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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Presentation Day

Our annual presentation assembly held today was certainly different – we missed sharing this celebration of student learning with all our families in real time. Under difficult circumstances this year, ALL our students have done an amazing job of remaining focused and engaged in their learning. As parents, you should be very proud of your children! Congratulations to all our award recipients! Not every student received an award but every student should know how much their efforts and achievements are valued. I thank you, our parents and carers, for sharing in your child's / children's learning journey and especially for your support during the learning from home period earlier this year.

Sometimes we get so busy we forget to look around us and appreciate how very fortunate we are to be here in Tea Gardens, surrounded by happy, hardworking children, in a beautiful seaside environment. We are all truly fortunate.

Presentation Day Recipients

Class Awards	Recipient
Mangroves – Guwan – Mrs Ingram	
Academic Excellence	Alistair
Citizenship	Lillian
Consistent effort and application	Rose
Consistent effort and application	Lacie-May
String Bark – Bana – Mrs Howarth	
Academic Excellence	Andi
Academic - Maths	Logan
Consistent effort and application	Isla
Citizenship	Grace
Wild Yams – Wambay - Mrs Howard and Mrs Dixon	
Academic - English	Oliver
Academic - Mathematics	Jaxon

Consistent effort and application	Ivy-Pearl
Citizenship	Kileyn
Tea Trees - Yapay – Mrs Bryant	
Academic Excellence	Ali
Consistent Effort and Application Year 2	Ebony
Consistent Effort and Application Year 3	Maycee
Citizenship	Jaiver
Mahogany – Yaakaa – Miss Barrie	
Citizenship	Harry
Consistent Effort and Application- Year 3	Cydee
Academic Excellence	William
Consistent Effort and Application- Year 4	Maddison
Fern – Bangwaal - Miss Dunford	
Academic Excellence – Year 6	Kobi
Academic Achievement – Year 5	Kathleen
Citizenship	Jaylah
Consistent Effort and Application	Alliera
Wild Raspberries – Maru – Miss Kelly	
Most Improved	Zoie
Consistent Effort and Application - Year 5	Claire
Consistent Effort and Application - Year 6	Malcolm
Citizenship	Jhanella

School Based Awards	Recipient
Public Speaking	
Early Stage One	Bonnie
Stage One	Lexi
Stage Two	Taryn
Stage Three	Matilda
Library – Ms Cooper	
Early Stage One	River
Stage One	Charli
Stage Two	Lily
Stage Three	Jack
Gold Premier's Reading Challenge Awards	Cydee, Jackson, Jared, William, Taryn, Zara, Lavidia, Cooper, Rhani, Ben, Bethany, Harrison, Liam, Havana, Jaiver, Kade, Sienna, Cooper, Maycee, Pippa and Layla
Platinum Premier's Reading Challenge Awards	Abigail, Evie and Deena
Young Mr Martin Award	Grace
Literacy Improvement	Rory
Numeracy Improvement	Joshua
Outstanding Indigenous Participation	Bethany
SPORTS	
Swimming	Recipient

Junior Boy age champion	Liam
Junior girl age champion	Lily
11 year boy age champion	Rory
11 year girl age champion	Deena
Senior boy age champion	Sam
Senior girl age champion	Karly
Athletics	Recipient
Junior Boy age champion	Harrison
Junior girl age champion	Matilda
11 year boy age champion	Darcy
11 year girl age champion	Tahli
Senior boy age champion	James
Senior girl age champion	Karly
Sports Person of the Year	Karly
Outstanding Sporting achievement	Matilda
School Citizenship Award	Cameron
Lion's Club Scholarship	Jack
Mowbray Leadership Award	Deena
Dux of School	Kelson

Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition Results

I am immensely proud of our Year 5/6 students who performed admirably in the Newcastle Permanent Maths competition in 2020.

These results highlight the outstanding work being done by our teachers in teaching Mathematics. These students were also acknowledged today at presentation day.

Year 5

Distinction- Matilda , Korban , Kathleen, Jack, Rachael

Merit- Mitchell, Rory, Josh, Malcolm, Kalli

Year 6

High Distinction- 2nd overall out of more than 17000 entrants – Kelson

Distinction- James, Seth

Merit- Sam W, Alex, Kobi, Boston

Reports home today

A huge thank you to our teachers and leadership team who have been busy working on end of year reports. Today, students have brought home their semester two reports for 2020. Please don't hesitate to contact the office to arrange a meeting with your child's teacher if you would like any additional information.

P&C Update- Tuesday 8 December

Tomorrow night we host the final P&C meeting for 2020. Fiona Mobbs, the P&C President – has done a wonderful job of leading her team through a difficult year. Big thanks to the P&C who are continuing their fundraising efforts with a mega Christmas Raffle.

The P & C Association AGM is being held at 7:00pm in the school library after the monthly P&C Meeting. For the AGM, all positions will be declared vacant and the elections for our 2021 committee will be held. Please join us, we look forward to seeing you there!

