



Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324
24/8/2015 Week 7 Term 3

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Breanna Foran from the AIF class for being named our 'Student of the Week'. Breanna receives the acknowledgement for being an excellent school citizen who always tries to do her best. Congratulations Breanna on being named this week's student of the week.



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 AIF class will be hosting our assembly. Please come along and join us!

After Assembly this Friday, we hope that you will be able to remain behind and join with me and representatives from the P&C at our **Parent Forum**.

Assemblies for the remainder of the term are as follows:

28- August- The AIF (Mr Weightman)

4 September- The Poppies (Mrs Fowler and Mrs Bryant)

11 September- Ministers

18 September- The Mates (Miss Maloney)

Uniform Policy Survey- final call

Over the past year, a considerable amount of effort has gone into updating and revising our school uniform policy. As part of the consultation process, we would value your feedback on the new draft policy before full implementation and enforcement next year. If you can't locate your copy and you would like to provide feedback, please contact the office and we will send another copy home.

Bouquets

School Social

Many thanks are extended to Joe and Jomeca for the lights, sound and action at our favourite movies student social last Tuesday. Thanks also to the staff who volunteered their time to supervise students at the event.

Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all the students from Kindergarten through to Year 6 who read many books to complete the challenge. Certificates of completion will be presented to these students later in the year.

Coming Up

Great Aussie Book Swap – did you forget to bring a book in to swap? It's not too late.

We have registered to participate in the Great Book Swap again this year, to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF).

The Great Aussie Book Swap works in the following way:

1. Children bring in a book they love but can bear to part with. **Dates: Today, 24 August – Tuesday 25 August**
2. The student ministers will collect the books and display them on tables adjacent to the hall. **Date: Wednesday 26 August**
3. Students bring in a gold coin donation for the right to choose a new book from the tables to take home – hence the Book Swap. **Date: Wednesday 26 August**
4. The gold coin donations will be sent to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation to provide books and literacy resources to kids in remote communities.

You can find out more about the ILF at www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au

FREE Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness Presentations – TONIGHT commencing at 6.30pm

To help your children stay safe online, Tea Gardens Public School is hosting Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentations. Designed for parents, teachers and students, these presentations are provided by the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner as part of a national program of Cybersmart initiatives.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation for parents is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
 - potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by a Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge.

To register your attendance, please contact the office or just turn up tonight!

NAPLAN Results (Year 3 and Year 5)

A copy of the NAPLAN results will be sent home with students today. If any parents have any questions or queries in regards to results, please make a time to talk to your child's class teacher so that they can provide you with more information. I am also happy to discuss any concerns with parents.

Book Week Parade- 25 August

Tomorrow, our school will be hosting a book parade as part of "Book Week 2015". Students are asked to dress up as a book character and if possible bring a copy of the book on which their character is based. The parade commences at 9.15am and we hope to see you there!



Spell a thon- "Sponsor a

Speller"- Last Week to collect sponsorship donations or pledges

Our students will be participating in a "Sponsor a Speller" fundraiser to replace old air conditioners within a number of classrooms at our school. Recently, sponsor a speller forms were sent home. It is hoped that students practise their set word lists and collect sponsorship donations or pledges until this Thursday 27 August. Thank you for your support of our fundraising efforts.

LINKS TO 2015-2017 SCHOOL PLAN - STRATEGIC DIRECTION 3- "QUALITY COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS"

Parent Forum- 28 August 2015

At Tea Gardens Public School, we are always looking for ways to continue to improve our school. To support this ongoing improvement, parents are invited to a forum to provide feedback. The forum will be held following our weekly assembly in the school hall commencing at 10am on Friday 28 August. Areas of discussion will include Learning, Safety, Behaviour, Consultation, Approachability, School Image, School Improvement and Relationships. Please take the time to contribute to our strategic directions including: Excellence in Student Learning and School Culture; Teacher and Leader Learning and Quality Community Relationships.

