

Term 3 Week 3 2013

Thursday 8 th August	WAKAKIRRI PERFORMANCE
Friday 9 th August	Milo Cup Cricket
Tuesday 13 th August	ICAS Maths Exam
Wednesday 14 th August	"Coffee Morning"
Thursday 15 th August	After School Drama commences
Monday 19 th August	"Follow your Curiosity " Musical
Tuesday 20 th August	Book Fair commences
Wednesday 21 st August	School Photos
Wednesday 28 th August	Father's Day Stall
Thursday 29 th August	Father's Day Stall
Thursday 29 th August	MC Excursion Powerhouse Museum
Monday 2 nd September	Zone Athletics Field Events
Tuesday 3 rd September	Zone Athletics Track Events
Thursday 5 th September	Stage 1 Excursion "Heritage Centre" 1P, 1G, K/1B
Thursday 12 th September	Stage 1 Excursion "Heritage Centre" 2S, 2P, K3SW
Monday 16 th September	Stage 3 Camp
Thursday 19 th September	P&C Disco

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Education Week

This week is Education Week and classes across our school will be celebrating this important week by showcasing some of the terrific Focus on Reading strategies.

Wednesday 31st July is our Open Day and the activities occurring are as follows:

From **9.10 – 10.10** parents will receive the opportunity to visit their child's classroom and observe the wonderful teaching and learning that is taking place.

From **10.10 – 10.40** the school Band will perform in the school Hall.

5/6B will also be presenting their, **"In the shoes of a Legend"** enrichment activities from 11.30am. All parents and carers are welcome and I look forward to meeting with you on the day.

Peer Support

Peer Support has started on Monday afternoons with all students K – 6 participating in this important program.

Congratulations to all of our Year 6 and Year 5 Leaders and Co-Leaders who are doing an outstanding job.

I observed several groups yesterday and was reaffirmed about how good and resilient students are at Tahmoor Public School.

Thank you to Mr Booth and his team for organising this fantastic program.

Child Protection

Next week, as part of our Student Welfare program, Child Protection lessons will commence and lessons will span for 6 weeks. Each lesson will run for 30 minutes. Please ensure that your child has returned their Child Protection note, otherwise, they will not be able to participate in this important program.

Teacher Professional Learning

Over the last two weeks our teaching staff has engaged in the following activities:

- New English syllabus
- PLASST training

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Ms Allard, Mr Booth, our P & C and to the whole teaching staff for organising a fantastic Athletics Carnival.

It was a great day and a pleasure to catch up with so many of our parents. Congratulations, also, to all of our students whose behaviour on the day was exemplary!

Homework Centre

A reminder from Mr Ballango that Homework Centre is again in operation this term. If you wish your child to participate, please fill out a Homework consent form, so Mr Ballango is aware of who is attending the Homework Centre.

Approaching students

From time to time you may notice or your child may report to you that another student has done something to upset them. As a parent your initial reaction may be to approach the other student pointing out their inappropriate behavior. This can cause problems. We encourage all parents/carers to follow our student welfare policy and to report any inappropriate or dangerous behavior to a member of the Tahmoor Public School staff. This includes both situations within the school playground and also events such as sporting carnivals. If you require any further information relating to this topic please see your child's teacher.

Have a great fortnight
David Schofield
Principal

STAGE 2&3 NEWS

Stage 2 News

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all of the Stage 2 students who attended the school athletics carnival. A great day was had by all. Congratulations to all of the students who gave their best efforts on the day. The spirit of team work, never giving up and trying your best were all evident on the day.

Child Protection Notes

Just a reminder that our Child Protection lessons will be beginning in week four. The aim of child protection education in primary schools is to assist students in developing skills in recognising and responding to unsafe situations, seeking assistance effectively and establishing and maintaining relationships and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility. Child Protection lesson permission notes need to be returned as soon as possible. If you require further information regarding this program please see your child's teacher.

Welcome Mr Powell

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mr Powell to the Stage 2 team. Mr Powell will be teaching 3/4P this semester.