Look out for P&C raffle tickets for a huge Christmas raffle- coming home soon.

Before and After / Vacation School Care

We anticipate that we will soon be able to announce details of the provider who was successful following tender for OOSHC service. We hope and anticipate that the new service should be up and running to commence the 2021 school year.

COVID-19 Updates

Principals were sent an email last week with draft planning guidelines to support us in planning for Term 1, 2021 activities. The draft Term 1 guidelines will be updated in line with NSW Health advice in January and I will be provided with the final approved guidelines before the start of Term 1, 2021.

Similarly, the Premier recently announced a further easing of restrictions in NSW. The Department is currently working to review these changes and update its guidelines. Schools will be kept up to date with any changes. I will communicate with you accordingly.

In the meantime, all current arrangements remain in place for non-essential visitors to schools, collection and pick up procedures and end of year functions and events.

Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 farewell will proceed with COVID safety plans and measures in place. A note detailing these measures in more detail has been provided to our Year 6 students.

In summary, Year 6 students will attend MUMMS between 5 and 7pm under the supervision of a maximum of 8 teachers due to COVID limitations at the restaurant. Our graduates will then be shuttled back to school for a disco with Year 5 students only in 2020.

Following the departure of our Year 5 students (7:55pm) and after signing in, our Year 6 graduating student (plus a maximum of two nominated family members) will be invited to the graduation presentation and slideshow from 8:10pm.

Apologies in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

Library Returns- All library books are now overdue

As the end of the year swiftly approaches, please return all library books ASAP to the school library. Thank you for your ongoing support.

End of Year Class Party Days

Information about class party days will be sent home this week.

School Development Dates (SDD) for 2021

Dates have been scheduled with the Department releasing the following dates:

- SDD Term 1 = 27 and 28 January.
- All students in Kindergarten to Year 6 return Friday 29 January.
- SDD Term 2 = 19 April. All students return 20 April.
- SDD Term 3 = 12 July. All students return 13 July.
- SDD Term 4 = 17 December. Students finish 16 December.

Your support of these days is greatly appreciated as they provide opportunity for staff to engage in high quality professional learning.

2021 Classes

At this stage, it appears we will be forming a Kinder, Kinder/ Year 1, Year 1/2, Year 2/3, Year 3/4, Year 4/5 and a Year 6 in 2021.

In addition to above, we are now looking at implementing a fantastic opportunity into Tea Gardens Public School from 2021.

Tea Gardens will be creating a class designed to inclusively support students with additional learning and support needs. The benefits of this unique class will be more individualised learning, a large emphasis on sensory needs of these young people taking into consideration their individual learning and support needs.

As a school, we are committed to providing high quality educational experiences for global citizens of the future. The inclusive, safe, positive and supportive learning environment of the newly formed class will further promote students' strengths helping them realise their individual potential.

A significant focus will be placed on important foundation skills, such as communication and wellbeing that prepares our students to become active participants in their learning.

Staff encourage all students to do their personal best by setting high standards and through working in partnership with families and the community.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to Andi who is this week's student of the week.

Andi has been selected for being a good friend who assists other students with their learning. She is helpful in the classroom and she always follows our school expectations of safety, respect and personal best.

Andi receives a certificate and is rewarded with a \$5 voucher to the Ice Cream Shack. Well done, Andi! We look forward to announcing our final student of the week for 2020 at this week's assembly.

TERM 4 Dates to Remember

Monday	7 December	Presentation Day	Student only event
Monday	7 December	Reports home today	Semester Two reports go home
Tuesday	8 December	P&C AGM and P&C Meeting	Face to Face! 7pm School Library
Wednesday	9 December	Year 6 Farewell	Mumm's Restaurant for dinner followed by a school based event
Wednesday	16 December	Students last day	Summer Vacation

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following Merit Award recipients.

Class	Student	Reason
Mangrove Tree Guwan	Koby	Enthusiasm in reading groups.
	Eden	His enthusiasm for learning.
Stringy Bark Tree Bana	Livia	For her poetry writing about the Tasmanian devil.
	Grace	Writing a fantastic poem about a Panda.
Wild Yam Wambay	Memphis	Developing an interesting imaginative text.
	Jayden	For always putting in maximum effort when reading and writing.
Tea Tree Yapay	Havana	Her effort to write an imaginative story.
	Jaiver	Doing his personal best in all areas.
Mahogany Yaakaa	Taryn	An outstanding narrative.
	Khesahn	Enthusiasm in STEM – great coding.
Maru Wild Raspberries	Rory	Demonstrating maturity in lessons.
	Korban	Increased confidence and effort in maths.
	Finn	Showing maturity in lessons.
Bangwaal Fern Tree	Joshua	Confidence in touch football.
	Rachael	Improved confidence in maths.

