



# Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

14/7/2015 Week 1 Term 3

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to Tea Gardens for term three for what I'm sure will be an action packed term.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

I wonder who our student of the week will be for the coming week? Come to our assembly this Friday to find out! Assembly commences at 9.10am and everyone is welcome.

## BOUQUETS

It's hard to work out where to start with the Bouquets this week. We had an extremely busy last week of term.

Thanks to:

- Our Aboriginal Education Team (Mrs Avery and Mrs Ingram), Aboriginal student leaders and parent volunteers who ensured we had an action packed day for our students.
- Mrs Fowler for coordinating and organising our annual athletics carnival. It was great to see everyone staying active throughout the tabloids.
- All our staff for their hard work and commitment during a very busy term two!

Over the vacation, I reflected upon the vast array of activities undertaken by students and / or staff in term 2. The list includes but is not limited to the following: Various school and town AN-ZAC Ceremonies; Tea Gardens Public Library visits; Interrelate; joining Youyong AECG; Rugby League clinics; Mother's Day stall; Stewart House; NAPLAN testing; KO Rugby League, Soccer / Football; 26th official opening of the school parliament; Language, Learning and Literacy- L3; walk safely to school day; Myall Dolphins; Debating; Class Weekly Assemblies; Enviro Mentors; Sorry Day; Reconciliation; National Simultaneous Story Time; Asthma training; Stephen Michael King; The Power of One- Anti-bullying; Bathurst Excursion; Space Day; Report writing; Positive Behaviour for Learning team formed; NAIDOC celebrations and our annual Athletics Carnival.

## Canteen

A very special thank you goes out to all the Canteen Volunteers that gave their time to help with the Schools Athletics Carnival on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. With your time either given the day before with preparation or on the day of the Carnival your efforts were very much appreciated. The day was a great success with great team work & lots of laughs. Well done to you all.

\*Thank you to Sharon Stockell for being extremely helpful with the setting up of the canteen facilities & being on hand for the day when needed.

\*Please note that Canteen will be running the annual Christmas in July Luncheon which will be held on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July. Pre-order forms will be forwarded shortly & will need to be returned to the School Office or School Canteen by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July for catering purposes.

If you would like to become a Volunteer in the School Canteen

or with School Functions held by the Canteen please call or text Danielle on 0421976137 or drop into the School Office & ask for a Canteen Volunteers form.

Thank you

Danielle & Deb.

**Note: The Canteen will re-open on Wednesday 22nd July.**

## COMING UP

The great thing about being involved with our terrific school is there are always things happening and coming up. Some of the items coming up soon include:

### STEM Science – Year 4 each Thursday for the next month

#### Working scientifically + University = Widens career choices

*Careers Through Science* (CTS) is a program being offered in our school by the AIM HIGH team from the University of Newcastle to support the "Working Scientifically" outcomes for stage 2 students. CTS seeks to provide our students with skills to *begin to initiate their own investigations and develop ideas for investigation using the processes of "Working Scientifically"*.

With AIM HIGH University Crew members our students will:

- safely and carefully manipulate tools, materials and equipment;
- make and record observations, using accurate measurements;
- suggest reasons why experimental methods are fair or not;
- organise and identify patterns in data using simple tables and column graphs;
- suggest reasons for good observations and compare findings with predictions.

This activity-based model of *Careers Through Science* aims to raise awareness amongst primary school students of many professional careers, and the pathways to these careers, while simultaneously building skills and further interest in working scientifically.

### NSWPSSA State Cross Country

We wish Lilly-Ann White the very best of luck as she represents the Hunter Region in the State Cross Country at Eastern Creek this Friday 17 July.

Mrs Fowler

### Education Week Activities

**Tuesday 28/7/2015-** Little A's Promo talk 2pm

**Wednesday 29/7/2015-** Showcase Day for Year 5/6. This event is a Myall Learning Community initiative which supports the transition to high school for our senior students.

**Thursday 30/7/2015-** Public Speaking Finals 9.15am followed by Open classes and an invitation to share lunch with your children.

**Friday 31/7/2015- Sydney Conservatorium of Music Northern Tour-**

Students from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music will be performing for our students on Friday 31 July at 2pm. This annual performance is possible due to funding from the U3A. Parents are most welcome to attend too.