Wakkakirri

Wakkakirri is approaching fast. A full dress rehearsal will be held on Tuesday 6th August. Please make sure that everything that you need is at school on the day.

Welcome to Miss Forrester

Welcome to Miss Forrester who is on an internship. Miss Forrester will be working on 3/4L throughout this term.

Lost Property

Please make sure that all clothing, hats, jumpers, jackets, classroom equipment etc, are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. If your child has misplaced any items or equipment please check out the lost property baskets.

Kind regards,
Stage 2 teachers

Stage 3 News

SSW Orienteering Championships

The SSW Orienteering Championships were held on 17th July at Camden Rodeo Centre. All of the children performed extremely well and have been invited to attend the NSW championships in late August. Some outstanding performances were Julia Fouchie 1st 11 years girls, Georgia Tapp 3rd 11 years girls, Kate Moroz 4th 11 years girls. The boys relay team finished first. Well done to Blair Smart, Lauchlan Kennedy and Clive Haselhuhn.

Peer Support

Our Stage Three students have recently completed Peer Support training. This training involved the students in developing their leadership skills. The Peer Support Leaders have started to work with their Peer Support groups which are made up of kindergarten to year four students. We have been most impressed with the skills and leadership which our year five and six students have displayed for which they need to be complemented.

SSW Cricket

Congratulations to Kate Moroz on being selected in the SSW Girls cricket squad. The final squad will be selected by the end of August.

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Stage 3 Camp

In September, Stage 3 (including 4/5H) will be going on a 2 night excursion to the Blue Mountains and Bathurst. This will reinforce classroom learning in the curriculum areas of Gold and Global Environments.

The dates for excursion are Monday 16 September - Wednesday 18 September 2013.

We will be visiting a number of exciting venues during the excursion including Bathurst Goldfields, Scenic World, Mt Tomah Botanic Gardens and seeing The Edge Movie. Students will also participate in a number of

team-building plus personal development activities including orienteering and abseiling. The cost of the camp is \$240. Below is the payment plan for the camp:

- A deposit of \$50 paid by the 17th May
- A payment of \$40 by the 14th June
- A second payment of \$40 by the 28th June
- A third payment of \$40 by the 19th July
- A fourth payment of \$40 by the 2nd August
- A final payment of \$30 by the 6th September

All payments need to be finalised by the 6th September 2013.

Kind regards,

Stage 3 teachers.

Library

There are only 4 weeks to go until Premiers Reading Challenge finishes. Any child wishing to participate in the PRC will need to come and collect a reading record booklet from the library.

Keep Reading

Mrs Marden

Teacher Librarian



State Cross Country

Congratulations to Krystal - Lee Holdsworth who represented Tahmoor at the state cross country last Friday. Krystal did a fantastic job and we congratulate her on her effort.

Razorback Cricket Trials.

Well done to Marlli, Paige, Krystal, Emily and Kate who represented Tahmoor at the Razorback Girls cricket trials. Congratulations to Kate and Krystal who were selected to represent Razorback at the SSW trials last Thursday. Kate was then selected in the SSW training squad and Krystal was named in the possible / probables squad.

Champion of Champions tournament

Congratulations to Adrian Furina who attended this tournament held at Liverpool Whitleman Center on 7th July 2013. Adrian had a very successful tournament,

finishing 1st in the 10-11year old Kumite boys and 1st in the 10-11year old kata mixed. What a fantastic effort.

NSW Interschools Snowboarding Championships

Congratulations to Ronan Preston who successfully represented Tahmoor at the NSW Interschools Snowboarding Championships. Ronan placed 4th in the Boarder Cross and 5th in the Boarder Giant Slalom and will be attending the NSW State Championships on Friday 23 August. The conditions on the day were rather poor, although a sunny day, there was not a lot of snow cover and conditions became icy very quickly. In the Boarder Cross he did 2 runs on a shorter course and also 2 runs on the Giant Slalom which was late in the afternoon and very icy, so a lot of competitors were falling over. We are very proud of his efforts, considering it is his first ever entry into the interschool competition. He will now be training hard in preparation for the State Competition which will also held at Perisher.

