



TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter

29 July 2019

Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term 3 Tacoma families! We have started the term beautifully – all classes are working hard and our students' behaviour is awesome. We have a wonderful week coming up – Tacoma is celebrating NAIDOC Week. Our Aboriginal students are visiting Hopetown for some cultural activities on Thursday and our whole school will enjoy our own NAIDOC celebration day on Friday. We will combine this with the National Tree Planting Day.

I will be away from Wednesday to Friday, attending a Principal's Induction in Sydney. Our very capable Assistant Principals – Mrs Stuckey, Mrs Shaw and Mrs Fletcher will share the principal role.

Permanent Teaching Positions:

A very big CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Deb Sadler who was appointed, through interview, at the end of Term 2 to one of our classroom teacher positions. Mrs Sadler is currently in the library. She brings to our school a deep knowledge of curriculum, inquiry-based learning and STEM and a love of teaching with students at the centre. We are so excited to have her permanently to strengthen Tacoma Public School.

Our other position is currently in the recruitment process. Interviews will take place in Week 3.

Learning Support Teacher

We welcome Mrs Gemma White for the rest of the year to join our amazing Learning Support Team. Gemma brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise in supporting

Diary Dates

31 July

Public Speaking Final

K-2 9:30 3-6 11:30

2 Aug

NAIDOC Celebrations

5 Aug—9 Aug

Education Week

8 Aug

Tuggerah Westfield—Choir
& Dance Groups

9 Aug

Book Parade 9.30-11am

The Great Book Swap
11.30am-1.30pm

Values Assembly

13 Aug

Athletics Carnival

16 Aug

Surf Education Beach Talks

20-21 Aug

Stage 2 Camp

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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teachers and students in learning adjustments for behaviour. She will be working Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays in classrooms and 1:1 with teachers.

Road Safety – DANGER on Braithwaite Rd

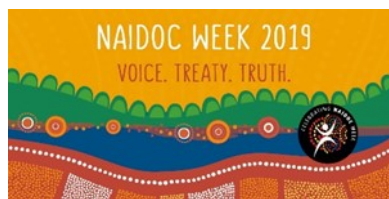
It has come to my attention from some families that students are putting themselves AT RISK crossing the road in the afternoons on Braithwaite Road. If you wait in your car on the opposite side of the street, please insist your child walk up to where the flags are. The flags are outside the school entry nearest the OVAL. Even safer (and to get those steps up!) is to walk to the school gate or crossing ON THE SCHOOL side and wait. You can then cross the busy road safely, together. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated. Our students are so precious and I am determined to ensure their safety.

Around the school

I hope you have all popped up to see our new ground covering under the COLA! It is bright and cheerful and we love it! We also have our new fitness equipment behind the toilet block to enjoy. And – wait for it – our plumbing has been fixed to stop the huge flooding that occurs outside and in the toilet block when it rains. Yippee! We have some more things planned, so keep your eyes peeled.



NAIDOC Week @ Tacoma Public School



NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July/August to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated by all Australians. Our school are participating in a range of activities learn more about our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, history, languages and culture. At Tacoma, we walk with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people together - for a better and shared future. This year the theme is – Voice. Treaty. Truth. I encourage all our families to ask your children about what they have learnt and participated in at school, during our NAIDOC week!

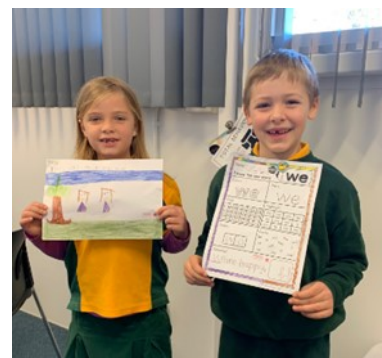
Education Week

Week 3 is NSW Department of Education's Education Week. Our theme is 'Every Student, Every Voice.' I am looking forward to connecting with all our students and hearing their wishes and voices for Tacoma Public School, and how we can make it an even more amazing place! We are having an open day on Friday 9th August, which you are all invited to attend. Please see your invite which came home today.



