



Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

9/3/2015 Week 7 Term 1

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Luke McCarthy from the Cadets class for being named our 'Student of the Week'. Luke receives the acknowledgement for being a polite and friendly student who is working hard in class. Congratulations Luke on receiving this award!



BOUQUETS

P&C Executive

Gratitude and many thanks are extended to the 2014 P&C executive for their tremendous work over the past twelve months. The committee has achieved a great deal over the past year and I would like to personally thank the committee for their efforts. Thanks to Karen Katz, our outgoing P&C President, and to the rest of the executive committee including Shelly Linderman, Christy Gessey, Trudy Brumby and Jude Woodfield. Our 2015 P&C executive committee will be elected this Tuesday at our P&C AGM commencing at 7pm in the school library. Please come along, take on a position and be active members of our school learning community.

Art and Craft Expo Coordinator and Volunteer Committee

Many thanks are extended to Christine Wisemantel for her work coordinating our 38th Annual Art and Craft Expo. This is a huge job but not one that can be done alone. It's great to see a small but committed bunch of people assisting Christine in the background to ensure this event continues to be a very successful one. **Don't forget that you too are able to help out.** Attached to this newsletter is an updated volunteer request sheet. Please add your name to the form and return to school. The Art and Craft Expo is the P&C committee's major fundraiser each year raising a minimum of approximately \$10 000 annually. The P&C Committee are currently raising funds to purchase new fixed play equipment and this year's expo will assist in achieving this aim.

Police Charity Golf Day

On Friday, I was joined by Karen Katz (P&C President) at the presentation morning tea for this annual charity event. At the function, our school was presented with a cheque by the Local Area Commander which I happily accepted on behalf of the school community. These funds will be used to directly support our students. Thanks are extended to Senior Constable Dave Coyle, Norm Webber and the rest of the organising committee.

COMING UP

Golf

The golf program has been called off this afternoon due to the spraying of chemicals at the golf course. Golf will return next Monday 16 March at 4pm

NSWPSSA Girls Cricket Knockout Game- Tuesday 10 March

Tomorrow, 10 March, our girls will be playing their first match in the NSWPSSA Knockout against Tinonee PS. The game will begin at 10:30am at Bob Collier Oval, Tinonee. We wish our girls the best of luck in their first game.

Cross Country



2015 Cross Country Carnival



Our annual Cross Country Carnival will be held at the school on **Wednesday 11 March, 2015**. The races will commence at **1.15pm**. The students will run a set course according to their age. Students 8 years and over will be eligible for Zone selection. Students will need to wear their sport uniform and can wear a house coloured shirt if they wish. The program of events will be as follows:

12/13 years boys	3km
12/13 years girls	3km
11 years boys	3km
11 years girls	3km
Early Stage 1 boys	Fun Run
Early Stage 1 girls	Fun Run
10 years boys	2km
10 years girls	2km
Stage 1 boys	Fun Run
Stage 1 girls	Fun Run
8/9 years boys	2km
8/9 years girls	2km

We look forward to seeing you there!

Students will be required to wear their sport uniform on both Wednesday and Friday for this week only.

Weekly Assembly- Friday 13 March "Grand Parents Edition"

This week, our Ministers will be hosting our very special Grand Parents and Grand Friends assembly. Classes have been preparing items for a special assembly. The assembly starts at 9.10am and will conclude at approximately 10.15am. All Grand Parents and Grand Friends are invited to attend. Following the assembly, visitors are welcome to return to classrooms for the remainder of the morning session before enjoying a special morning tea in the hall.

Library News

The next Book Club order is due back Monday 16th March.



The class assembly roster for the remainder of semester one is as follows:

Term	Week	Date	Class
1	7	13/3/15	GRANDPARENTS Day
1	8	20/3/15	Ministers
1	9	27/3/15	Mrs Fowler / Mrs Bryant
1	10	3/4/15	Good Friday
2	1	24/4/15	Mr Weightman (ANZAC Ceremony)
2	2	1/5/15	Ministers
2	3	8/5/15	Mrs Maloney (Stewart House Day)
2	4	15/5/15	Ministers (NAPLAN Week)
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 assem-

Newcastle Writers Festival and Creative Writing Workshop at the University Of Newcastle - Year 5 and 6

On Monday 16 March, 10 students nominated by teaching staff will join with students from Bulahdelah CS to go to the Newcastle Writers Festival. The students will attend a workshop conducted by Liz Anelli (<http://www.lizanelli-illustration.com/>) at Lovett City Library. Following this, the students will travel to the University of Newcastle where they will attend a creative writing workshop by Matt Lumb.