Athletics Carnival.

Congratulations to all students who participated in our annual athletics carnival. Results will be published in the coming weeks once high jump events have concluded. Watch this space for the date of the upcoming presentation assembly.

Thank you to all parents and supporters who assisted with timekeeping, setting up and pulling down of shade shelters, BBQ etc. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.



Yours in Sport
Miss Allard

Birds'n'Bugs

at

WIRIMBIRRA

3105 Remembrance Drive, Bargo

Sunday 4th August

10am - 3pm

BUG
SHOWS



Budgie
Display

plenty of Food

CFN 12076

BIRDS'n'BUGS at Wirrimbirra

Sunday 4th August, 10am - 3pm

Wirrimbirra Sanctuary at Bargo will be holding its annual Birds'n'Bugs Open Day on Sunday 4th August 2013, between 10am and 3pm.

Butterfly Skye will tell you all you need to know about - guess what?

How do you like carpet...snakes! Come and see them on the day.

During the day there will be a magnificent display of birds from the **Budgerigar Society of NSW**, whose members will be happy to answer your questions on keeping native birds. You can find native plants at great prices at the **Native Nursery** that will attract birds, bees and butterflies to your garden. You can also visit the **Gift Stall** for a special gift or souvenir of the day. There'll be plenty of food available all day plus

have a look through the **bric-a-brac stall** for absolute bargains.

Wirrimbirra's resident native fauna will be happy for you to stroll quietly through their enclosure (the "Wildlife Walk") for just \$2 per person. Here you can see kangaroos, wallabies, emus, a wombat (provided he is not asleep in his cave) and a brilliant variety of native birds.

Speak with people from WIRES and the volunteer Fire Brigade and simply enjoy the day.

Entry to the Sanctuary is free, but your donation as you arrive will be gratefully accepted and will be used to continue the work at Wirrimbirra.

Located on Remembrance Drive (the old Hume Highway), about half-way between Bargo and Tahmoor - leave the Motorway at the Bargo Exit whether coming north or south, or drive down from Sydney via Picton. Wirrimbirra Sanctuary is a property of the National Trust (NSW), and is a not-for-profit organisation run entirely by volunteers.

Contact 4684 1112

P&C NEWS

Coming up soon:
CUPCAKE DAY



THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2013
\$1 EACH
AVAILABLE AT THE CANTEN
AT LUNCHTIME

PRICE CHANGE: Billabong Ice-Creams have gone up to \$1.40 (this is due to our suppliers making a price rise). A new pricelist has been issued.

Next P & C Meeting will be held on the **14 August, 2013** at 8:50am for a 9am start, in the Teachers Centre. Please come along - all are welcome, tea & coffee provided.

Thank you to Bianca, Melissa, Patricia & Mrs Jodie Marden and all of the staff who lent their support for the Trivia Night. Thank you also to the families, friends and visitors who came along and we hope that you all had a great time. Congratulations to the winning team and to the raffle & silent auction winners. The bottle toss was a big HIT!!!

WE NEED YOU!!!

If you would like to volunteer for future fundraisers and P & C events, please fill out the following slip and return it to the Canteen. We would love to have more people come along and join the P & C to support their child/children and the school, in a fun and worthwhile way.

NAME:

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PHONE NUMBER:

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TAHMOOR CRICKET CLUB

'Tahmoor Cricket Club Registration days Friday 2nd August 5-7pm, Saturday 27th July and Saturday 3rd August 3-5pm at Tahmoor Inn, and Sunday 28th July and Sunday 4th August 10am-12 midday at Tahmoor Sportsground. Age 6 to adult all welcome. Girls are welcomed and encouraged in juniors. Enquiries phone Jane on 0419 296 508 for Juniors or Cathy on 0403 029 718 for seniors.'

Thanks

Regards

Jane Eva

Tahmoor District Cricket Club Junior Registrar