

Tweed Heads Public School Newsletter

Monday 9 March 2015 - Term 1 Week 7

Upcoming Events...

Wed 11 March	Next Assembly - 2pm
Fri 13 March	National Ride2School Day
Tues 17 March	Senior Citizens' Concert - 9.30am
Wed 18 March	Bookclub Due
Fri 20 March	School Photos
Mon 23 March	P&C Meeting - 6pm (Library)
Wed 25 March	Next Assembly - 2pm
Fri 27 March	TRHS Maths Olympiad - Years 5 & 6
Thurs 2 April	Last Day of Term 1 - Students & Staff
Fri 3 April	Good Friday
Sun 5 April	Daylight Saving finishes
<u>Term 2</u>	
Mon 20 April	SDD—Staff Only Return
Tues 21 April	Students Return

What's happening in our school community...

Student Attendance

Parents/Carers are advised that student attendance is monitored very closely. By law the school is required to record all absences and the reasons for absence. Attendance records indicate absences either as **Absent** (unexplained), **Leave**, **Sick**, **Business** (school related ie school representation at sport, dance etc.) and **Suspension**. Students who are absent from school must have their absence explained within 7 days. Late arrivals and early departures are also included in the student's attendance record.

Key Learning Impacted by Poor Attendance Patterns

It is important to remember that a student's attendance pattern and attitude to attendance throughout their school life can be negatively or positively formulated as early as Kindergarten. Please ensure your child attends school every day. Students who consistently arrive late or leave early are developing habits that will impact on their learning. This is especially evident if the student is consistently missing the same key learning period each time. eg. late arrival each day will impact on their literacy, spelling, reading, writing as these lessons are delivered in the morning sessions.

Student Representative Council (SRC)

Congratulations to the twenty two students who have been appointed as the class representatives for the Tweed Heads Public School Student Representative Council. This is an important leadership role and I am sure this team will do a great job representing their class and the school during 2015.

National Ride2School Day & School Charity Ride-a-Thon

An exciting activity is planned for next Friday. Each year THPS joins in the National Ride2School Day and we have lots of mums, dads, carers and students taking part in this morning event. An Autumn morning is a great time to be out on the bike. It gets the blood pumping and the brain working and clears the head ready for the new day. We hope to see many students taking part in this event.



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



Good True Beautiful

In conjunction to this event, whilst bikes are at school, the students will have the opportunity to join me in a Bike-a-Thon to raise funds for Children's Cancer Institute of Australia. I hope our keen riders can gain sponsorship and do a few laps with me around the oval. It's a great cause and it will be a lot of fun.

Senior Citizens' Concert – Our Annual special event honouring the Senior Citizens in our community. Please keep this date free- **Tuesday 17 March** in the School Hall at 9.30 to 10.30am. It's going to be a concert full of fun with a great theme for the day. We look forward to having our grandparents and community senior citizens join us for a great morning of fun.

School Photos are coming up! Don't forget to get your order organised and paid before school photo day on **20 March**.

Interim Term 1 Student Reports will be going home on Friday 20 March too. Parent/Teacher interview opportunities will be made available soon after. More information on booking an interview time will come home to you soon.

Jacquie McAllum
Principal

Term 1 Week 6 Awards

Weekly Student Blue Awards

KF	Jai, Indigo
KH	Tanner, Starbella, Ryley(Wk 5)
K/1M	Nichaila, Reef
1W	Jack, Amelia
2/1M	Madison, Emily
2R	Perle, Cooper, Ned
3F	McKenna, Floyd, Sam(Wk 5)
4/3S	Angelina, Clarence
4C	Jalamari, Alabama
6/5C	Sacha, Trey, Shay(Wk 5)
6/5R	Chelsea, Jayden (Wk 5)

Premier's Spelling Bee 2014

Kohan, Micah

School Photos

School Photos will be taken on **Friday 20 March**. A form has been distributed with information and payment for the photos.

