

# TWEED HEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Events...

**Monday 24 June 2013 - Term 2 Week 9**

**Fri 28 June** Last day - Term 2 for Students/Staff  
**Mon 15 July** First day - Term 3 for Staff Only  
**Tues 16 July** First day - Term 3 for Staff/Students  
Tues 16 to Life Education Van visiting  
Thurs 18 July

Fri 2 Aug Peace Torch Run (9.15—10am)  
Tues 6 Aug ASPIRE Careers Day - Stage 3  
Sat 24 to Recorder Group (Opera House)  
Tues 29 Aug  
Wed 28 Aug Dance Group Eisteddfod

## What's happening in our school community...

### What an amazing week we had last week!

The Multicultural Day last Tuesday was absolutely brilliant! Every aspect of the day provided our students with an incredible experience celebrating our multicultural environment. The student performances and visiting professional performances added great diversity and excitement to the day's program that was enjoyed by everyone present. Student and staff costumes representing different cultures from around the world were colourful and creative. The support of parent/caregivers in organising their child's multicultural costumes for the day was excellent and without a doubt contributed to the success of the day. Thank you so much to the families who embraced this multicultural experience by also supporting the teachers and students with the fabulous food fare. There was such an array of wonderful food experiences for our students to taste. The entire day ran smoothly and I am sure the Multicultural Day will be regarded by many students as a highlight of 2013. The staff's enthusiasm and commitment to this event was outstanding with the entire staff working solidly as a team to ensure an exemplary learning experience was going to be provided for our students at Tweed Heads Public School. Well done to everyone!

### Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the students for their efforts at the recent Athletics Carnival. Students always enjoy this day of coming together as a team in their sport houses to cheer on their friends as they "have a go" in the events. Days such as these provide opportunities for students with skills and talents in the athletic field to further develop themselves and maybe have a chance to be selected for school representation at another level of competition. The day also provides opportunities for all students to participate and develop a sense of school community and school pride. It is important that students realise and understand that their participation and contribution is important for their own development. Thank you to the parents/caregivers who have supported this event.



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School P&C Association meets monthly. Please refer to our school calendar.



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### Healthy Living and Healthy Life Choices in the Life Education Van

Term 3 will begin with a visit by the Life Education Van to our school. The specialist Life Education Van will be located on the school site for 3 days only and the program presented is designed to support the Personal Development and Health strands of the K-6 curriculum. This educational program is scheduled to be presented at Tweed Heads Public School on a two year cycle. All students, K-6 will participate in this excellent program with learning experiences delivered by qualified specialist teachers in a specialised interactive environment within the Life Education Van. Lessons presented by the specialist teachers will focus on developing in students an age appropriate understanding and knowledge of what contributes to healthy living and making healthy life choices. We look forward to providing this learning experience for every student. Students will need to return to school the permission note accompanied by \$5 to cover the costs of this specialist program.

This is the last week of Term 2. Students return for **Term 3** on **Tuesday 16 July**.

Have a safe, happy school holiday everyone.

**Jacquie McAllum**  
**Principal**

### School Athletics Carnival

Tweed Heads Public School held its Annual Athletics Carnival last Thursday 20th June at Recreation Oval. Primary students competed in running and tug-o-war events. Infants students started the day with 50m races and then participated in a number of fun novelty activities.

Field events for primary students will be held at school in Term 2 Week 9 (weather permitting).

The progressive point score after the running events:

Bradman	295
Perkins	228
Fraser	222
Freeman	196

At the conclusion of field events a final point score will be announced. Students who have qualified for the Tweed District Athletics Carnival will receive a note in Week 1 of Term 3. The carnival will be held over 2 days in Week 2 & 3 of Term 3.

Thank you everyone who came along and supported their children, especially the canteen ladies and gentlemen. Thank you also to all the staff and Mr McNamara for organising a fabulous day.





## Stage 3 Walks

For the last 3 weeks Stage 3 have been getting "Out and About" for sport.

For the first week we went to Point Danger and on the way we stopped to play some activities such as warm ups, running races and played on the ground equipment. We walked further and finally reached our destination, Point Danger. We all got into groups of 6 and played tunnel ball and enjoyed the view.

For our second week we went to Jack Evans Boat Harbour. Most of Stage 3 brought skateboards and scooters but for the people that didn't luckily there was a playground. One of the Prac Teachers played touch football so we all played and then we all walked back to school. That was the best "Out and About" sport week.

The final week we all walked up 'Razorback'. It was tiring walking up all the big hills but most of us made it. The view was of Tweed and South Tweed. It was a great view where lots of us enjoyed seeing our houses and the ocean. We all played games together.

So 'Out and About' has been exciting and lots of fun. We all enjoyed it and hope to do more of it and play more activities in the future. We'd also like to visit new destinations.

**Written by Alida, Mika and Crystal (6/5C)**



On Tuesday 18th June it was Multicultural Day. The costume parade was first and we all got a chance to walk around the outside of the hall. Our class was France and I was dressed as a mime artist.

After that we all went into the hall. Some of the people in Years 4-6 played Pokare Kare Ana on the recorder including me. I was so excited but also scared to be performing in front of over 200 people.

Then we had recess at 11am. After we all had recess we went into the hall again and watched all of the performances. There were several Japanese dancers, drummers, and also a bagpipe performance.

Next we all had lunch. There were many different stalls like Chinese, French, Australian, Irish, Balinese and Aboriginal. I had a sausage sandwich, a lamington and a crepe with cream and chocolate sauce.

Overall I thought the day was great fun and I would love the school to have another Multicultural Day next year.

**Written by Allie-Jane (6/5C)**

## Multicultural Day

**Below are recounts by two students about the day.**

Today we had a Multicultural Day to celebrate the cultures of other countries. I personally think that it's a great idea to celebrate the cultures of many other countries because we learnt so much about them.

At the start of the day we had a parade. Every class walked around in a big circle, one at a time and I also 'hi-fived' almost a million people! We also got to listen to heaps of musical people performing. It was great.

I got a country passport so I could eat food from other countries. I ate a chicken kebab from Bali. I had a bowl of fried rice from China. I also had a lamington from Australia and I enjoyed them all.

I was really pleased with what we got to do and all the wonderful things we got to experience. I give a big thank you to all the organisers of this wonderful event!

**Written by Emily (6/5C)**

