



# TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL Newsletter



Yaama! Welcome to week 8!

I always say there is nothing more important than a kind heart. Something has made my heart so proud. You may have noticed that Amarli and Immy have had a haircut. But, did you know they donated their hair to make wigs for children with cancer? Amarli had 20cm cut off and Immy 25cm. Wow! What a wonderful thing you have done girls. We love your kind hearts and are so, so proud of you!



Congratulations to all of our year 5 students that were brave enough to get up on the stage or in their sport houses and speak from their heart. That can be a very daunting and often stops people from nominating. Even us teachers get nervous doing that, so well done to you all! Thank you for all your efforts with your speech writing and your wonderful posters around the school have certainly brightened our day. Good luck to you all. We will find out our successful leaders on our presentation day on the 10<sup>th</sup> December.



What could be better than getting serenaded to in the office foyer? Nothing! I had the absolute joy of this happening! I was sitting

## Diary Dates

### 4 December

High School Orientation Day

Happy Spirits playgroup

### 7 December

Ngara Assembly of Excellence

### 10 December

Presentation Day

### 13 December

Year 6 Raw Challenge

### 14 December

Combined Scripture Assembly

Volunteer Morning Tea

### 17 December—NEW

DATE Year 6 Farewell

## 2018 TERM DATES

15th Oct - 21st Dec

## 2019 TERM DATES

29th Jan - 12th April

29th April - 5th July

22nd July - 27th Sept

14th Oct - 20th Dec

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in my office and heard an excited commotion in the foyer. I went out to see what it was .....and boom..... I thought Queen were in the foyer....."We are the champions" has never sounded so good!! Congratulations to our fantastic chess champions on all your achievements this year. A big thank you to Mr Kirk for not only his chess organisation this year but also his love of music, organising this impromptu choir and for making my day !

Congratulations to Simmy & Dylan who received a citizenship award from the Central Coast Rotary Club. A combined school special award night and dinner was held at Halekulani Bowling Club at Budgewoi. Mrs Stuckey and I were very proud to be there with you and your families. Again, you represented Tacoma wonderfully!



Grandparents day was another huge success this year at Tacoma. It was great to see so many family members there. It was lovely to walk around the school, pop into the classes and feel the love! Thank you to our amazing performers from Banal, Gulang, Bamayi, Garawa and Badhu. There's nothing like music to soothe the soul.



A huge congratulations to Lucy for her outstanding effort at the Little Athletics zone carnival on the weekend. 4 medals, 2 gold and 2 silver. Congratulations also to all our Pelican netballers for your awards at our presentation on Saturday night. The major awards went out to Matilda, Linley, Ava, Emily, Soha & Imogen. What

a year! Well done to all our Tacoma superstars!

Have a great week everyone.

Live the life you dream of!

Mandy

Nangami Janaiwee ~ dream with me

### Principals Awards

Creeden, Jay & Lachlan



### Merit Awards

#### Banal—Mrs Andrews (K)

George, Kaden, Ayden & Maliki

#### Gulang—Mrs Fletcher (K)

Eric, Fadel, Ruby & Sebastian

#### Bamayi—Mrs Mercieca (Year 1)

Rebel, Eli, Kyan & Emily

#### Garawa—Mrs Nicholson (Years 1 & 2)

Tamsyn, Riley, Levi & Charlotte

#### Badhu—Mr Kirk (Years 2 & 3)

Jai, Tess, Thomas & William

#### Murgu—Mr Farquhar (Years 3 & 4)

Finn, Jed, Chelsea & Brock

#### Gundang—Mrs Kable (Years 4 & 5)Curtis & Michael

Blessing, Cohan, Tyreece & Elliott

#### Waagir—Mr McFarlane (Year 5)

Summer, Grace, Blake & Tanika

#### Balba—Mr Tedd (Year 6)

Jasmine, Zac, Dylan & Hollie



### Year 6 Farewell—Date change

Due to a booking mix up at the venue end, the Year 6 Farewell will now be held on Monday 17th December (the night before the original date).