NSWPSSA Boys Cricket Knockout Game- Monday 16 March at 10am

Next Monday 16th March, our boys will be playing their first match in the NSWPSSA Knockout against Dungog PS at Bennett Park off Chapman Street in Dungog. We wish our boys the best of luck in their first game.

Stewart House Visit

Five lucky students have been selected to attend the Stewart House Program commencing next Monday 16 March. I am sure the students are very excited and looking forward to their stay. Stewart House is situated on the beach at Curl Curl and has been giving children a break since 1931.

Stewart House caters for children from Kindergarten to Year 10 who are enrolled in public schools in NSW and the ACT. Stewart House provides dormitory style accommodation for students across a 12-day stay and gives children opportunities for developing healthy lifestyle, for building self-esteem, coping and social skills and a sense of wellbeing.

Young Leaders Day -2015

On Sunday 22 March – Monday 23 March, our student ministers / leaders will be going down to Sydney to Qantas Credit Union Arena to participate in Young Leaders Day. The National Young Leaders Day is an annual event founded in 1997 to develop strong leadership values amongst young Australians. The Program consists of keynote talks, multimedia presentations and interactive learning that seeks a range of specific outcomes for young people who aspire to lead themselves and others well. This year, the student leaders will get the opportunity to meet Bindi Irwin, The Honourable Mike Baird (Premier NSW), Dylan Parker and James Norton. The costs of the accommodation are met by the

school and the tickets are funded through our school P&C ensuring that we keep the costs for the students down to a minimum. I look forward to hearing about the student's adventures when they return.

NAPLAN 2015

The dates for NAPLAN, the National Assessment Program for all students in Years 3 and 5 are as follows:

- Tuesday 12 May – Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and Writing task .
- Wednesday 13 May – Reading
- Thursday 14 May – Maths
- Friday 15 May – Catch up day for students who missed a test due to absence

Please keep these dates free to ensure that your child does not miss out.

REMINDERS

Voluntary School Contribution

The school contribution has been set in collaboration with the school P&C. The contribution amount for 2015 has remained unchanged at \$50 per family. Please endeavour to pay this ASAP to the school office. Payment of this contribution allows us to replace much needed resources used in our school. Many thanks to the parents who have already paid this year's contribution!

2015 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)- Year 2-6

Parents interested in their children sitting the ICAS competitions and assessments are requested to complete the ICAS form with payment. Payment and forms are due to be returned to school no later than Friday 27 March 2015. Additional ICAS forms are available in the foyer of the school office.



The Myall Coast Messenger is conducting a Centenary of Anzac writing competition for students in Years 3-6.

The Writing Competition

2 Sections

Year 3 and 4 - 300 words

Year 5 and 6 - 500 words

The theme of the competition is "The Anzac Spirit"

For example....

- My ancestors served - What does ANZAC mean to me? -
- Recognise the bravery and sacrifices made by the diggers
- 100 years after the landing at Gallipoli
- Why is ANZAC Day still important to us?
- Tales about the horror of war and the strength of comradeship.

Stories are due by Friday 3rd April

Prize for each group - \$100 Visa Gift Card

Prizes presented at Tea Gardens School Anzac Day Ceremony on 24th April

Many thanks to the team at the Messenger for their ongoing commitment to our school.

