PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Student of the Week
Congratulations to Danielle Woolard who is this week’s Student of the Week. Danielle receives the award for being a supportive and caring student who willingly assists others. Congratulations, Danielle on being named this week’s student of the week.

Bouquets
BBQ Breakfast
Thanks to all the parents who attended our BBQ breakfast at school last Friday. It was great to see you at school for breakfast! Congratulations to our lucky door prize winners too. Special thanks to Mrs Booth, Mrs Avery, Mr Katz and Mrs Woodfield who assisted with cooking throughout the morning.

Father’s Day Stall Helpers
Let’s not forget about our wonderful P&C representatives who coordinated the purchase of the wonderful selection of gifts for Father’s Day. Also big thanks to all the parents who volunteered at the Father’s Day stall last week.

Great Aussie Book Swap
Congratulations to Hannah Avery who represented our school with distinction at the national celebrations of Indigenous Literacy Day at the Sydney Opera House on Wednesday 3 September. Hannah joined 16 other students aged from 11 to 16 years old, from several states – including New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Tasmania and ACT who together played a vital and active role to raise awareness and funding to buy literacy resources for children living in remote Indigenous communities across Australia.

At school level, thanks are extended to all the students who participated in this year’s Great Aussie Book Swap.

Staff News
Mrs True’s last day before going on maternity leave is this Wednesday. We wish Emily and Robbie well as they enter a new and exciting phase of their lives. We look forward to hearing the new baby news over the coming weeks. Enjoy parenthood! Mrs Murrell will be replacing Mrs True for the remainder of the year on the Troop class each Thursday and Friday.

P & C Fundraising
The P & C would like to thank everyone for their recent fundraising efforts. We have raised over $1000 from the Father’s Day Stall and Pie Drive. These funds will be put towards the purchase of Air Conditioners for our school.

Coming Up
P & C Meeting
The Next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 September at 7pm in the library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

School Concert- Matinee
It’s not too late to come and enjoy the school concert matinee. The concert commences at 10am tomorrow. Tickets are on sale from the office for $6 each.

School Concert – Evening Performance
Will commence at 7pm. All students are required to be at school by 6.15pm Allocated seating only for this performance. Seats are still available and are for sale at the office for $10 each.

Golf (Bring on the sunshine, please!)
Golf is on Tuesday afternoon from 4pm-5.05pm. This semester, there is no charge for this activity. Let’s hope the weather is kinder to us this week!

Assembly this week
This week’s assembly will be hosted by the Ministers. Please come along and be a member of our audience. Assembly commences at 9:10am each week.

Assembly Roster for the remainder of the term is as follows:

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Science and Engineering Challenge – Thursday 18 September

Year 6 and invited Year 5 students have been selected to attend the Science and Engineering Day at St Peters Campus, Maitland on Thursday 18 September, 2014.

During the Science and Engineering day, students will be divided into 12 groups of 2 to 4 students. Each group will work on two half-day science and engineering based activities.

Our schools involvement in the Maitland Science and Engineering Discovery Day is being fully funded by the Rotary Club of the Myall Coast. We thank the Rotary Club for covering the transport and lunch costs for our students.

Starting School- Kindergarten 2015

If you have yet to register your children as part of our Kindy 2015 intake, please contact the school ASAP to assist with planning. You can do this either by calling in, phoning the school on 0249970286 or emailing the school at teagardens-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au


One of the things we do every year is a satisfaction survey for parents, teachers and students. The 2014 survey has been prepared and is accessible via a link included in the email with this newsletter. Your support in completing the survey is very much appreciated.

As an added incentive, we have a $50 COLES Gift Card to give away in a prize draw. Everyone who completes the survey (and their name) will be entered in the draw. Click on the following link to complete the survey. https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3QH763W

Has your family paid the voluntary contribution for 2014?

Pay your 2014 Voluntary Contribution of $50 per family and go in to the draw to win a bike! The draw will take place at assembly on Friday 19 September! Each family who has paid the voluntary contribution by this date will receive one ticket in the draw.

