

# Tea Gardens Public School



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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



#### Student of the Week

Congratulations to Claire Carter who is this week's student of the week. Claire receives our student of the week award for her lovely story that she wrote for the Bulahdelah Show.

Claire receives a certificate and is rewarded with a \$5 voucher to the Ice Cream Shack. Well done Claire! We look forward to announcing our next student of the week on Friday.

Welcome back to Tea Gardens Public School. We are looking forward to a very productive term 4.

### MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following Merit Award recipients who received awards at our weekly assembly.

| Class                       | Students            | Reason   |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Lobsters<br>Yinga           | Christine O'Brien   | Outstanding efforts in reading.  |
|                             | Grace Charbel       | Her positive approach towards writing activities.                      |
| Platypus<br>Yapii           | David Relf          | Being ready to learn at the start of the day with a smile on his face. |
|                             | Brock Baxter        | Enthusiasm in visual arts.   |
| Possums<br>Bilu             | Jayden Phillips     | Outstanding Tee-Ball skills.   |
|                             | Ebony Hestelow      | Being a pleasure to teach.   |
| Sea Turtles<br>Guraa Gurrwa | Kobi Harvey         | His improved application.  |
|                             | Hudson Turner       | His improved application and enthusiasm.                               |
| Snakes<br>Batjay            | Darcy Wilton        | Fantastic narrative writing.   |
|                             | Joshua Charbel      | Creative poster design.  |
| Dingoes<br>Dapin            | Stephanie McShane   | An outstanding newspaper article.                                      |
|                             | Jack Browne         | An excellent newspaper article with outstanding techniques.            |
| Goannas<br>Girriwa          | Kalista Lee-Hall    | Excellent participation in the 'Grime Scene Investigation'.            |
|                             | Jack Nolan          | For excellent participation at the Science Discovery Day.              |
| Gum Trees<br>Gurambak       | Amelia Henning      | Producing a high quality narrative.                                    |
|                             | Natureh Fenton-Holt | Outstanding improvement in spelling.                                   |
|                             | Ricky Nguyen        | Excellent team work skills.  |

### Science and Technology Showcase Wrap – Up

I was immensely proud of our staff and students for their efforts during the Science and Technology Showcase on the last day of term 3. The students were proud to show off their talents across the school and it was very positive to see so many parents and grandparents at the event taking the opportunity to see what is happening K-6 in Science and Technology at our school.

Our Year 5 / Year 6 students showcased their wonderful animal adaptation projects in the form of a mini-museum and were very proud showing off their arcade games created during library sessions as part of the design process. Year 6 created towers too!

Year 3 / Year 4 students created landforms to highlight the impact of erosion, they also used various forms of digital technologies including Micro:Bits, Ozobots and Spheros to demonstrate how these evolving technologies can be used in the classroom.

The Possums used Dash Robots to navigate their own Lego City called Possum Town – Population 23 using coding to avoid collisions whilst navigating around the city.

The Sea Turtles (Year 2) experimented with the filtering process. Whilst, the Platypus class investigated how heat causes change including popping corn, bread to toast and a number of science based activities based around the Rainbow Bear by Stephen Michael King.

The Lobsters used coding on the BeeBots for various activities and created trailers for the BeeBots to carry loads as part of the “Moving Things” Unit in Science and Technology.

The showcase event is evidence of the significant impact our involvement in the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority’s (ACARA) Digital Technologies in Focus Project is having on our students and teachers alike.



Congratulations to everyone!







### Science and Engineering Challenge

Thirty two of our Year 5 and Year 6 students attended the annual Science and Engineering challenge held at Tomaree High School. Our students endeavoured to showcase their knowledge and skills throughout the challenges posed during the day. Many thanks are extended to the Rotary Club of Myall Coast for once again sponsoring the bus to ensure this event remained cost free for our students. Thank you!

## COMING UP

### P&C Meeting- Tuesday 15 October

The October meeting of the school P&C will be held tomorrow evening commencing at 7pm in the school library. All parents are invited to attend.

### Kindergarten 2020- Orientation Program commences Thursday 17 October

Our Kindergarten orientation program commences this Thursday 17 October and continues weekly for four weeks. Kindy 2020 parents are also invited and actively encouraged to attend our parent information session during the first visit to support and improve the transition of our newest learners. The session will

commence after our 2019 Kindy students have settled in the Kindergarten classrooms at 9:25am. At this stage, we have 27 students commencing with us for Kindergarten next year. If you have not yet registered your child for next year's kindergarten, it's not too late, please call 02 4997 0286 to commence the process.

