### Principal's Report

**Science Week at Taree West**

It was wonderful to see the excitement and wonder on the children’s faces yesterday during our science day extravaganza. All classes from Kinder to Year 6 participated in a rotation of science activities including the making of green goo and a little more appealing making and then eating ice cream; creating lava lamps; making helicopters and daisy wheel; investigating the properties of liquids; exploring chemical reactions and experimenting to develop an understanding of density, floating, sinking and flight. The children were actively engaged and enthralled by the results of their investigations throughout the day. Well done to the students and to the teachers for their organisation of such engaging activities. A special thank you to Mrs Griffiths for her thorough organisation of the event and for her ongoing commitment to Science!

**Zone Athletics**

Our school has been acknowledged and praised once again for the commitment of our staff and the excellent behaviour of our students at the Zone Athletics Carnival last Friday. Well done to all of our students who participated and good luck to the students who were successful in their events and who will be representing our school again at the Regional Carnival in Newcastle on 29 August.

### Lunch Orders

Due to the required preparation time in the canteen for student lunches at 11:10am, parents and students are asked to please order lunches by 9:30am. Unfortunately orders placed after this time cannot be accepted.

### P & C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will take place tonight in the school library at 6pm. Parents and community members are welcome to attend.

### Principals Awards

Donna Bensch  
Principal

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Book Week Parade
This Friday 22 August we will be holding a Book Character Parade. Our theme this year is “Connect to Reading; Reading to Connect”. Students can come dressed as any character from a book or movie. Parents, carers, friends and community members are warmly invited to watch the Book Week Parade at 9:30am under the Hall COLA.

Assembly
Due to the K-2 Book Parade this Friday, the K-1W assembly has been re-scheduled to 5 September.

Kindergarten 2015 - Enrolments are now being accepted.
If your child is commencing school next year please call to the office as soon as possible to pick up enrolment forms. If you have already picked up enrolment papers please return them as soon as possible as Orientation commences Monday 3 November.
For any more information please contact the school on 6552 1910.

Class Reward Pizza Parties
Taree West Public School is a Positive Behaviours 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 3/4G and 5/6C who are the winners for the first half of this term.
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.
PBL News

At last Friday’s assembly Lindsay Smith from 2-3-4T was awarded our PBL Eagle Award for being a responsible, caring and considerate student. She received a special certificate and prize pack from the Manning Valley OOSH. Well done Lindsay!

Thank you to 2H for sharing their posters they created for last fortnight’s focus rule.

Focus Rule: Respect privacy and use the toilet area sensibly
Value: Respect

PBL Classes of the Week:
Congratulations to 3/4C! They are our Primary PBL Class of the Week.
Well done to 2L! They are our Infants PBL Class of the Week.

Students of the Week

Infants Student of the Week: Zarlie Trotter 2B
Primary Student of the Week: Calib Hunt 5/6C
Keep earning those eagle tokens Taree West!
Ms Cooper
PBL Coordinator

Student Writing

The cave ........
Well when I was walking through the jungle in the Amazon to go into the cave. I could barely hear the tour guides speaking to tell me where I had to go, because of all the noise the animals were making. Finely we got to the entrance of the cave. It was enormous, “bigger than the Eiffel tower” I said to myself. So we went in....... “This is awesome, I love it.” I thought. “There’s lots of wildlife in the dark spooky cave” said the cave guide to the tour guide. There were glow worms, bats, snakes, spiders and lots of insects. It was still noisy. We needed torches to see in the cave. It smelt like ROTTEN bananas.

So I finished the tour and left the cave as soon as possible. It was so bright outside because of the sun. The tour was over so we went back to the safari centre and I went back home to Australia.

Oscar Holt

The Cave

One day I was walking on the beach. Then I saw a cave. It looked interesting so I went inside and said “Hello! Anyone here?” No one answered. I kept going further into the cave. I saw red eyes but they were just bats. I got to the end of the cave and then I saw something brown and furry. I noticed it was a bear.

The bear was very big and I ran as fast as I could, screaming. Everyone thought why is she screaming? Then the bear came out and everyone started to scream and we all ran away and jumped into the water.

The bear wasn’t coming in and he or she went back in the cave. We all got out of the water and went home. Someone called some rangers then they closed the beach

By Shannia Yeark.

3-4C are learning Shape Poetry

Taneha C

Tanesha D
Canteen specials

Meal deals @ The canteen
made fresh in our canteen:
Fried rice & bottle of water $4
Spaghetti Bolognese & bottle of water $4
Meatballs, pasta & bottle of water $4

On Tues 26th Aug @ the canteen
Freshly baked Cheese & Vegemite swirls will be for sale 20 cents each or 3 for 50 cents

Connect to Reading
@ Taree West Public School

Just a quick reminder that Book Week is coming up next week. We will be celebrating throughout the week and will hold the Book Fair on Friday 22nd August 2014. There will be a brochure outlining some of the items available at the Book Fair, sent with this week’s Newsletter. Also available will be a small selection of variety items and posters. Families are welcome to come and purchase from the Book Fair between 8:30-9:30am and 2:30-3:30pm on Friday. Students will be able to purchase with their class throughout the day.

The K-2 Book Character Parade will be held on Friday at 9:30am. Students can come dressed in their favourite character costume.

Thank you for all your support and Happy Reading!
Lucy Legge
Teacher Librarian

Community Advertisements

Girl guides invite you to
come and try Guides
Friday 29 August 2014 5:30 -7:30
For girls aged
10-14 years
At the come and try we will be cooking …making ….doing
Where: Taree Guide Hall
Douglas Street Taree

Please Call Rachel on 65 57 7572 to register for the event.
Or find out more visit our website www.girlguides-nswact.org.au

The concert will feature the amazing range of talent of school students from throughout the Manning Valley and will also include debut stage appearance of some of the local students who, without this program, would be in danger of dropping out of school.

Celebrities George Houvardas, John Waters, Rachael Beck and Don Spencer are donating their talents to support students.

Venue: Manning Entertainment Centre
Date: Wednesday 27 August 2014
Time: 11:00am or 7:00pm
Tickets: Purchase online through Manning Entertainment Centre or at Video Ezy, Taree

Destiny Rescue was founded in 2001 and is a Christian-based, non-profit organisation dedicated to rescuing children from sex trafficking and sexual exploitation.
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Or contact us – destiny@destinyrescue.org or call 1300 738 761

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