

# Tweed Heads Public School Newsletter

Monday 12 May 2014 - Term 2 Week 3

## *Upcoming Events...*

Tues 13 May	NAPLAN - Language Conventions and Writing
Wed 14 May	NAPLAN - Reading Bookclub Due
Thurs 15 May	NAPLAN - Numeracy
Mon 19 May	P&C Meeting - 6pm in the library
Tues 20 May	UNSW Computer Studies Competition
Tues 3 June	FNC Dance Festival
Wed 4 June	FNC Dance Festival
Mon 9 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tues 24 June	School Photos
Wed 25 June	THPS Athletics Carnival
Fri 27 June	NAIDOC Day Last Day of Term 2



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

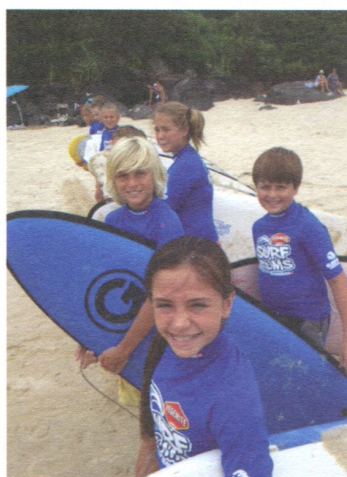
To all the Mums and Grand-Mums of our Tweed Heads Public School community I hope you all had a wonderful Mother's Day with your family. It was lovely to see so many special ladies last Friday attending the celebration morning tea hosted by the Kindergarten and Year One students. Taking time to come to school to participate in students' special events is very much appreciated by the students as they love to have you all here as often as possible.

### **NAPLAN**

This week is the National Assessment for Literacy and Numeracy. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 across Australia are taking part in these annual assessments which occur on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The student achievement reports will be distributed in the latter part of this year.

### **Cross Country Success**

Last Thursday our Cross Country team ran enthusiastically around the beautiful coastal course competing with a large number of students from surrounding local schools. By all accounts they all had a great day and a number of our students excelled in their age categories. Mr McNamara was very pleased with the efforts and sportsmanship exhibited by all of our students on the track and he will no doubt acknowledge this in his own report. Congratulations to the entire team for their efforts, achievements and for once again being great ambassadors for their school. Thank you to our P&C for catering for this local schools' event. A lot of organisation and hard work goes into these days and it is very much appreciated.



Good True Beautiful

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



## Cool Weather and an Excess of Lost Property!

As the weather gets cooler our lost property box gets fuller! What is the connection? Students arrive at school wearing jumpers and jackets on cool mornings and as the day warms up the jumpers and jackets are removed. Frequently these discarded clothing items become lost property as they are not labelled properly and cannot be returned to the owner. We tell all students from Kindergarten onwards that they have a responsibility to respect their personal belongings and as such they must be totally responsible for their own uniform and lunch boxes. Any unlabelled clothing item will eventually find its way to the clothing pool and any unlabelled, unclaimed lunchbox will inevitably end up in the garbage bin if it contains uneaten, contaminated and mouldy food. Parents/caregivers please assist with this by making sure all items are clearly labelled and by instilling in your child a sense of responsibility and respect for their personal property.

## Technology and Communication

The school newsletter is uploaded to the school website every week. If your child is absent on newsletter day it is easy to access the newsletter via the school website **[www.tweedheads-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.tweedheads-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)** The school calendar is also on the website and you will also find links to various other useful websites. If you haven't yet looked at the THPS website then perhaps next time you are surfing the net take time to have a look. More technology is on the way with the school currently exploring the possibility of a Tweed Heads Public School free app for your phone. This will be another easy communication method that we hope to use in the future...so watch this space!

**Jacquie McAllum**

**Principal**

## THPS Students in Dance Competition on the Sunshine Coast

**Written by Kyra - 6/5C**

Just before the holidays a group of girls from our school travelled up to the Sunshine Coast to compete in a dance competition called 'Get The Beat'. The students were Lily, Ava, Aaliyah and me. We all danced exceptionally well and won a lot of trophies for our dance school "Dance Force". We received first for 'Firework' (modern dance) and 'Work Me Down' (Jazz dance). Aaliyah came second for her Jazz dance 'Knock on Wood' and the group came third for 'Black Betty'.

