



Tea Gardens Public School

Witt Street, Tea Gardens, 2324

7/9/2015 Week 9 Term 3

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Maeve Brumby from the Mates class for being named our 'Student of the Week'. Maeve receives the acknowledgement for being a compassionate, caring, and kind student who is a quiet achiever. Congratulations Maeve 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 Ministers will be hosting our assembly which will include the Spelling Bee finals. Please come along and join us!

Assemblies for the remainder of the term are as follows:

11 September- Ministers

18 September- The Mates (Miss Maloney)

BOUQUETS

Father's Day Stall

Many thanks are extended to the parents who assisted at the Father's Day stall. I am sure our Dads were suitably impressed with their gifts.

Regional Cricket Trials

Congratulations to Cole Johnson and Nathan Katz who trialled at the Hunter PSSA regional trials. The boys performed strongly and represented the school with pride.



SAS Staff Recognition

Last Week we celebrated SAS Staff Recognition Week – Our Jobs, Your Children, Their Future.

Do you know what SASS means? SASS stands for School Administrative and Support Staff. Students, parents and staff at Tea Gardens Public School would like to acknowledge the hard work done by our SAS Staff as part of SASS National Recognition Week.

The school community is made up of many different people, all of whom play a part in the running of our school and the provision of a quality education to our students. Our School Administrative and Support Staff, whether they work in the office, the library, on the school grounds or in many of our classrooms, are important contributors to the success of our school and to our students' (your child's) education. They provide the support that is essential to the high quality education that our students receive.

This dedicated group of professional workers are often overlooked in the school setting and Recognition Week gives the whole school, and our community, the opportunity to demonstrate to SAS staff that they are valued members of the school community. Every day, in so many ways, our valuable SAS staff support the teaching staff in our school and without them we would not be able to provide the wonderful school environment that we have here at Tea Gardens Public School. Thank you to all of our SASS for your professionalism and commitment to our students.

Thank you to the following:

- Lindy Hammond
- Linda Cameron
- Wendy Searle
- Vicki Evans
- Rachael Corrigan
- Karen Baker
- Barry Russom and
- Merv Nagle (Volunteer SASS Member since 1991!!!)

Science and Engineering Day- Thank you

Thanks are extended to the Rotary Club of Myall Coast for contributing funds to the Science and Engineering Discovery Day to reduce the overall costs to our students in attendance. We especially acknowledge the Rotarians, Ron James and Graeme Dunn who joined our teams during the excursion.

Father's Day BBQ Breakfast – Thank you

Thanks to all the Dads who joined us on Friday at our free BBQ Breakfast. We had 23 dads/grandfathers/carers join us and served breakfast to approximately 90 people. Many thanks are extended to the volunteers who operated the BBQ including Leon Katz, Mrs Avery, Tracey McAlister, Mrs Ingram, Ms Davies and Mrs Booth.

Congratulations to Mr Jeffries and Mr Shelton who won the lucky door prizes.



THE TELL THEM FROM ME- Partners in Learning – Parent Survey

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

The survey is a great opportunity for our parents to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about our school. To commence the survey, please click on the following link:

https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?j_username=parent18257&j_password=Tea3175

COMING UP

Wildside Festival Monster Photo Competition- Photo entries due this Wednesday @ 5pm

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. Our school won both Primary divisions in 2014. Once again, we have been encouraged to submit entries.

http://www.walkonthewildside.net.au/index_files/photocomp.htm



Wildside Festival

Our school and community band will be playing around the Hawks Nest Community Hall from 1:30pm on Saturday the 12th September. Come and see them play! And stay to hear the winners of the photo competition.

Pink Cricket Fundraiser

Pink / Red Mufti Day- Student Parliament Initiative

On Thursday, Cricket NSW will be hosting In2Cricket development clinics with our classes. Students are invited to wear pink / red clothes to school on this day with a gold coin donation. All funds raised will be sent to the Jane McGrath Foundation.

Mitchell Barr

Minister for Special Events

Spell a thon- "Sponsor a Speller"- this Friday, nominated class spelling champions will be participating in the school spelling bee championship finals. Good luck to the finalists.

