



TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter

11th December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

As this is the last newsletter for 2017, I would like to say a huge thank you to our committed volunteers who work tirelessly for the good of our children. We would be lost without you. To our fabulous P&C, thank you for your ongoing support. I am honoured to be the Principal of such a wonderful school.

Classes for 2018 - Our current numbers indicate we will need an additional class in 2018. As plans for this are well under way we anticipate the new classroom to be operational at the beginning of the year. At this stage all staff are working closely to establish class groupings to suit each student's needs. Please be rest assured we have your children's best interest in mind when allocating classes.

Primary Citizenship Awards - Last Wednesday Mrs Stuckey and I attended the Rotary Club of Northlakes/Toukley's award evening. Our school captains Amy and June received Primary Citizenship Awards for their work in 2017 as our school leaders. It was a lovely evening and Mrs Stuckey and I were very proud of both girls.

Ngara Assembly of Excellence - I felt very proud to see Tamsyn, Kiana, Hannah, Jay and Kimberly recognised for their outstanding efforts this year. I was also thrilled to see Amarli and the previous students represent Tacoma PS in the combined choir and dance items; a huge thank you to Mrs Shaw for all her hard work in running the choir.

Diary Dates

11 December

Reports home

12 December

Year 6 Farewell

13 December

Tacoma's Got Talent Gold
Coin Donation

15 December

Kinder Graduation
Year 6 Arch

2016 TERM DATES

10 Oct - 20 Dec

2017 TERM DATES

27 Jan - 07 Apr

24 Apr - 30 Jun

17 Jul - 22 Sep

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School security - Please remember the school grounds are not open to the public in the holiday period. If you are a neighbour to the school and see a security issue please contact the School Security Unit 1300 880 021 this number is available 24 hours a day.

Parking around the school - Please be mindful of where you park when you drop off and pick up your children. Unfortunately, some people have been parking across driveways and making it difficult for our neighbours to enter and leave their driveways, this is also a potential safety issue for our children.

Finally I would like to wish you all a very fun filled, safe holiday. I look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Jeanette Dillon

Principal's Awards

Samuel, Renata, Kaleb, Bree,
Arham, Tamsyn, Ava

Merit Awards

Banal

Beau & Sophie

Gulang

Dakota & Charli

Balba

Isabella & Cee J

Garawa

Shailey & Lily

Badhu

Linley & Austin

Presentation Day Awards

Banal—Mr Kirk

Academic	Matthew
Consistent Effort	Tamsyn
Consistent Effort	Doha
Most Improved	Dylan
Citizenship	Jack



Gulang—Mrs Fletcher

Academic	Eliza
Academic	Lucas
Consistent Effort	Madison
Consistent Effort	Charlotte
Citizenship	Kayleb

Balba—Mrs Andrews

Academic	Abby
Consistent Effort	Jessie
Consistent Effort	Noah
Most Improved	India
Citizenship	Jaxon

Waagir—Mr Farquhar

Academic	Ava
Academic	Jazz
Consistent Effort	Brock
Most Improved	Hannah
Citizenship	Thomas

Gundang—Mrs Kable

Academic	Grace
Academic	Elliott
Consistent Effort	Caleb
Most Improved	Emma
Citizenship	Imogen

Murgu—Mrs Mercieca

Academic	Thomas
Academic	Matilda
Consistent Effort	Ella
Most Improved	Emilia
Citizenship	Charlie

Garawa—Mr McFarlane

Academic	James
Academic	Jade
Consistency and Application	Simran

Most Improved	Amy
Citizenship	Summer

Badhu—Ms Frost

Academic	Linley Kable
Attitude and Application	Dylan
Consistent Effort	Amy
Most Improved	Hollie
Citizenship	Zac



Sports Champions

Junior	Lucy
Senior	Noah

House Awards

Swimming	Pelicans
Athletics	Plovers
Cross Country	Seagulls

Spelling Bee

Winners: Tamsyn, Ava, Thomas and Linley

Runners Up: Dylan, Kayleb, Adam, Brock, Ella and Adam

Public Speaking

Winners: Tamsyn, Lucas, Tyreece and June

Runners Up: William, Thomas, Blessing and Linley

Premiers Reading Challenge

Gold: Dylan, Harry and Jordyn

Platinum: Amy and Maddy

Kids Matter—Happy Spirits

Banal	Emily
Gulang	Samuel
Balba	Brianna
Waagir	Melinda
Gundang	Soha
Murgu	Linzee
Garawa	Jasmine
Badhu	Austin