Later on in the week Aaliyah and I competed in our solos. We also danced extremely well and got a lot of firsts and seconds. We were also lucky enough to be chosen to be in the championship to win a trip to the USA and dance in the Intensity Dance Championships. Aaliyah and I both performed a Jazz routine. I was half a point off coming Runner-up in my age group and Aaliyah won her age group. They only choose one person out of all the age groups. The winner of the trip was another dancer from our dance school.

Overall it was a great week and we all danced really well and enjoyed ourselves.

## P&C News

### P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on **Monday 19 May** at **6pm** in the library. Everyone is welcome to come along.

## Mother's Day Activities

We had many activities in our classrooms for Mother's Day last Friday 9 May. Fabulous Mother's Day cards were made to give to someone special.

KM and K/1F made their mothers feel especially cared for by treating them to a morning tea and some pampering.

1M put on a morning tea for their mothers.

4M and 6/5C made some flower tea cups for Mother's Day. This activity could not be done without the support of Vinnies and Boyds Bay Garden World for donating teacups and flowers.



## Thank You

We would like to give a big thank you to the lovely canteen ladies for all the time and effort that they have put in to our school this week. We had a fabulous Mother's Day Stall last Tuesday and Wednesday, then they volunteered their time to run a stall at the District Cross Country in Kingscliff last Thursday 8 May. We greatly appreciated all that you have done for our school this week. Thank you from THPS students and staff.

## School Photos

School Photos will be taken on Tuesday 24 June. A form will be sent out closer to the time with information and payment for the photos. Prices are below:

Packages - \$31 to \$36	Group Only - \$18
Portrait Only - \$20	Mouse Mat \$15
Mug - \$18	Keyring \$6
Magnet - \$6	



## Term 2 Week 2 Awards

### **Weekly Student Blue Awards**

KM	Connor, Violet
K/1F	Julian, Kaylan
1M	Thomas, Sienna
2C	Charlee, Leilani
3/2F	Stevie-Lee, Ricco, Kirstie
3S	Isaac, Lachlan
4M	Taj, Mary-Jane
6/5C	Kyle, Leonell, Nicholas
6/5R	Lachlan, Kirra, Dayne

### **Welcome to Tweed Heads Public School**

KM	Jett, Samirra
1M	Teariki, Tomas
2C	Natasha
3S	Jovaan
4M	Frances

### **Bookwork Awards**

KM	Matthew
K/1F	Jolene
1M	Keziah
2C	Karin
3/2F	Clarence
3S	Keeley
4M	Jade
6/5C	Moana
6/5R	Alida, Chloe



### **Bronze Ripa Awards**

3S	Jayda, Alabama, Liam, Lilly, Tyson
4M	Shay
6/5C	Corey, Kai, Zach, Lachlan, Jackson, Tahnier, Sarada, Leonell
6/5R	Indiana, Syllas, Dan, Joe, Arthur, Emily, Sheridan, Teme Para, Dayne, Chloe, Alida, Kaden

### **Dollarmite Banking Certificates**

#### Bronze

Montana, Riley, Tyla, Maxson, Sienna, Chloe, Havannah, Liam, Matthew, Ava, Emily, Michaela

#### Silver

Koral-Lee

### **Canteen News**

#### Canteen

The canteen will be opening every Thursday at **lunch time only** to sell ice-creams and drinks starting on Thursday 15 May.

### **School Banking**

This year the Commonwealth Bank has introduced the students to the Lost City of Savings. Dollarmites have found sunken treasure in the underwater city and they want to share it with the students in the form of amazing prizes. To be in the running, students simply need to make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 2, regardless of the value. They will then be automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes.

### **Insert - Resiliency Robbers and Introductory Snippets for Nutrition**

We have included an insert with the newsletter this week on Resiliency Robbers and Introductory Snippets for Nutrition for any interested parents.

### **Voluntary School Contribution 2014**

Our school needs to be supported and encouraged by parental commitment to paying their 2014 Voluntary School Contribution. It is stressed that payment is a matter of decision by individual parents/guardians and is entirely voluntary. We truly value your support and encourage you to support our school through the payment of this small fee.

\$45 - one child	\$80 - two children
\$100 - for a family of three or more	