

# Tea Gardens Public School



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## Newsletter Issue 14

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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



#### Student of the Week

Congratulations to Ellie Rawlings who is this week's student of the week. Ellie receives the award for being an excellent student who always tries her best.

Ellie receives a certificate and is rewarded with a \$5 voucher to the Ice Cream Shack. Well done, Ellie! We look forward to announcing our next student of the week at this week's assembly.

### MERIT AWARDS

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

Class	Students	Reason
Lobsters Yinga	Zachariah Males	Always demonstrating respect towards others
	Isla	Always demonstrating respect towards others
Platypus Yapii	Emily Watson	Being a helpful and respectful class member
	Ryan St Pier	Amazing rhyme identification
Possums Bilu	Alayla Cameron	Displaying leadership qualities
	Ruby Wood	Improved formation of her letters
Sea Turtles Guraa Gurrwa	Lavida Fenwick	Her high standard of book work
	William Browne	Meaningful contributions to class discussions
Snakes Batjay	Korban Patteson	Commitment to history research
	Tyler Russell	Improved effort in class
Dingoes Dapin	Toby Wilton	Displaying honesty
	Willow Miller	Improved attendance
Goannas Girriwa	Noah Rodgers	Offering excellent contributions to class discussions
	Finn Matenga	Demonstrating increased effort during literacy groups
Gum Trees Gurambak	Amelia Henning	Writing an exceptional persuasive letter
	Cooper Studdert	Always being kind to others

### Reporting Formats

Our school is considering changing the report format for semester reporting to parents. Last week, sample options of the reports were provided for parents to review as part of the consultation process. The sample report options meet the policy standards in line with the Education Act 1990; the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) syllabuses; credentialing requirements; obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992; and the Disability Standards for Education 2005. Please review the options provided and provide the school with feedback on the reports to ensure that we select a report format that best meet the needs of our students in context of our community. Please return your preference to school by tomorrow.

## Bouquets

### Class Captains – Term 2

Congratulations to the following students for being elected as Class Captains for this term:

Lobsters / Yinga	Oliver McCormack	Ella Cameron
Platypus / Yapi	Charli	Memphis De Haas
Possums/ Bilu	Lachlan Rushby	Katarah Davis
Sea Turtles/ Guraa Gurrwa	Hudson Turner	Maycee Tulk
Snakes / Batjay	Cooper Smith	Georgia Lawler
Dingoes/ Dapin	Mitchell Henning	Grace Ehlefeldt
Goannas / Girriwa	Alexander Males	Karly Biffin
Gum Trees / Gurambak	James McCarthy	Claire Carter

### Port Stephens Zone Cross Country



Congratulations to our students who represented at zone cross country last Tuesday. Special acknowledgment is forwarded to Matilda Fidden (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Amelia Henning (5<sup>th</sup>) who have made it through to represent the zone at the Hunter regional carnival.

### NSWPSSA Knockout Soccer and NSWPSSA Knockout Netball teams

Our boys and girls soccer sides and netball team also represented our school in NSWPSSA knockouts. Whilst our sides were defeated in their matches, each of the sides have their own stories of internal success and triumph. Many thanks are extended to Mr Gilmour-Walsh, Mrs Howarth and Miss Dunford for coaching our teams and for our parents who were able to be there as transport helpers and supporters.

### P&C Mother's Day Stall

Once again our P&C and our parents have supported our students with a very successful Mother's Day stall last Thursday and Friday. Thank you to everyone who supported this event especially our core group of volunteers preparing the gifts and running the stalls.

### Free Mother's Day –Devonshire Morning Tea

It was pleasing to see a total of 48 mums and grandmothers able to come up and enjoy a breakfast at school last Friday with their children. I hope everyone was spoiled yesterday too.

### Youth Challenge – Myall Dolphins Visit

On Friday, around ten of our students went to the community hall in Hawks Nest to play Hoy, have a chat, eat biscuits and have a drink with a number of the elderly members of our community.





