PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Jacob Avery from the Poppies class for being named our ‘Student of the Week’. Jacob receives the acknowledgement for completing jobs around school in a responsible manner and for being a good school citizen. Congratulations Jacob on being named this week’s student of the week.

Come to our assembly this Friday to find out who will be our next Student of the Week! Assembly commences at 9.10am and everyone is welcome. This Friday, the Squadron class will be hosting our assembly. We will also be handing out track carnival awards. Please come along and join us!

BOUQUETS

NSWPSSA State Cross Country

On Friday, Lilly-Ann White represented our school at the State Cross Country held at the Sydney Motorsport Park in Eastern Creek. Lilly-Ann performed extremely well finishing 43rd in the event. Congratulations, Lilly-Ann.

**Important** Re: Zone Athletics

Zone Track and Field carnival dates have changed. Late last week, our school was advised that the carnival dates had changed.

The new dates are as follows: The PSSA Zone carnival will now be held on the 11th August (field) and 14th August (track).

COMING UP

Public Speaking – Class and stage presentations

This week, class and stage public speaking competition finals will be held with the 4 winners from each section competing in the Public Speaking Finals during Education Week.

Netball Gala Day

On Wednesday, Mrs Avery will be taking our netball team to a gala day down in Charlestown. We wish the team the best of luck during their games and thank Mrs Avery and Mrs Patteson for their assistance with coaching the team.

STEM Science – Year 4 continues this Thursday. Working scientifically + University = Widens career choices

Careers Through Science (CTS) is a program being offered in our school by the AIM HIGH team from the University of Newcastle to support the “Working Scientifically” outcomes for stage 2 students.

CTS seeks to provide our students with skills to begin to initiate their own investigations and develop ideas for investigation using the processes of “Working Scientifically”.

With AIM HIGH University Crew members our students will:

- safely and carefully manipulate tools, materials and equipment;
- make and record observations, using accurate measurements;
- suggest reasons why experimental methods are fair or not;
- organise and identify patterns in data using simple tables and column graphs;
- suggest reasons for good observations and compare findings with predictions.

This activity-based model of Careers Through Science aims to raise awareness amongst primary school students of many professional careers, and the pathways to these careers, while simultaneously building skills and further interest in working scientifically.

Education Week Activities

Tuesday 28/7/2015- Little A’s Promo talk 2pm
Wednesday 29/7/2015- Showcase Day for Year 5/6. This event is a Myall Learning Community initiative which supports the transition to high school for our senior students.
Thursday 30/7/2015- Public Speaking Finals 9.15am followed by Open classes and an invitation to share lunch with your children.
Friday 31/7/2015- Friday Morning Assembly- Includes the presentation of ribbons to our Field Event Winners.

Sydney Conservatorium of Music Northern Tour

Students from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music will be performing for our students on Friday 31 July at 2pm. This annual performance is possible due to funding from the U3A. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Christmas in July Luncheon- 31 July

On 31 July, the canteen will be offering a special Christmas in July luncheon for our students. Last year more than 140 lunches were served to students at this luncheon. Parent volunteers are required!

Please join with us throughout the week for our activities.

REMEMBER: Bus Timetable Changes for Term Three

Transport for NSW has consulted with Busways North Coast in relation to our homebound journeys and the following arrangements have been made:

Commencing the first day of Term 3, Tuesday 14th July, 2015, School Bus 25 will pick up at the school at 3.00pm and take students to Tea Gardens before returning to the school to then take students to Hawks Nest departing at 3.16pm.

Mark Clemson
Principal
Library News
The next Book Club orders are due back before 27th July. Please send orders to the office.

Book Week
On Tuesday 25th August our school will be hosting a book parade as part of “Book Week 2015”. Students are asked to dress up as a book character and if possible bring a copy of the book on which their character is based.

Parking
A number of people have attended the office recently concerned about parents/caregivers ignoring the traffic/signposts around the school. As the students return for the second half of the year, it is timely to remind parents to adhere to both the posted speed limits and to ensure that they park in the correct zones. Please be considerate of pedestrians and keep out of driveways, bus zones, disabled/mobility parking areas and avoid dropping off and picking up in the designated staff parking area on the side of the school.

The local police have committed to making regular visits at drop off and pick up times to ensure student safety is a priority in and around our school. Your assistance in keeping our kids safe is greatly appreciated.

REMINDES
SCHOOL UNIFORM
As weather moves into colder times, please ensure that your child has the correct school uniform for winter. All items are available for sale from the office. Navy zipped jackets ($25), Grey Long pants ($18) Long sleeved polo ($20), Navy track pants—sport ($20), Girls Bootleg fleecy pants ($28). We also have some second hand items for sale at $2 each.

Second Hand Uniforms
Please send in any unwanted second hand winter uniform items to the office. Thank you.

