

Tacoma Public School

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Dates to remember:

Tuesdays Term 4

Sports in School

Thurs 3 Nov, 10 Nov

Kindergarten Orientation 9-10.45am

Friday 4 Nov

School Captaincy EOI due

Thurs 10 Nov

Kinder 2023 Parent Info Session

Mon 14 Nov

School Captain speeches

Friday 18 Nov

Koori Choir rehearsal Kanwal

Friday 2 December

Volunteers Morning Tea

Wednesday 7 December

School Concert

Wednesday 14 December

Presentation Day

Friday 16 December

Kinder & Year 6 Graduation

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

WORLD TEACHER'S DAY

We celebrated our incredible teaching staff last Friday for World Teachers Day 2022. We are so lucky to have such talented and dedicated teachers who make learning both challenging and fun for our students every day. Many thanks to our SASS staff for a wonderful morning tea and our generous P&C for our delicious lunch! We felt very spoilt!



NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

A massive congratulations to Mrs Nicholson who was successful, via merit selection, in her Assistant Principal application. Mrs Nicholson will continue to supervise K-2. We are so fortunate to have such a knowledgeable, dedicated, caring, organised and passionate teacher and executive to be permanently part of our team.

SCHOOL CONCERT

Thank you to the 103 people who responded to our survey! I am so appreciative. Due to the numbers and time of year, we will be holding this year's school concert at Wyong High School. The hall easily fits 800 people so we will be able to offer families the opportunity to purchase more than 2 tickets each. There will be a matinee and evening performance. Please write it in your diaries, as ALL students will be expected at the night performance, even if you do not purchase tickets. This is to keep the integrity of the class item and organisation of the item. We are grateful for families to facilitate this. We will be using an on-line ticketing system and information will be provided later in the term.

We are asking for \$10 from students in Bamayi, Balba, Gundang, Badhu and Murgu for costumes and the school is subsidising the rest of their concert cost. Some classes are being asked to provide their own costumes. Students will be able to keep their costume at the end of the concert.

Term Dates

Term 3, 2022 18 July—23 September

Term 4, 2022 10 Oct—20 Dec

Term 1, 2023 27 January—6 April

The concert date is WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER. We are super excited!

CLASS STRUCTURES FOR 2023

We are about to start the process of looking into class structures for 2023. If for any reason your child will be leaving Tacoma at the end of 2022, could you kindly notify the school office either by phone or email as this will assist greatly with class numbers and formations. Also, if you know anyone enrolling for 2023 who hasn't already contacted the school, could you please encourage them to do so.

IMPORTANT EVENTS THIS TERM

At this stage we have locked in dates for Presentation Day, Kindergarten Graduation, Year 6 Graduation and Year 6 Farewell. Presentation Day Tuesday 14 December, the Year 6 farewell on Monday 12 December and K and Year 6 graduations on the 16 December (last day). We also have Tacoma's Got Talent on 15 December and class parties on Friday 16 December.

LUNCH WITH PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to Tianna, Tanay and Charlotte for their outstanding behaviour and earning their reward of lunch with me last week. I am so proud of these beautiful girls who are consistently safe, respectful learners. It was a treat to enjoy our pizza together!



HAPPY SPIRITS KINDER ORIENTATION

We have been so happy to have met our newest Tacomians as they come and experience big school! They are absolutely delightful. It is lovely to have many little brothers, sisters and cousins as well as some brand-new families. Thanks to Mrs Nicholson for her incredible organisation and the teachers and SLSO staff who have been involved.



2022 SCHOOL CAPTAIN AND HOUSE CAPTAIN SPEECHES

Students who are interested in Year 5 are nominating for leadership roles in 2023. They are working on their campaign posters and speeches. Their posters will be displayed next week in the COLA and their speeches and voting will take place Week 6, Monday November 14. Parents are welcome. Good luck Year 5! Many thanks to Mr Mac and Mrs Stoodley for their organisation.

PRE-REPORT INTERVIEWS

Class teachers are again contacting every family over the next week to have a chat about your child's progress this semester. This conversation is part of our Semester 2 reporting to parents process. Written reports will be sent home in Week 10, Term 4 (14th December).

SEEN IN THE OFFICE/CLASSROOMS

Outstanding mathematical thinking by Badhu, Garawa and Banal. Congratulations to Isabella and Charlotte from Gundang for their perfect spelling results!



Have a fabulous fortnight, Tacoma!

Nicole Burgess

Assembly

There will be NO assembly this Friday, 4th November.

The next assembly will be Friday 18th November.

Assembly Awards—Term 3 Week 7

Gulang— Araura, Maxx & James

Banal— Lucy, Lachlan & Stevana

Bamayi— Hunter, Ekam & Hayley

Gundang— Jacob, Koda & Ryan

Waagir— Tianna, Chloe & Zeke



Balba— Declan, Bentley & Sienna

Murgu — Mark, Holly & Luciana

Garawa— Kaden, Lana, Kyan & Manu

Badhu— Noah, India & Kaleb



Kaden, Tanay, Cory, Ashlan, Declan,
Evah, Jeshua, Lachlan, Lily



Whats happening in Gulang?

In Gulang we like to be hands on! This goes for all of our learning, even our mathematics and numeracy! In class we have been working in groups to consolidate our "teen" numbers. Finding things around our classroom to make up different numbers is lots of fun!



What's happening in Banal?

We love learning in Banal and like to shake things up a bit too! Last week our super spellers came dressed for the test!

Throughout the year Banal has been learning with Mrs Fraser every Thursday. Students have been learning about the First Australians-An introduction to Aboriginal people. The shelters Aboriginal people built, tools they used, and they learned about music and ceremonies. Students have been immersed in Dreaming stories such as *How the birds got their colours*, *Tiddlick*, *Dunbi the Owl*, and *The Rainbow Snake*, just to name a few. Students have enjoyed listening to these stories and writing about them too! Artwork and stories have been proudly displayed in our room. Thank you Mrs Fraser for teaching us about Aboriginal culture, history, sharing artifacts and your stories.