Kindergarten 2020

Do you have a child who will be starting Kindergarten in 2020 or do you know someone with a child due to start school next year? If so please encourage them to drop into school and pick up an enrolment package. It is important that we are aware of all students who will be starting school in order to effectively transition students and plan for the year ahead. Please contact the school office for further information.



Seen in the office:

Last week I saw some fabulous work all over the school. I also enjoyed seeing writing from Badhu with Chase and Madeleine. Ceej from Garawa showed me his INCREDIBLE powerpoint presentation where he interviewed the Rabbitoh's players! So impressive Ceej, well done.

Have a great week!
Nicole Heazlewood

Principal Awards

Junior Dance Group & Kye

Merit Awards

Bamayi— Mrs Andrews (Kinder)

Indi-Rose, Eli & Isaac

Badhu—Mrs Morassut (K/1)

Paige, Jaxson & Katelyn

Murgu—Mrs Nicholson (Year 1)

Addison, Cruz & Sebastian

Waagir—Mr McFarlane (1/2)

Liam, Kiyah & Izaac

Garawa—Mrs Stuckey (2/3)

Billy, Seth & Laura

Gundang—Mr Kirk (3/4)

John, Jai & Madison

Balba—Mrs Fletcher(4/5)

Cameron, Cameron & Lakiah

Banal—Miss Tuff (5/6)

Maria, Cohan & Zac

Gulang—(5/6)

Thandi, Linzee & Alannah

Touch Footy

Last Thursday, our girls played in the PSSA Touch Football gala day. We played 2 games— lost the first and had a draw for the second. What a bunch of superstars!!! The girls played brilliantly in both games— keeping position, using teamwork, stringing passes together AND this was their first time playing an official game. A fantastic effort girls, I was so proud of your commitment (they all wanted to play another game!!!), teamwork and sportswomanship. Thanks to all the parents and friends who came along for support!!

Another great day in the life of Tacoma. GO GIRLS!!!



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Circle of Security

At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you.

You will learn: - Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read their emotional needs - Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions - Enhance the development of your child's self-esteem

Dates: 31st July, 7th, 14th, 22nd, 28th August 4th, 11th, 18th September.

Time: 10am – 12.30pm

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

Phone: 4351 1152

Bookings essential. Childcare available.



We are calling on everyone to participate in an online survey, online forum or attend a workshop to help guide the first Central Coast Council Skate Strategy.

This strategy will be used to inform future development, upgrade and maintenance of skate facilities on the Central Coast to meet the needs of our community – now and in the future.

You can get involved in a number of ways!

1. Attend one of the workshops being run across the Coast between **17 July** and **1 August**
2. Complete the online survey before **9 August**
3. Join the conversation and participate in our online forum between **10 July** and **9 August**

Go to yourvoiceourcoast.com/skate-strategy

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – It's NOT ok to stay away

All children have the right to an Education.

Regular School attendance lets students develop a sense of belonging and builds important coping and friendship skills. Confident children are less likely to engage in anti-social behaviour.

When students miss out on basic skills in the early years of school they may have learning problems in later years. In the long run, unsatisfactory attendance may affect the opportunities available to your child.

Parents are required by law to ensure all children from 6 to 17 year olds are enrolled at and regularly attend school or are registered with NESAS NSW for home schooling.



Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility.

Your Child's Medical Needs

Information about allergies, asthma, diabetes and medical procedures in the last 12 months helps us support your child's health and wellbeing. Please provide relevant information to the school.



Please note: Information you provide will only be used or disclosed in order to support your child's health needs or as otherwise required by law.

Road Safety Education

Never distract the bus driver from their important task of driving the bus.





Seth, Chelsea, Beau, Hannah, Hannah, Soha,
Imogen, Ruby, Sam, Ethan & Dakota

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