PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations are extended to Ryver McDonald from the Cadets class for being named our ‘Student of the Week’. Ryver received the acknowledgement for being a fabulous helper at a number of different school events including NAIDOC day and the school athletics carnival. Congratulations Ryver 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 school choir will be performing. We will also be handing out field carnival awards. Please come along and join us!

BOUQUETS

Congratulations to the following students for being nominated as class captains this term:

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Netball Gala Day. Congratulations to our netball team who played in a gala day down in Newcastle, last Wednesday. Many thanks are extended to Mrs Avery and Mrs Patteson for coaching our team in preparation for the gala day.

Class Parent Initiative. Our school P&C has been active in developing ideas to support improved parental involvement and communication at school. This week, invitations are being sent home offering the opportunity for parents to share contact details with the class parent to help build communication systems and support for school events. If you would like to be included in this communication, please return your contact details on the form provided to the class teacher or directly to the class parent. Thank you to all the parents who have accepted the “Class Parent Role in 2015”. This is a fantastic initiative which I am confident will be built on annually and help improve communication about class and school activities and events.

ICAS Student Merit Award

Congratulations to Caitlin Condie who achieved a Merit Award in the 2015 ICAS Digital Technologies Test. Well done, Caitlin.

COMING UP

Welcome to 2015 Education Week

Education Week is a time to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff across all NSW public schools. 2015’s theme is ‘Celebrating Local Heroes’. Earlier this year, we acknowledged and celebrated our local ANZAC / military heroes as part of a number of local ANZAC services. This week at Tea Gardens Public School we have a number of different activities planned celebrating the achievements and successes of our students and staff. These include:

Tuesday 28/7/2015- Little Athletics Promotional talk in the hall for Years 3-6 students commencing at 2pm
ICAS English Competition for nominated students.

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. For Showcase Day, we will have 7 Bulahdelah Central School Secondary Staff attending along with 12 secondary students and the 24 students from Year 6 at Bulahdelah.

The students in stage 3 will rotate through a number of “taster” high school lessons including Drama, Science, PE, Mathematics and Art. In addition, the Bulahdelah Central School Koori Dance Group will be performing Cultural activities (4 Traditional Aboriginal Dances, Song and Didgeridoo performance) for all of our school students in the school hall at the following times:
K-2 12.20pm
Year 3-4 12.50pm
Year 5-6 1.15pm

Parents are welcome to attend any of these performances.

Thursday 30/7/2015- Public Speaking Finals 9.05am followed by Open classes and an invitation to share lunch with your children.

This Thursday, our Public Speaking Finals will be held in the school hall commencing after the morning roll call. We are grateful to Mr Ian Dunlop who has accepted the invitation to adjudicate for us during the finals. We welcome all our parents and friends to our finals. It is hoped that parents and friends will then be able to join us back in classrooms for the remainder of the morning session before sharing lunch with your child/children.

STEM Science continues for Year 4 this Thursday from 12.15-1.35pm. 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”. 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.

Friday 31/7/2015 - Friday Morning Assembly - Our assembly this Friday commences at 9.10am and includes the presentation of ribbons to our Field Event Winners and will see our Choir performing publically for the first time in 2015.

Christmas in July Luncheon
This Friday, the canteen will be offering a special Christmas in July luncheon for our students. Orders are currently being accepted through the main office. Lunches are $6 each. See order form included with this newsletter. Last year more than 140 lunches were served to students at this luncheon. Parent volunteers are required!

Sydney Conservatorium of Music Northern Tour Performance
At 2pm, students from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music will be performing for our students. This annual performance is possible due to funding from the U3A. Parents are most welcome to attend too.

Please join with us throughout the week for our activities.

***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).

Golf
Junior golf has commenced for Term 3 and commences at 4pm at the Golf Club.

Sponsor a Speller forms are coming home this Thursday

REMINDERS

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 this week. We would appreciate payment as soon as possible. Eftpos is available at office.

Thank You

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AECG
Reminder of
GENERAL MEETING
To be held on: Wednesday 5th August 2015
Arrival: 10.00am
Finish: 12.00pm approximate
At: Seaham Public School
Still St.
Seaham 2324

Our AECG’s focus is on communities having input into Aboriginal Education.
We strive to empower our communities to become involved in all levels of Education.
Parents & Community members are encouraged to come along.

