

Term 4 Week 5 2014

Wednesday 26 th November	OC Orientation Day
Tuesday 2 nd December	Thank you Morning Tea
Wednesday 3 rd December	Read Around The Tree
Thursday 4 th December	"Light up Tahmoor"
Tuesday 9 th December	Stage 3 - Jamberoo
Wednesday 10 th December	"Celebration of Achievement" 3-6 9.30 – 10.30
Thursday 11 th December	"Celebration of Achievement" K-3 9.30 – 10.30
Friday 12 th December	"Celebration of Achievement Sport" 9.30 – 10.30 Reports - home
Monday 15 th December	Kindy Concert 9.30
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 6 Farewell Class Parties
Wednesday 17 th December	Last Day Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Management Plan 2015-17

Our staff have been working hard formulating our future directions for the next three years.

Our 3 strategic directions as determined by both our staff and school community are as follows:

- **Strategic Direction 1** - Creating a Dynamic High Performing School.
- **Strategic Direction 2** - Developing an Engaging Supportive School Culture and;
- **Strategic Direction 3** - Building Sustainable Community Partnerships

These strategic directions will underpin the quality teaching learning processes which take place at Tahmoor Public School over the next three years.

Programs such as L3 Kindergarten will be expanded to Stage One in 2015. The TEN and TOWN Numeracy programs will also continue in 2015.

These programs are cutting edge and the results from these programs for our students have been outstanding. Our school will build upon these results to ensure our students are receiving and are being exposed to continued exemplary teaching and learning.

Our second strategic direction is primarily about engagement and making learning both inclusive and fun. We plan to do this through incorporating Science, CAPA groups, a whole school concert and many new initiatives to be launched in 2015.

Our third strategic direction is based around building and developing strong sustainable partnerships between Tahmoor Public School and our school community.

Strategies include increased coffee mornings, curriculum workshops, preschool and high school transitions, Skoolbag and creating an Executive liaison member to enhance communication between the school and our community.

Semester Two School Reports

Reports have been submitted to Stage supervisors for signing and will be ready to be sent home on Friday 12th December.

Dates for your Calendar:

- Tuesday 2nd December - Thank you Morning tea for parent helpers.
- Thursday 4th December - Light Up Tahmoor
- Celebration of Achievement Week
 - Wednesday 10th December - Years 3 - 6.
 - Thursday 11th December - K - 2
 - Friday 12th December - Sport
 - Monday 15th December - Kindy Concert

Light Up Tahmoor

A reminder that classes are collecting non-perishable food items to help make hampers for needy families in our District. Any food donations may be brought back to your class teacher or to the front office.

If you could support this initiative it would be greatly appreciated.

Have a great fortnight

Dave Schofield - Principal - Tahmoor Public School

Information for 2015 Needed

If any families will not be attending TPS in 2015, we need to know **now**. It is not only difficult but almost impossible to organise staff, classrooms and classes if our student numbers are inaccurate. One child can affect the school's staff allocation. If your children will not be returning in 2015, please send in a note to the office with children's names and current classes or email to:

tahmoor-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Also if your children will definitely be attending TPS in 2015 and you have class requests for 2015 because your child has had difficulties with another child or there are unresolved issues with a teacher, please note the following information:

- Closing date for class requests is Friday 28 November 2014.
- Requests must be submitted in writing to the office only.
- Include child's name, current class, request and reason for request on half an A4 page only.
- Submit a separate request for each child.
- Emails will not be accepted.
- Requests will be considered but there is no guarantee that requests can be met.
- Specific teachers may not be requested.
- Teachers including staff currently on RFF and specialised programs could be placed on class.
- Requests are for the current calendar year only.

Please be reassured that all classes are structured to provide the best possible outcomes

for students both academically and socially.

Decisions about student placement are made using a wide range of information gathered throughout the year including teacher anecdotal observations, professional judgement and results of assessment tasks.

Mittagong Blue Light Disco

Venue: Mittagong RSL

Date : Saturday 29th November

Times : 4pm to 6.30 pm

Cost : \$5.00 per child 4 - 14 years

Parents and children under 4 free.