Useful websites

Succeeding in science

Encouraging your teen to ask questions and helping them find the

answers is top of the list in helping them to succeed in science.
Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/helping-your-teenager-succeed-in-science>

Facts about tutors

Private tutoring to give kids a helping hand in their schooling is a growing business. However, it's also an area where parents can be vulnerable to bogus offers and misleading advertising.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/facts-about-tutors>

Public speaking

Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child's next speech a success.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/public-speaking-in-primary-school>

Science starters

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life's mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

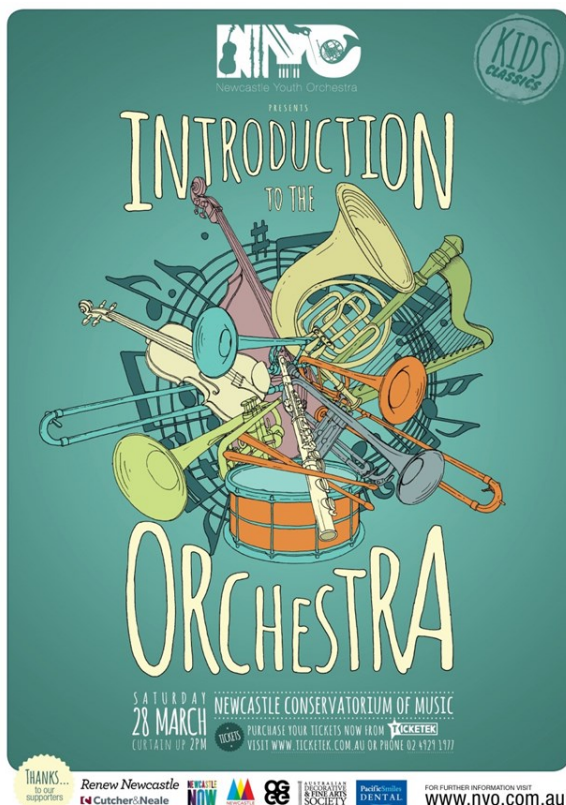
Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/10-scientific-facts-your-child-needs-to-know>

Art & Craft Expo Helpers Roster

This Expo is our school's major fundraiser and is run by the Tea Gardens Public School P & C Association.

If you can help in any way over the Easter long weekend please put your name down on the attached roster.

Senior students can also help on the "Sandwizard" stall. Let's get involved and make this year's Expo a great success.



LAST WEEK FOR DONATIONS FOR CHILDRENS CLOTHING (0 - 12 YEARS) FOR VILLAGE IN MZIMBA (MALAWI AFRICA) ONE STEP MISSION IN MALAWI

This charity was instigated to support orphans of AIDS and Malaria victims.

Bernard Hillman is currently in Hawks Nest and will be travelling to Mzimba, Malawi, Africa mid- March 2015 to continue to support the villagers.



Any unwanted summer clothing for the orphans would be greatly appreciated. Please leave all donations of clothing at school office. Many thanks for your support.

For further information please call Bernard Hillman on 0476 252 685 who will be more than happy to share a greater insight to this appeal.

Further details are available in foyer of school office.

TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just
Ice Cream!!

Tasty Tuesday!

Great For Take away!

Fish Pie!

Tender white boneless smoked fish fillets (either blue grenadier or John dory) local prawns, scallops & muscles in lashings of white wine & a delicious creamy cheese & parsley sauce topped with mashed potato, lightly covered in grated tasty cheese & baked in Oven too perfection!

\$18.00

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 or Phone: 4997 1990

Please have your Order in by 8pm Sunday

(No Orders guaranteed after this time! :-)

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

STOP YOUR CHILD LOSING THEIR JUMPERS AND OTHER ITEMS OF UNIFORM AT SCHOOL

IRON-ON LABELS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP—ADMIN OFFICE.

LABEL ORDER:

CHILD'S FULL NAME: _____

CLASS: _____

Number of labels @ 50 cents ea _____

Amount Encl: _____



HOMework HELP

Tea Gardens Library

a great place to be every

Wednesday

during school term

3.15pm ~ 4.45pm

snack provided.

- **FREE** homework help
- **FREE** internet access
- **FREE** specialist resources
- **FREE** printing
- **FREE** photocopying/ scanning
- **FREE** reservations.

A great opportunity for students. Friendly, relaxed atmosphere and individual assistance with homework, assignments and research.

No bookings necessary.

Students will need to bring their library card, or parents can come along initially to join children under 16 years of age and grant internet access. Students will be encouraged to use the library databases and windows programs.

