Aunty Wilma & Aunty Isabel presented the Super Deadly Awards at last term’s NAIDOC assembly.

**Principal’s Report**

Welcome back to another exciting term of quality teaching and learning at Taree West. We hope that you enjoyed the holiday break with your children. A very big welcome to our 11 new students who have enrolled this week.

During our Staff Development Day, staff were involved in professional learning around the Early Action for Success initiative, school based data analysis and planning, the use of digital and multi-modal texts through English and school behaviour processes.

**Mr Royan and the Deputy Principal Position**

Congratulations to Mr Royan who has been successful through merit selection and has been appointed Principal of Chatham Public School. We wish Mr Royan well in his well-deserved principalship!

A merit selection process will now take place later this term to fill the Taree West Deputy Principal position.

**School Uniform Policy – No coloured jumpers or jackets**

As part of our School Uniform Policy all students are expected to wear maroon or grey jumpers or the school jacket to school. A number of students have been wearing brand name and other coloured jacket and jumpers to school. This is in breach of the school uniform and discipline policy therefore parents are asked to ensure that all children wear the correct uniform to school.

If parents are facing any difficulty in providing children with the correct school jumpers / jackets please contact the school for assistance.

**Head lice**

To continue our fight against head lice, parents are asked to check their children’s hair each day. A number of children return to school after a holiday break with head lice. If either eggs or lice are found it is recommended that they are treated using the fine tooth comb and conditioner method everyday over a 14 day period. The cheapest white conditioner is the best to use and should be used on dry hair and combed through with a fine tooth comb to remove lice and nits each day.

**Donna Bensch**

Principal
Guitar Group

All students who are interested in joining our school guitar group need to see Mr Cook in his room at lunchtimes this week to register their place. We are very fortunate to be able to offer students in our school guitar lessons which are free of charge. These explicit music lessons take place during the students lunch times in Mr Cook’s classroom. We have plenty of spare guitars available for students to borrow if they are interested in learning the guitar.

Class Reward Pizza Parties

Taree West Public School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning School. As such, we implement a range of reward schemes to encourage and recognise expected positive behaviours.

One of these schemes involves points being awarded to classes that demonstrate excellent behaviour in class lines at assemblies. A winning Stage 2 class and Stage 3 class will be announced every half term.

The class that has earned the most points over this period of time will receive a class Pizza Reward Party. Congratulations to 3/4E and 4/5/6J who are the first winners.

A letter will be sent home with students of the winning class. If your child has any dietary requirements that may affect their participation in a Pizza Reward Party, please advise the school by returning the return slip prior to each party.

State Rugby League

Congratulations to Harry Wesley who represented Hunter at the NSW PSSA Rugby League finals in Kingscliff last term. Hunter finished 5th overall. Well done Harry!

NSW PSSA Boys Hockey Finals

Congratulations to Drew Pensini and Kurt Walters who represented Hunter in the NSW Boys Hockey Finals in Canberra during the last week of term. The Hunter boys were very competitive finishing 2nd overall. Well done boys!

Taree West Boys Knockout Touch Football

This Thursday 17th July our school boys Touch Football team will play Old Bar Public School in round 2 of the PSSA Knockout Competition at the Old Bar Football Fields. The boys will depart TWPS at 10:45am, ready for their 11:30am game. We wish them good luck.

Commonwealth Games Day

Next Tuesday 22nd July we will be holding our whole school Commonwealth Games Day. It is expected that all students K-6 will participate. The cost for the day is $4.00. Please ensure students have returned their note and money by Friday to classroom teachers. Students will receive information this week about their country groups and colours they will need to wear on the day.

NSW PSSA Boys Touch Football

Next week, Harry Wesley and Drew Pensini will travel to Ulladulla to represent Hunter at the NSW PSSA Boys Touch Football Finals. We wish the boys the best of luck.

PSSA Boys Hockey Knockout

The boys were successful in beating Ashtonfield PS on the last Wednesday of Term 2. Ashtonfield PS (Maitland) were a little inexperienced and had a team consisting of mainly Year 5 students. Taree West played extremely well without two of their major players, Drew P and Kurt W, as they were down in Canberra contesting the NSW state Hockey Championships. The final score was 8 to nil. The team now have to wait for a result of another game to see who and when we play. Well done boys.

PBL News

On Wednesday of Week 9 last term we held our PBL Fun Day. This was a day for us to celebrate the positive behaviour of our students. All students had a fantastic time participating in an outdoor games session led by our Year 6 students. We heard so many people sing the praises of Year 6. They did an exceptional job in organising and leading the activities. They encouraged all students to be involved and they gave high-fives, eagle tokens and praise – they were just like mini-teachers! We are really proud of all of our students and their behaviour. We are really looking forward to our next ‘PBL Fun Day’. A big thank you to Mr Uwland and Mrs Mullier for their help in organising the day.
A very big ‘congratulations’ to Joseph Wright from KC. He received a special certificate and prize from the Manning Valley OOSH for being selected as our PBL Eagle Award winner. Mrs Cheney tells me that Joseph is always respectful, responsible and caring. Well done, Joseph!

PBL Classes of the Week:
Congratulations to 3/4 E and 2/3/4T! Both classes earned the most eagle tokens in Week 9 of last term and so they share the title of Primary PBL Class of the Week.
Well done to 1B! They are our Infants PBL Class of the Week.

Students of the Week
Infants Student of the Week: Layla Browne 2H

At the end of last term Mrs Bensch and I enjoyed a wonderful afternoon tea with our ‘Student of the Weeks’.

To have a chance to be invited to this term’s afternoon tea, students need to earn eagle tokens and place them in their class box. Students are given eagle tokens when they are seen following our schools rules which relate to the values of Respect, Responsibility and Care. Keep earning those eagle tokens Taree West!

Ms Cooper
PBL Coordinator

Community Advertisements

TAREE & DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION
Extend an invitation to attend our ALL AGE CARNIVAL (10yrs to Opens)
To be held on SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST 2014
ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 28th JULY 2014
VENUE: Bligh Street Courts, TAREE
TIME: 8.30am Start
COST: $33.00 per TEAM
INFO: Eva Croker
Email: evacroker@bigpond.com
Mobile: 0438 541263
Club Number: 6551 6868 Phone/Fax

Research Type 1 Diabetes
Researchers from the University of Queensland are conducting research into parenting of children with type 1 diabetes. We are seeking parents of children and adolescents with type 1 diabetes to participate. Participation in this project will involve completing a survey, and a telephone interview.

The telephone interview includes questions on diabetes management tasks which parents of children with type 1 diabetes experience difficulty with, how parents think and feel about parenting a child with type 1 diabetes, and their preferences for assessing services to assist in dealing with these behaviours and tasks.

If you are interested in participating in this research or would like further information please email clin.roslyn.pay@uq.edu.au

The 123 Magic and Emotional Coaching program
The 123 Magic and Emotional Coaching program will start on the 19th August. It is a three session program conducted over three weeks. Each session starts at 9:30am and finishes at 12:30pm
It will be conducted at 78 Wynter Street Taree
There is a free morning tea provided
There is no cost for the program
Info: 02 6551 1800