Mother's Day Breakfast 2019

### Tea Gardens Public School P&C Meeting- 7pm Tuesday 14 May.

### NAPLAN 14-16 May, 2019

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 will sit the paper version of NAPLAN as follows:

Year	Tuesday 14 May	Wednesday 15 May	Thursday 16 May
Year 3	Language conventions: 45 minutes Writing: 40 minutes	Reading: 45 minutes	Numeracy: 45 minutes
Year 5	Language conventions: 45 minutes Writing: 40 minutes	Reading: 50 minutes	Numeracy: 50 minutes

In 2020, our school will transition to NAPLAN online

### Year 5 Opportunity Class Placement 2020 Applications close Friday 17 May, 2019.

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving Year 5 and Year 6 academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These classes help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Parents normally apply when students are in Year 4. Students who are placed then attend the opportunity class full time in Years 5 and 6 at the primary school with an opportunity class. It is a two-year placement program. In the majority of cases, students who accept a place in an opportunity class will leave their current school to attend the school with an opportunity class. There is no provision to apply for Year 6 placement only.

Applications of intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020 are being sent home to all Year 4 students today. If you have not received a form and are interested in applying, please contact the school office. There are no paper enrolment forms available.

### Parents must apply online from the Unit's website at the following link no later than Friday 17 May:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Please note that our closest schools with opportunity classes include: Rutherford Public School, New Lambton South Public School, Soldiers Point Public School, Tighes Hill Public School and Maryland Public School.

### Walk Safely to School Day. Friday 17 May, 2019

2019 marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Walk Safely to School Day. Our school will participate once again. This annual campaign and community event encourages all primary school children, their parents and carers to walk and commute regularly and safely to school. The event seeks to promote road safety, health and the environment.



The teacher can be met at the following places and times;

8.10am	Mrs Bryant	Corner of Settlers Way and Myall Street in Tea Gardens
8.15am	Mrs Ingram	Corner of Coupland and Marine Drive in Tea Gardens
8.00am	Mr Gilmour-Walsh	Corner of Mermaid Avenue and Moira Parade in Hawks Nest

Parents are most welcome to join us for the walk. We look forward to seeing you all!



### Stewart House Donation Drive

Envelopes have been sent home. To be eligible to win a \$4000 holiday, please place a \$2 donation in the envelope provided and return to the school no later than Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019.



## Election Day BBQ - Saturday 18 May

We really need your help! Volunteers are required once again to support our next P&C fundraiser this Saturday at school. Please contact [tqpandc@gmail.com](mailto:tqpandc@gmail.com) or reach out to the P&C on their facebook page if you're able to donate an hour or two of your time this Saturday!

## Official Opening of Parliament on Wednesday 12 June

We are looking forward to officially opening our Student Parliament and celebrating this important event within our school calendar. We hope you will also be able to join us at the Official Opening. All parents are welcome.

## Canteen News

The canteen will continue to open on Monday's using a limited menu throughout the main lunch period during term 2. Thank you for all your support. Thursday and Friday Canteen days will run as per normal.

## Monday Canteen Lunch Menu is as follows:

\*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
cheese (L/F) & tomato toastie			\$4.00



Ham,

Danielle Driscoll 0421 976 137 Canteen Supervisor

## Good for Kids good for life

### MANAGING SCREEN TIME

Australian guidelines recommend that **kids spend no more than 2 hours each day on small screen entertainment**. Long periods of use should be broken up as often as possible. While computers and TV can be valuable for education and learning, the health benefits, skills and enjoyment that kids and teens get from being physically active are just as important.

**Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner**

### Keeping an eye on screen time

Are your kids constantly glued to a screen? Where do you draw the line to keep screen time in check? This quick guide can help parents manage screen time.

