Principal’s Report

School Administration and Support Staff (SASS) – Recognition Week

I would like to recognise and acknowledge the astounding commitment, skill and work of the School Administrative and Support Staff at Taree West Public School, including Mandy our Admin Manager; Sharon, Mel and Janna our Admin Officers; Ross our General Assistant; Pauline, Chris, Julie, Kylie, Sueellen, Vicki, Kevin and Sam as our School Learning Support Officers and Jill our Aboriginal Education Officer.

The theme of SASS Recognition week this year is ‘Stepping up to the Challenge’ and I must say that the extraordinary team at Taree West never take a step back in meeting the needs of students, families and the school teaching staff. Our school could not operate without their dedication, energy and commitment. Thank you to a wonderful team of professionals!

Donna Bensch
Principal

Class Awards

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WHAT’S ON

Wednesday 3 September KF & KC start Gym

Friday 5 September Touch football - Newcastle
Father’s Day stall

Monday 8 September Spelling Bee – Old Bar

Tuesday 9 September Boy’s Hockey State Championships - Narellan

Friday 12 September Pre-schools visit to Kinder
Raffle tickets due
Unlimited Rides wristband forms due

Saturday 13 September Fete drop off 10:am-3:00pm – homemade/baked goods, plants and second hand items

Sunday 14 September School Fete 10:00-2:00pm

Tuesday 16 September K-2 performance “Ugly Snow-Rella”
3-6 Performance “Netiquette”
P&C Meeting 6:00pm

Friday 19 September School Medallion Assembly

Friday 10 October TWPS raffles at Taree West Bowling Club 6:00pm

Congratulations to Annie Chen 3-4E on receiving a Distinction in the ICAS Spelling Test
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.

Group Photos
If your child was involved in any of the groups below and you would like to order a photo of the group please complete an order form and return to the school, with payment on photo day, Friday 12 September.

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Public Speaking Finals
The school held its Public Speaking Final for Stage 2 students last Thursday and Stage 3 students last Friday. The standard of speaking at both finals was wonderful and a credit to all the finalists. Students and parents in the audience were treated to some very different and interesting topics.

Year 3 Finalists
2/3/4T Taylah Minns “Christmas”
3/4C Kate Fletcher “Lumbands”
3/4E Siena Thornton “Family”
3/4G Jessica Osmond-Dreyer “Chihuahuas”
3/4K Lillianah Williams “Kylie Hilder”

Year 4 Finalists
2/3/4T Brian Kong “Eiffel Tower”
3/4C Max Sheldon “Hockey”
3/4E Shimekha Douglas “Karate”
3/4G Lily Andrews “Blocker the Dog”
3/4K Jessica Ferris “Motocross”

Year 5 Finalists
4/5/6J Amara Woolnough “My Dog, Bob”
4/5/6J Jada Humphrey “Emperor Penguins”
5/6C Jade Everingham “German Shepherds”
5/6F Amy Golden “Swimming”
5/6M Imogen Nelson “My Trip to Airlie Beach”
5/6U Tea Sedlen “My Dog”
5/6M Anabelle Adamson “Giant Panda Bears”
4/5/6J Jessica Wallace “My Crazy Dogs”

Year 6 Finalists
5/6F Beau Kircher “Sharks: A Misunderstood Creature”
5/6U Erica Colvin “Big Australian Icons”
5/6U Courtney Martin “Tasmanian Devils”

The eventual winners in Stage 2 were Kate Fletcher (Year 3) who amused everyone with her topic “Lumbands” and Brian Kong (Year 4) whose topic “Eiffel Tower” was informative and interesting. Taylah Minns (Year 3) and Lily Andrews (Year 4) were highly commended.

In Stage 3, the winners were Amy Golden (Year 5) who engaged her audience with a speech about “Swimming” and Beau Kircher (Year 6) whose topic “Sharks: A Misunderstood Creature” gave everyone something to think about. Jada Humphrey (Year 5), Tea Sedlen (Year 5), Erica Colvin (Year 6) and Courtney Martin (Year 6) were all highly commended.

The four winning students will now represent the school at the Taree District Public Speaking Competition to be held in Term 4.

David Kingsland
Success For the Boys Hockey Team!
The TWPS boys hockey team have just returned from Goulburn after playing them in the PSSA State Knockout Competition. Taree West PS are the Hunter Zone Champions and Crookwell PS are this year’s South Coast Champions. Both teams had progressed to the top 8 out of all nominated schools in the state. We played them to see which school would progress into the top 4.

In an enthralling match, both teams displayed excellent hockey skill and sportsmanship. There were many highlights by both teams that made a wonderful spectacle for all watching. There were ten goals scored in the game, even though both goalies stopped numerous attempts. The lead changed three times with Taree West PS leading 5-2 with 11 minutes to go. Crookwell PS then scored the next two goals with 3 minutes until the siren. Thankfully TWPS’s forward pressure and excellent team play were the ingredients for the match winning goal giving our school a two goal buffer with only one minute to play. The final score was 6 - 4.

