



# Tweed Heads Public School Newsletter

Tuesday 22 October 2019 - Term 4 Week 2

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Principal: Mr Peter Nichols

## Upcoming Events...

### Week 2

Wed 23 Oct Assembly in the hall at 2pm (3/4S item)  
Thurs 24 Oct KM Storytime in the Garden at 2:30pm  
- parents & younger children welcome  
Fri 25 Oct Early Birds Program 11:00am - 2:20pm  
Early Birds Parent Program  
1:30 - 2:00pm  
Early Birds Afternoon Tea & pick-up  
2:00 - 2:20pm

### Week 3

Tues 29 Oct Kinder - Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary  
Excursion 9:15am - 4:15pm  
Years 1 & 2 - Tropical Fruit World  
Excursion 9:30am - 2:00pm  
Thurs 30 Oct KM Storytime in the Garden at 2:30pm  
- parents & younger children welcome  
Fri 1 Nov Bookclub Due  
Early Birds Program

### Week 4

Wed 6 Nov Assembly in the hall at 2pm (KR item)  
Thurs 7 Nov KM Storytime in the Garden at 2:30pm  
- parents & younger children welcome  
Fri 8 Nov Early Birds Program

### Week 5

Mon 11 - Stage 3 Lake Ainsworth Camp  
Wed 13 Nov  
Thurs 12 Nov KM Storytime in the Garden at 2:30pm  
- parents & younger children welcome  
Fri 15 Nov Early Birds Program

### Week 6

Wed 20 Nov Assembly in the hall at 2pm  
(5/6C item)  
Thurs 21 Nov Last Scripture Day for 2019  
KM Storytime in the Garden at 2:30pm  
- parents & younger children welcome  
Fri 22 Nov Early Birds Graduation Concert  
1:40pm - 2:40pm

### Week 8

Tues 8 Dec TRHS Orientation Day Year 6 students  
Wed 4 Dec 2020 Captain Speeches in the hall at  
2pm  
Thurs 5 Dec KM Storytime in the Garden at 2:30pm  
- parents & younger children welcome

### Week 10

Mon 16 Dec

Presentation Day

## From the Principal

### It's great to be back

It was fantastic to see all of the students and staff again yesterday after a period of long service leave and I am very much looking forward to having an excellent finish to the school year. Term 4 is a very busy time with various major events and excursions, reports to be written, planning for 2020 and of course lots of productive teaching and learning. A big thank you to Mrs Wetherall who relieved as Principal during my absence.

### Staying in Touch

Our Boys Touch Football team travelled to Grafton yesterday for the North Coast Final vs Wauchope PS. In an exciting contest our school were victorious by a very narrow 2-1 margin. This means we will now play off for the State Title at Parramatta on Monday 4 November. Of over 800 teams who started this competition we are now in the final 8. Thank you to Mr Regan for his efforts with the team so far. Touch team members are: Brock, Barkou, Cody, Hunter, Ziah, Pharai, Jordan, Bill, Calais and Maxson.



### Building Blocks

This evening Mrs Chaffey will be providing professional learning for our teachers in 'Building Blocks for Numeracy'. This has been an ongoing program which is enhancing our staff skills in delivering quality Maths teaching and improved student outcomes.

### **Early Birds**

Our Early Birds Program commences this Friday. We look forward to meeting our 2020 Kindergarten students and parents as they commence this very exciting time in their lives. The Early Birds Program is invaluable in supporting the transition to "big school". Our Early Birds concert will be held on Friday 22 November and this is always an enjoyable event.

### **Getting the message**

Thank you to parents who have been responding to student absence SMS's in a timely manner, this is of great assistance to us. Thank you to our office staff for successfully implementing this in recent weeks.

### **Canteen notice**

**Our canteen will be CLOSED this Friday 25 October.** Apologies for any inconvenience. Please note that our canteen always needs volunteers. A few hours on any Wednesday or Friday helps, you don't have to commit to regular hours. Any assistance is greatly appreciated. You can call the school on 07 5536 1351 or our Canteen Manager Robyn directly on 0415 550 223. Thank you.

### **World Teachers Day**

This Friday 25 October is World Teachers Day (5 October – Internationally, 25 October - Australia). This internationally recognised day acknowledges the valuable work of teachers around the globe and their commitment to children and learning. Thank you to all of our teachers for the work they do, their flexibility, goodwill and hard work is what makes our school functional and thriving on a daily basis.

### **Mobile Phones**

Thank you to students who hand in their mobile phones at the office daily, following the correct protocols. Thank you also to parents for their support with this matter. If parents could continue to discuss with their children whether it is essential that phones come to school at all that would be appreciated. If it is essential we are happy to look after the phones.

### **Condolences**

We are very sad to hear of the passing of Mr Dennis Wright, husband of Ruth, who has been a long serving stalwart of our school canteen. We wish Ruth and her family all the best at this difficult time.

**Mr Peter Nichols - Principal**

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### **"Storytime in the Garden"**

Every Thursday afternoon in Term 4 at 2:35pm, KM will be having "Story time in the Garden" where we will read books from our library.

KM would like to invite all the pre-schoolers, toddlers and babies of our school community and their parents/carers to join us for this fun event each Thursday during Term 4. Head towards the KM classroom and you will see us somewhere in the garden. If the weather is inclement, we will have story time in our classroom. Hope to see you there.

**KM and Miss Mitchell**



### **Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to Starbella Tonkin who competed in the Premier's Spelling Bee Finals on Tuesday 10 September at Bogangar PS.