**What is screen time?**

Screen time is the amount of time spent watching a screen or electronic media for entertainment. It includes:

- Watching TV
- Watching DVDs & other online shows
- Using computers or other devices to access online entertainment
- Playing games on consoles, computers and mobile phones
- Texting



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<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>

## The Snack Shack

Special of the week

Thursday 16th & Friday 17th May

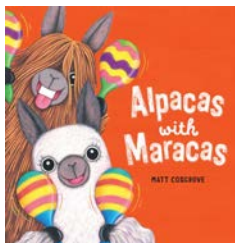
Fruit Smoothies (C/M)(L/F)

**\$1.00**



## Author and Illustrator Visits

Midcoast libraries are celebrating their 19th annual Great Books Festival from Monday 20 May to Friday 24 May. We are fortunate to have been able to secure visits from author, Anna Fienberg, who writes the Tashi book series and illustrator, Leila Rudge, who has both written and illustrated books such as Gary and Ted. Anna Fienberg will be sharing her experiences about writing with years 3-6 on Tuesday 21 May, while Leila Rudge will be sharing her artistic talents with K-2 on Friday 24 May. The school will be covering the costs of these events.

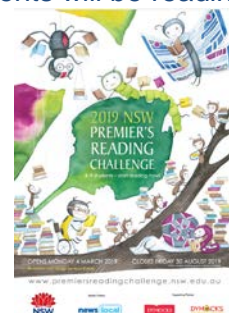


## National Simultaneous Storytime

We have registered for National Simultaneous Storytime for 2019. This year's shared book is *Alpacas with Maracas* by Matt Cosgrove. Teachers and students will be reading this text on Wednesday the 22nd May at 11:00am.

## Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)

Remember to record your books for the 2019 Premier's Reading Challenge. Students have already begun adding holiday reads to their account at school. Ask them to show you their list and how to add new books to their reading log. The challenge finishes on the 30th August. Students in years K-2 must read 30 books to complete the challenge, while those in 3-6 must read 20. Please encourage your child to read and add to their reading logs.



## Book Cub

Book Club is here again. The first issue for term 3 is due back on the 17th May. Any orders after this date will incur a postage fee. It is wonderful to see so many of our families using the LOOP ordering service. Remember to check this out for some extra freebies or deals to go with your order.

### Book Club LOOP

The **EASIEST** way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

**Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?**

**LOOP** is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

**BONUS!**

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and register today!

### DON'T FORGET!

**SCHOLASTIC**

## Book Club

orders are due:

on Friday 17th  
May, 2019

## Positive Behaviour for Learning

School Focus of the week is: Arriving and Leaving school

Safety	Personal Best	Respect
Use Walkways	Keep yourself and others safe	Stay in area for pick up and bus
Alight from buses one person at a time	Be road safe	Use appropriate language and volume
Follow safety rules	Care for others	
Place bags in correct storage places		
Follow teacher instructions		
Walk when leaving		
Wait on the stage		
Walk your bike out of school		

# "THE SNACK SHACK" CANTEEN – WINTER MENU for Term 2- 2019

*Pre-Ordered Items on brown paper bag*

**The Snack Shack  
New Winter  
Menu Available  
Now**

## Snack Attack Winter Menu – Term 2 & 3

**Thursday and Friday**

### Sandwiches, Rolls, Wraps & Salad Bowls

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

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

### Hamburgers, Hot Rolls & Subs - Lunch Time Only

\*Pre-ordered on brown paper bag\*

Cheese Burger (C/M)	<b>\$4.00</b>
*beef patty (L), cheese (L/F) & tomato sauce	
Chicken Burger (C/M)	<b>\$4.50</b>
*chicken patty (L), lettuce, tomato & mayo (L/F)	
Roast chicken or roast beef & gravy long roll	<b>\$4.00</b>
Pizza subs (2) ham & cheese (C/M)	<b>\$4.00</b>
*ham, cheese (L/F) & tomato paste	
Pizza subs (2) hawaiian (C/M)	<b>\$4.50</b>
* ham, pineapple, cheese (L/F) & tomato paste	