The AECG is an Aboriginal community based organisation made up of volunteer members.
Your Local AECG is your link to empowering Aboriginal People in Aboriginal Education outcomes.
All people involved or interested in Aboriginal Education are encouraged to be members of their Local AECG.
This will empower our people & will contribute to improving outcomes for our students.

Tea & Coffee provided during the meeting.
Youth are our future & should be recognised as an important part of our network.

Please RSVP
Brooke Roach ph: 49 872306 or email Brooke.roach@det.nsw.edu.au

Mark Clemson
Principal

ABN: 62672890275
BIG ADVENTURES FAMILY DAYCARE
Please contact:
Michelle McShane
Diploma Qualified Early Childhood Educator
Registered to Accredited
Maitland Five Star Family Day Care
CCB/CCR APPROVED
Operating Tuesday to Friday
Limited places available
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Merit Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award on Friday 24th July 2015. They were:

**ALLIES**
- Bailey Mifsud: Working well in class
- Shae Roberts: Working well in class

**BRIGADE**
- Kalli Bates: Improved reading and writing and great behaviour
- Sam White: Expressive and fluent reading

**HEROES**
- Ryder Syron: Improvement in writing
- Kalista-Lee Hall: Improved effort in story writing

**MATES**
- Anthony McMahon: For his great effort delivering his speech
- Harley Delaney: For his great effort delivering his speech

**POPPIES**
- Lorelei Genner: Enthusiastic presentation of her speech
- Gemma Brown: Always working well in class

**AIF**
- Alanah Hinitt: Always working sensibly
- Jermaine Wolfran: Excellent application in class

**CADETS**
- Joaquin Viera: Presenting a well researched speech
- Seth Gregory: Outstanding expression delivering his speech

**SQUADRON**
- Cole Johnson: Fantastic work on data
- Cooper Carloff: Assistance with technology

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**Rewards Program update**

**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

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**TEA GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**CANTEEN MENU & VOLUNTEERS ROSTER**

**TERM 3 – WEEK 3 – 2015 – ALL MEALS $4.50**

**WEDNESDAY**
29TH July
Dan Driscoll
Bill Ewen (9-12)
Vanessa Ray (9-2)

**THURSDAY**
30TH July
Deb Smart
Karen Katz (9-12)
Bea Treharne (9-2)

**FRIDAY**
31ST July
Dan Driscoll

 Volunteers needed please

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**Mini Nachos**

**Optional sour cream & sweet chilli sauce**

$4.50

**NEW**

**Chicken burritos - toasted**

*Chicken, beans, salsa, sour cream & lettuce*

$4.50

**Pre-Ordered Meal & Dessert**

*Roast meal / apple crumble & custard or ice cream & topping*

$6

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Sandwiches available
Wed, Thurs, Fri

**Vegemite, Jam or Honey**

$2.00

**Cheese or cheese & Tomato**

$3.00

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**CANTEEN SUPERVISOR**

DANIELLE DRISCOLL

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Christmas in July Luncheon Friday 31st July 2015 - $6.00

Meals – Roast pork
Roast beef
Baked potato
Baked pumpkin
Mixed vegetables
Gravy

Dessert – Apple crumble
& custard

OR

Ice cream
& topping

(to be handed into the School Office or Canteen)

(circle)

Name _____________________ Class ____________ Apple Crumble

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Tea Gardens Ice Cream Shack

Tasty Tuesday! Apricot Chicken

Full off the bone tender chicken thigh pieces marinated in pure apricot nectar, ginger, cinnamon, onion and apricots. Add a dash of chilli and pepper then barbeque under the grill! Served on rice with veggies & a fresh cucumber roll. $15.00

To ensure you don’t miss out on your favourite choice, please e-mail your order direct to info@teagardensicecreamshack.com.au or Phone: 4997 1990

Please have your order in by 8pm Sunday Night

Good for Kids good for life

5 Tips for Screen Time at Home

Are you having trouble getting your child off technology or watching television?

Try some of these ideas to reduce the amount of screen time your child has each day:

- Go screen free for weekdays
- Try technology free Tuesdays
- Try imagination Wednesdays
- Restrict times when your child has access such as “no screen time before dinner”
- Provide seven ½ hour vouchers on a Friday afternoon to last for the week. When your child watches the television or has other screen time e.g. computer, video games etc. they hand a voucher back. This limits the child to 3.5 hours of screen time during the week.

Source: Manning Local Health District

NSW Health Hunter New England Local Health District

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