CANTEEN PROMOTION

Good for Kids good for life

GREAT CHOICE HEALTHY SCHOOL CANTEEN

We are excited to share that our school canteen is now a leader in providing a healthy food service to our students and staff. Our menu has been recognised as a "Great Choice Healthy School Canteen" meaning that it meets the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

A big thanks goes to our Canteen Manager/ P&C Committee/ Canteen Committee for all your hard work in reviewing our school canteen menu. Please support our canteen by ordering lunch and/or recess or volunteering in the canteen.



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

Friday's Only

**Homemade
Lamb Sausage Rolls
\$1.50 each**

Please place and pay for orders on Thursdays in a separate paper bag to Thursdays order. Orders placed on the Friday can not be guaranteed.



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING – PERSONAL BEST

This week we will be focusing on “Water and sun safety”. Students across all our classes will participate in short/ sharp activities that build understanding around our expectations. Each Tuesday we have a brief whole school assembly to discuss our new focus. These students received a PBL merit award last week for being safe.

STUDENTS	CLASS
Lacie-May and Rose	Mangroves
Jaxon	Wild Yam
Charli	Mahogany
Grace and Jhanella	Wild Raspberries
Matilda	Fern Tree

Waste Free Wednesday Mega Draw

Tea Gardens Public School
Name _____ Class _____



WASTE FREE WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday is your last chance to add to the 324 waste free Wednesday Guulas already collected. On Friday we are hosting a special final draw for 2020 with 10 winners being selected. The shadow environmental minister and I will go around to classes to promote lunches free of single use plastic also known as Nude Food. All students who have lunch boxes clear of single use plastics will receive a special Guula ticket in this Friday's mega draw. **Deena – 2020 Minister for the Environment**

YEAR 6 STUDENTS GOING TO BULAHDELAH IN 2021

For students going to Bulahdelah Central School next (Year 7), parents can ring the school and order uniforms over the phone.

They can send home uniform packages or they can go to the school and get them there.

2020 SATISFACTION SURVEY IS OPEN FOR COMPLETION- FINAL CALL

A link to the 2020 Parent Satisfaction Survey has been included in this week's newsletter. We hope that you will be able to assist us by answering the questions provided. All respondents who provide their contact details will be included in a random prize draw to win a \$100 Coles gift card and their child(ren) will be given 5 x Personal Best Guulas for our weekly assembly raffle. The link to the survey is as follows: <https://forms.gle/vCspr6qiKJXBFwfp9>



TGPS Canteen Menu

Pre-Ordered Lunches in a paper bag (20c)

Sandwiches & Wraps

Cheese	\$3.00
Salad	\$3.00
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo wrap	\$3.50
Egg, Lettuce & Mayo Wrap	\$3.50
Fish Finger Wrap	\$4.00
Ham & Salad	\$4.00
Chicken & Salad	\$4.00
add Cheese	.50c
On a Bread Roll	.50c

Hot Food

Party Pie	\$1.50
add Tomato or BBQ sauce	.50c
Chicken Breast Nuggets x 4	\$3.00
Chicken Breast Nuggets x 6	\$4.50
Chicken Breast Nuggets x 8	\$6.00
add Tomato or Bbq sauce	.50c
Cheese Toastie	\$3.00
Ham & Cheese Toastie	\$3.50
Chicken & Cheese Toastie	\$3.50
add avocado	.50c
add tomato	.50c
Roast Chicken & Gravy Roll	\$4.00
Cheeseburger	\$4.00
Hamburger (inc Salad)	\$4.50
Chicken Burger (inc Salad)	\$4.50
all Patties are Canteen made	
add Cheese	.50c
Tacos (2) Meat, Cheese, Salad	\$4.00

Wholemeal bread available for all sandwiches and toasties

Salad inc Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber and Carrot

Pre-Ordered Drinks with Lunch Orders

Bottled Water 500ml	\$1.00
Juice Poppers, 99% 200ml	\$1.50
Apple, Orange or	
Apple and Blackcurrant	
Chocolate or Strawberry Milk	\$1.80
Milo, Hot or Cold	\$1.50

Drinks and Snacks available during snack break and lunch

Slush Puppie Small	\$1.20
Slush Puppie Large	\$2.20
Frozen Fruit Juice drops 2 for	.10c
4 for	.20c
Frozen Pineapple rings	.30c
Frozen Peaches or Pears	.30c
Quech Fruit Stick	.50c
Moosies	\$1.50
Plain Air Popped Popcorn	.20c
Milo Custard	.70c

The following are all snacks made in the canteen and will be available on select days

Pikelets with Jam or Margarine	.50c
Cupcakes (plain or with fruit)	\$1.00
Vege sticks with Dip or Yoghurt	.70c
Frozen Fruit Soft Serve	\$1.00
Frozen Fruit and Yoghurt Pops	\$1.30
Fresh Juice Frozen Pops	\$1.00

Low fat dairy products used in all Meals

Volunteers are always welcome, please contact me, Katherine Pollock, or the school administration