### Monthly Specials

*Canteen specials in the School newsletter once a month*

### Drinks

Pre-Ordered – Lunch Time Only

Bottled water 500mls	<b>\$1.50</b>
99% Fruit juice popper 200ml	<b>\$1.50</b>
*orange, apple or apple & blackcurrant	
Flavoured low fat milk 300ml	<b>\$1.80</b>
*chocolate or strawberry	
Milo – hot or cold (C/M)	<b>\$1.50</b>
*milo with milk (L/F) 250mls	

Available in snack breaks no pre-ordering needed

Slush puppie 99% fruit juice	small 170mls	<b>\$1.20</b>
Slush puppie 99% fruit juice	large 250mls	<b>\$2.20</b>
Fruit smoothies (C/M) (selected days only)		<b>\$1.50</b>
*fresh or frozen fruit, yoghurt (L/F) & milk (L/F)		

### Nuggets, Toasties & Pies - Lunch Time Only

\*Pre-ordered on brown paper bag\*

Chicken nuggets (4)	<b>\$3.00</b>	with sauce	<b>\$3.50</b>
Chicken nuggets (6)	<b>\$4.00</b>	with sauce	<b>\$4.50</b>
Chicken nuggets (8)	<b>\$5.00</b>	with sauce	<b>\$5.50</b>
Party pie (L)	<b>\$2.00</b>	with sauce	<b>\$2.50</b>
Cheese (L/F) toastie			<b>\$3.00</b>
Ham & cheese (L/F) toastie			<b>\$3.50</b>
Cheese (L/F) & tomato toastie			<b>\$3.50</b>
Ham, cheese (L/F) & tomato toastie			<b>\$4.00</b>
Baked bean or Spaghetti			<b>\$3.50</b>
Corn on the cob	<b>\$1.30</b>	with butter	<b>\$1.50</b>
Garlic bread (C/M)			<b>\$1.00</b>

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

### Frozen Snacks

Available in snack breaks no pre-ordering needed

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

### Snacks

Available in snack breaks no pre-ordering needed

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

### Fortnightly Specials

*Canteen specials in the School newsletter each fortnight*

**FREE**



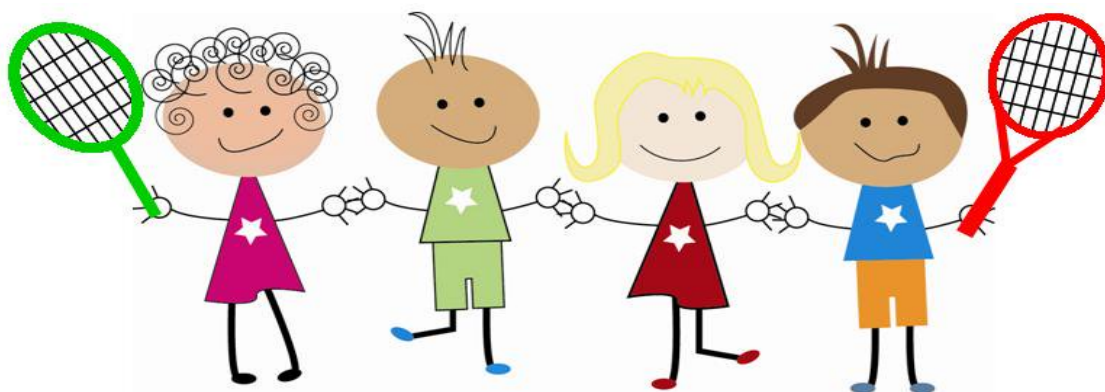
# FREE OPEN DAY

**SUNDAY 19th May 10am - 1pm**

**Yamba Street HAWKS NEST**

*Come and join us for a day of FREE Family Fun!*

- **Free BBQ Sausage Sizzle**
- **Free Junior Coaching & Hot Shots Activities**
- **Free Adult and Children Tennis Sessions**
- **Tennis Prizes**
- **Save \$s on tennis activities including early bird special on new HotShots Community Play Program for 4-12 year olds**
- **Free Off Court Kids Activities**



*For further information see*

*[www.tennis.com.au/hawksnest](http://www.tennis.com.au/hawksnest) or phone Chris 0403 773 647*

**All ages welcome. Just wear trainers!**