Swimming Champions

Junior Boy	Charlie
Junior Girl	Ava
Senior Boy	James
Senior Girl	Linley



Athletics Champions

Junior Boy	Seth
Junior Girl	Lucy
Senior Boy	Noah
Senior Girl	June

Cross Country Champions

Junior Boy	Sam
Junior Girl	Lucy
Senior Boy	Nathan
Senior Girl	Amy



Chess Award Charlie

CAPA Award Madalene

Science and Technology Award James

University of NSW Awards

Credit in Science, Distinction English; Jazz

Merit in Spelling: Sibulele

Credit in Spelling: Ava

Merit in Mathematics: Tommy

Credit in Digital Technologies, Writing and Mathematics, Merit in Spelling: Matilda

Credit in Digital Technologies: Elliot

Merit in Digital Technologies: Thandiwe

Credit in Spelling, Mathematics and English: Linley

Credit in Digital Technologies, Merit in English: James

Teachers Mutual Bank Award: Sarah and Lakiah

Lions Club of Wyoming-East Gosford Centennial

Trinity and Anastasia

Dobell Award	Stephanie
Wyong High School Scholarship	June
School Sportsmanship Award	Nathan
School Citizenship	June
Dux	Tyrin
2018 School Captains	Dylan and Simran
Pelicans House Captains	John and Summer
Plovers House Captains	Linley and Charli
Seagulls House Captains	James and Lucy

Tacoma Connect

Thank you to everyone who has joined us for a coffee and chat this year. Unfortunately we won't be meeting this Friday but look forward to seeing you all in 2018



Department of Education Sun Protection Strategies

Coming into summer please remember to find the shade as much as possible between 11am and 3pm and bring your school hats with you to school.

Tacoma's



The talent show will start in the hall at 9.30 this Wednesday. The P & C Christmas raffle will be drawn halfway through the talent show. The show usually runs for 1.5-2hrs.

All students who are performing are asked to please wear their costumes to school, but please bring a school uniform to get changed into after the show has finished. Be ready to be entertained Tacoma!

Mr Kirk

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Thursday 14th December 8.30am-9am

Friday 15th December 8.30am-9am

Monday 29th January 2018 10am-12 noon

Tuesday 30th January—Friday 2nd February 8.30am-9am

Pre-orders are ready for pick up.

Bakers Delight Orders

Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraiser. Orders will be available to pick up on Friday 15th at the hall after 2pm.



2017
Merry Christmas



From All of Us
At Tacoma Public School

*Wishing you and your family a safe
and happy holiday.*



Thanks to all of our
Volunteers



Rotary Club of Northlakes Toukley Citizenship Awards

June & Amy

NGARA Assembly of Excellence

Student Leadership—Kymberly

Academic Excellence—Tamsyn

Cultural Excellence—Kiana

Improved Application to Learning—Hannah

Sporting—Jay



Attendance

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - It's NOT ok TO STAY AWAY

Students should only miss school for genuine illness or for serious domestic reasons. Students are involved in learning experiences right up to the last day of school and it is important they attend.

After love and care the **most important thing** that we as parents can give our kids is an **EDUCATION**. Every day a child is away, they are losing a learning experience. Over time missing school leaves big gaps in their learning. They want to spend less and less time at school and they influence younger brothers and sisters. Allowing your child to stay home becomes the easy way out. If you require support in saying 'No' to your child on their attendance or any other issue please contact someone at the school. We can work together to make a difference to your child's future.



Be on time. Be at school. Right up to the last day. That's the rule!

Road Safety



**Pedestrian Safety
Message**



A pedestrian crossing is a safe place to cross ALL streets.

Always ***STOP, LOOK, LISTEN, THINK*** before crossing the road.

Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility.

Safety and security during the school holidays.

Please report any suspicious behaviour during the holidays to school security on 1300 880 021.



Quote of the Week

"Success is getting what you want, happiness is wanting what you get"

W P Kinsell

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Kymberly, Savanna, Summer, Adam, Mikael, Dwight, Riley, Cohan, Emilia, Filomena, Summer, Tyreece, Koby, Tess, Brayden & Diesel



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