



TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter

3 June 2019

Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 6! Again, it has been a busy, busy week at Tacoma with many things happening! The Dance Groups have had their Technical Rehearsal at the Laycock Street Theatre—many thanks to the wonderful parents who transported the kids down and back—we appreciate your support. A HUGE thank you to Miss Tuff and Mrs Sadler who have choreographed, organised and practised the dance every week with our dancers—your commitment to provide such a special opportunity for our Tacoma girls is appreciated. We also had a Working Bee two weekends ago with many students, parents and staff coming to garden! It was a lovely day with lots achieved and lots of yummy morning tea and lunch!

Thank you to Mrs Andrews who organised the day and works tirelessly with Mr Kirk in our garden every week with the Green Team. We are so very lucky to have such beautiful grounds. A big shout out to Mr Doran as well for all his hard work in the garden and school.

Another thank you is to Mrs Shaw and Mrs Andrews for their organisation of a wonderful Reconciliation Week with activities and morning tea. The students continue to grow in the cultural knowledge of Aboriginal people, history and languages through brilliant opportunities like these.

Diary Dates

11-13 June

Book Fair

12-14 June

Life Education

14 June

Values Assembly—
Cooperation

19 June

Spelling Bee school Final

21 June

K-2 Excursion—Oakvale
Farm

27 June

CC Dance Festival Senior
Dance Group

28 June

Values Assembly—
Responsibility

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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And lastly, well played Netball team! I loved seeing you all shine at Baker Park last week and I was so proud of your sportsmanship and teamwork. A big thank you to Mrs Shaw and Mrs Sturt for the coaching of the team and organisation of a great gala day.

This week we are trialling a new playground roster and opening the oval at recess (suggested by some Year 6 students). This is a trial only, so any feedback you hear from your children would be greatly appreciated!

We are fortunate to be running two panels to appoint two permanent teachers at Tacoma. The panel consists of a convenor, staff representative, P&C representative and AECG representative. I am hoping to run, and finalise, these panels this term. This is a great opportunity for our temporary teachers to apply for permanency. The two jobs will be advertised through 'teachnsw' and anyone from the state of NSW may apply, if they meet our criteria. I am convening both panels and run a very transparent process. If you personally have any questions, please come and see me! I will notify you in the next newsletter who is on our panels.

We have banned 'TIPS' or any chasing games in the playground recently due to the large number of injuries and poor behaviour during the game. Many students playing complain of being hit or don't like being chased and are often out of bounds. All teachers will be explaining the rules and boundaries in class, to make this fun activity available again.

This week my focus is ***'Be in the right place at the right time'***. This includes staying in the boundaries of the playground, not playing in or near the toilets and being on time for lines after the bell has rung.

After some feedback from staff, students and parents, we have decided to change assemblies to every ODD FORTNIGHT. NO assembly this week (Week 6), we will have one Week 7 and Week 9 this term.

Seen in my office for outstanding work:



Have a fabulous fortnight Tacoma!

Nicole Heazlewood

Principal Awards

Charlie, Kiana, Tyler, Katrina, Amarli & Curtis

Merit Awards

Bamayi—Mrs Andrews (Kinder)

Max, Ashlan, Riley & Ryan

Badhu—Mrs Morassut (K/1)

Zak, Malakkai, Kaede & Luni

Murgu—Mrs Nicholson (Year 1)

Rocco, Mark, Sommer-Lee & Joshua

Waagir—Mr McFarlane (1/2)

Zach, Kaley, Izaac & Ritchie

Garawa—Mrs Stuckey (2/3)

Doha, Isabella, Beau & Charli

Gundang—Mr Kirk (3/4)

Noah, Connor, Charlotte & Jaxon

Balba—Mrs Fletcher(4/5)

Mikael & Jessie

Banal—Miss Tuff (5/6)

Sam, Sienna, Seth & Blake

Gulang—(5/6)

Caleb, Koby, Soha & Michael



Soccer Gala Day

On Thursday in Week 4, our school soccer team played in the PSSA gala day. They played 2 games but lost against the stronger teams of Tuggerawong and Kanwal. The first game went to extra time after a 2-2 result but we got a goal against us in the final 10 minutes. In the second game, tired legs got to us but we never gave up, resulting in a goal towards the end of the game.

What a brilliant team effort!! Congratulations to everyone who played with wonderful spirit and tenacity. You never gave up!

