PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Student of the Week
Congratulations to Jessica Page from the Armada class who is our Student of the Week. Jessica is a lovely student who has displayed pride in performing her role on the student parliament this year. Jessica displays respect for teachers and assists in resolving playground problems. Well done, Jessica and congratulations on being named our student of the week!

Bouquets
Red Cross Christmas Luncheon
Thanks are extended to Tyreece Wolfram and Dakota Edgerton who presented speeches at the Red Cross Christmas Luncheon last Monday. Tyreece and Dakota spoke about their time as students involved with the Y challenge. Congratulations and well done!

Red Cross Volunteers
We are fortunate at Tea Gardens Public School to be joined every Tuesday – Thursday morning by Red Cross volunteers and a small contingent of parent helpers who serve breakfast as part of the good start breakfast club. Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our kids!

Scripture Teachers and Christmas Scripture Service
Many thanks are extended to all the scripture teachers who have provided our students with religious instruction throughout 2014 and for the coordination of the Christmas service.

School Chaplain Feedback
Thanks to the parents who responded to the request for feedback in relation to our school applying for a school chaplain for the 2015 school year. The feedback received was 100% positive. As a result, on behalf of the school community, I submitted a request for consideration for funding through the National School Chaplaincy Program. I will keep you informed in relation to the success of our submission for 2015.

Year 5 Speeches
Congratulations to our Year 5 students who presented their reasons why they would like to become a minister on the Tea Gardens School parliament in 2015. I look forward to announcing the 2015 parliament at our annual presentation day on Friday. Mr Baumann MP—the Member for Port Stephens will be in attendance to congratulate our 2015 ministers firsthand.

Diamond Award Winners continue to be recognised!
At assembly, last Friday, even more students were recognised for their positive behaviour in the playground and classroom with each student receiving their diamond award for 2014. As school principal, I am extremely proud of all our students who continue to conduct themselves with honour across all facets of school life. Well done! I look forward to inducting more students at our final assembly on 12 December 2014.
Coming Up
Junior and Senior Band Christmas Concert
This afternoon commencing at 4pm our Junior and Senior band will be performing a Christmas concert in the school hall. Come and see how well our students perform! Everyone is welcome to attend.

Swim School continues this week
In excess of 150 students continue with swimming lessons or squad swimming this week. Many thanks are extended to Mrs Booth for coordinating this annual program. In addition, thanks to our supervising staff and extensive parent volunteers who make this all possible. A fantastic team effort!

Presentation Day- this Friday
On Friday, we will hold our annual presentation day at the Baptist Church commencing at 1.20pm. Please come along and join in the acknowledgement and celebration of student achievement. Our students will walk to and from the Baptist Church supervised by teachers and School Learning Support Officers. Students will return to school by 2.55pm. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR FULL SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM NOT SPORTS UNIFORM

Thank you Morning Tea
On Tuesday 9 December, our school will be hosting a morning tea to say “thank you” to our parents and other community volunteers who have assisted in any form during the past year. To assist with catering, please RSVP (by tomorrow).

Calendar of Coming Events

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Chalk Catalogues and Order Forms
Chalk Christmas Catalogues are available. Anyone interested or considering purchasing items may collect a catalogue from the office. Orders are due back at the office by Wednesday.

Uniform Forum
Last Thursday, a number of parents met with me to discuss strategies to encourage the wearing of the correct school uniform. Please find the draft Tea Gardens Public School Uniform Policy attached to this newsletter for your perusal. Any additional comments or feedback is welcomed. Please email your thoughts / feedback to: teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Mark Clemson
Principal

THE P & C NEEDS A NEW TREASURER
Joining the P&C is a great way to find out what is happening and be involved in our school.

If you (or someone you know) might be interested in taking on the Treasurer's position for 2015 please contact the school office 4997 0286 or Karen on 0412 443 403 for more information.

P&C Xmas Dinner
All Parents/Carers are invited to attend the P&C’s end of year Dinner on Tuesday 9th December at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Venue to be advised based on numbers attending. Please RSVP your attendance to the School Office by Tues 2nd Dec.
Casual Work Available—Employment Guaranteed
Tea Gardens Public School Canteen

When: Weekly  Fortnightly  Monthly

Hours: 9-12pm

Experience: Not necessary. Everything you need to know will be learnt within a short space of time.

Salary: “A la Carte” lunch (healthy), plenty of tea or coffee and best of all, friendship and a good chat.

Bonus: Your child or children will be happy to see you in their favourite place—school! You get to spoil them by spending a little extra money (all for a good cause) and you get to meet new people and make good friends within the school community.