### **Youth Challenge Visits - Friday 25 October**

Selected Youth Challenge students will be involved in visits next week to the Myall Dolphins under the supervision of Mrs Andrews.

### **Tell them from Me Student Surveys for students in Year 4-6. (Stage 2/3)**

This term, our school is taking part in the Tell Them From Me student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys. Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

This survey will help our school better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will help the school identify what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.

If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please complete the form sent home and return it to your child's school by Friday 18 October.

### **Selective High School Applications close soon. Attention parents of Year 5 students.**

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, using specialised teaching methods and materials at the appropriate level.

Year 7 enrolments are available in:

- seventeen fully selective high schools
- twenty-four partially selective high schools
- four agricultural high schools, three of which have boarding places where students live at the school for the school term. Find out more about boarding at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7/information-for-applicants/agricultural-high-schools>
- one virtual secondary school, Aurora College, for students in rural and remote areas. Find out more at <http://www.aurora.nsw.edu.au/>

See a list of selective high schools and their websites the end of this document. A map is at <http://www.maptive.com/ver3/Selective>

Find more information about catering for academically gifted students with high potential in NSW at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/high-potential-and-gifted-education>

Parents of students enrolled in NSW government and non-government primary schools, home schools, interstate and overseas schools can apply.

Parents of Aboriginal students are encouraged to apply for selective high school placement. Find out more at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/general-information/student-experience>

For further information and support, parents can speak with their child's current principal, or contact their local Aboriginal Education and Wellbeing Advisor.



## How do I apply for a Selective High School?

Parents must apply online at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7/application-process>. Please read the instructions carefully. Applications are open from 8 October to 11 November 2019.

You must apply online by 11 November 2019. The application site will close at 10pm on 11 November 2019. This closing date will be strictly observed, except where there is a shortage of suitable candidates or where extenuating circumstances are serious and well documented.

To apply, you can:

1. go to the application site and register your details to receive a password using your own email address, not one belonging to your child
2. log in to complete the application using the password emailed to you
3. complete and submit your application
4. receive an email confirming that you have successfully submitted your application
5. check the attachment to the confirmation email to ensure all details are accurate.

The attachment will contain an application number in the format S20 123 456. Please quote your application number whenever you enquire about your application.

If you find you have made a mistake or need to change details after you submit your application, please email the Team at [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au).

You should apply once only for the same student. The selection committee can consider only one application for each student.

Please note: Some email accounts will not accept system-generated emails with attachments sent from the Team. If this happens, we will need to send all information by mail.

It would be very helpful if you could provide a second email address. Please also add [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au) to your email contacts list and check your spam or junk folders regularly.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning

School Focus of the week is: All Areas – Hands Off Nature

| Safety                            | Personal Best          | Respect                            |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Hat on head                       | Play fairly            | Share space                        |
| Walk, skip and play               | Invite others to play  | High five                          |
| Suitable games e.g. painted games | Give everyone a chance | Care for the gardens (environment) |
| Run but look out for others       | Help others            | Rubbish in the bin                 |
| Play the game rules               |                        | Return equipment                   |
| Stay in bounds                    |                        |                                    |

## Have Your Say on Before and After School Care

The NSW Government is committed to providing before and after school care to all students of public primary schools in New South Wales. As part of the reform, a [parent web form](#) has been established by Service NSW that will enable parents to tell the department about their specific care needs and to stay up to date with any new developments.

The information provided by parents will help the Department of Education to understand your needs, give them insights into where there are gaps in service delivery and help to ensure the extra places are delivered where they are required.

Have your say today at <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc>.