Goal-scorers were Grace, Thomas and Koby.

Great job guys-I was very proud of your efforts!!!

Mr McFarlane

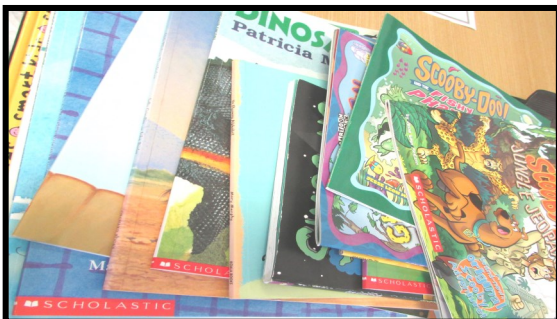


Year 6 Chocolate Fundraiser

The chocolates are almost gone. Thanks to everyone who has sold some. Can you please return all chocolate money this week. Thanks

Book Donation

A big thank you to a member of the Tacoma community, Donna Arnall, for donating a stack of library and home reader books to the school.



Attendance Phone Number

A reminder that you can text us to advise why your child away or late.

TEXT only 0417 436 337

This is a dedicated attendance number only. It cannot be used for anything else.

BOOK FAIR BEACH

Book Fair is here again!

Congratulations to the winners of our colouring-in competition and lucky prize draw. These children each have a \$5 voucher to spend on books at the Book Fair. During Week 6, classes will have the opportunity to visit the Book Fair, browse the books available and complete a 'Wish List' to take home. Parents and Carers are invited to attend our special 'Parents Only' preview on Friday 7th June, from 1:30pm - 3:30pm.

Books make a great present for birthdays or as a stocking filler for Christmas and don't forget that all books sold go towards helping the school to stock up on resources to enrich your children's education. Books purchased at the Book Fair and donated to the school library are very much appreciated. All purchases can be made using cash, credit card, cheque or by an online payment (see below).

Book Fair dates:

Week 6 - Friday 7th June, from 1:30pm - 3:30pm – Exclusive 'Parents Only' preview

Week 7 - Tuesday 11th June – Thursday 13th June - Book Fair open from 8:30am – 9am, during Recess and from 3:00pm – 3:30pm.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Yours in reading,

Deb Sadler

Librarian

Book Fair Wish List Prepayments



If your child brings home a Book Fair Wish List and you want to pay for these selections by credit card in advance, please:

1. Go to scholastic.com.au/payment
2. Click 'Book Fairs'
3. Enter amount and pay
4. Record receipt number on back of Wish List
5. Your child then takes this payment record back to school, chooses books at the Fair and takes receipt number to cashier as payment.

SCHOLASTIC  Book Fairs



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Circle of Security—Term 3 2019

What do our child need from us? This program is based on research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

Dates: 31st July to 18 Sept x 8 weeks 10am—12.30pm

Where: Young Parents Hub, 2a Amy Cl, North Wyong

Phone: 4351 1152

Bookings essential. Free childcare available.

Bringing Up Great Kids for Aboriginal Families (free)

Dates: 22 July to 26 Aug 2019 10am to 12.30pm

Venue: 1 Literacy Cl, Kanwal

Parenting program. Uses mindfulness and reflection to assist parents to examine and improve communication with their children.

Phone: 4351 1152. Free childcare available



Working Bee



Reconciliation Week



Netball Team



ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – It's NOT ok TO STAY AWAY

Too many students across Australia are missing their best chance to do well in life because they are allowed to miss days of their education. Some students are allowed to stay home for an ever increasing number of excuses including -

- a day off for their birthday
- a day off because relatives are visiting
- a day off to be with parents at home
- a day off to look after younger brothers and sisters
- a day off to go shopping



Students should only miss school for genuine illness or for serious domestic reasons. All absences must be explained within 7 days or earlier is even better.

Talk to the Principal or class teacher if you have trouble getting your child to school.

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.

Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility.



Our first aid officer is Mrs Byrnes and our sick bay is located in the administration building. If you injure yourself while on site please go to the office or ask someone to alert the first aid officers. They will assist you

Tacoma Public School - Road Safety Education

Hold your child's hand.

Until they are at least 8 years old children need to hold an adult's hand. Until they are at least 10, children should be closely supervised by an adult and hold hands when crossing the road.



Zac, Sebastian, Jack, Zachery, Kody, Thomas,
Lincon, Paige, Kye & Kiyah.

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