



# Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

18/5/2015 Week 5 Term 2

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Kallen Craft from the Poppies class for being named our 'Student of the Week'. Kallen receives the acknowledgement for trying hard in all areas of school life. Congratulations Kallen on being a much deserved recipient of this week's award!



### BOUQUETS

Congratulations to all our students in Year 3 and Year 5 who completed the NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN 2015 results will be provided to schools from mid-August to mid-September. The same report format is used for every student in Australia. Our school will notify you when the reports are being sent home. Thanks are extended to Mr Weightman for coordinating this activity on behalf of our school community.

### COMING UP

#### Junior Golf

Golf will on Tuesday afternoon. Please meet Mr Weightman at the Golf Club at 4.00pm.

#### Parliament Opening

We hope that you will be able to join us at our 26th opening of parliament this Wednesday.

Local, State and Federal politicians have been special guests in the past, as well parents, carers, other family members and community representatives.

The Parliament is run on the Westminster system, with the cabinet and shadow cabinet made up of Year 3 to Year 6 students, and teachers sitting in a Senate, the house of review. This year's Prime Minister is Cole Johnson.

The Parliament meets fortnightly to give advice on the running of the school in portfolio areas such as building and health, welfare, sport and special events. The Parliament has a Speaker, Sergeant At Arms and Hansard reporters. The Governor-General, Principal Mark Clemson, gives final approval for any changes to school policy.

The official opening commences at 10am. Please come along and see student decision making in action at this very special event.

#### Weekly Assembly- 22nd May

This Friday, Heroes class will be hosting the weekly assembly. Assembly commences at 9.10am. All parents and visitors are welcome.

#### Walk Safely to School Day

Our school is participating in this annual Pedestrian Council of Australia event [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au). (See attached flyer)

**FREE - Enviro Mentors Program-** (2015-2017 School Plan Connection- Strategic Direction 1: Excellence in Student Learning and School Culture)

Marc Harper, a sustainability educator with Keep NSW Beautiful will be at our school next week taking each of our classes through "Close the Loop" as part of the Enviro Mentors Program. Through interactive games and audio visual material, students find out what and how new items are made from recycled material. Marc will focus on local services and highlight how recycling reduces waste going to landfill and saves resources.

## NSWPSSA Rugby League Knockout Report

On Friday, our boys played against Tanilba Bay in round 1 of the Classic Shield Knockout. Our team lost the encounter 22-16 scoring one less try than our opposition. This game provided our boys with the opportunity to gel as a team. It was pleasing to see the boys improving in this regard as the match progressed. Moving forward, we are looking forward to playing in the Newcastle Knights Knockout. Our final training session will be held this Wednesday at Myall Park in Hawks Nest from 3.30-4.30pm.



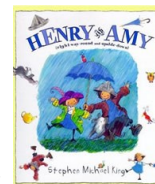
Best wishes are extended to the team in the Knights Knockout this Thursday.

## Library News

**Stephen Michael King Visit- 27 May 2015 – (2015-2017 School Plan Connection- Strategic Direction 1: Excellence in Student Learning and School Culture)**

We are very lucky to have author/illustrator Stephen Michael King coming to visit our school as part of Library and Information Week. Stephen Michael King is well known for his work on many books including but not limited to: Mutt Dog, Leaf, Patricia, Milli, Jack and the Dancing Cat, Henry and Amy and The Man Who Loved Boxes. Stephen also has a number of books shortlisted in the 2015 Children's Book Council Awards highlighting how fortunate we are to have him coming to us here at Tea Gardens. The presentation will be held in the library. There will be two sessions provided:

1:00 – 1:40	K-3 (Allies, Brigade, Heroes, Mates and Poppies)
1:50 – 2:50	4-6 (AIF, Cadets and Squadron)

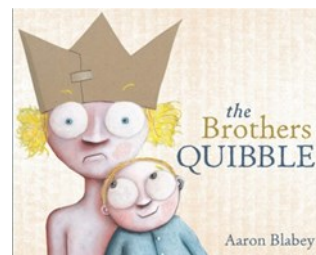


Due to these times, there will be a slight variation to snack break on this day.

## National Simultaneous Storytime- 27 May at 11am

Our school has registered for National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS). The book "The Brothers Quibble" by Aaron Blabey has been chosen for this year's NSS.

National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Now in its 15th successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy using an Australian



children's book that explores age appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Grades K to 6. Our classes will be reading this book in class on 27 May at 11am

### Premiers Reading Challenge

The Premiers Reading Challenge is still underway. Students from Kindergarten to Year 2 are required to read 30 books and students from 3-6 are required to read 20 books. The challenge finishes on the 21st of August. All online records must be completed by this date. Please make sure that your child/ren are recording the books they read so that they can complete the challenge before this time. Students from year 3 onwards have been shown how to log onto the Premiers Reading Challenge website through their student portal <https://student.det.nsw.edu.au/> at school. This can also be done at home. To do this, follow the student portal link provided, students then log into their Kidspage page and the Premier's Reading Challenge can be found under Learning. All Kindergarten students have been supplied with a record sheet, which will need to be returned to school upon completion. If you require a record sheet please don't hesitate to contact me at school.

Rachel Cooper  
Librarian



**The Power of One- Anti-bullying show- Friday 5 June (2015-2017 School Plan Connection- Strategic Direction 1: Excellence in Student Learning and School Culture).** Normally \$5 per student. This event is being subsidised by the school and students are only required to pay \$2 each.

The Power of One performance is presented as two, age-appropriate shows. To go with these shows, the school is provided with a mounted pledge poster board that has the Power of One anti-bullying oath on it, which expresses the main message of the show. Both shows end with all of the children in the audience taking the oath:

**I will not bully others  
I will not stand by while others are bullied  
I will report and deal with bullying whenever I see it  
Because I have the Power of One**

A separate note in relation to the Power of One show went home today.

### Review of Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics in NSW government schools

The NSW Department of Education and Communities has commissioned an independent review of the implementation of Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE) in NSW public schools.

The review is being conducted by an independent research company, ARTD Consultants. It will inform ongoing improvement of SRE and SEE for the Department and providers.

#### Why is the review being conducted?

In 2012 the NSW Legislative Council General Purpose Standing Committee No 2, chaired by the Hon Marie Ficarra MLC released a [report](#) on the Education Amendment (Ethics Classes Repeal) Bill 2011.

Recommendation 14 of the report requires that 'a future independent review of both ethics classes and SRE be conducted by appropriately qualified early childhood educational reviewers in 2014-2015'.

Additional information about the review can be found in the *Public reviews and inquiries* section of the [department's website](#). Parents and carers can have a say until 31 July 2015 via an online contributions portal, located at the [SRE & SEE Review webpage](#).  
<http://artd.com.au/sre-see-review>

### REMINDERS

#### Stage 3 Bathurst Excursion—16 June to 18 June 2015

Expenses for this excursion may be paid as part or full payment. Payment slips were sent home last week. All payments need to be finalised by Friday 5 June 2015. The total cost for this excursion is \$370 per student.

#### School Uniform

As weather moves into colder times, please ensure that your child has the correct school uniform for winter. All items are available for sale from the office. Navy zipped jackets (\$25), Grey Long pants (\$18) Long sleeved polo (\$20), Navy track pants—sport (\$20), Girls Bootleg fleecy pants (\$28). We also have some second hand items for sale at \$2 each.