## TERM 4 CALENDAR

|           |                         |   |  |
|-----------|-------------------------|---|--|
| Tuesday   | 15 October              | P&C Meeting   | 7pm School library                                 |
| Thursday  | 17 October              | Kindergarten Orientation and Parent Information Session | 9:25am- School Hall                                |
| Wednesday | 23 October              | Youyoong AECG Meeting & AGM                             | Murrook Cultural Centre 10am                       |
| Wednesday | 23 October              | Rugby League Clinics                                    | 9:55-12:55   |
| Friday    | 25 October              | Myall Dolphins Visit                                    |  |
| Friday    | 25 October              | World Teachers Day                                      |  |
| Saturday  | 26 October              | Myall River Duck Derby                                  |  |
| Monday    | 4 November              | Whizzy Waterdrop  | 12pm K-2   |
| Wednesday | 6 November              | Bulahdelah Show Student Night                           |  |
| Monday    | 11 November             | Remembrance Day   |  |
| Tuesday   | 12 November             | P&C Meeting   |  |
| Wednesday | 20 November             | Volunteers Morning Tea                                  |  |
| Mon-Thurs | 25 November-28 November | Swim Scheme (Week 1)                                    | Learn to Swim Program @ Tea Gardens Pool           |
| Tuesday   | 26 November             | Christmas SRE Service                                   |  |
| Wednesday | 27 November             | Youyoong AECG Meeting and AECG Awards Night             | Hunter River High School / Murrook Cultural Centre |
| Mon-Thurs | 2-5 December            | Swim Scheme (Week 2)                                    | Learn to Swim Program @ Tea Gardens Pool           |
| Monday    | 9 December              | Reports home today                                      | Semester Two reports go home                       |
| Monday    | 9 December              | Presentation Day  |  |
| Tuesday   | 10 December             | P&C Meeting   |  |
| Wednesday | 11 December             | Year 6 Farewell   | Venue to be advised / TBC                          |
| Wednesday | 18 December             | Students last day                                       | Summer Vacation                                    |
| Sunday    | 22 December             | Community Christmas Carols                              |  |



**Myall Park Tennis Club**

**Active Kids Provider**

**Community Play**

**Teen Match Play**

The fun way for kids to play tennis!

**TERM 4 PROGRAM October 18 - November 29**

**Friday 3.30 - 4.30 - Community Play**

**Friday 5.00 - 6.00pm - Teen Match Play**

**\$25 one child/\$35 per family per term**

Non-members will need to pay the \$5 Annual Junior Club Membership Fee

**Direct Debit Payments: BSB 721000, Account Number 100027580**

Use HS plus name as reference.

More info [www.hotshotstennis.com.au](http://www.hotshotstennis.com.au) and [www.tennis.com.au/hawksnest/junior-tennis](http://www.tennis.com.au/hawksnest/junior-tennis)

Once paid please return scan or photo of form to: [myallparktennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:myallparktennisclub@gmail.com)

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**Name:** .....

**Age:** ..... **D.O.B:** ..... **School Yr:** .....

**Parent/Carer Name:** .....

**Best contact phone number:** .....

**Email:** .....

**PLEASE NOTE**

**Teen Match Play will unfortunately have to be postponed for Term 4 unless we have more participants.**

## ~ TIME OUT ~

Are you or a loved one living with the challenges of Autism or other disabilities?

Do you feel isolated, lost and alone?

Tea Gardens Hotel ~ Friday 18th October 2019 ~

6pm for 6:30 start

2 course dinner (drinks available for purchase) with speaker \$25pp

Come and share your knowledge and helpful tips while collecting insight from others as you spend an evening with Deborah Taylor, a British lady who worked for the British National Autistic Society before setting up Hagai's to support families dealing with autism. Deb has a wealth of experience as a care giver to children with disabilities and has travelled internationally to assist communities in this area.

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CHILD MINDING FREE @ St Andrew's Anglican Church, TG

must pre-book

First event in a series of upcoming support seminars facilitated by St Andrew's Anglican Church.



### Special of the week

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> & Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Seasonal Fresh Fruit Cups **.50c**





# The Snack Shack Summer Menu Term 4 & 1 - Open Thursday & Friday

## Sandwiches, Salad Bowls, Rolls & Wraps

### Lunch Time Only \*Pre-ordered on brown paper bag\*

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Vegemite sandwich                           | \$2.00 |
| Cheese (L/F) sandwich                       | \$2.50 |
| Salad bowl (Italian dressing or mayo (L/F)) | \$3.00 |
| Add chicken, roast beef, or ham             | \$1.00 |
| Add egg or cheese (L/F)                     | .50c   |
| Chicken, beef or ham salad roll             | \$4.00 |
| Chicken, beef or ham salad wrap             | \$4.00 |
| *salad- lettuce, carrot, cucumber & tomato  |        |
| Add cheese (L/F)                            | .50c   |
| Chicken, lettuce & mayo (L/F) wrap          | \$3.50 |
| Egg, lettuce & mayo (L/F) wrap              | \$3.50 |

