

# Tweed Heads Public School Newsletter

Monday 21 July 2014 - Term 3 Week 2

## *Upcoming Events...*

Mon 28 July	Education Week
	Book Fair - in the library
Tues 29 July	UNSW English Competition
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	Year 6 Careers Day
Wed 30 Aug	Bookclub due
Mon 4 Aug	Author Visit - Phil Kettle
Wed 6 Aug	National Tree Day
Tues 12 Aug	UNSW Maths Competition
Mon 25 - Wed 28 Aug	Stage 3 Camp
Tues 26 Aug	K-4 Campout

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

Welcome to Term 3!

### **Some Changes**

This term we have had a few changes in class organisation that has impacted on our Kindergarten and Year One class groups. Since the beginning of this year our Year One enrolments have continued to increase. This has resulted in very large class groups. As a school initiative we have used funds to form another Year One class for the remainder of this school year. This has provided Stage One with smaller class groups which will ultimately benefit the students of these groups. Miss Hayes is the teacher of 1H and K/1F is now KF with Mrs Fraser and Miss Robinson at the helm. When I visited 1H in their new classroom they were all very excited about being in their new room and being called 1H.

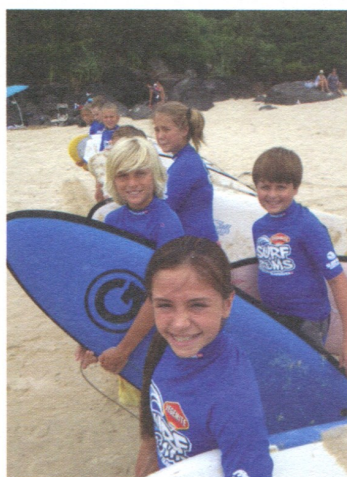
### **Another Busy Term Ahead!**

As usual this term will be as busy and as exciting and rewarding as the Terms 1 & 2. This term we have 10 weeks jam packed with lots of exciting curriculum and extracurricular learning experiences for our K- 6 students.

Here are just a few of the activities that are in store for our students and school community in Term 3. There are more to come and we will keep you informed. Have a look below and make a note of where you need to mark your calendars to make sure you are available to join in and support your child's learning experiences here at Tweed Heads Public School during Term 3.

### **Week 3**

- Education Week 28/7 – 1/8. This week will include the Annual School Book Fair providing lots of wonderful reading resources and novelties to purchase.
- Education Week Assembly (9:30am Wednesday 30/7) an open morning which will give parents/carers and visitors to our school a chance to see student performances, award presentations and students in action in their classroom. Make a note of this week on your calendar.



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

#### Week 4

- Author Visit (4/8) The students will be inspired by a visit to our school by a renowned author of children's books. Each group will have a very entertaining and interactive writing workshop with the author.
- Stage 2 Excursion to a musical "Peter and the Wolf" at the Gold Coast Arts Centre (5/8) – more information to come on this exciting opportunity.
- Baseball Clinic (5/4) – a local Baseball Team Coach will be here to show our students how to play baseball. Perhaps this will inspire some of our students to join the local team.
- National Tree Planting Day (5/4) – Our local Bunnings gardening team will be here to work with our students on our school gardens. This is a wonderful initiative of Bunnings that will further enhance our students' learning and playing environment.

#### Week 6

- Public Speaking Final and Spelling Competition finals (dates TBA) - By this stage THPS students K-6 will have had the opportunity to present personal speeches to their class groups and class spelling competitions will be finished. We look forward to having THPS students progress to the next levels of competition with students from our neighbouring schools.

#### Week 7

- Stage 3 Camp (25/8 – 27/8) A great time away for our Years 5 & 6 students where they get involved in lots of exciting outdoor learning experiences.
- Campout with Kids (26/8) A one night campout on school grounds for students in Years K-4. (students must be aged 6 years). This is a new program to the school and it will involve parents/carers and their children. 1 parent/1 child camping out together and taking part in lots of fun activities together in the evening. More information to come on this. You will need to be ready with your camping gear of a 2 man tent and sleeping bag etc.

#### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Semester One Reports were distributed in the last part of Term 2. Some parent/carers took advantage of the opportunity to meet with their child's classroom teacher to discuss the report and identify with the teacher the targets and focus areas for their child during Semester 2. It's not too late to do this. If you were unable to attend an interview with the teacher earlier but would like to do so now please contact the school to organise a mutually convenient meeting time with your child's teacher.

**Jacquie McAllum**

**Principal**

#### **Year 6 Careers Market Day Expo**

On **Tuesday 29 July** our Year 6 students will be participating in a Careers Market Day Expo at Tweed Heads South Public School. The day starts at 9.30am where students and parents are invited to attend an information session held in the hall. Students will be travelling by bus to the Tweed Heads South Public School. The bus will cost **\$6 per student**.

Please return the permission note and money to the office by **Tuesday 22 July**.

#### **Author Visit - Phil Kettle**

To celebrate Book Week we will be having a special visit from renowned children's author, Phil Kettle. Phil will be conducting workshops and discussions on his books with all classes. The Author Visit be held on **Monday 4 August**. The cost to attend the workshops will be **\$3 per student**.

Please return the permission note and money to the office by **Friday 1st August**.

**Kerry Underwood**

**Teacher Librarian**

#### **Spare uniforms needed**

We are in desperate need of any spare clothing for the pool in the office. If you have any old school shirts, shorts, skorts or jumpers/jackets please send them into the office.

If your child comes home wearing a borrowed item of clothing please wash and return it to the office as soon as possible.

