better start to the new school year than children who spend little or no time reading. Reading over the holidays helps children maintain or improve the reading level that they developed through the school year. Kids who don't read over the summer holidays can lose core reading skills and slide backwards, potentially falling behind when they return to school.

Keep the reading momentum rolling all summer long with the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge!

Encourage your child to read every day over the school holidays and lodge their Reading Minutes in the ultimate Summer Reading Challenge—Australia versus New Zealand.

Did you know that children are likely to read more and more likely to ENJOY what they read when they have the freedom to choose their own independent reading material?

Make sure you join the Summer Reading Challenge. This is available through the scholastic website and encourages your child/ren to continue reading throughout the school holidays. A great way to compete against another country in reading minutes recorded and lots of fabulous prizes to be won. Student prizes—one winner in each State and Territory. The child with the highest number of reading minutes in each State and Territory will receive a \$50 Book Clubs voucher for each issue (8 in total) in 2016. The total prize value per student is \$400 worth of Book Clubs vouchers.

School prize—one winner across both Australia and New Zealand

The school with the highest number of logged and verified Reading Minutes will receive a box of books for each student.

Winners will be notified via email. The winners' names will also be published on the Scholastic Competitions

website at scholastic.com.au/competitions from 8 February 2016.

For more information go to <http://summerreadingchallenge.scholastic.com.au>

FEED YOUR INNER BOOK BEAST AND BATTLE THE 'SUMMER SLIDE'!

A proven way to keep the reading momentum rolling over summer is participation in a FUN reading program: 10 minutes of reading a day during the holidays will give you a better start to the new school year.



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE **BOOK BEAST READING FEAST!**



FOR PARENTS | PRIZES | FAQ

Your Name

Password

LOGIN

FORGOTTEN PASSWORD

REGISTER

READ TO WIN!

PLUS 'DELICIOUS' PRIZES JUST FOR YOU!

Register to take part in the ultimate Summer Reading Challenge—read your way to victory!

START RECORDING YOUR READING MINUTES ON 1 DECEMBER 2015



<http://summerreadingchallenge.scholastic.com.au/>

Book Club

Book Club order forms will be going home to-day. These will be due back on the 25th of November. This will be the final book club for the 2015 school year. Make sure you order on time to get your Christmas orders in.

Scary Story Competition

Join the Scholastic Summer Holiday Scary Story Competition. For more details visit

<http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/competitions/scarystory.asp>

How to enter

Write your own scary story this summer holiday—
limit 800 words.

The winning entry will be the most creative and well-written story.

Three winners will be selected, one from each of these age groups:

Send your story via email to

competitions@scholastic.com.au

or post to us at:

Scholastic Scary Story Competition

Reply Paid 579

Gosford NSW 2250

Don't forget to include your name, age and school.

[Click here for T&Cs](#)

The competition closes on 1 February 2016.

TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just Ice Cream!!

Tasty Tuesday!

Annies fav..

Chicken Kiev

Great for Take Away!

Good Ol' fashioned Mouth watering Chicken exploding with garlic and parsley sauce then tenderly dipped in egg and coated in home made bread crumbs! Served with baked spuds & a lightly toasted damper roll!

\$15.00 AWESOME!

Gluten Free on request

Most supplied by: Jeff's Quality Meats PH: 02 4997 0766

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

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Unwrapping Christmas

Commencing November, the whole family is invited to **St Andrew's Anglican Church, Tea Gardens** for a unique month-long Christmas Program.

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd November - Starts 4:30 pm

Kids take home a Christmas decoration

Make your own Advent Calendar

Free sausage sizzle each Sunday

Treasure hunt, songs, smiles & fun

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 13 November 2015. They were:

ALLIES

Jenayah Hall Working well in class
Sienna Riley Working well in class

BRIGADE

Kathleen O'Brien Effort and application towards all her work
Will Barlow Fantastic improvement in story writing, spelling and punctuation

HEROES

Deagon Cook Excellent answers when responding to stories
Abigail Alderton Being a kind and considerate class member

MATES

Haleigh Simmons For her excellent work in all areas
Jackson Hind For his good work in Mathematics

POPPIES

Gethyn Bryant For representing the school with pride at the Bulahdelah Student Night
Mia McDonald For her detailed line drawings

AIF

Kiera Bentley-Baker Improving all the time
Tye Carter Working hard in Mathematics and English

CADETS

Allysha Randall Working well in group tasks
Zane Pietsch Working well in group tasks

SQUADRON

Tyreece Wolfram Making insightful comments during class Discussions
Brandon Price Assisting younger students in the playground




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)



CANTEEN ROSTER AND MENU 18th—20th NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 18TH November Dan Driscoll, Jamie Hall (9-12) Vanessa Cook (9-2)	THURSDAY 19TH November Deb Smart, Angela Condie(9-12) Bea Treharne (9-2)	FRIDAY 20TH November Dan Driscoll, Lee Burgess (9-12) Peta Shelton (9-2)
Scrambled egg, tomato & bacon wrap  **Optional bbq or tomato sauce**	Chicken burritos -toasted  *Chicken, beans, salsa, sour cream & lettuce*	Sloppy joe's  **Optional – bbq or tomato sauce**
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