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

20 May	26 <sup>th</sup> Official opening of the School Parliament	10am															
21 May	Newcastle Knights Knockout Rugby League	Open Division															
22 May	Walk Safely to School Day	<a href="http://www.walk.com.au">www.walk.com.au</a> . Pedestrian Council of Australia															
25/26 May	Enviro Mentors Program Close the loop-Through interactive games and audio visual material, students find out what and how new items are made from recycled material. With a focus on local services, recycling to reduce waste going to landfill and save resources are emphasised.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Time</th><th>Monday</th><th>Tuesday</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>9.05-10am</td><td>Squadron</td><td>Cadets</td></tr> <tr> <td>10-10.55am</td><td>Poppies</td><td>Mates</td></tr> <tr> <td>12-1pm</td><td>Allies</td><td>Heroes</td></tr> <tr> <td>1.55-2.55pm</td><td>AIF</td><td>Brigade</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Time	Monday	Tuesday	9.05-10am	Squadron	Cadets	10-10.55am	Poppies	Mates	12-1pm	Allies	Heroes	1.55-2.55pm	AIF	Brigade
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27 May	National Simultaneous Story time																
27 May	Great Lakes Library Service 15 <sup>th</sup> Annual Great Books Festival	Author / Illustrator Stephen Michael King is coming to Tea Gardens!!!! 1-1.40 and 1.50-2.50pm															
5 June	The Power of One	Antibullying show															
8 June	Queen's Birthday	Public Holiday															
9 June	P&C meeting	7pm in school library															
16-18 June	Bathurst Goldfields Excursion	Stage 3 Excursion															
22 June	Reports home today	Semester 1 reports go home today															
24 June	NAIDOC Week School Celebrations	Celebrating NAIDOC Week 2015 (7-14 July)															
26 June	School Athletics Carnival	All students K-6															



## Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 15th May 2015. They were:

### ALLIES

Matilda Fidden Great sounding of words  
Georgia Lawler Great sounding of words

### BRIGADE

Rory Ingram Sounding out unknown words and writing excellent sentences  
Gabriel Fa'asolo Improved expression and fluency in his reading

### HEROES

Elidjah Wolfram Trying hard in reading  
Boston Marchant Excellent reading and story writing

### MATES

Indyanna Horne Her enthusiastic participation in the Rugby League Clinic  
Darcy Ingram His dedicated approach to all class room activities

### POPPIES

Jaymii Ray Trying hard and having a positive attitude  
Sienna Aliendi Improved work habits

### AIF

Jacob Mifsud Pleasing work in visual arts  
Mathew Price Great work in visual arts and maths

### CADETS

Abbie Smith Giving her all in sport  
Jamie Freebody Improvement in writing

### SQUADRON

Paddy Nickle Excellent work measuring area around the school  
Jackson Gibbs Working hard to achieve his goals in writing

## Rewards Program update

### Student Banking –Tuesday

Available in Term 2, we have two new reward items from our Outer Space Savers range for students to redeem.

- Invisible Ink Martian Pen
- Intergalactic Rocket



## Good for Kids good for life

### Lunchbox fillers

Searching for some inspiration for creative, easy lunch ideas for your children? Below are a few ideas:

- Homemade vegetable muffins
- Turkey, lettuce, cream cheese and cranberry sauce
- Chicken, lettuce, cheese, tomato and mayo
- Tuna, cucumber and cottage cheese
- Boiled egg, lettuce and mayo
- Homemade left over fried rice with ham and vegetables
- Homemade left over vegetable pasta
- Salad wrap with cream cheese
- Cheese, tomato and avocado crackers
- Cheese and vegemite
- Salmon, spanish onion, alfalfa and lettuce
- Chicken and rice noodle salad
- Left over lamb and couscous salad

Making lunches the night before can often alleviate some of the stress of the morning rush.

Writing a shopping list before hitting the shops can help ensure you have purchased everything you need for the week.

Giving your child some choice in what they have each day may help reduce wastage.



Health  
Hunter New England  
Local Health District

Phone 4924 6499

### 2014-2015 NSW Family Energy Rebate

\$150\*  
TOWARDS  
ENERGY  
BILLS



APPLY  
ONLINE  
NOW!