TWPS overcame a bigger-bodied team that had great skill. Thankfully we had the team play, skill, run, determination and spirit across the whole team. that combined into a better team that deserved the victory. I don't like to single out individual success normally when a team combines so well, but Jordan McIntosh score all six goals by finishing off the excellent work from the backs, mids and other forwards.

A massive thank you to the support provided by the parents who were able to make it down to the balmy climate of Goulburn for the game. Thank you also to Mr Walters for his coaching on the day. Hopefully he is available for the finals! A special mention must also go out to the Bakehouse Bakery in Goulburn for providing the required sustenance for the team at breakfast that gave us that winning edge!

The boys are now off to play the State PSSA Finals against the other remaining three teams left in the state!

The team:
Sam Brisby, Bailey Stevens, Jordan McIntosh, Kurt Walters, Griffin Coleman, Lachlan Coiner, Henry Bolte, Leon Moore, Ryan Doherty, Shane Meredith, Conor Smith, Drew Pensini and Harry Wesley.

Mr Uwland

Student Writing

The Most Scary Monster and the Scary Skeleton
Once upon a time there lived a skeleton and he lived in a skeleton house.

He went for a walk in the woods and got lost.

He seen a very scary monster. He was a very, very big monster and skeleton thought the monster wanted to eat him.

Skeleton man ran and he fell in a well.

The monster rescued the skeleton man and the skeleton man said ‘Thank you’.

By Kantinan K-1W

My Recount
During the holidays I went to my nana’s for a sleepover.

I went motorbike racing three or four times.

Then I went to my other nana’s house and I went to my mum and dad’s work. I got to play with a tennis ball.

I had fun playing with the tennis ball.

By Zane K-1W

Connect to Reading
@ Taree West Public School

Just a quick note to share with you all the success of our Book Fair during our Book Week celebrations this term. We had an amazing day and saw some fantastic costumes by the Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 students (and Teachers!). We were able to sell over $4000 of books and this will raise more than $1000 for us to purchase more books for the school and develop our collection. I must send out a big thank you to all our parents, carers and students who supported the Book Fair this year, it has been amazing to see everyone so enthusiastic about books, and to have such a positive and successful day.

Once again thank-you and happy reading!

Lucy Legge
PBL News
Congratulations to Cody Ruming from 4/5/6J for being selected as our PBL Eagle Award winner. He has received a certificate and prize pack from the Manning Valley OOSH for always being a respectful, responsible and caring student. Well done, Cody!

Over the next two weeks we are focusing our PBL lessons on leaving the school grounds at home time in a sensible and orderly manner. As there are a large number of people moving around the school at this time, it is important that students follow our school rule of walking on the concrete. We appreciate your support in reinforcing this rule.

This fortnight’s Focus Rule: Walk sensibly when leaving school and sit in bus lines promptly (if catching a bus).
Value: Responsibility

PBL Classes of the Week:
Congratulations to 5/6F! They are our Primary PBL Class of the Week.
Well done to 2L! They have earned the title of Infants PBL Class of the Week!

Students of the Week:
Primary Student of the Week: Ryan Martin 3/4E

Infants Student of the Week: Connor Neal 1B

Keep earning those eagle tokens Taree West!

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 KingsleyWilson
Ethics Coordinator for Taree West Public School
tareewest.primaryethics@gmail.com or 0421 813 023

Community Advertisements
Basketball
Children of Taree West Public School have answered the call by registering their interest in great number to play Saturday morning basketball in term 4. The message has spread across the playground that basketball is the happening thing and already a third team has needed to be nominated for the year 3-4 mixed non-competitive division. A handful of newcomers have taken up the challenge in the year 5 girls and year 5-6 boys team but more year 6 girls would be the icing on the cake. It is not too late to register your child’s interest. All you need to do is approach me during skills sessions between 3:20pm and 4:20pm on Thursday afternoons at the school or contact me on 0418160591.

Hey, if you want to put more bounce in your life.......play basketball.
Evan Thompson - co-ordinator for Taree West
150 years of Education in Wingham
1864-2014

To all past and present pupils, teachers and parents. The Wingham schools will be celebrating 150 years of education in this town on the following dates: Friday 12 September, Saturday 13 September and Sunday 14 September.

There will be activities at each of the schools over that weekend plus a dinner at the Wingham RSL on the Saturday night. A limited number of tickets are available at each of the schools.

Please contact any of the Wingham schools for more information about this important upcoming event and pass this information on to anyone who you know that has been associated with the Public Schools in Wingham. You can also gain information from the website: winghameducation150@gmail.com

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Wingham High: 6553 5488
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