### **Christmas in July Luncheon- 31 July**

On 31 July, the canteen will be offering a special Christmas in July luncheon for our students. Last year more than 140 lunches were served to students at this luncheon. Parent volunteers are required! Further information about the luncheon will accompany next week's newsletter.

Please join with us throughout the week for our activities.

### **Parking**

A number of people have attended the office recently concerned about parents/caregivers ignoring the traffic/signposts around the school. As the students return for the second half of the year, it is timely to remind parents to adhere to both the posted speed limits and to ensure that they park in the correct zones. Please be considerate of pedestrians and keep out of driveways, bus zones, disabled/mobility parking areas and avoid dropping off and picking up in the designated staff parking area on the side of the school.

The local police have committed to making regular visits at drop off and pick up times to ensure student safety is a priority in and around our school. Your assistance in keeping our kids safe is greatly appreciated.

### **Bus Timetable Changes for Term Three**

Transport for NSW has consulted with Busways North Coast in relation to our homebound journeys and the following arrangements have been made:

Commencing the first day of Term 3, Tuesday 14th July, 2015, School Bus 25 will pick up at the school at 3.00pm and take students to Tea Gardens before returning to the school to then take students to Hawks Nest departing at 3.16pm.

**Mark Clemson**  
Principal

### **Tea Gardens Public School Annual Public Speaking Competition - 2015**

As part of the Speaking and Listening strand in English, students are required to deliver a prepared speech to an audience. Our school Public Speaking program will commence next week. Students will be receiving notes today outlining the topics, assessment criteria and details on how to help prepare your child with their speech. Students firstly participate within their own class and 4 students are then chosen to participate in Semi finals within their stage and from this 4 students are chosen to participate in the finals which will be presented in Education Week on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July.

**Week 1** – Speech preparation

**Week 2** – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Speech presentation to class.  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Stage Semi-Finals

**Week 3** – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July – Stage Finals

With the huge talent we have within our school it always proves to be a very close competition!

Mrs Ingram and Mrs Bryant- Coordinators

### **Athletics Carnival**

On the last day of Term 2 we held our annual school Athletics Carnival at Myall Park, Hawks Nest. The participation and sportsmanship displayed by the students was outstanding. It was also great to see the number of parents and friends who came along to cheer the students on.

As a few of the field events will need to be finalised at school this week, Zone representatives, age champions and the winning house will be

announced in next week's newsletter.

Zone Carnival notes will be sent home as soon as the results are finalised. The Field Events Carnival will be held on Tuesday 4 August and the Track Events Carnival will be held on Friday 7 August. Both carnivals will be held at Vi Barnett Field, Raymond Terrace.

Track ribbons will be presented at Friday assembly in Week 2 (24 July) and field event ribbons will be presented at assembly in Week 3 (31 July).

### **A Message from the P&C**

The P & C would like to invite all parents to a special 'day time' meeting to be held on Tuesday the 14th of July, the first day back at school for term 3. It will be held in the hall at 1pm and we encourage anyone who has wondered what happens at P&C meetings to come join in the conversation or just watch! The P&C is where parents and members of the community can help to make a positive contribution to the school and students.

We look forward to seeing you!

Jude Woodfield  
2015 P&C President  
0404464465  
[tgpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:tgpspandc@gmail.com)

### **ARTWORKS FOR SALE**

Please don't forget that we still have many class artworks from the Art Show. These wonderful pieces of art are for sale for \$5.00 each. They would look wonderful framed and in your home

### **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.

### **Second Hand Uniforms**

Please send in any unwanted second hand winter uniform items to the office.

Thank you.



### **WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM**

We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 13 July and Tuesday 8 September 2015. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school.

Simply pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it's completed, just bring it back to school. The more we

collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we'd like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at school.



# Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.



We're bringing the exciting news that an intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo<sup>2</sup> Headphones
- 200 x \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal) to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning).

Win books for your school library

We're also giving schools participating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children's books for their school library, valued at \$200.