Tea Gardens Library
Marine Parade Tea Gardens
Telephone : 4997 1265

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 6th March 2015. They were:

ALLIES

Jenayah Hall Enthusiasm towards class activities
Georgia Lawler Being a friendly and helpful class member

BRIGADE

Gabriel Fa'asolo Excellent story writing
Rory Ingram Excellent answers when responding to stories

HEROES

Logue White Great work in maths
Chloe Hodges Excellent effort in story writing

MATES

Jaydon Condie Conscientious approach to all his work this week
Anthony McMahon Improved application in class

POPPIES

Gemma Brown Her efforts in Reading Groups
Michael Civic His enthusiasm in our Grandparents Day dance

AIF

Jemima Ryder Pleasing application in class
Jermaine Wolfram Enthusiastic participation

CADETS

Casey O'Bryan Producing the class video
Jarryd Schmidt Fantastic acting in the class video

SQUADRON

Shona Miller Being a kind and considerate class member
Cole Johnson Outstanding application in all areas



TEA GARDENS SOCCER CLUB

CALLING ALL SOCCER PLAYERS

TRIAL GAMES FOR 2015 SEASON START SOON:

- WEEK ONE- 7th of March
- WEEK TWO- 14th of March
- WEEK THREE- 21st of March
- WEEK FOUR- 28th of March

All boys and girls welcome turning age 5 to 15 years in 2015.

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW ON LINE:

Just log on to www.myfootballclub.com.au and follow the links to player registrations. If you have any difficulties with self registration we will happily assist you on weeks 2 and 3 of the trial games at Memorial Park starting at 9am

- Mini's 5 to 7 years \$75
- Midi's 8 to 10 years \$85
- Juniors 11 to 15 years \$95

**REGISTRATION PROMOTION:

Register by the **22nd March 2015** and receive the following kit for only **\$15**

- Soccer ball
- Shin pads
- Club shorts
- AND a pair of Diadora soccer boots

REMINDER for all, we still need coaches and trainers!!!

Please contact Tea Gardens Soccer Club by email on teagardenssc@gmail.com or call Trev 0416 077 898

Sensory Movie Day - Reading Cinema Maitland

"Penguins of Madagascar"

11am Sunday 15th March 2015

Tickets \$8each

Children 2 years and under are free

Companion I.D. card is accepted

For families with special needs,

Children are free to move, no seating allocation.

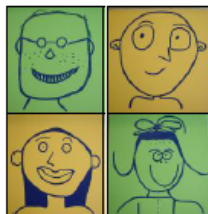
Lighting on Dim, Sound Lowered.

Tickets available to purchase on the day

Siblings and extended family welcome

any questions contact: Chanelle at

sensory.maitland@hotmail.com



Tea Gardens Public School P&C Association

P.O. Box 209 Tea Gardens NSW 2324

Email: tgpspandc@gmail.com

ABN: 79 870 133 748

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may know the P&C plays a large part at Tea Gardens Public School. The main role of the P&C is to raise money to help the school get additional equipment and supplies that are not provided by the government.

Over the past few years, the P&C has raised over \$30,000, which has gone towards the purchase of 10 iPads, upgrades to wireless connectivity and paying for half of the new sports shed. In addition to purchasing items for the school the P&C also subsidises special events like the Young Leaders Day, Canberra/Snowy Mountain excursion, Interrelate, as well as new hats for all new students to the school.

Currently money is being raised for a new playground which will include climbing frames, soft fall & edging, at an estimated cost of \$30,000.

The P&C is also responsible for the running of the School Canteen. The P&C employ the Canteen Supervisor and the Assistant Supervisor. In addition, the P&C rely on volunteers to assist in the smooth running of the Canteen, which many of our children enjoy.

The Annual General Meeting is coming up and a new executive committee will be elected. We will need to fill the following positions:- President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. If you are interested in helping out with any of these positions please contact the school & leave your contact details. A member of the current Committee will call you back. In addition, Christine Wisemantel has been appointed as the 2015 Art & Craft Show Co-Ordinator, so a lot of work has been taken off the Executive Committee for this annual event.

We are also trying to encourage more people to get involved; we are currently looking at the idea of having Parent Representative for each class. We envisage this representative could act as a coordinator to share relevant information with other parents and carers about class matters and special events that benefit the school and the students. We hope that this may encourage adult representation of the different classes at fund raising events such as the trivia night, as well as creating a nice social network and strengthening the team of volunteers assisting with other major fundraising events.

Please indicate your interest by returning the bottom section of this form to the office or email your details to tgpspandc@gmail.com.au

() I would like to be the representative for class _____

() I would like to receive information in relation to class _____

Name _____

Home Phone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

‘Committed to Public Education’

TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEER ROSTER
TERM 1 - WEEK 7 2015 – ALL MEALS \$4.50

WEDNESDAY 11TH MARCH Deb Smart Bill Ewen (9-12) Amy Rodgers (9-2)	THURSDAY 12TH MARCH Danielle Driscoll Jacinta Roberts (9-12) Melisa Brown (9-2)	FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY
Spaghetti bolognaise with garlic bread  **optional parmesan cheese**	Pizza – hawaiian – tomato paste, ham, pineapple & cheese <u>OR</u> bbq sauce chicken & cheese (2 slices) 	<div style="background-color: #ADD8E6; padding: 10px;"> PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN ON FRIDAY 13 MARCH DUE TO GRANDPARENTS DAY HELPERS AND DONATIONS WELCOME </div>
CANTEEN SUPERVISOR	DANIELLE DRISCOLL	0421976137

GRANDPARENTS DAY—FRIDAY 13 MARCH
VOLUNTEERS NEED TO HELP IN KITCHEN AND DONATE CAKES, SLICES AND/OR SAVOURY.
(No Nut products please)
PLEASE CONTACT DANIELLE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP IN ANY WAY—PHONE 0421 976 137

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




Apply before
Midnight
16 June 2015

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE
PHONE - Service NSW 13 77 88
EMAIL - fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au
WEB - www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au
/info/familyenergyrebate



GRANDPARENTS & GRANDFRIENDS DAY 2015



Tea Gardens Public School
wishes to invite all Grandparents and Grandfriends
to our special day on
Friday 13th March 2015

Time: 9.10am	Special Assembly
10.10am	Visits to classrooms
11.00am	Morning Tea in hall

We can arrange a grandfriend for your child




School Banking Rewards now available!
Term 1 2015

These new rewards have just been released for Term 1, and are available while stocks last:

- ET DVD
- Planet Handball

If your children are not currently involved in the School Banking program and you would like to know more, please ask for a 2015 School Banking program Information Pack from the School office.

Don't forget that **Tuesday** is School Banking day!



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

I do not have access to the internet at home or work and request to have a hard copy of the newsletter sent home with my youngest child each Monday. Please return note to the office.

Name:

Youngest child's name:

Youngest child's class:

Signed: Date:

When kids ask "the" questions... Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate's high-quality Sexuality and Relationship Education program is coming to your school!

With over 85 years' experience in this field, Interrelate has a reputation for providing excellence in sexuality and relationship education. Today, over 41,000 students and family members participate in Interrelate School and Family programs each year.

Many parents find it hard to discuss questions relating to sexuality education. *We know how to help break the ice.* Interrelate programs are interactive and family focused, and are conducted by highly trained and experienced educators, who adhere to a strict code of ethics.

Session 1: Where did I come from? (1-hour session, years 3-6)

This session educates children more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females, including their understanding of conception, fertilisation, foetal development and the birth process.

Session 2: Preparing for puberty (1-hour session, years 5-6; years 3-4 at parent's discretion)

This session prepares children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty, and addresses changing emotions and relationships with families and peers.