### **KM News**

Jack in KM was one of the winners for "Most Creative Design and Flair" at our Book Parade in Term 3. Jack and his mum Brigid donated his winning Book Club voucher to KM. We now have our very own copy of Macca's Makeover.

Thank you Jack and Brigid for your generosity.



### **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop is open on **Friday mornings** from **8.30 – 9.30am**. EFTPOS is now available.

### **Office News**

School hats will now be available to purchase (cash only) at the office on Monday - Thursday.



## **Cooking with Mrs French with vegetables from our Vegie Garden**

Today we picked some beetroot, cabbage and carrots from our vegie garden and made some coleslaw with Mrs French. We used the coleslaw to put in our chicken, cheese and coleslaw buns. They were very yummy. We look after our vegie garden by watering and weeding it every day. Since we planted the garden we have picked tomatoes, snow peas, broccoli and chives and have taken them home for our mum to use in our cooking. Next week we will be planting some more tomatoes, lettuce and cucumbers to make salads for our lunch.

**Written by Nichaila, Maali and Alira**



Students enjoying their graduation



## **Orientation Day Tweed River High School**

**WHEN:** Tuesday 3 December 2019  
**WHERE:** Tweed River High School  
(Sport & Entertainment Centre)  
**TIME:** 8:35am - 2:00 pm  
**WHO:** Year 6 students – all day  
**Parents:** 8.35 – 10.00am

Please feel free to contact TRHS  
for further information **07 5524 3007**.

## **Deadly Choices Graduation**

On Tuesday 24 September, 13 Indigenous students travelled to Jellurgal Cultural Centre, Burleigh Heads for our end of term Deadly Choices Program Graduation.

Throughout the term the students were involved in a health, leadership and fitness program. Each Tuesday afternoon they would learn new topics and participate in Indigenous outdoor games.

The students had to achieve 85% attendance to graduate from the program. At Jellurgal students from THPS along with 80 other students from 8 different schools listened to the history of the local area as well as listening to a guest elder Uncle Lance who spoke about his life and how important lifestyle and education are.

Students got to go on a walk around Burleigh Headlands with a tour guide and learn about the Aboriginal sites that are on the headland, which was fascinating. They had a nice lunch of chicken or beef burgers, fresh fruit and water. After lunch they held the presentation of their certificates, shirts and bags. The students had a great day and represented Tweed Heads Public School with pride. Koral-Lee Hura was lucky enough to win student of our Deadly Choices area, so well done Koral-Lee.

**Mrs French - Teacher**

## **Siblings of Current Students Reminder - Kinder Enrolments for 2020**

We are currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten in 2020. Please complete and return the enrolment forms with the appropriate documentation to the office as soon as possible to assist us in organising classes for next year.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **Important Afternoon Routine Changes**

Just a reminder to parents that if there is a change of routine for your child/ren, can you please advise the office before 2.30pm. Thank you.

### **Moving on, changing address/phone number?**

Any change of personal details needs to be communicated to the office to ensure our records are current.

Please advise the office before taking your student on leave. New department requirements state that all leave must be documented before departure.

Thank you for your assistance.

## Student Health

It is imperative that you keep the school informed about your child's health condition and health needs.

Please contact the school with any information regarding changes relating to your child.

If your child has a health care plan supplied by your doctor please send us a copy and if the support for your child requires the school to administer medication. Please complete the required form. The medication must be bought to school in its original packaging with clear directions regarding dosage. All medications must also have a clear indication of expiry date.

Without a signed request on file, we are unable to administer any medications (excluding the need for EpiPen in undiagnosed allergies) as it would be without consent. Your child's health is important to us.

## Community News

### COOLOON COMMUNITY KIDS FEST

Cooloon's Kids Fest is celebrating 21 Years. This is a free event for children and families. Live music, trackless train, arts & crafts and more.

**When:** Saturday 26 October

**Where:** Cooloon Children's Centre  
2 Park Street, Tweed Heads

**Time:** 10am - 2pm (NSW Time)

For more information go to [www.cooloon.org.au](http://www.cooloon.org.au)



### FREE OUTDOOR FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The Summerland Bank is presenting a free outdoor family movie night screening 'Inside Out'.

**When:** Friday 1 November

**Where:** Rowan Robinson Park, Kingscliff Beach



**Time:** Starts at 7pm (NSW Time) following the Kingscliff Night Markets

**Bring:** Rug, towel or just sit on the grass

Register early at [summerland.com.au/movienight](http://summerland.com.au/movienight) for free popcorn (first 150 serves)

### BE PREPARED

Red Cross want everyone in our school community to be prepared for any emergency, large or small. It has been an early start to the summer disaster season, but there are simple ways your family can be prepared.

**Three simple tools to help your family get prepared:**

1. Create an emergency plan
2. Download the 'Get Prepared' app
3. Prepare your emergency survival kit

You can't always prevent an emergency, but by being prepared families can reduce their stress and cope better afterwards. While other agencies fight the fires and clean up the streets, Red Cross looks after the people. We care about families and want everyone to stay safe.

### LIVE LIFE WELL

#### Tap Water is the Best Thirst Quencher



- It's cheap and readily available.
- It contains no kilojoules or sugar.
- It encourages optimal function of the body.
- Aim to drink between 5 & 8 cups of water a day.
- Keep well hydrated in the warmer months
- Always make water available when children are active.



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