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Principal’s Report

Early Action for Success – Instructional Leader Position

Taree West Public School has been selected to participate in the Early Action for Success strategy from 2014.

Early Action for Success is the Department’s strategy to implement the NSW Government’s Literacy and Numeracy Action Plan. The strategy aims to improve students’ performance through a targeted approach in primary schools. It involves the early identification of the level of attainment in literacy and numeracy of each individual child (K-2) and tailoring a specific program of learning to that child’s needs.

Our school has been allocated a full time Instructional Leader position for a period of up to the end of 2016. The Instructional Leader will:

- Coordinate the identification of the literacy and numeracy achievement of all Kindergarten to Year 2 students;
- Strategically plan tiered interventions;
- Work with the school executive to determine the professional learning needs of staff to differentiate instruction;
- Lead the professional learning of teachers in effective literacy and numeracy teaching practices.

An expression of interest process will take place over the next few weeks to select a suitable applicant for this position.

School Photos

School Photos will be taken on Thursday 6 March. Order envelopes were sent home last Thursday. If your child did not receive an envelope please call to the front office and pick one up. Family photo order envelopes (students of Taree West Public School only) are also available at the front office. Students are required to wear full summer uniform.

Your order with the correct payment is to be sent to the class teacher ON THE DAY OF THE PHOTOS.

Please note payments are not made to the school office.

Yrs 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion

Notes have been sent home today for the Yr 5 & 6 Canberra excursion. This excursion will take place from Tuesday 21 October to Friday 24 October. A non-refundable deposit of $100 is required by Friday 11 April to confirm seats and enable booking to be finalised.
P&C Working Bee
The P&C will be holding a Working Bee this Saturday morning from 7am. If you have an hour to spare please come along.

Picking your children up from school at 3:10pm
In accordance with OH&S regulations and to prevent disruption to class teaching and learning programs parents are asked not to come onto the school grounds before 3:05pm. If parents need to be at school before this time they/you will be required to sign in as an approved visitor through the front office.
Parents and school adult visitors are reminded that it is not appropriate to enter or use the children’s toilet facilities in the school. If an adult toilet is required please contact the office staff for assistance.

Donna Bensch
Principal
Principals Awards
Jaxson Dunn 2B

Class Awards

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School Voluntary Contributions
In 2014 the Voluntary Contribution is $25.00 per child in years Kindergarten to Year 6. Invoices were sent home yesterday.
Fees can be paid directly to the Front Office. Money collected is used to purchase much needed learning materials.

International Competitions
These competitions provide an opportunity for all students in Year 2 to Year 6 to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. The competitions can also be used to monitor individual progress in a range of skills. Each student who participates will receive a Certificate and a detailed Results letter.
If your child did not receive an entry form and would like to take part in these assessments, please call to the photocopy room for a copy of the note. All entries are to be submitted to the front office by Friday 28 March 2014. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

PBL News
Tom Dutton from the Manning Valley OOSH came to our assembly on Friday to present Max Harrison with the PBL Eagle Award (along with an awesome prize!) Max has been recognised as someone who consistently displays our school values. Well done, Max!

This fortnight’s rule: Look after all property.
Value: Care

PBL Classes of the Week:
There was a clear winner in the token collection this week. The Primary PBL Class of the Week is 3/4E. Congratulations!

Congratulations to 1B! They are our Infants PBL Class of the Week! Enjoy your time using the special games box!

Students of the Week:
Primary Student of the Week: Kiaya Ralston 5/6M
Infants Student of the Week: Aaliiyah Kemp 1M

Keep earning those eagle tokens Taree West!

Ms Cooper
PBL Coordinator

Contact Details
If you have changed your home address or home/mobile phone number please advise the school office as soon as possible.
Community News

Basketball

While most outdoor sporting activities were cancelled on the weekend, Saxby’s Stadium came to life with the sound of feet running and balls bouncing as Primary School based basketball continued on Saturday. Taree West Rockets and Taree West Jets were the toast of the town after this week’s round of basketball action in the years 3-4 division played at Saxby’s Stadium. The passing game of the Rockets, in particular was outstanding, and both these team’s skill levels are blossoming with the experience of playing week to week basketball. Taree West Yr 5 and Yr 6 girls teams are both suffering from lack of player numbers though all are giving 100% of their ability. The Yr 5-6 boys, on the other hand, now have an abundance of players but are struggling, perhaps because only three of their team consistently find their way to Friday afternoon training. A big thank you to Miss Woollard for coming on board and who now finds herself a part of the coaching staff. Good fortune this weekend and remember to keep those balls bouncing!!

Evan Thompson team coordinator

Triple P Positive Parenting Program

A program to help mums and dads enjoy being a parent and learn to interact effectively with children

Like to take the hassle out of parenting?
know how children can push those buttons?
Manning Support Services can help!
Together we will address topics including:

• Being a positive parent
• Key areas in your child’s development
• How to stop bad behaviour
• How to encourage good behaviour
• How to plan ahead

We will do this over 5 x 3 hour sessions and 3 x 0.5 hour sessions starting on the 19th March

Start time—9.30am 12:00pm at Parkside room, next to the play ground in Forth Road Park, Taree.
Morning Tea supplied

Please contact Manning Support Services on 02 6551 1800 for reservations or email reception@msdnsc.org.au

Funding for this program is provided by the Department of Family and Community Services
Early Intervention & Placement Prevention program and Families NSW program

MONEY WORRIES ADVICE CLINIC

Got debts and money worries? Stuck with something you can’t afford?

Drop in for advice. We can help you with:

• Bad debts
• Trouble paying a loan
• Renting or buying household goods and electronics
• Paying for funerals
• Fines
• Energy and phone bills
• No interest loans

Bring your documents. We can check them to make sure you’re not getting an unfair deal.

MNC

ALS Legal Aid

Money Counts