2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM  
<https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/>

\* eligibility criteria apply





Trade & Investment  
Resources & Energy



Apply before  
Midnight  
16 June 2015

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE  
PHONE - Service NSW 13 77 88  
EMAIL - [fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au](mailto:fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au)  
WEB - [www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate](http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate)

### CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEERS ROSTER TERM 2 WEEK 5 – 2015 – ALL MEALS \$4.50

WEDNESDAY 20 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	THURSDAY 21 <sup>TH</sup> MAY Deb Smart Bea Treharne (9-12) Melisa Brown (9-2)	FRIDAY 22 <sup>TH</sup> MAY Dan Driscoll Lee Burgess (9-12) Rikky-Lee Pettit (9-2)
<b><u>Canteen Closed</u></b>  <b><u>Opening of Parliament Function</u></b>  <b><u>Volunteers needed please</u></b>	Ravioli with bolognaise sauce & garlic bread  <b>**Optional parmesan cheese**</b>	<b>NEW</b> Chicken nachos  <b>**Optional sour cream &amp; sweet chilli sauce**</b>
CANTEEN SUPERVISOR	DANIELLE DRISCOLL	0421976137

## CHOOSE YOUR THEME...

Each table will be allocated a letter of the alphabet on booking which represents your theme.

### BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL:

To reserve your table call Mark/Karen at Myall Beans & Leaves on 4997 9709 or email: info@myallbeansandleaves.com.au

### PRIZES:

Awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, best dressed/themed table, special rounds and a raffle on the night.

### HOSTED BY:

Award-winning author Sue Lawson and friends; Kathy, Heidi and Carey, guaranteeing a fun filled evening.

### SUPPORTING: THE "CLINIC BUS"

(Tea Gardens, Hawks Nest and Karuah Medical and Welfare Transport).

# TRIVIA NIGHT

**FRI 29 MAY  
@ 6:45PM**

HAWS NEST  
COMMUNITY HALL,  
BOONER ST  
HAWS NEST



COST: \$80 PER TABLE OF 8,  
\$15 PER SINGLE PERSON.

PROVIDED: TEA AND COFFEE

BYO: FOOD AND DRINK



Get your tickets **NOW**

to the movie

**San Andreas** etc

shelter  
BOX



This is a great opportunity to attend the screening of the movie "San Andreas" etc just two days after its worldwide release.

This movie, starring **Kylie Minogue** and **Dwayne Johnson**, is a story set in the aftermath of a massive earthquake in California. A rescue chopper pilot makes a dangerous journey across the state to rescue his estranged daughter.

This is a fundraising event for **ShelterBox Australia**, which in partnership with **Rotary** provides humanitarian relief of shelter, warmth and dignity to families who have lost their homes to disasters.

**Date:** Sunday May 31st 2015

**Time:** 1:30 pm (movie duration 120 minutes)

**Place:** Scotty's Cinema, Raymond Terrace NSW 2324 (Adelaide St & Bourke St East)

**Cost:** \$20 per ticket, which includes tea/coffee & cake after the show.

#### Tickets available from:

- ✓ Myall Pharmacy at Hawks Nest & at Tea Gardens
- ✓ Hawks Nest Newsagency & Post Office
- ✓ Tea Gardens Ice Cream Shack
- ✓ Myall Quays Newsagency
- ✓ Silk Hairdressing, Tea Gardens

Or phone ShelterBox Australia Ambassador, Myall Coast Rotarian Judy on 0402 655 790

Proudly sponsored by The Rotary Club of Myall Coast Inc

from... **GUAM** "Hafa Adai"

## TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just Ice Cream!!

# Tasty Tuesday!

## Adobo Chicken

I first enjoyed this Tender & Succulent Filipino Chicken dish in The Mariana Islands on a beautiful Tropical Island called Guam! (The fabulous places you can go when you have family there Yay! :-)

Melt in your mouth Chicken thighs marinated then slow cooked in a broth of Garlic, Soy sauce Vinegar with a hint of Ginger!

