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Dates to remember:

16 December

Year 6 Farewell

17 December

Year 6 RAW Challenge

18 December

Students last day
Kinder Graduation
Year 6 Arch

19-20 December

Staff Development Days

29 January 2020

Students Return

3 Feb 2020

Kindergarten Commence

21 Feb 2020

School Swimming Carnival

Uniform Shop 2020

The uniform shop will be open on Tues 28th of January (pupil free day) from 9.30 -11.30am and will be open every day for the first two weeks from 8.30-9.00am

Term Dates

Term 4 2019 14 Oct—20 Dec

Term 1 2020 29 Jan — 9 Apr

Term 2 2020 28 Apr—3 Jul

Term 3 2020 21 Jul—25 Sept

Term 4 2020 12 Oct—16 Dec

16 December 2019

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Tacoma families and community,

Can you believe it? It is the last week of school for 2019 and it has passed in the blink of an eye. It has been 3 terms since I walked into paradise – our beautiful Tacoma Public School. One word to describe our school and community is JOYFUL. Thank you for making me feel so welcome and valued.

It is incredible to work in a school with dedicated and talented staff. They have such a passion and love for our students. I also appreciate their support, collaboration and compassion for our Tacoma kids. To my executive; Mrs Stuckey, Mrs Shaw and Mrs Fletcher. Thank you for your support, hard work, expertise and always having the students of Tacoma at the centre of your decisions.

To our brilliant teachers; Mrs Fraser, Mrs Andrews, Mrs Morassut, Mrs Nicholson, Mr Mac, Mr Kirk, Mr Tedd, Mrs Sadler, Mrs Smith and Mrs White – incredibly talented teachers who have the absolute best interests of their students at heart. They work tirelessly (often here late after school, early mornings and weekends). Thank you for your compassion and strength to improve your students' outcomes.

Our SASS staff are incredible – led by Mrs Bynes, Mrs Santry, Mrs Sammut, Mrs Young, Mr Doran and Glor. Thank you for looking after everything from scraped knees to supporting our staff to making sure our environment is clean and a great place to learn. We appreciate you so much.

Our Student Learning Support Officers – our angels – Mrs Sturt, Mrs Glachan, Mrs L, Mrs White, Mrs G, Miss K, Mr P and Mrs Pearson – where would we be without your support, love, compassion and patience. Thank you for having a positive influence in the learning of so many of our Tacoma students.

Thank you to Mrs Critt, who even though retired, still volunteers her teaching expertise in our classrooms, Vice President of the P&C,

feeding us all healthy lunches and snacks at Working Bees and BBQs and keeping us up to date with all things ICT – making sure we are on-line and all our technology working. We love you Mrs Critt!

To our wonderful P&C – many thanks to Christina, Sue and Leeca and the entire P&C who have supported the students in so many ways this year, from student support services, give back days to the students and events that fund other initiatives – particularly our FIRST incredible Christmas Carols night with Santa! Thank you to all P&C members for your support to me as the in-coming principal. You have been so lovely.

Our supportive parents and carers – so many of you have supported me already this year and I appreciate your willingness to work with us to improve your children's outcomes. Thank you for entrusting us with your babies, everyday.

And lastly, to our incredible, kind, talented students of Tacoma. I love watching you learn and grow everyday. I love watching you play, take on challenges, enjoy each other's company and you make my day so happy when you come and share your learning with me. I absolutely love celebrating your learning! See pictures for 'seen in the office', and some of our Aboriginal kids at the Ngara AECG Awards of Excellence.....



A big congratulations to our magnificent students who shared a 100% attendance morning tea with me today. Well done to Ashlan, Billy, Charlie, Joel and Thomas. This is an exemplary achievement and I am so proud of you.

I was excited to announce our fabulous 2020 Leadership Team at Presentation Day. Congratulations to our 2020 School Captains – Soha Qaumi and Matilda Kirk. Our 2020 Plover Captains – Kiana Jacovides and Kane Dunn. Our Seagull Captain – Jed McDonald and Maddison Sullivan. Our Pelican Captains- Tyreece Roy and Harry Rouse.

I am so fortunate to be leading this wonderful school. I wish you all a safe and happy holiday. See you all on Wednesday, 29th January, 2020.

Nicole Heazlewood

Uniform Shop

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2020 Text Books

Text books prices for 2020 are as follows;

Kindergarten—\$ 40.00

Year 1-6—\$50.00

Information will be sent home early in Term 1 with instructions for purchasing them.