Venue—Wyong Golf Club

Time—5.30pm—9pm

## Student Banking—last chance to order prizes

Tomorrow is the last chance students can order prizes with their banking. Only banking will be processed in Week 9 but there will be no banking in Week 10.

## Student pick up changes

Please note for the safety of your child, we are trialling a new procedure. If you are picking your child up early, please go straight to the office, not the classroom. The office will ring the classroom for your child's teacher to send them down. Teachers will not release children until this process is followed. This will be a quicker and safer procedure for all involved. Thank you for your understanding in this important matter.



## Students requiring medication at school

**DON'T**

Just a reminder that there is paperwork required to be completed before any students can take any sort of medication at school. If your child uses an Asthma puffer at home, please let us know also.

**FORGET**

## Combined Scripture Assembly

Everyone is invited to our special combined scripture assembly at 9.30-10.30am Friday 14th December.

## Absences from school

Just a reminder that if you have replied to the SMS you receive when your child is absent you no longer need to write a note or ring the school. The only exception is if you need to provide a Doctor's Certificate. If you are going on holidays please provide a note beforehand or send an SMS to **0417 436 337**. (this number only receives text messages).

## Reminder about phone calls to school late in the day

Please contact the office before 2.45pm (unless in the case of an emergency) so we can find your child and let the teacher know. They are not always in their classrooms and calls made to the school close to 3pm make it very difficult to get the messages to the teachers.

## School Leaders

Congratulations to all of our nominees who presented their speeches last Thursday. What an amazing bunch of students and what brilliant speeches!!! You guys made



the voting process a very difficult task because any one of you would be a great leader for our school.

We also heard some awesome House Captain speeches in the afternoon and again, the voting process was a



daunting one for all of the students.

Good luck to all captain 'hopefuls' and remember, whether you're chosen as a captain or not, you are all amazing students and we look forward to seeing you tackle all of your Year 6 leadership tasks next year!

We all need to wait until Presentation Day in Week 9 to hear the announcements of our 2 School Captains and 6 House Captains. Go Tacoma!!! Mr McFarlane

## Tuggerawong Pathway Committee

This committee has been working to extend the existing shared pathway at Tuggerawong to Tacoma oval. One million dollars has been allocated for Stage 1 construction. Concept plans are on display at Council until 16th December. Contact Jay Lewis 0490 131 670 or Jodie Davis 0414 521 935 or visit <https://www.yourvoiceourcoast.com/tuggerawong-shared-pathway> to have your say.

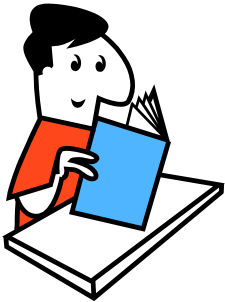
## The Knights of Tacoma

Last Sunday our Tacoma PS chess A-Team went to the NSW 3-a-side state finals held at North Sydney Boys HS to compete. Koby,



Charlie and James represented our school in the team and received some fantastic results. Overall we came 19<sup>th</sup> in the state out of 55 teams and we even managed to score some big wins 3-zip against some inner-city schools. All the boys said it was a fun chess filled day. A big shout out to Charlie's dad Grant who took the boys down to Sydney on his Sunday. Thanks heaps to Grant from everyone at Tacoma PS! And go The Knights of Tacoma!

## Attendance



## Road Safety

**Please remind your child to always listen to and obey the bus drivers instructions. This is for their safety!**

**AND**

**please do not call your child from across the road. Walk to their side and walk them across the road safely at a crossing.**



**Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility.**



**No alcohol,  
illegal drugs or smoking  
are allowed on school  
grounds.**





# BIRTHDAY!

Chase, Lucas, Kiana, Chloe, Savanna,  
Summer, Jack, Jessica & Mikael



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