Served with rice... (to sop up all the addictive juices!)

**\$15.00**

**Sensational!**

Great for Take away

Gluten Free Friendly!

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)

**Please have your Order in by 8pm Sunday Night!**  
(No Orders guaranteed after this time! :-)

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

## \$1000 FREE KIDS DENTAL \* WITH THE CHILD DENTAL BENEFITS SCHEDULE!

Great news, the Child Dental Benefits Schedule continues in 2015! The Commonwealth Government dental scheme provides eligible children with a \$1000 free kids dental benefit\* on selected dental services within a 2 year calendar period.

In 2014 many families were surprised that they were eligible for the free \$1000 benefit\*. To gain access to benefits, children must be eligible for Medicare, must be between 2 and 17 years of age for at least 1 day of the calendar year with the child or parent, guardian or carer receiving Family Tax Benefit Part A or another relevant government payment.

Not sure if you're kids are eligible? Contact your local Pacific Smiles Dental Centre, have your Medicare card ready and they can easily check to see if your kids are eligible or have remaining benefits from 2014.

Information provided by Pacific Smiles Dental: visit [pacificsmilesdental.com.au](http://pacificsmilesdental.com.au) for further information.

\*Free when services covered by the Commonwealth Government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule are bulk billed by participating Practitioners for treatments provided to eligible patients.



# Gold report!!!

On Friday 15-5-15 my grandpa Mr Baillie talked to our class, the Cadets. He is an expert. Here are some reports from my classmates. Lilliarna

*Gold*

*Gold can melt but not break.*

*Gold is weighed in ounces.*

*The piece Mr Baillie showed us was worth \$3000.*

*Gold is soft if it is 24 carat.*

*Joaquin*



## Gold Report

Mr. Baillie, came to volunteer at our school on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May. He did a wonderful job explaining to the Cadets, his past in the gold industry and how panning works. We all loved listening to him tell us some very valuable information and we have definitely learned so much! We gave Mr. Baillie many, many thanks and many of us hope to see him at our school again.

Lily-Arum

### GOLD TALK

We got to hold real gold. We compared 2 gold coins taped together. Gold was heavier. Then we talked about where the mines were. Then we looked at the puddling gear. One had a lot of swirly lines there made for gold because it is heavy the gold stays at the bottom while the water and sand goes out of the puddling bowl then the gold stays at the bottom of the puddling bowl. By Lachlan



On the 15<sup>th</sup> of May my friend Lilliarna's pop came to our school to talk to us about gold. He used to work in a mining industry for 40 years. He told us how to pan gold, he also had real gold. He showed us a map of his last mining industry and more. Hannah





## Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

Students, parents and friends from Tea Gardens Public School are invited to participate in the Walk Safely to School Day this Friday.

### **Why?**

To encourage and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour

To ensure that children under the age of ten years and younger cross roads only when holding the hand of an adult

To promote the health benefits of walking.

**Teachers can be met at the following places and times.**

**8:00am Miss Maloney and Mrs Bryant- corner of Settlers Way and Myall Street, Tea Gardens.**

**8:15am Miss Maloney, Mrs Avery and Mrs Bryant- Bus shelter at the corner of Myall and Coupland Streets, Tea Gardens.**

**8:00am Mrs Booth, Mrs True and Miss Winney- Corner of Kingfisher and Ibis Avenues (Koala Reserve) Hawks Nest.**



Look forward to seeing you all!

Debbie Booth

Walk Safely to School Coordinator.

### TERM 2 ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

Term	Week	Date	Class
2	5	22/5/15	Mrs Ingram (Walk Safely to School Day) /Parliament Opening
2	6	29/5/15	Ministers
2	7	5/6/15	Mrs Booth
2	8	12/6/15	Ministers
2	9	19/6/15	Mrs Andrews
2	10	26/6/15	Athletics Carnival- No assembly