



Amazingly talented speakers!

Speak No Evil

I was blown away by the courage, eloquence, confidence and speech writing content on display last Thursday at our public speaking competition. Congratulations to everyone involved and thank you to Mr Jarrod Winter from TRHS who assisted with the judging process. Our finalists will now compete at TRHS on September 13, we wish them all the best.

It's SAS Recognition Week!

School Administration and Support staff play an essential role in the day to day functioning of our school and are dealing with often very complex issues and rapid systemic change. They all deserve to be paid more. I would like to thank all of our SAS staff for the amazing work they do every day. I would not survive a week without them!

Congratulations Mr Wetherall

Recently Mr Tim Wetherall attained his Accreditation as a 'Proficient Teacher' with the NSW Education Standards Authority. This is the equivalent of a P Plate driver getting their full licence except there are many more hoops to jump through. Congratulations Tim on achieving this well-deserved career milestone.

iOntheFuture!

Last Saturday I attended the 'iOntheFuture' professional learning expo at Banora Point High School. There was an fantastic array of speakers (including leading international educators) and workshops focussed on how schools need to continue to evolve into the 21st century. I am very confident we are on the right path at Tweed Heads PS and I look forward to working with our school community into the future.

7 Steps to Writing Success

Recently our teaching staff completed training in a professional learning program called '7 Steps to Writing success'. Improving writing skills is essential for all students and will continue to be a priority for our school.

P&C meeting

Our next meeting will be at 9:15 on Monday 10th September in the canteen. Everyone is very welcome and we always love to meet new members.

2019 enrolments

We are accepting enrolment applications for 2019. Please contact the office for further details.

Ringworm

If parents could check their children for ringworm that would be appreciated. If treatment has commenced there is no need for exclusion from school, only in the initial phase before treatment has commenced.

Invitation to parents of K-2 students / Ethics classes 2019

Please see the back of this newsletter for further information.

Canteen helpers always needed!

Once again a desperate plea for parent assistance to support our canteen coordinator Robyn Kuhr. Our canteen operates from 8:30-1:30 Wednesday and Friday and any help is appreciated. You can call Robyn on 0415550223. A huge thank you to those who have volunteered in recent weeks, your support is immensely appreciated.

Yours in education ***Peter Nichols – Principal***

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Invitation to parents of K-2 students

I've Got A Feeling (IGAF) is a social and emotional learning program that has been developed by NSW Health Got It! Teams. Tweed Heads Public School teachers in Years K-2 have been trained in this Universal program and are currently implementing the activities in their classrooms. Parents are invited to attend an IGAF information session held by NSW Health Got It! team clinicians which will provide practical strategies to support their child's social and emotional learning at home. Building social and emotional skills has a positive impact on children's learning and behaviour.

When: Monday 17th September 2018, 2pm – 3pm Where: Tweed Heads Public School Hall

RSVP: To the office 07 5536 1351 By Monday 10th September 2018

Ethics classes at Tweed Heads Public School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Could you be an ethics teacher for Tweed Heads Public School?

We would like to accommodate all families who would like the option of ethics classes at our school.

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, perhaps you could consider volunteering as an ethics teacher.

Ethics Teachers attend a two-day training workshop and complete online learning modules and background checks.

The 2-day next training workshop for Far North NSW is scheduled for October 20-21.

Lesson materials and teaching resources are provided online, and for the remainder of 2018, trained volunteer ethics teachers must be available to take their class each Thursday from 1.45.

Ethics classes provide an opportunity for children to develop skills in collaborative inquiry, logical reasoning, critical thinking, respectful disagreement, listening, responding and self-expression.

Children discuss topic such as:

- imagining how others might feel
- how should we treat living things? And why?
- what is laziness?
- how can we disagree in a respectful way?
- fairness

Grandparents and other members of your family and friends' network may also be interested – so please speak to them about volunteering.

If you have been considering teaching ethics or if you know of a friend or family member who might be interested in volunteering, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au or contact our Ethics Coordinator, Derek Robertson on 0415920508 or email drkrobertson@gmail.com