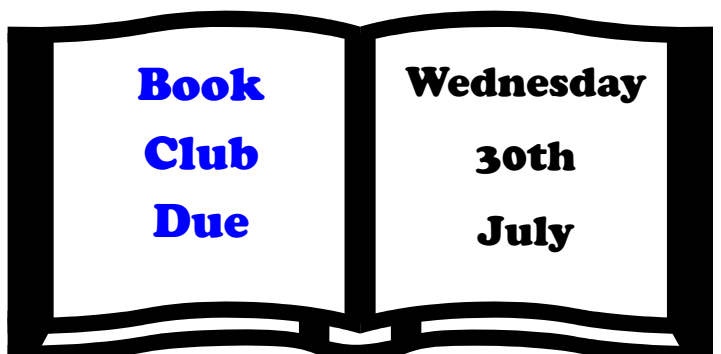
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#### **Absences**

When a child is absent from school, the school needs notification by phone, a written note or you can come into the school to notify the office staff.

#### **Enrolments for 2015**

We are currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten in 2015. If you have or know of an eligible child (who must turn 5 by 30 July 2015) please contact the school office for an enrolment package. Our school is looking forward to welcoming new students to our Early Bird Program which commences in the first week of Term 4 (10 October 2014).





## School Banking

If any student would like to start banking, please call into the front office for more information.

## Canteen News

### Canteen Menu

A new canteen menu will be offered at the canteen in Term 3. Copies of the new menu will be sent home as soon as it is available.

The canteen is now open **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.**

## Community News

### OCTOPUS'S GARDEN FESTIVAL ON THE TWEED

Octopus's Garden Festival on the Tweed is happening along the foreshore of the Tweed River between 'Get Hooked' and 'The Ivory Hotel'. There will be live entertainment, market stalls, river cruises and kids activities with Peppa Pig and Dora The Explorer. Kids come dressed up on the day as your favourite water character, could be a pirate or a fish - on the spot prizes to best dressed.

**When:** Sunday 3 August

**Time:** starts at 9am

### 2014 BILAMBIL JUNIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL - SIGN ON

*Teams Only:* Friday 8 August 2014

*Individual Only:* Friday 15 August

**Where:** Bilambil Sports Club

**Time:** 5.00pm – 7.00pm

**Cost:** \$60 per player, MUST be PAID in FULL before the first game.

For more information email [bilambiljuniortouch@hotmail.com](mailto:bilambiljuniortouch@hotmail.com) or phone Tamara 0431 141 715.

### FUTSAL 5-a-side INDOOR SOCCER

**Where:** Seagulls Sports Club

**Ages:** 5 and up (beginners are welcome)

For more information please call **0448 176 191** or register your interest at [www.gldfutsal.com](http://www.gldfutsal.com)

### JUNIOR ROLLER DERBY

**Where:** Epic Skate Rink, Enterprise Ave, Tweed Heads

**When:** Tuesday 22 July

**Time:** 4.45 - 6.30pm

**Age:** 8 - 17

For further information please call **0424 352 153.**

### PERSONALLY CONTROLLED eHEALTH RECORDS

eHealth is a federal government initiative and allows for a secure online summary of health information shared and viewed by individuals and their doctors, hospitals and other health care providers ensuring the best possible care.

For more information please see [www.eHealth.gov.au](http://www.eHealth.gov.au)

### PCYC AFTER SCHOOL CARE

**Where:** Corner Florence St and Adelaide St, Tweed Heads

For more information please contact by phone 07 5599 1714, fax 07 5533 5738, email [tweedheads@pcycnsw.org.au](mailto:tweedheads@pcycnsw.org.au) or [www.pcycnsw.org.au/tweedheads](http://www.pcycnsw.org.au/tweedheads)

### THE FAMILY CENTRE

Courses for Term 3. Bookings are essential. For further information on any courses or workshops please call 07 5524 8711 (Mon - Fri 9am-12.30pm) or visit the website [www.thefamilycentre.org.au](http://www.thefamilycentre.org.au)

## What's On in 3/2F

The students have been writing some fabulous stories in class.

### Trapped

On the 29th July 2014 it was time to move to my new house. Just then I saw a shadow and then it jumped onto me and sealed up the box with me inside and then put me on a truck.

I was all alone, so I put my jumper on backwards and put the hood on over my head.

Inside the box it was pitch black. Suddenly I felt a stop, my box got loaded off the truck. Soon I saw some light, I got out and it was raining heavily and there was lightning. I was so scared of the lightning.

I went to my old neighbour's house and had something to eat. They took me to my new house again. I was still surprised that something had jumped out and trapped me in a box.

That box was a very sad and lonely place for me without my family and not knowing where I was, but I was safe and sound in my home.

**Written by Annabelle 3/2F**

### Out in the Bush

One afternoon I went for a walk in the bush. I was feeling a bit scared because I thought snakes could jump out at me. I tried to be as brave as I could.

I was looking at the birds really far away and I began to walk to them not realising that it was getting darker and later. It started raining and it began to hail too. I had to find shelter under a big, old tree. I felt that it was a very sad and lonely place to be without my family. There was just nobody around and I was getting more scared by the minute. I even thought I might have to sleep under that tree and I did. It was so cold, the air was freezing. I was starving, very hungry and I didn't know if I was going to survive until morning.

Morning came and I was wet and cold from the dew. I tried to walk and my feet were numb, I had to walk very slow until I warmed up. I didn't know my way back home so I just had to walk until I stumbled across a house. I knocked on the door and a lady answered and rang the Police for me. They came and asked me a lot of questions and then took me home to my family.

**Written by Micah 3/2F**