Sponsorship forms have been returned home to enable students to collect sponsorship monies pledged.

All monies raised will go directly toward the cost to replace our aging air-conditioning units. Thank you for your support of our fund-raising efforts.

START SMART – 17 September

Students from Year 1 to Year 6 will be involved in START SMART workshops on Thursday 17 September. The Start Smart program is delivered through a series of workshops to over 270,000 students each year and equips students with the confidence and competence to make smart decisions about money by making money management interactive, engaging and fun!

The Start Smart Primary program is delivered as 3 separate workshops according to year group and teaches money skills in a way that students can understand and enjoy. 'Captain Cash' or 'Money Girl' and 'Coach Cash' take students on an adventure in new money skills. Our students will learn to identify and understand currency, the difference between 'wants' and 'needs', the importance of saving and budgeting and how to shop around for the best deal.

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

Tea Gardens Public Library Promotion

Tea Gardens Public Library is running a competition for our students this term to encourage borrowing and use of the public library here in Tea Gardens. They are offering a free book to each student in the winning class who has the most members sign up for a library card. Those of you who already have a library card, let the librarians know the next time you use the library and ask them to add your name to the list. Application forms and information was left for each of the classes during Book Week. So, get in there and join the Great Lakes library.

Rachel Cooper

Teacher Librarian

P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held tomorrow evening, Tuesday 8 September commencing at 7pm in the school library.

"Around the World" P&C Trivia Night

Saturday 17 October. Book your table of 8 for just \$80. Dress up and win a prize! This is an over 18's event.

Myall River Festival and Duck Derby

We will again be running the traditional Duck Derby with some fantastic prizes to be won! We will need parent helpers in shifts throughout the day, just giving up an hour or two of your time will be invaluable to the success of our event.

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. Eftpos 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.

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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.



Tell Them From Me: Partners in Learning survey



You're invited to participate in the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM)* Partners in Learning survey designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

Why should I participate?

Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

What does it involve?

This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary.

If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children's experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once.

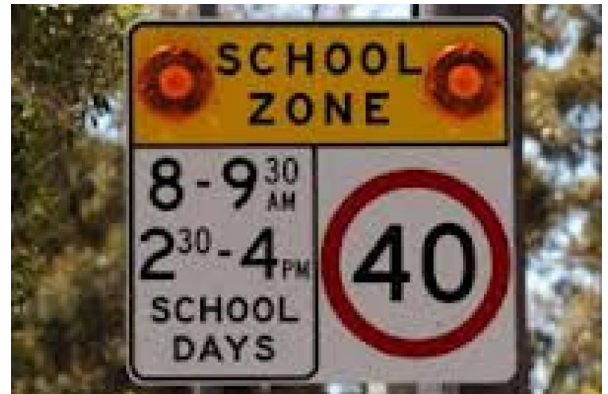
How can I participate?

You can access the survey in your own time, between 17 August and 16 October 2015.

Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:

If you require access to a computer at school to complete the survey. Please contact Mark Clemson – School Principal who will make these arrangements for you.

More information on the Partners in Learning survey can be found on the NSW Department of Education's TTFM website: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>



Installation of flashing lights near Tea Gardens Public School

The NSW Government has provided funding for the placement of school zone signs with flashing lights at all schools by the end of this year to alert motorists of the 40km speed limit required during school drop off and pick up times.

Installing these flashing lights in schools zones has been shown to improve driver awareness of the need to travel at a lower speed to ensure the safety of children and others coming and going from the school area.

Roads and Maritime Services is delivering this safety initiative and plans to install signs outside Tea Gardens Public School on Witt Street the week beginning Friday 11 September outside of 40km school zone hours. Work will take up to two hours to complete, weather permitting.

Lights are installed on pre-existing poles or new poles are put in place if needed.

Partial lane closures may be in place while work is carried out to ensure safety of road users and workers. There will be some noise associated with this work, but every effort will be made to minimise these impacts.