Presentation Day Awards

Bamayi

Academic Excellence— Charlotte & Declan

Citizenship—Tanay

Commitment to Learning— Max

Most Improved— Oliver



Citizenship— Taylah & Connor

Most improved— Charlotte

Conscientious Application to Learning— Lucas

Balba

Academic Excellence— Ava & Summer

Citizenship— Thomas

Consistent Effort — Diesel & Indianna

Banal

Academic Excellence— Summer

Citizenship— Ruby

Commitment to Learning— Seth & Jarod

Conscientious Application to Learning— Thomas

Badhu

Academic Excellence—Kaede

Citizenship—Reagan

Commitment to Learning—Luciana

Most improved—luni

Conscientious Application to Learning— Ruby



Murgu

Academic Excellence— Elijah & Abigail

Citizenship— Cooper

Commitment to Learning— Chloe

Most improved— Rocco



Gulang

Academic Excellence— Soha & Matilda

Citizenship— Indiah

Commitment to Learning— Kiana

Consistent Effort—Michael

Waagir

Academic Excellence— Eliza

Citizenship— Ritchie & Kaley

Consistent Effort —Sophia

Most improved— Kyan



Dux—Thomas

CAPA Award— Madelyn

Science & Technology Award— Caleb

Dobel—Sarah

Sportsmanship —Koby

Citizenship— Tanika

Chess—Koby

Premiers Reading Challenge—John & Lucas

Deadly Awards—Amarli & Tiana

Garawa

Academic Excellence— Charli & Mikaila

Citizenship— Laura

Commitment to Learning— Tamsyn

Conscientious Application to Learning— Rebel



Gundang

Academic Excellence—Lyla



Kids Matter—Happy Spirits

Banal—Kye

Gulang—Jack

Bamayi—Jibril

Garawa—Doha

Badhu—Paige

Murgu—Sommer-Lee

Gundang—India

Waagir—Lyla

Balba—Katrina



Swimming Champions

Junior Boy—Jed

Junior Girl—Ava

Senior Boy—Harry

Senior Girl—Chelsea



Athletics Champions

Junior Boy—Jed

Junior Girl—Sibulele

Senior Boy—Harry

Senior Girl—Kiana



Cross Country Champions

Junior Boy—Finn

Junior Girl—Tamara

Senior Boy—Sam

Senior Girl—Kiana



Sports Champions

Junior Champion—Jed

Senior Champion—Harry

**Wyong High School
Scholarship—Thomas**



Teachers Mutual Bank Scholarships

Kyah & Holly

Lions Club of Wyoming Scholarships

Renata, Jaxon, Zali & Cameron

Spelling Bee

Early Stage 1— Kaede & Max

Stage 1—Mikaila & Jack

Stage 2— Caleb & Thomas

Stage 3— Thomas & Grace

Public Speaking

Early Stage 1—Charlotte & Max

Stage 1—Jack & Patrick

Stage 2— Thomas & Lucas

Stage 3— Ethan & Ruby

2020 School Captains—Soha & Matilda

**Pelicans House Captains—
Harry & Tyreece**

Plovers House Captains—Kane & Kiana

Seagulls House Captains—Jed & Maddison



**Congratulations
to our
2020 School Leaders!**



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

From the Staff at Tacoma Public School



**Chase, Kiana, Chloe, Lucas, Summer,
Jessica, Jack, Gretel & Mikael.**



FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Come and explore rock pools with OCCI's expert guides and learn about the fascinating creatures that live there. There is a maximum of 25 people per walk **so bookings are essential.**

Most suited to ages 5 years to adult. All Children need to be accompanied by an adult.

All participants are required to wear closed in shoes for protection.

DATES:

Friday 27.12.19 @3.30 Norah Head

Sunday 12.1.20 @ 3.45 Terrigal Haven

Sunday 12.1.20 @3.45 Toowoan Bay

Tuesday 14.1.20 @ 5.30 Terrigal Haven

Thursday 23.1.20 @ 2pm Terrigal Haven

Friday 24.1.20 @ 2.30 Terrigal Haven

Saturday 25.1.20 @ 4.15 cabbage Tree Bay (Norah Head)

To book, please text Linda on **0404 450 429**

You will need to leave:

Your name,

Phone No. Preferably mobile;

Children's names and ages,

Date & walk location; Source of information



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SIXERS HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



Woolworths Cricket Blast INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM teaches boys and girls new skills in a Big Bash inspired fun and safe environment!! Blasters can choose a cricket or craft adventure during a 'Free Play Session'.



The 6ers Holiday Camp is ideal for boy and girls playing JUNIOR FORMAT STAGE 1 with their local club. Players will be exposed to contemporary coaching activities lead by experienced coaches.

Date Time	Suburb (Postcode)	Introductory Program (5-9 yrs.)	Junior Format Stage 1 (9-11 yrs.)
13 Jan 2020 9am-3pm	Lorn (2320)	\$80	\$100
14 Jan 2020 9am-3pm	New Lambton (2305)	\$80	\$100
15 Jan 2020 9am-3pm	Cameron Park (2285)	\$80	\$100
16/17 Jan 2020 9am-12pm	Ourimbah (2258)	\$99	\$100
20/21 Jan 2020 9am-12pm	Erina (2250)	\$99	\$100

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

Introductory Program - www.playcricket.com.au

Search for camp by: age filter and suburb (as listed above)

Look for Program title "Sydney Sixers Holiday Program"

Junior Format Stage 1 - www.trybooking.com

Click Buy on the landing page and then search "Sydney 6ers" and the suburb (as listed above)



Young Archie 2019—Gosford

Budding artists between the ages of 5 and 18 are invited to submit a portrait for the Gosford YOUNG ARCHIE competition

Your artwork

- is 'drawn from life' of a person who is special to you
- must be A4 (210 x 297 mm) and no thicker than 1cm.
- only one artwork only per entrant.

Key dates

Competition opens 15 November 2019

Entries must be received by 5 January 2020

Finalists will be displayed 8 to 22 January 2020

Opening celebration 8 January 2020, 11am