100 percent of the monies collected from the 2014 voluntary contributions are going towards the replacement cost of air conditioners.

School Pavers- Expressions of Interest- Last Chance to Place a Bid!

Our school has approximately 950 excess pavers. If you are interested in placing a silent bid for any or all of the excess pavers, please submit the details to the school office, on a piece of paper in a sealed envelope, no later than Tuesday 9 September. Paver bids will be considered on Wednesday 10th September. Remember to include the following:

Your Name, Contact Number, Number of pavers bid on and the price offered per paver.

The successful bidder or bidders will be contacted on Wednesday 10th September. After payment has been received from the successful bidder / bidders, they are to be collected (at the successful bidder’s expense) no later than Sunday 21 September 2014.

Mark Clemson
Principal

Banish the “I’m bored” complaints these holidays

Here are some websites that have great tips for things your family can do these school holidays, whether you’re staying put or taking off on a holiday across the state:

Destination NSW
http://bit.ly/1nUJ7sl
Winter school holidays in Sydney
http://bit.ly/1nQsVC6
School holidays in Newcastle
http://bit.ly/1nljlpg
Winter school holidays Central Coast
http://bit.ly/1inqSwX
Attractions for kids in regional NSW
http://bit.ly/1IE8vMw
Sydney Olympic Park – What’s On
http://bit.ly/1IXUJ7Z
Australian Museum
http://bit.ly/1uEBhxD
Movie Reviews – Raising Children Network
Kids Camps – NSW Sport and Recreation
http://bit.ly/1hWxTra

Keep brains ticking over these holidays

If your child is working on a personal project or a school assignment these school holidays (or you want to make use of the break for a little revision), don’t forget www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au has lots of information and fact sheets to help with homework.

For students polishing their spelling skills, the free Spelling Bee mobile app also allows them to record a list of their own words and then test themselves. You might even want to challenge them with a list you create. Here’s where you’ll find the free app to download: http://bit.ly/Q9ezO0
Becoming a Volunteer Host Family
Enrich Your Home With A WEP Exchange Student
World Education Program (WEP) is inviting Australian families to experience another culture within their own homes by becoming volunteer host families. Choose a student from Italy, Belgium, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands or South America and get a glimpse into the life of another culture without having to leave the comfort of your home! Our exchange students are just as excited about sharing their own culture and life experiences as they are about becoming a member of an Australian family.

Arriving in January:
Ilaria (17) from Italy tells us that she is incredibly fond of animals, and that if she had her own way, she would turn her house into a zoo! She enjoys drawing in her spare time, as well as travel. She believes that living so far away from home will help her broaden her mind, and she can’t wait to live with a welcoming family.

Marco (17) from Italy is an animator at his local church group and enjoys playing both football and basketball with his friends. He also enjoys staying active by going to the gym for an hour or so after school. He is looking forward to sharing his Italian culture with you, and hopes you will share your culture with him here ‘down-under’.

Find out more!
Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family, including student profiles.

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Online: www.wep.org.au
CANTEEN NEWS—TERM 3 WEEK 9
WEDNESDAY 10th September (Deb Smart, Adele Barry, Amy Rodgers)
Hamburger or Cheeseburger $4.50
THURSDAY 11th August (Christine, Karen Stewart-Katz)
Bacon/Scrambled Egg Wrap $4.50
FRIDAY 12th September (Christine, Lee Burgess)
Spaghetti Bake $4.50

DRINKS SOLD SEPARATELY
Milk (Chocolate, strawberry, banana, plain) $1.20
Bottled Water—Large $1.50
Bottled Water—Small $1.00
Juice (apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant) 200ml $1.00
Juice (apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant) 250ml $1.30
Milo (hot or cold) $1.00

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED A MERIT AWARD ON FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2014. THEY WERE:

PRIDE
Deagon Cook—Settling in well to his new school
Kalista Hall—Producing high quality work

ARMY
Jack Steffen—Great dancing skills
Ananthu Devadas—Great dancing skills

TEAM
Harry Linderman—For speaking confidently in front of an audience
Darcy Ingram—For always striving to read with fluency