For more information about the flashing lights program please visit the Centre for Road Safety website at www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe




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- Instructor led activities
- Meals
- Accommodation
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sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/familycamps
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LEARN TO BE A LIFESAVER

TEA GARDENS HAWKS NEST SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB



First Day Nippers
Sunday 4 Oct 15
9am

Nippers
U6 to U14

Surf Rescue Certificate
from 13 yrs

Bronze Medallion
from 15 yrs

Surf Club Open Day
18 Oct 15

FURTHER INFO CONTACT

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0400 204 450

tghnslsc@gmail.com

teagardenshawksnestslsc.com



Village Fair

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Floral Display "Comboyne Remembers"

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\$15

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October Wed 14th - Sat 17th
5 performances...

Tickets on sale from 7th September at: Ice Cream Shack, Hawks Nest & Tea Gardens Pharmacies.

Evenings - doors open 6pm, show starts 7pm at Hawks Nest Community Hall.
Saturday matinee doors open 12midday, shows starts 1pm at North Arm Cove Community Centre.

Proudly Supported By Great Lakes Council.

For more information please

 Find us on Facebook

at Myall Coast Entertainers



BYO drinks and nibbles!

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 4th September 2015. They were:

ALLIES

Willow Miller Working well in class
Matilda Fidden Working well in class

BRIGADE

Gingerlily Shelton Improved story writing and presentation
Deena Clemson Excellent art works and illustrations

HEROES

Kobi Wells Working well in reading
Rosie Whitby Great effort in story writing

MATES

Leah Gatenby Excellent reading and comprehension
Tyler Rodgers Conscientious effort to class room tasks

POPPIES

Lenita White Outstanding behaviour and participation during Stage 2 Excursion
Lenny Ehlefeldt Outstanding behaviour and participation during Stage 2 Excursion

AIF

Tony Hind Pleasing application in class
Kiera Bentley-Baker Improvement in lots of areas

CADETS

Jamie Freebody Completing more set tasks
Joaquin Viera Working hard with fractions

SQUADRON

Hayden Harvey Excellent participation at the Science & Engineering Discovery Day
Locklin Dennis Excellent participation at the Science & Engineering Discovery Day

Stage 2 Excursion

Last Thursday Stage 2 had their major excursion to Timbertown and Billabong Koala Wildlife Park. We spent the morning at Timbertown experiencing life as it was in the past. We watched a blacksmith demonstration, tasted freshly cooked damper, had a horse and carriage ride, watched the bullock team pull a 6 tonne log and tried our hand at panning for gold. We finished off our morning with a ride in the steam train.

We then went to Billabong Koala Wildlife Park where we got up close and personal with a few of the animals including a baby crocodile, a boa constrictor, a dingo named Ernie and hand fed some kangaroos. We also watched the keepers feed the enormous salt water crocodile, Shrek. Our guide, Stu, took us around the zoo and taught us a lot about the many different animals we saw. Congratulations to all the students for their behaviour and participation during the excursion. Special thanks to Mrs Brown, Mrs Jeffries, Mr Bryant and Mr Riley for their assistance during the excursion.



TEA GARDENS ICE CREAM SHACK

More than just Ice Cream!!

Tasty Tuesday!

SLOW COOKED

Lamb Shank

In Honey, Mint & Rosemary

Great for Take Away!

Fall off the bone tender
Lamb Shank marinated in
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Please have your Order in by 8pm Sunday

(No Orders guaranteed after this time! :-)

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

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.



Tickets available from school office



TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

WEDNESDAY 9TH September Dan Driscoll Bill Ewen (9-12) Amy Rodgers (9-2)	THURSDAY 10TH September Deb Smart Karen Katz (9-12) Mel Brown(9-2)	FRIDAY 11TH September Dan Driscoll Carolyn Jeffries (9-12) Peta Shelton (9-2)
Chicken salad wrap  *Salad- lettuce, carrot, tomato & cucumber* **Optional mayonnaise**	<u>NEW</u> Pumpkin soup with a dinner roll  **Optional – sour cream**	Taco's (2) – lettuce, tomato & cheese  **Optional sour cream & sweet chilli sauce**
Sandwiches available Wed, Thurs, Fri	Vegemite, Jam or Honey \$2.00	Cheese or cheese & Tomato \$3.00
CANTEEN SUPERVISOR	DANIELLE DRISCOLL	0421976137

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 until 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.