Applications Close: NEVER!

Please complete the form below and send it back to the canteen as soon as possible. Your roster and orientation pack will be sent home to you.

Canteen Volunteer 2015

Name: __________________________________________  Telephone: ________________________

Child’s Name: _________________________________________ Class: ___________________________

Please nominate: (day which you prefer to work and how often)

😊 Wednesday  😊 Weekly
😊 Thursday  😊 Fortnightly
😊 Friday  😊 Monthly

If possible I would like to work with: ________________________________________________

TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEER ROSTER—TERM 4 WEEK 9

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Meal – Spaghetti bolognaise with garlic bread. Optional parmesan cheese $4.50
Snack – Chocolate chip muffins .80c each

Meal – Quiche with a mini munch
Salad – lettuce, tomato & cucumber $4.50
Snack – Small muesli & yoghurt .50c each

Meal – Chicken & gravy on a long roll $4.50
Snack – Spaghetti cupcakes .80c each
STUDENT BANKING
TUESDAYS
10 Tokens redeemed for each of the following items. Tokens already saved this year can be carried over for 2015

Term 4
- Moneybox (Dollarmites, Pru, Spen & Pat)
- Scented Pencils
- Blue Wallet
- Knuckle Jacks Game
- Headphones
- Sea Streamers plus two new items
- Dollarmites Slap Band Ruler
- Dollarmites Beachball

Merit Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 28th November 2014. They were:

PRIDE
- Montanna Delaney: Working hard to improve her swimming
- Finn Matenga: Reading well and working hard

ARMY
- Summer Watson: Great teaching skills
- Abigail Alderton: Great “say it slowly” skills

TEAM
- Leah Gatenby: Great effort during swimming
- Jackson Hind: Great participation during mathematics

MOB
- Kim Deng: Excellent work in literacy
- Mia McDonald: Clever work in mathematics

POD
- Jade Johnson: Suave, speedy and a super smooth swimming style
- Amber O’Bryan: Suave, speedy and a super smooth swimming style

TROOP
- Ryver McDonald: Divine, delectable and delicious Dragon Drawing
- Harry Clemson: Constructive commendable and cool creative Colossus

CORPS
- Zane Ridley: Great work in mathematics
- Allysha Randall: Excellent work in writing

COLONY
- Aaliyah Masina: Being helpful towards students and teachers
- Dakota Edgerton: Enthusiasm at squad lessons

ARMADA
- Jacob Anderson: Excellent artwork
- Kristyl Bartyn: Consistently working well is class

'Thank You Morning Tea'

As we come to the end of a school year it is very important to acknowledge the incredible contribution everyone makes to our school. During the past year so many people have been a part of Tea Gardens Public School. All of you have been involved in many different ways and the successes of the past year have been achieved with your involvement.

The staff and students of Tea Gardens Public School would like to invite you to morning tea on **Tuesday 9 December at 10.45am** to say ‘thank you’ for having made a difference at our school.

We all hope you can come to the special morning tea so we can say ‘thank you’ to you personally. Your response by 2nd December 2014 for catering purposes would be greatly appreciated.

Mark Clemson
Principal

RSVP: Tuesday 2 December 2014

“Thank You” Morning Tea at Tea Gardens Public School to be held on Tuesday 9 December 2014 at 10.45am.

Name _______________________
Organisation _________________.
Number attending _____________.
DRAFT Policy Statement

School Uniform

Purpose

The wearing of uniforms
- develops students’ sense of belonging to the school;
- defines an identity for our school within the community;
- provides opportunities to develop school spirit and promote whole school tone and morale;
- increases the personal safety of students; and
- removes the possibility of dress competition.

The school’s uniform has been selected in consultation with parents. Please actively encourage your child to wear school uniform every day.

Guidelines
- Unless advised otherwise, students are expected to wear the correct uniform for all school activities.
- Financial support is available if necessary. Please contact the Principal.
- Parents will be contacted if there is a consistent non wearing of uniform by any student.
- Variation to uniform requirements may be approved for specific reasons (e.g. religious)

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Jewellery

Except for a wrist watch, stud or sleeper earrings and a signet ring, all other jewellery including dangling earrings, bracelets, anklets and necklaces should not be worn. This is a safety issue.

Hats - No hat, play in the shade

In accordance with Cancer Council guidelines, children must wear broad brimmed hats (Maroon) when outside. A “No School Hat – Play in the Shade” policy restricts exposure to sunlight.