School Contributions
Thank you to parents who have paid their School Contribution of $50 per family. This amount is set by the P & C and helps pay for the much needed resources for all our students at Tea Gardens Public School.

Outstanding invoices will be sent home next week. We would appreciate payment as soon as possible. Eftpos is available at office.

Thank You

Athletics Carnival Wrap Up
With all events now completed, we can announce the results of our Athletics Carnival for 2015.
Throughout the day the Houses were awarded points for participation and to place getters.
The final result was: 1st – Stephens  2nd – Yacaaba  3rd – Corrie 4th – Tomaree
Our age champions for 2015 are:
Junior girl – Lilly-Ann White
Junior boy – Zane Ridley
11 years girl – Sophia Jeffries
11 years boy – Ryver McDonald
Senior girl – Mikelle McAliney-Nelson
Senior boy – Mitchell Barr
These students will receive a special award on Presentation Day.

A reminder that track event ribbons will be presented at this Friday’s assembly (24 July) and field event ribbons will be presented at next week’s assembly (31 July).

Athletics Carnival Thank You
Once again thank you to all the parents who came along and assisted at the events and cheered the students on. Extra special thanks go to: Melissa Brown, Ngaire White, Neil Reynolds, Sharon Stockell, Danielle Driscoll and all her helpers, Trudy Brumby, Debbie Johnson, Carolyn Jeffries, Peta Shelton and Paul Brumby.

Thank you to all the teachers and aides who ran the events on the day. Special thanks to Mrs Cameron, Mr Weightman, Mrs Booth, Mr Clemson, Miss Davies, Mrs True, Mr Russom and Mr Nagle.

Finally thank you to all our wonderful students who displayed outstanding sportsmanship and participation on the day. Congratulations to our house captains for their excellent leadership. Special thanks to Paddy Nickle, Ryver McDonald and Luke McCarthy for their assistance behind the scenes.

Zone Athletics Carnival
Please note that the Zone Carnival dates have been changed due to the condition of Vi Barnett Field. The new dates are:
Field events – Tuesday 11 August
Track events – Friday 14 August


Separate notes have been given to these students with the Zone Carnival information. Please ensure these are filled out and returned to school as soon as possible.
Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 17th July 2015. They were:

ALLIES
Izabella Pollock  Working well in class
Charlotte Clarke  Working well in class

BRIGADE
Disa  Excellent reading and writing
Joshua Charbel  Showing improvement in listening activity

HEROES
Cameron O’Brien  His positive dedicated approach towards all school activities
Darcy Ellicott  A positive start back at Tea Gardens Public School

MATES
James McCarthy  His excellent work in reading
Leah Gatenby  Her effort and improved results in literacy

POPPIES
Lachlan Riley  Settling in well to classroom routines
Izabelle Schick-Doyle  Settling in well to classroom routines

AIF
Alicia McCabe  A positive start at Tea Gardens Public School
Kiera Bentley-Baker  Enthusiastic participation in science

CADETS
Zane Pietsch  Graphing his spelling results with accuracy
Piper Matenga  Graphing her spelling results with accuracy

SQUADRON
Locklin Dennis  Working well in all activities
Abby Fenner  Being a kind and considerate student

Student Banking – Tuesday
Available in Term 3, we have two new reward items from our Outer Space Savers range for students to redeem.
- Glow-in-the-Dark Solar System
- Cosmic Light Beam Torch

Rewards Program update

TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEERS ROSTER
TERM 3 – WEEK 2 – 2015 – ALL MEALS $4.50

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Cheese burger tomato sauce with a side of chips
1 ½ Toasted sandwiches Ham & cheese or Ham, cheese & pineapple
Chicken & sweet corn soup with a dinner roll

**Optional bbq sauce**

Sandwiches available Wed, Thurs, Fri
Vegemite, Jam or Honey $2.00
Cheese or cheese & Tomato $3.00

CANTEEN SUPERVISOR
DANIELLE DRISCOLL 0421976137

Christmas in July Luncheon Friday 31st July
Parents who have children starting Kindergarten in 2016, please fill in the form below to let our school know about your child? Your child must be turning 5 years of age before 31st July 2016.

Tea Gardens Public School will be holding Kindergarten Orientation sessions over the next two terms.

Letters will be sent out to all children’s parents outlining dates and itineraries.

Please let us know of your child starting kindergarten in 2016 as soon as possible.

Expressions of Interest—Kindergarten 2016

Registration

Child’s Name: _________________________ (M/F) Date of Birth: _______________  
(First Name/Surname)

Siblings enrolled at Tea Gardens Public School? ________________________________  
(First Name/Surname)

Parents Name: _________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________

Phone (H): _______________ (W) _______________ Mobile: _______________

If you know of any children in the community that may be starting school next year please ask parents to contact us on 4997 0286.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 13 July and Tuesday 8 September 2015. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we’d like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.