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Father's Day- Free BBQ Breakfast

Are you a Dad or significant other of one or more of our students? Well, on Friday 4 September, we are going to host a BBQ breakfast for you and your kids. We are in the process of planning this free event and would love if you would make the time to come and join us. We will get some sporting equipment out as well so if you feel like shooting some hoops or kicking a ball with your kids, you will get the opportunity to do this as well. Hopefully this year, the weather will be a little kinder to us!

To assist with numbers for catering purposes, please indicate on the return slip below your family name and numbers planning on joining us on Friday 4 September. Alternatively, please RSVP via email to teagardens-p@school.det.nsw.edu.au

FATHER'S DAY BBQ BREAKFAST

FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 7.30am to 8.45am

Family name: _____

Number attending: _____



"KINDY16"

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016

Where are you? It's time 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

Kindergarten Orientation

Our Kindergarten Orientation program starts on **Thursday 22 October**. The children 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 including: Is my child ready for school?

The First Day

The A-Z guide to Tea Gardens

What is Best Start?

What do students learn in Kindergarten?- **A day in the life of Kindergarten**

How can parents participate?

Our Uniform

What if my child has special needs?

The role of the School Counsellor

Question and Answer session

Parents will take a tour around our facilities and meet the Principal and staff who can answer all of your questions.

Mark Clemson
Principal

REMINDERS

School Contributions

Thank you to parents who have paid their School Contribution of \$50 per family. This amount is set by the P & C and helps pay for the much needed resources for all our students at Tea Gardens Public School.

Outstanding invoices have been sent home. We would appreciate payment as soon as possible. Eft-pos is available at office.

Request for support at school for student's with Health Conditions— Urgent

We are currently updating our records of all students with health conditions who may require medication or support at our school.

Forms have been sent home to all parents with children who have known medical conditions. These forms are to be completed by parents and returned to the office as soon as possible.

If your child has an [allergic reaction](#), then an action plan will be included and needs to be completed and signed by your medical practitioner.

If your child has [asthma](#), then an action plan managing your child's asthma will be included and also needs to be completed and signed by your medical practitioner.

All parents with children who have medical conditions will also receive a [consent for doctor](#) to provide information about their child's health condition. These also need to be completed and signed by the child's parent.

A reminder to notify the school about your child's health

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or is a new health condition develops. (forms are available from school office)

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided in writing to the principal.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

Stage 2 Excursion

On Thursday 3 September, Stage 2 students are attending an excursion to Timbertown and Billabong Koala Wildlife Park near Port Macquarie. Notes with the information about the excursion were sent home in Week 4. Please return your child's permission note and money to school as soon as possible to secure their seat on the bus.

Please note that **notes and money were due by last Friday 21 August.**



FLORA AND FAUNA PHOTO COMPETITION

Entries to the Myall Coast Messenger - myallcoastmessenger@gmail.com

Entries Close 5pm Wednesday 9th September

The competition is being co-ordinated by the Myall Coast Messenger newspaper. Detail can be found at: http://www.walkonthewildside.net.au/index_files/photocomp.htm

For the tenth year the Wildside Festival, celebrating the natural environment of Hawks Nest, will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11-13 September 2015.

In conjunction with the Festival there will be a monster photo competition supported by the Myall Coast Messenger.

- ♦ Four winners will have their photos printed on a mounted canvas frame
- ♦ Two entry divisions - Primary School students and Adults (amateurs only, please)
- ♦ Two categories in each division - Myall Coast Native Flora and Myall Coast Native Fauna
- ♦ Digital photos 1 Megabyte or larger taken in the last 12 months may be sent to the Myall Coast Messenger - myallcoastmessenger@gmail.com Please attach Name, Address, Phone Number and school details if applicable.

Entries will be judged by local identity and photographer Christian Patteson. Entries close 5pm on 9 September 2015 and results will be announced at the Hawks Nest Community Hall at 3pm on Saturday 12 September. Once again, our school has been encouraged to submit entries.



Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 21st August 2015. They were:

ALLIES

Charlotte Clarke Working well in class
Sienna Riley Working well in class

BRIGADE

Ethan Avery Producing quality writing
Delilah Newlin Quality work presentation

HEROES

Heidi Deng Working hard in reading
Boston Marchant Fantastic work in Maths

MATES

Coby Bates Excellent knowledge on a wide range of topics
Lara Randall For her excellent art works

POPPIES

Mia McDonald For enthusiasm towards her learning
Jacob Avery Being a reliable class member

AIF

Sonny Braddick Being on the ball
Makai Dvorik A great classroom helper

CADETS

Sophia Jeffries Excellence in creative writing
Lachlan Groot Being a settled learner

SQUADRON

Mitchell Barr Enthusiasm for class tasks
Nathan Katz Outstanding effort for part 1 of his project

Good for Kids good for life

LET'S MOVE MORE



At least 60 minutes a day – in many different ways.

Children's daily physical activity does not have to be done all in one go. The 60 minutes can be accumulated throughout the day.

Remember, even if your child doesn't play sport, there are lots of activities they can do. Being active in a variety of ways will help children get all the benefits.



If your child is not doing 60 minutes of physical activity every day, they will benefit from gradually increasing their activity to reach this amount.

Intensity

While all physical activity is helpful, the Guidelines recommend moderate to vigorous intensity physical activities.



MODERATE INTENSITY ACTIVITIES require some effort, but children can still speak easily while doing them.

E.g. fast walking, riding a bike or scooter and active play.



VIGOROUS INTENSITY ACTIVITIES require more effort and make children breathe harder and faster ('huff and puff').

E.g. running, chasing and playing tag, and many organised sports like soccer or netball.



So... 10 minutes before school, 20 minutes walking or riding to and from school and 30 minutes of active play after school = 60 minutes.



How about walking, riding, skateboarding or scooting safely to school or other places...



...or washing the car, walking the dog, or helping to dig in the garden!



Source: Department of Health Physical Activity Guidelines Resource



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

PHONE 4924 6499

aspirations
Longitudinal Study



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AUSTRALIA

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.



Season 2015/16 Commences 11 September 2015
Friday nights concludes March 2016
Excludes school holidays

Register on-line LANSW or contact the centre on
0457 671 400 or 0437 970 685
or email myallcoastlac@hotmail.com

Registration Days will also be held on:

Sat 22nd August 2015 Tea Gardens Library- 9.30am to 11.30am

Wed 2nd September 2015 Tea Gardens Public School- 2.30pm-4.30pm

Bring birth certificate for proof of age
Registration \$80 per athlete \$48 Tiny Tots.
Uniform cost \$50

LAUNDRY SERVICE
71 Marine Dr
Tea Gardens
Phone: 4997 1422
Service: \$10.50 (Wash)
Also we can launder:
Bedspreads,
Doona Covers,
Blankets, Doonas



Tickets available
from school
office

Canteen News

Fresh for Kids and the Sydney Markets are running a fruit and vegetable promotion and our school canteen have been invited to participate.

This promotion will be running for 6 weeks from Monday 10th August to Friday 18th September.

Students are rewarded with a sticker with each purchase of food from the canteen that contains fresh/frozen fruit and/or vegetables. **(juice drops not included)**

Once students have received 2 stickers, they will instantly receive a **Fresh for Kids** colour pencil with character eraser—there are 7 to collect. Their completed entry forms, which will be kept in the canteen will be sent back to the Sydney Markets to go into a draw to win some fantastic major prizes including:

1st Prize 1 x Home entertainment pack (TV and Blu -Ray Player)

2nd Prize 3 x Apple iPad Minis

3rd Prize 10 x Fresh for Kids gift packs

4th Prize 20 x Cinema gift cards

There will also be a prize for the school that sends back the highest number of entries per student.

Let's get behind this promotion and see how many entry forms we can get. Fresh/frozen fruit available each canteen day. Please check the canteen menu for meals that contain fruit and vegetables, It all counts!!!



Slush Puppie Promotion




Every time you buy a Slush Puppie for \$2 you have a chance of winning a free Slush Puppie!