For more information, visit [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal)



**Things to know before you Can:** Conditions apply. See [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal). Promotion starts 9.00am AEST 13/7/15 and ends 11.59pm AEST 25/9/15. Student Element: Entry is open to all Youthsaver customers aged 4-13 years. 1 entry received when 3 deposits are made through the School Banking Program. 1 bonus entry received when completing a Money Mission activity at [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal) and submitting a fully completed entry form. Max. of 2 entries per person. Entries will be divided into the following State/Territory groups: NSW/ACT, Vic, SA/NT, Tas, Qld and WA. A total of 400 prizes comprising 75 iPad mini Wi-Fi 16GB space grey tablets valued at \$299 each, 125 Beats by Dr. Dre Solo<sup>2</sup> On-Ear Headphones valued at \$259.95 each, and 200 \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates, will be distributed amongst the State/Territory groups. The winners' names will be published in the public notices section of The Australian on 23/10/15. School Element: Entry is open to all schools operating in Australia who participate in the School Banking Program and have at least 1 student entered into the Student Element of this promotion. Limit of 1 entry per school. Entries will be divided into the following State/Territory groups: NSW/ACT, Vic, SA/NT, Tas, Qld and WA. A total of 75 prizes of a selection of children's books to the value of \$200 for each winning school's library will be distributed amongst the State/Territory groups. Prize draws will take place at 12 noon AEST 13/10/15 at Commonwealth Bank, Level 3, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney. Total prize value \$75,218.75. Apple is not a participant or sponsor of this promotion. iPad mini and Beats by Dr. Dre are trademarks of Apple Inc., registered in the US and other countries. The Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124 of Level 2, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. NSW Permit No LTPS/15/02906; ACT Permit No TP15/05517; VIC Permit No 15/820; SA Permit No T15/632.

## Rewards Program update

### Student Banking –Tuesday

Available in Term 3, we have two new reward items from our Outer Space Savers range for students to redeem.

- Glow-in-the-Dark Solar System
- Cosmic Light Beam Torch



### LAUNDRY SERVICE

71 Marine Dr

Tea Gardens

Phone: 4997 1422

Service: \$10.50 (Wash)

Also we can launder: Bedspreads, Doona Covers, Blankets, Doonas

and now for Taco Tuesday's...

## TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just Ice Cream!!

# Tasty Tuesday!

"BUENOS DIAS"  
"COMO ESTAS?"

Mmm MEXICAN...

# NACHOS

Made from scratch fresh Avocado Guacamole a top crispy Corn chips dripping in melted Cheese!  
Salsa & a dash of Sour cream & Sweet Chilli Sauce which covers a mild Mexican Flavoursome vegetarian bean, tomato, capsicum, garlic, onion & sweet corn mince..

**\$15.00**

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) or Phone: 4997 1990

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

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

Gluten Free Friendly!

## NEW IRON ON LABELS AVAILABLE

Parents are welcome to order their child's iron-on name labels from the office for 50 cents each.

(No more lost navy jackets!!)



Newsletter Item for Parents and Carers



### Important Notice - Research in the School

The school is participating in the Aspirations Study, a research project run by Professor Jenny Gore and her colleagues at the University of Newcastle.

Students in Years 6, 8, 10 and 12 will be completing a survey during class time. If you do not want the data to be given to the researchers, please return a withdrawal form to the school. Withdrawal forms are available from the school office.

For more information or to download a withdrawal form, please visit [www.newcastle.edu.au/aspirations](http://www.newcastle.edu.au/aspirations).



## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

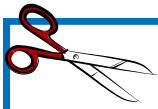
I do not have access to the internet at home or work and request to have a hard copy of the newsletter sent home with my youngest child each Monday. Please return note to the office.

Name: .....

Youngest child's name: .....

Youngest child's class: .....

Signed: ..... Date: .....



# TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Kindergarten 2016

Parents who have children starting Kindergarten in 2016, please fill in the form below to let our school know about your child? Your child must be turning 5 years of age before 31st July 2016.

Tea Gardens Public School will be holding Kindergarten Orientation sessions over the next two terms.

Letters will be sent out to all children's parents outlining dates and itineraries.

Please let us know of your child starting kindergarten in 2016 as soon as possible.

## Expressions of Interest—Kindergarten 2016 Registration

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (M/F) Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name/Surname)

Siblings enrolled at Tea Gardens Public School? \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name/Surname)

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H): \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

If you know of any children in the community that may be starting school next year please ask parents to contact us on 4997 0286.