MOB
Isa Brumby—For her excellent effort in preparing for the concert
Ocearn Grant—For her excellent effort in preparing for the concert

POD
Jaymii Ray—For her enthusiasm in our concert practise
Jade Johnson—For her excellent application in maths

TROOP
Austin Battle—Enthusiastic participation in concert practise
Ryver McDonald—Being a valued class member

CORPS
Joshua Scott—Progress in mathematics
Will Markham—Pleasing overall progress

COLONY
Braith Cotterill—A great Snowing Mountains Scheme poster
Kasey Brown—A great Snowing Mountains Scheme poster

ARMADA
Jacob Anderson—Outstanding effort in concert practise
Lucas Barry—Working hard in mathematics
Hawks Nest
RIDE THE WILDSIDE

3 Fun Rides
Jump on your bike and join us for some fun-filled rides around Hawks Nest
Sunday 14 September 2014

Ride details
- Family ride 7km
- Intermediate ride to Dark Point 28km
- Enthusiasts ride to Bombah Point 53km

What you need to know
- Registration from 8.00am at Hawks Nest Surf Club
- Rides start from 9.00am
- All rides finish with a BBQ
- $10 entry fee for adults (includes BBQ)
- Kids under 15 ride free
- All children under 10 to be accompanied by an adult

For details on this event please phone 4997 1883
For more information visit transport.nsw.gov.au/cycling

Wild Side Festival
FLORA AND FAUNA PHOTO COMPETITION
Entries to the Myall Coast Messenger email: myalloastmessenger@gmail.com
Entries Close 5pm Wednesday 10th September

- Two Entry Divisions
  - Primary School students
  - Adults (amateurs only, please)
- Two Photo Categories in each division
  - Myall Coast Native Flora
  - Myall Coast Native Fauna

- The Four Winners will have their photos printed on a mounted canvas frame

Photo Specification
- Digital Photos 1 Megabyte or larger taken in the last 12 months

Please provide full details
Name, Address, Adult or Primary School entry
If Primary School please name your school

Entries will be judged by local photographer Christian Patteson
Entries close 5pm on 10th September 2014
Results will be announced at 3pm on Saturday 13 September at Hawks Nest Community Hall
Enquiries by email myalloastmessenger@gmail.com

2014 RAYMOND TERRACE FUN RUN
Presented by RUW
New South Wales

SUN 14 SEPT 2014
WALK, RUN OR PUSH
2km | 4km | 8km
REGISTER ONLINE TODAY AT raymondterracefunrun.com.au
Bullying... 
Information for Parents

Bullying is **repeated** verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons. Cyberbullying refers to bullying through information and communication technologies.

Bullying can involve humiliation, domination, intimidation, victimisation and all forms of harassment including that based on sex, race, disability homosexuality or transgender. Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved including bystanders. Conflict or fights between equals or single incidents are not defined as bullying.

Bullying behaviour can be:
- Verbal eg. Name calling, teasing, abuse, put-downs, sarcasm and insults threats.
- Physical eg. Hitting, punching, kicking, scratching, tripping and spitting.
- Social eg. Ignoring, excluding, ostracising, alienating and making inappropriate gestures.
- Psychological eg. Spreading rumours, dirty looks, hiding or damaging possessions malicious sms and email messages and inappropriate use of smart technology or social media.

**Source:** Tea Gardens Public School Welfare Policy

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**What can I DO if my child is being a bully?**

- **Stay calm and work with the school to fix the problem**
- **Help your child to learn about good behaviour**

**What can I DO if my child is being bullied?**

- **Listen**
- **Be supportive**
- **Get the facts:**
  - Who is involved?
  - What happened?
  - Where did it happen?
  - Why did it happen?
  - When did it happen?
- **Teach them to deal with the bully**
  - Saying “leave me alone” and walking away
  - Staying away from bullies
  - Making new friends
  - Reporting bullying to a teacher they trust

**Don’t**

- Try to fix the problem by talking with the other children or parents

**Source for inserted pictures**