You can redeem the free one on the next canteen day.



**TOTAL PENCILS
RECEIVED THIS WEEK 18**
Students are enjoying their fruit & veg purchases & being rewarded with their collectable pencils with character eraser

TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

CANTEEN SUPERVISOR WEDNESDAY 26TH August Deb Smart, Bill Ewen (9-12) Katherine Pollock (9-2)	DANIELLE DRISCOLL THURSDAY 27TH August Danielle Driscoll, Jen Ewen (9-12) Jamie Hall (9-2)	0421976137 FRIDAY 28TH August Dan Driscoll Trudy Brumby (9-12) Peta Shelton (9-2)
<u>NEW</u> Pasta & sausage bake  *Pork sausage, pasta & sauce* **Optional parmesan cheese**	Shepherd's pie & Veg  *Veg – peas, carrot & beans* **Optional bbq or tomato sauce**	Chicken tender, lettuce & mayo wrap  **Optional – bbq or tomato sauce**
Sandwiches available Wed, Thurs, Fri	Vegemite, Jam or Honey \$2.00	Cheese or cheese & Tomato \$3.00
CANTEEN SUPERVISOR	DANIELLE DRISCOLL	0421976137



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Ensure your child gets the best start: Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Program



At Tea Gardens Public School, we want you to feel informed and confident about starting school. Join us for our Kindergarten Orientation Program for a taste of life at our great school.

Starting school can be both an exciting and anxious time for parents and children. It's important to us that you get good information to make the start of school an enjoyable experience for you and your child.

Come and participate in the excitement of this new phase in your child's education. Our Kindergarten Orientation Program is designed for this purpose.

From the moment you and your child enter our school, you'll find our highly qualified staff ready to give you all the advice and guidance to get started. You'll find that support will continue throughout your child's education at Tea Gardens.

Our Kindergarten Orientation program takes place over four weeks in Term 4. During this time, the children spend time in the classrooms with teachers and other students.

Meanwhile, parents are offered an information session on Thursday 29 October 2015 on a range of topics including:

- Is my child ready for school?
- The First Day
- The A-Z guide to Tea Gardens
- What is Best Start?
- What do students learn in Kindergarten?
- How can parents participate?
- Our Uniform
- What if my child has special needs?
- The role of the School Counsellor

You will take a tour around our first class facilities and meet the Principal and staff who can answer all of your questions.

We look forward to working together to provide the best possible start for your child.

For more information about our Kindergarten Orientation program, contact our Principal, Mark Clemson, or our Kindergarten Team Leader, Christine Maloney, or our Best Start coordinator, Debbie Booth, on 4997 0286 or send an email to teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

**Come and see our vibrant
learning community in
action on:**

Thursday	29 October
Thursday	5 November
Thursday	12 November
Thursday	19 November
Time:	8:55am–10:55am

Tea Gardens Public School
25 Witt Street
Tea Gardens NSW 2324
Phone: 4997 0286

Get ready to go

* AROUND THE WORLD *

For the Tea Gardens Public School P&C Fundraising

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 17th October 2015 * 6.30 for a 7pm start in the school hall
Tables of 8 @ \$80 (call to join a table!)

Dress up for great night of fun and prizes!

Tea, coffee and slice provided BYO food and drinks.

To book please call the school on 4997 0286
or call Jude on 49972135

*This is an over 18s event.



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
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens
- Intergalactic Rocket
- E.T.DVD



WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

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.



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Tea Gardens 2015 Book Character Parade

Tuesday 25 August from 9.15am



**You're invited to our
2015 Book Character
Parade!**

Please come along and join in the fun as we celebrate the 70th Anniversary of Children's Book Week.

Our celebrations will start with a Book Character Parade under the COLA.

Students will then participate in shared reading followed by a variety of activities across the remainder of the day.



To do list

Today: Make final adjustments to the costume

Tomorrow: 25 August 2015
Come to the Book Parade

Time: 9.15am-9.45am

Tea Gardens Public School



THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA

