



NEWSLETTER

Assemblies

Infants 11.30am-1/2P
Primary 12pm

Attachment

- Grandparents day helpers note.
- "Hey Dad" Family Youth

Term 1, Week 7, 2012

BE SAFE, BE FAIR, BE KIND, BE CO-OPERATIVE.

Dear Parents and Community Members.....

Priority Schools Program (PSP)

A reminder to any family who has not completed the PSP survey, that it is vitally important that we receive all surveys back. The outcome of this survey will affect every family if we do not receive the funding that we have over the last few years.

It will also affect some staff as we receive a staffing allocation of 2 days per week as a part of this funding allocation.

Surveys are due back as soon as possible as we need to collate them and send them away. The school does not withhold the surveys and never know of the content of the surveys-it is totally anonymous.

All we keep is the small tab on the back so as to mark off families that have returned their surveys. Of course we will also use the tab to put into a container to draw the lucky winner of the Tenterfield Retravisation \$850 gift card.

Only those families that return their surveys can go into the draw.

Meet the Teacher night

Starting at 5pm tonight the school will be holding our Meet The Teacher information sessions.

The year 1/2 classes (Mrs Petrie, Miss Bridge, Miss Jarvis) will hold their sessions from 5:00-5:20pm in their classrooms.

This will be followed by the year 3 and 4 classes (Miss Eakin, Miss James, Mr Manser) from 5:20-5:40pm in their classrooms and then finally the year 5/6 classes (Mrs Thomas, Mr Maher, Miss Coats) from 5:40-6:00pm.

This is a great way to meet the teacher, say hello and find out some information about the classroom and how they are running things in the room.

This is not a night to request individual interviews, but find out general information about programs and what the students will be completing.

There will be a separate night for kindergarten students on Wednesday March 21st starting at 5:00pm.

Hope to see you here.

Stage classes

As many parents have realised we are running stage classes this year eg 1/2 classes. Each child (except for Kindergarten) are in a stage for 2 years, meaning they have 2 years to achieve the education outcomes for that stage.

Early stage 1-Kindergarten

Stage 1-Years 1 and 2

Stage 2-Years 3 and 4

Stage 3-Years 5 and 6

This means that someone in year 3 is in the early stage 2 area while someone in year 4 is in the later stage 2 area.

Students in the early stage for that year (ie years 1, 3 and 5) have 2 years to achieve the outcomes, so generally have lower marks as they have only just entered or are at the beginning of that stage.

Someone in year 4 for example has already completed a year in that stage so is expected to perform better as they are moving to the end of that stage.

Hence students in years 3 and 4 being in the same stage are often working on the same concepts, just at a slightly different level.

This is where teachers will often use group work to have children working together who may be at the same level.

Interim Term 1 reports years 1-6

At the end of this term, each teacher will send home an interim report card on your children. This will give you an indication only of how they have performed this term.

Most teachers will not have done formal testing for this report, but will use their observation, weekly spelling tests, work completed in class and bookwork to judge how they are going so far.

Both teachers and parents will also have the opportunity to request interviews if needed. This is not an in depth report but merely an indication of current work practices.

Expression of Interest for year 7 2013

A reminder that the expression of interest forms for year 7 2013 are due by **Friday, March 16th**.

This is for year 6 students only, as they indicate which high school they might be attending, allowing schools to plan for activities and open days.

Personalised Learning Plans

As part of the Indigenous Action Plan, all indigenous students must have a Personal Learning Plan (PLP).

The teachers are planning to meet with as many parents as possible later in the term to help fill these out.

Information will be sent out later to all Indigenous families.

School Fees

Some families have already paid school fees to the front office which we are extremely grateful for. School fees for this year will remain unchanged being \$20 for a single child at this school and \$40 for families of 2 children or more.

This is not much to ask for and extremely important for the school as the money goes towards buying extra things for students like pencils, paper, books and resources for classrooms.

If you could send this in to your class teacher in an envelope with the child's name on it as soon as you can it would be much appreciated.

Principal away

I will be away this Thursday, March 8th and Friday, March 9th as I attend a State Council meeting in Sydney.

On Thursday Miss Eakin will be relieving principal and on Friday Mr Manser will be relieving principal.

I will also be away the following Thursday, March 15th and Friday (March 16) as I attend the New England Regional Principals conference in Armidale.

Mr Manser will be relieving principal on March 15th and Miss Eakin on March 16th.

Crunch and Sip and Health Message

Why should children eat more fruit and



vegetables?

We all know fruit and vegetables are good for us, and they taste great! They are packed full of vitamins and minerals that are important for growth and development and are a source of dietary fiber, which prevents constipation.

Regularly eating diets high in fruit and vegetables also protects us against a number of diseases. **More than 87% of primary school age children in NSW do not consume the recommended amount of vegetables. This places them at risk of developing disease, such as diabetes, some forms of cancer and heart disease later in life.**

Crunch and Sip ensures students are consuming at least one serve of fruit or vegetables each day, and can help increase the total number of serves they are eating each day. So encourage your child to eat fruit and veg at home and at school.

Don't forget to send some fruit or vegetables to school each day for your child to enjoy during Crunch and Sip break!



Fruit Challenge

During Weeks 8 to 10 (**Monday, March 13th to Friday, March 31st**) each student is being challenged to eat 2 pieces of fruit a day at school.

Each class winner/s will receive a special certificate recognising their healthy eating.

Students can eat this fruit during "Crunch", recess and/or lunch. Students can eat any fruit. Some examples are:- apple, orange, banana, pear, plum, peach, nectarine, kiwi fruit, a bunch of grapes or a small container of blueberries, Strawberries, pineapple pieces.



Clean Up Australia Day

Clean Up Australia Day for schools was held last Friday, March . Students in K-2 participated in activities with in the school grounds and students in

Years 3-6 cleaned up the streets surrounding the school. It's amazing and actually quite disgusting how much garbage the students found and it's also a great reminder to get rid of our rubbish in a responsible manner without harming our environment (plants and animals) and also destroying the natural wonder we live in.

Regional Swimming Armidale

Today, **Tuesday, March 6th** 12 students will travel to Armidale for the regional swimming carnival. We wish them well and safe travelling.

Zone Rugby League and Netball Trials

This Friday, March 9th many boys from years 3-6 will travel to Glen Innes for the Zone Rugby League trials and next **Tuesday, March 13th** 10 girls will travel to Glen Innes for the Zone netball trials.

We wish all the students well and safe travelling.

North West basketball Trials

This Thursday, March 8th Geoffrey Swan will travel to Tamworth for the North West (regional) basketball trials.

We wish him well and safe travelling.

National Ride Safely To School Day

National Ride Safely To School Day will be held on **Friday, March 23rd**. We are encouraging all children, where possible, to ride to school.

This is a great day for parents/carers to reinforce the road safety message, great day to check your child's bike (tyres, brakes, chain, lights, seat) and also a brilliant way to get active and strengthen hearts, bones and muscles while making you feel happy and reducing stress.

Book Club Issue 2 and Class Borrowing Days

Book Club order forms are being distributed this week and are due **back before 9am** on Thursday, March 22nd. The order will be sent that day.

All Classes come to the library for a borrowing session. Children can also barrow at lunchtime Tuesday-Friday.

KC Monday	1/2P Friday
KL Monday	1/2B Wednesday
3E Wednesday	1/2J Wednesday
3/4M Wednesday	4J Friday
5/6C Tuesday	5/6T Tuesday
5/6M Monday	

Year 5 and 6 Gold Coast Brisbane Trip

Expression of interest and \$50 deposits **MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY, MARCH 9th** .

Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day will be held on **Tuesday, March 20th**.

9.45am-10.10am-Visit to all Classroom.

10.10am-11am-Each Class will perform an item in the hall.

11am-11.45am- Morning Tea on Basketball area.

Grandparents please come along and share in all the fun activities your Grandchild will be participating in.

Some of our students and Grandparents from previous Years



CALENDAR

MTH	WK	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	S / S
Feb	7	5 *Young Leaders to Brisbane	6 *Regional Swimming *Maths Day @Jennings * Meet the teacher night	7 *Guitar lesson * Banking	8 *Mr Daniels-Away Miss Eakin- Relieving	9 *ASSEMBLY-1/2P *Rugby league –GI *Mr Daniels-Away Mr Manser Relieving * Note & Money Due for Yr 5 and 6 Excursion	10/11
Feb	8	12	13 *Girls netball-GI *Debating-GI	14 *Guitar lesson *Banking *Basketball-Armidale	15 *Mr Daniels-Away Mr Manser- Relieving	16 *Mr Daniels-Away Miss Eakin- Relieving *EOI for Yr 6/7 Due	17/18

CANTEEN

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed	7th	Aleeca Zellers, Kim Cox
Thur	8th	Monkia Freeman, Lucy Bates
Fri	9th	Heather Brown, Janine Jackson
Mon	12th	Monkia Freeman
Tue	13th	Angela Brown
Wed	14th	Kim Cox, <i>Help needed please</i>

Homebake (Next Week)

Mon	12th	Lou Holley
Wed	14th	Robyn Hillier
Fri	16th	Jayne Collier

DONATIONS (This Week)

Cruskits	Kristy Petrie, Jen Sutcliffe
Mayonnaise	Tonya Blaker
Margarine	Joanne Willoughby
Lettuce	Jennifer Rhodes
Tomato Sauce	Nikki Phelps
Plain Flour	Lou Holley
Onions	Amanda Paris
Vegemite	Melissa Cowin
Tomatoes	Robyn Hillier

MEAL DEAL - Wednesday Feb 7th

Rock and Roll

BLT: Round roll filled with lettuce, tomato and bacon with BBQ sauce plus a popper and a TNT icy pole \$4.50.

Other Choices: Tray Lasagne \$2.70
2x Mini Pies @2.00

School Banking

School banking will start this Wednesday, March 7th and bank day will be every Wednesday.

Year 5 and 6 Chocolate Fundraiser

Years 5 and 6 students are selling chocolates and lollies to assist with payment for their end of year excursion to the Gold Coast and Brisbane.

These can be purchased for \$3 each. Thank you to all the people who have already generously supported these students.

Sports Uniform

The girl's sports uniform includes a sports polo shirt, navy skirt or skorts or shorts, joggers and white socks.

Girls may wear bike pants under their skirts, skorts or shorts but these should not be seen.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

TENTERFIELD SWIMMING CLUB

Tenterfield Amateur swimming club-Recruitment Drive

WHAT IS SWIMMING CLUB

- Swim Club is for children who have a basic level of swimming ability and can swim or almost swim one lap of the Tenterfield Swimming pool.
- Race Night (Thursday 5pm) where children race against other swimmers of a similar level in order to improve their own lap times. (cost is \$1 per child per night).
- Swim Squad (4-5pm Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) where children practice all aspects of swimming under the direction of a qualified swimming instructor in order to increase their swimming ability (each session costs \$5 per child).
- Swim Club is great for children to improve Swimming ability, meet new friends, improve confidence and improve fitness.

For the rest of this swim season Tenterfield Amateur Swimming Club is offering a special \$10 join up fee to any children in order for them to experience swimming club.

TENTERFIELD PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB

Tenterfield physical culture meet at The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public school every Tuesday starting at 3.30pm for all girls 10 1/2- 14 years come along and join in the fun.

For more Information contact Jude Hayne
on 0438 585 319



ORACLES POET



OUR ZONE SWIMMING TEAM



3/4M PERFORMING AT THE ASSEMBLY