Interrelate School Services Presents a Special Evening Program

Family cost*: 1 session \$25 per family | 2 sessions \$30 per family

*GST exclusive – GST is payable / claimable by the school or organising body

Where: TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

When: TUESDAY 28TH APRIL 2015

Time: Where did I come from? – 6:00pm sharp | Preparing for puberty – 7:15pm sharp

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night

----- Please complete and return to the school office, with payment in an envelope labelled with child's name and class -----

A Special Evening Program

Name of family: _____

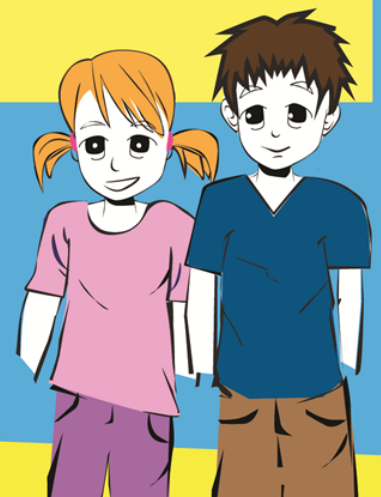
No. attending: ☐ Session 1: Where did I come from? ☐ Session 2: Preparing for puberty

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque (payable to school)



Tel: (02) 8882 7875 | Fax: (02) 8882 7890

schoolservices@interrelate.org.au
www.interrelate.org.au



Tea Gardens Public School P & C Association

Art & Craft Expo 2015

6.30pm Thursday 2nd April to 3.00pm Monday 6th April

All proceeds raised will be to provide and upgrade facilities at Tea Gardens Public School

CORRESPONDENCE TO: Art & Craft Expo
P O Box 298

TEA GARDENS 2324

CO-ORDINATOR: Christine Wisemantel - 0400 490 717

VENUE: Tea Gardens Public School, Witt Street. TEA GARDENS

An invitation is extended to you, your friends and family to the official

OPENING NIGHT

6.30pm Thursday 2nd April 2015

Tickets \$20.00 – includes light supper and complimentary glass of wine

Wine and beer will be available for purchase on the night

Tickets may be purchased from Tea Gardens Public School

OR at the door

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT OUR 38TH ART & CRAFT EXPO



ARTIST—PETER FENNEL

"Romantic Impressionism" is

Peter's description of his

approach to painting. His unique

style softens the Australia he

loves so well, but being a self

taught artist has enabled him to

approach the Australian

landscape and its people with a

refreshing individuality. His

treatment of light and its effect

on form is all important in his

paintings.

**RAFFLE \$1 PER TICKET
TICKETS ON SALE NOW
SCHOOL OFFICE
TO WIN A "PETER FENNEL" ARTWORK
VALUED AT \$1,500**

ART & CRAFT EXPO 2015 HELPERS ROSTER

SET UP EASELS IN HALL MONDAY 30TH MARCH FROM 3PM	Rob Browne or Cathryn Gamble,(5pm onwards) Jude Woodfield									
HELP RECEIVING ART WORK TUESDAY 31ST MARCH—10AM TO 2PM										
HELP RECEIVING ART WORK & CRAFT WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL—10AM TO 2PM	Vanessa Cook									

SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS On the following dates →						13/3 SCHOOL Grandparents Day	14/3 HN	21/3 TG	28/3 SCHOOL State Elections		
										MONDAY 6/4 9am—12pm	MONDAY 6/4 12pm-3pm
POSITION ↓	OPENING NIGHT 2nd APRIL	FRIDAY 3/4 9am—1pm	FRIDAY 3/4 1pm—5pm	J Woodfield		SATURDAY 4/4 9am-1pm	SATURDAY 4/4 1pm-5pm	SUNDAY 5/4 9am—1pm	SUNDAY 5/4 1pm-5pm	MONDAY 6/4 9am—12pm	MONDAY 6/4 12pm-3pm
SALES DESK					J Woodfield	J Woodfield M Clemson	M Clemson	J Woodfield M Clemson	M Clemson		
FRONT ENTRY/ RAFFLE TICKETS		Vanessa Cook Paddy Nickle									
CRAFT			Vanessa Cook								
SANDWIZARD Student Helpers			Paddy Nickle								
TEA & COFFEE & COLD DRINKS								Jacinta Roberts 10-12 Leanne Whitby 10-12		Leanne Whitby 10-12	
PACK UP MONDAY 6/4 From 3pm	Rob Browne or Cathryn Gamble	J Woodfield									