

TWEED HEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Events...

Monday 12 August 2013 - Term 3 Week 5

Tues-13 Aug
Mon 19 Aug
Tues 20 Aug

TRHS ATP Visit Year 6
Book Week
QLD Museum Excursion

Sat 24 to
Tues 27 Aug
Mon 2 Sep

Recorder Group (Opera House)
Dance Group Eisteddfod

What's happening in our school community...

What a great week at Tweed Heads Public School

Students at THPS have had another busy and exciting week with many classes involved in extra-curricular activities.

*Years 3 and 4 visited Raffles Aged Care Facility and had a lovely time singing songs and delivering cards to the residents. The staff and residents were so impressed with the singing, behaviour and manners of our students that they rang school and requested a return visit.

*Year 6 attended a Careers Expo at South Tweed Public School and gained an insight into what they may want to do once their school days are completed.

*Years 2, 5 and 6 took part in a Viva Soccer session which is an IGA sponsored program delivered free to students. The sessions involve fun soccer based games inside an inflatable soccer arena. More sessions will be held again in Weeks 7 and 8 of this term.

TRHS Visit

Next Tuesday 13th August Tweed River High School representatives will be visiting our school to talk to Year 6 students about applying for the Academic Talent Pathway (ATP) for 2014. This involves students taking part in an exam to determine their suitability for this program in Year 7.

Phones/IPods

A number of students have been bringing mobile phones and IPods to school each day which is causing congestion in the office in the morning and afternoon. Could you please ask students to leave these at home unless it is absolutely necessary to have them. If you need to contact your child during school hours you need to ring the office on 07 5536 1351. Phones and IPods must be signed into the office and are not to be used by students on school grounds.

School Hats

THPS has a NO Hat NO Play policy that is designed to keep students protected from the sun. Australia has the highest rate of skin cancer in the world and we do not want our students to be part of these



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statistics. Please ensure you provide a school hat for your child and speak to them about the need to wear it at all times in the playground. Children who do not have a hat need to sit quietly in a shaded area in the top playground.

School Entrances

Students and parents are reminded that entry to our school needs to be through the pedestrian gate and not through the driveways. This is to ensure that there are no accidents involving vehicles and pedestrians. Our driveways are very busy around bell times with staff, couriers, workmen etc. entering and leaving. They are not a place for walkers, bikes or scooters. Have a good week,

Michael McNamara
Relieving Principal

Careers Day

We walked up the stairs into the hall and listened to some interesting people talk about their careers and what they have to offer. After about 45 minutes we watched a video on how parents can encourage their children to pursue their careers. After the video we went outside to all the stalls to look at what they had to offer. My favourite [Zak's] was the stall about diabetes. The lady showed me how much sugar was in each drink. My favourite [Rhiana's] was the forged fitness stall. They had a competition on who could do the first 25 skips. I competed against 3 boys from Tweed Heads South and I won! I got a prize for winning. We saw what the Uni and TAFE have to offer and even saw a stall where you could decorate cakes. Other stalls showed us the work that the police, ambulance and fire do. After three fun filled hours it was time for us to head back to school. Our opinion was that Careers Day was an educational and fun day, and it also taught us the meaning of getting a good education in order to head us on the right track to a great career!

By: Zak and Rhiana



Viva Soccer Visit

On Wednesday 7th August our class and two others (5/6R and 2C) participated in the Viva Soccer program with supervisor, Barry Saunders in a inflatable soccer arena. We started with 2 games of soccer, Girls vs Girls then Boys vs Boys. After that we did a series of games called number soccer where we each got a number from 1 to 8 for each group, then when Barry called out a number we had to go up against the person with the same number from the opposite team. Well unfortunately the yellow and green team won most of the games, but the orange and black gave it their best and everyone had fun.

Written by 6/5C



Festival of Instrumental Music Rehearsal

On Monday 5th August the recorder group went to Murwillumbah Primary School to rehearse for the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House. Murwillumbah P.S and Cudgen P.S were also at the rehearsal as they are also going to perform the same songs at the Sydney Opera House, along with around 2000 other recorder players from across the state!

Our conductor's name was Susan Sukkar, who was a leading recorder genius! She was helping us to correct our mistakes and our timing. She complimented our group on having amazing finger placement and note technique, so we were really happy to hear that. There were many different types of recorder parts, such as

Decent Recorder 1

Decent Recorder 2

Treble 1

Treble 2

Base Recorder

We enjoyed the day very much and loved the extra coaching. and a BIG THANK YOU to Miss Cutler for teaching us the songs. We appreciate it very much.

Written by Emily, Nicolette and Gracey.



Term 3 Week 4 Awards

Weekly Student Blue Awards

KF	Kally, Jun
K/1M	AJ, Kona
2/1W	Annabelle, Ethan
1F	Clarence, Jak, Sophie
2C	Lilly, Zane
3S	Samba, Matthew, Seth
4M	Dane, Indiana
6/5C	Kirra, Nicolette, Emily
6/5R	Paris, Julian, Corey



Bookwork Awards

KF	Cody
K/1M	Zane
2/1W	Wade
1F	Tyla
2C	Lachlan
3S	Chelsea
4M	Moana
6/5C	Mika
6/5R	Zetah

Silver Ripa Awards

2C	Auburn, Isacc, Zane, Jalamari, Liam
3S	Mary-Jane, Samantha, Chelsea
6/5C	Rhiana, Joe, Crystal



Bronze Ripa Awards

3S	Chloe, Matthew, Oceania, Rory
6/5C	Mykah
6/5R	Lachlan, Paris

REMINDER SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Wednesday 14th August

Please bring your money for a sausage sizzle on Wednesday. Only Sausage sandwiches are available. No other food for purchase. Recess orders as usual. Drinks and Ice-Blocks available as normal.

P & C News

Our Monthly P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 19th August at 6pm in the school library. We welcome all fresh ideas for fundraising and general improvements that can be made to the running of our school. It is also a great way to be informed as to what is happening at your child's school. We hope to see you there.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Students have just three weeks left to complete their entries for the PRC (ends 31st August)

Kerry Underwood– Librarian

Book Fair

Great result for our book Fair. Thank you to all those who supported it. We were able to purchase over \$400 worth of books as commission.

Kerry Underwood- Librarian

Community News

125th Anniversary Celebration – Condong Public School Saturday 28th September. Celebrations start at 9AM. Reunion Dinner 7PM. Bookings essential. Phone 02 6672 2390.

EXPERIENCE A NEW CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND
LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE AT HOME

In January 2014 students from over 20 countries around the world, will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 2- 10 months. Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment. Call Student Exchange Australia on 1300 135 331.