Kindergarten 2015 - Enrolments are now being accepted.
Looking for an exceptional education for your child? Our excellent programs and highly-qualified teachers provide the ideal learning environment where every child can realise their true potential. Call into or phone our school office on 6552 1910 for more information and an enrolment pack.

Principal’s Report
Harry Wesley from Year 6 represents our school this week in the NSW PSSA Boys Touch Football Team. Harry and his family have travelled to Victoria to take part in this major sporting event. Good luck Harry, we look forward to hearing of your success.

Students from Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 are currently undertaking study trips to the Great Aussie Bus Camp (Year 3 and 4) and to Canberra (Year 5 and 6). These major excursions provide the children with highly engaging additional educational experiences. We look forward to hearing all about their experiences.

P&C meeting
The next P&C meeting will take place tonight, 21st October, from 6pm in the school Library. All are welcome to attend.

Your Ideas
A short ideas sheet is attached to the newsletter. We would love to hear your ideas and opinions. Please complete the form as soon as you can.

Security Update
We had a break and enter to our school administration area during Monday night. If at any time you notice or hear of unusual happenings at the school you can please contact Taree Police on 6552 0399 or the school security unit on 1300 880 021.

Donna Bensch
Principal

Principal Awards
Karlos Barry 3-4C, Cameron Lohse 1C
K-2 Home Dismissal
K-2 are currently trialling new home dismissal procedures. At 3.07pm all K-2 students will assemble in designated areas on the tiger turf based on where and how they leave the school. At 3.10pm supervising teachers will walk the students to their exit points (i.e. back gate, front gate, bus lines). Any parents waiting in the K-2 area will be asked to wait at the silver seats and the students will be directed to you. These new procedures are to enable a safer, calmer exit from school for K-2 students.

Become an Ethics Teacher at Taree West Public School
Primary Ethics provides the opportunity for NSW public primary school students who don’t attend scripture classes (SRE) to participate in philosophical ethics classes.
We have a few vacancies for volunteers to teach Years K-6 ethics classes. The classes teach children how to approach ethical issues and develop their capacity for considered moral judgement, which will enable them to respond more thoughtfully to many of the problems and issues they will face in their lives. Volunteer Ethics Teachers are trained to deliver our age-appropriate curriculum every week and to use the accompanying learning and teaching materials.

For more information, please contact:
Kelly Kingsley Wilson
Ethics Coordinator for Taree West Public School
tareewest.primaryethics@gmail.com or 0421 813 023

Intensive Swimming Program
The school intensive swimming program will commence in week 6 on Monday 10 November. All students in Yr 2 are eligible to participate regardless of swimming ability. The program will run daily for 2 weeks. The cost of the program will be $50 per student, this includes daily transport to and from the pool and pool entry. Instruction is free.

Scabies
Time from exposure to illness
New infections: 2 to 6 weeks; reinfection: 1 to 4 days.
Symptoms: Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.
Do I need to keep my child home? Yes, until the day after the treatment has begun.
How can I prevent spread? Individuals who have had close contact with the infected child should be examined for infestation and be treated if necessary. Wash linen, towels and clothing worn in the past 2 days in hot water and detergent.