## Hot Rolls, Hamburgers & Wraps

### Lunch Time Only \*Pre-ordered on brown paper bag\*

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Roast chicken & gravy long roll                        | \$4.00 |
| Roast beef & gravy long roll                           | \$4.00 |
| Cheese burger (C/M)                                    | \$4.00 |
| *beef patty (L), cheese (L/F) & tomato sauce           |        |
| Aussie burger (C/M)                                    | \$4.50 |
| *beef patty (L), lettuce, tomato, beetroot & bbq sauce |        |
| Fish finger wrap                                       | \$4.00 |
| *fish fingers (2), lettuce & mayo (L/F)                |        |

\*C/M - Canteen Made L/F- Low Fat\*

### Monthly Specials

Canteen specials in the School newsletter once a month

## Nuggets, Toasties & Subs - Lunch Time Only

\*Pre-ordered on brown paper bag\*

|   |        |            |        |
|---|--------|------------|--------|
| Chicken nuggets (4)                           | \$3.00 | with sauce | \$3.50 |
| Chicken nuggets (6)                           | \$4.00 | with sauce | \$4.50 |
| Chicken nuggets (8)                           | \$5.00 | with sauce | \$5.50 |
| Cheese (L/F) toastie                          |        |            | \$3.00 |
| Ham & cheese (L/F) toastie                    |        |            | \$3.50 |
| Cheese (L/F) & tomato toastie                 |        |            | \$3.50 |
| Ham, cheese (L/F) & tomato toastie            |        |            | \$4.00 |
| Pizza subs (2) ham & cheese (C/M)             |        |            | \$4.00 |
| *ham, cheese (L/F) & tomato paste             |        |            |        |
| Pizza subs (2) hawaiian (C/M)                 |        |            | \$4.50 |
| * ham, pineapple, cheese (L/F) & tomato paste |        |            |        |

## Drinks

Pre-Ordered - Lunch Time Only

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Bottled water 500mls                               | \$1.50 |
| 99% Fruit juice popper 200ml                       | \$1.50 |
| *orange, apple or apple & blackcurrant             |        |
| Flavoured low fat milk 300ml                       | \$1.80 |
| *chocolate or strawberry                           |        |
| Milo - hot or cold (C/M)                           | \$1.50 |
| *milo with milk (L/F) 250mls                       |        |
| Available in snack breaks no pre-ordering needed   |        |
| Slush puppie 99% fruit juice small 170mls          | \$1.20 |
| Slush puppie 99% fruit juice large 250mls          | \$2.00 |
| Fruit smoothies (C/M) (selected days only)         | \$1.50 |
| *fresh or frozen fruit, yoghurt (L/F) & milk (L/F) |        |

## Snacks

Available in snack breaks no pre-ordering needed

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Seasonal fresh fruit cup            | \$1.00 |
| Apple slinky                        | .60c   |
| Milo custard (C/M)                  | .70c   |
| *custard (L/F) with milo added      |        |
| Plain rice crackers (6)             | .20c   |
| Plain air popped popcorn (C/M)      | .20c   |
| Pikelets (C/M) (selected days only) | .50c   |
| *with jam or margarine              |        |
| Muffin (C/M) (selected days only)   | \$1.00 |

### Fortnightly Specials

Canteen specials in the School newsletter each fortnight

## Frozen Snacks

Available in snack breaks no pre-ordering needed

|  |     |      |     |        |
|--|-----|------|-----|--------|
| 99% frozen juice drops                       | (2) | .10c | (4) | .20c   |
| Frozen pineapple ring                        |     |      |     | .30c   |
| Frozen seasonal grapes                       |     |      |     | .50c   |
| Frozen fruit soft serve cups (C/M)           |     |      |     | \$1.00 |
| *frozen fruit, cream (L/F), sugar & vanilla  |     |      |     |        |
| Frozen yoghurt (L/F) & fruit pops (C/M)      |     |      |     | \$1.30 |
| * frozen fruit & yoghurt (L/F) layered       |     |      |     |        |
| Fresh seasonal fruit juice frozen pops (C/M) |     |      |     | \$1.20 |
| Fresh orange juice frozen pops (C/M)         |     |      |     | \$1.00 |
| Quelsh fruit stick                           |     |      |     | .50c   |
| Moosies                                      |     |      |     | \$1.50 |