Prices are below:

Packages - \$32 to \$37	Group Only - \$18
Portrait Only - \$21	Mouse Mat \$15
Mug - \$18	Keyring \$6
Magnet - \$6	

- Cash: Place inside photo envelope and hand in at the school office **before photo day**. Every child must have their own envelope.
- For Credit Card Payments over the phone: parents can call the School Photographer office on **02 9674 9824**.
- For Online Payments: visit the website www.theschoolphotographer.com.au then click on 'Click here for Online Payments', type in your details to make a payment online. **The envelope needs to be given to the school office with the six digit order number and photo selections.**
- Cheque/Money Order: can be posted to Unit 20, 14-16 Stanton Road, Seven Hills, NSW, 2147

P&C News

P&C Meeting - Thank you to those parents/caregivers who attended the last P&C Meeting. The next meeting will be held on **Monday 23rd March at 6.00pm** in the library. Everyone is welcome to come along.

School Leader Profile 2015

Name:

Michaela

Position:

School Vice Captain

Class:

6/5R

Age turning this year:

12

House Group:

Bradman

Started at Tweed Heads Public School in:

Kindergarten - 2009

What I like doing best at school:

Maths and sport

What I like doing best at home:

Playing with my bird 'Buddy'

Favourite memory of Tweed Heads Public School so far:

I go to the ANZAC Parade every year. Last year I was chosen to give water to the elderly while the speeches were on as it was quite hot.

What I have done to help the school as a leader so far:

Being a Kinder Buddy, helping with 'Drumbeats' and helping with any speeches

What I would like to see change in our school:

Have more healthy food and more days open in the canteen. Have more fundraisers and fun days.



National Ride2School Day

Friday 13 March

Collection Points

- #1 - 7.45am meet at Bilinga Cycle path opposite Gibson St.
- #2 - 8.05am meet at Greenmount Beach opposite McDonalds
- #3 - 8.20am meet at Keith Compton Drive car turning circle past Tweed Hospital.
- #4 - 8.35am meet at Jack Evans Harbour near the flagpole surrounded by the children statues. (*K-2 Scooters only*)

Students in Years 3-6 with written parent/carer permission.

Students in Kindergarten—Year 2 **accompanied by an adult riding or supervising.**

Teachers will be riding with the students.

Requirements:

- Bicycle riders and scooters - well fitted helmet made secure and comfortable before leaving home. A bike that has been checked carefully (tyres, chain and brakes).
- Skateboards - must wear well fitted helmets and protective gear.
- Drink bottle in case you get thirsty.

P & C Suggestion Box

We have a suggestion box for the P&C in the school office. If you have a suggestion or a question please put it in the box. Any suggestions can be anonymous or you can leave your name so that we can respond directly to you in a faster time frame.

Uniform Sale Day

The P & C will be holding a uniform sale of the old logo stock on Friday 27 March in the Canteen from 8.30am to 9.30am and at the front grounds from 2.30pm to 3.00pm. Prices will start from \$5!

Thank You

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The Centenary of ANZAC

Do you have a family member who served in World War 1 or indeed the Gallipoli campaign? We would love to hear from you with a view to commemorating their Service during our studies of the centenary of WW1.

Please give any details to the office which will be passed on to the ANZAC committee.

Thank you

Mrs Coverdale

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is on again. Students wishing to enter the reading challenge this year can ask for a log sheet from the library. We will be registering students in March.



TWEED HEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL SENIOR CITIZENS CONCERT &

MORNING TEA

TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 2015

9:30AM

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY HALL

All Grandparents and Senior Citizens
are welcome.

Morning tea will be served by
the Year 6 children after the concert.

The challenge runs from now until Tuesday 25 August. Here is the web address for you to enter your records at home. Just log on to kidspage using your school log in and on the right hand side is the PRC link.

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/portal/>

If you need help please see Mrs Underwood in the library.
Students must complete a set amount of reading as follows:

	PRC Books	Personal Choice
K - 2	25	5
3 - 4	15	5
5 - 6	15	5

Children in K – 2: To experience a book they can listen to the book, participate in shared reading of the book or read part or the entire book independently.

The Library has a large number of the books on the PRC book list which can be easily found either by using the web enquiry at school or by the special stickers on the book.

Students who successfully complete the challenge receive a Premier's Reading Challenge Certificate and appear on the honour roll.

If you wish your child to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge, please complete the form below and **return it to Mrs Underwood in the library.**

Yes: I would like to register my child in the PRC.

Child's name _____


Class _____

Parents/Caregivers Signature _____

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