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Dates to remember:

18 February

Zone Soccer Trials

21 February

School Swimming Carnival &
K-2 Water Fun Day

26-27 February

Commonwealth Bank Visit

4 March

Zone Swimming Carnival

11 March

School Photographs

27 March

Sydney North Swimming

3 April

School Cross Country Carnival

9 April

Easter Hat Parade
Last Day of Term 1

27 April

Staff Development Day

28 April

Students Return
Anzac Ceremony

Term Dates

Term 1 2020 29 Jan-9 Apr

Term 2 2020 28 Apr-3 Jul

Term 3 2020 21 July-25 Sept



17 February 2020

Principals message

Happy Week 4 Tacoma families!

I was SO PROUD of our students last Friday at our very first assembly for 2020. If you were there I am sure you would agree how respectful and amazing they were. Kindergarten attended their first assembly and were absolutely incredible. Thank you to all our Tacoma kids – you make coming to school a joy. I was also so proud of our 2020 captains – your exemplary behaviour makes you such wonderful role models for our students. Thank you. And lastly to the beautiful Kayley who gave our Acknowledgement to Country– script free. So impressive for a student in Year 2! Thanks Kaley.

I also want to congratulate our brilliant Tacoma PS staff. It is Week 4, and all our classes are beautifully settled and learning and this doesn't happen without a dedicated teaching staff and support staff. I appreciate you all so very much.

SRC - I have been busy in the office planning with our School Captains, Matilda and Soha. These girls are so full of great ideas and initiatives to make our school an even better place. Their first initiative is the first Tacoma PS Students Representative Council (SRC). Classes have voted in who they think will be a good representative to take their ideas to fortnightly meetings. Congratulations to the following leaders from each class:

Gulang – Harvey

Banal – Piper

Bamayi – Jarlah

Waagir – Elijah

Murgu – Milania

Gundang – Matthew

Garawa – Seth

Badhu - Ava

Balba – Kye

Matilda and Soha will lead this team with Mrs Blumer and myself. I am looking forward to our first meeting this week.

Wyong River Floods – Our thoughts are with our families who were affected by the recent damaging floods. It has been a worrying time and we are glad things are slowly returning to normal. A natural disaster has been declared by the NSW Government and this means that people whose homes or belongings have been damaged can receive financial support and assistance. If you or someone you know has been affected by flood, I would encourage you to call the Disaster Welfare Assistance Line on 1800 018 444.

Swimming Carnival and Water Fun Day – this Friday 21/2/20. ALL students in Years 3 – 6 are expected to attend. This year, we will be having water-fun activities, so all students will be able to enjoy the pool. Permission notes and \$10 now due to office. Thank you to Mrs Mac for his organisation, and to Mr Kirk and Mrs Nicholson for organising the water fun day for our K -2 kids back at school. Lots of volunteers are needed for this fun event, so please let us know if you are able to do so.

Textbook Packs – we really should call these ‘resource packs’ as the cost is for not only textbooks. The payment includes student printing/copying, subscriptions for digital technology and digital access to Matific, Sound Waves (our spelling program), Literacy Pro and Inquisitive. Some of these subscriptions are available for home use for additional practice. Your child’s class teacher will provide them with a web address and a password. Thank you to the many families who have paid already.

Seen in my Office – Oh my goodness, I have been amazed at the clever students who come and proudly show me their achievements! Congratulations to:

Gulang – Myah, William, Hazel, Liam, Charlotte, Kabel

Bamayi – Kody, Ethan

Banal – Nate, Cory, Koda, Charlotte, Piper

Garawa –Tamsyn and Eliza



NSW Health Primary School Dental Program

Please return notes/envelopes by Weds 26 February. Each child requires their own note.

NSW Health is working with public primary schools to offer free dental check-ups and preventive care to students as part of a school-based mobile dental program. Your child's school has been selected to participate in this program.

The program involves a mobile dental team making scheduled visits to your child's primary school. During the first appointment a dental check-up and preventive care package will be provided, subject to parental consent.

The program is scheduled to visit your child's school from 23/03/2020 to 3/04/2020.

Parent Information and Consent Packs will be sent home, including information sheets, consent forms and the program privacy statement. Parents/guardians who want their child to receive care are advised to:

- Read all the information provided
- Carefully complete the consent forms
- Return the consent forms to the school as soon as possible

More information about the program is available on the NSW Health website: <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/primaryschool dental>.

Family Contact Details

Year 6 families—please ensure your correct address is in our system as your local high school is determined by the address on record.



Commonwealth Bank Visits

Commonwealth Bank

A representative from Commonwealth Bank will be visiting each classroom on either Weds 26/02 or Thurs 27/02 for a 30 minute lesson on healthy saving habits.

A note from the P&C

Welcome back Tacoma families! A Reminder that our P&C meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month—this Thursday 20/02 our meeting will be at 7pm. Everyone is welcome!



The uniform shop is open Monday and Friday mornings in the canteen. Uniforms can also be ordered on the My School Connect App or left at the office.



WADALBA COMMUNITY SCHOOL—YEAR 7 2021 TRANSITION PROGRAM FAMILY INFORMATION AND TOUR SESSIONS

Wednesday 26th February 2020—Sessions begin at 4.00pm—Wadalba Community School

You can now book your tour time that suits **YOUR FAMILY BEST**. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Happy Birthday!!



**Thomas, Izaac, Elliott, Kye, Liam, Blessing,
Eliza, Samuel & Jibril**