



## Coming Events

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February**

Swimming Carnival

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

Meet the Teacher

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Opening Parliament

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Razorback Swimming

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

Razorback Swimming

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

Preschool Tour

9.30 - 10.00

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

School Cross country

**Wednesday & Thursday**

**29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> March**

S2 Cataract Scout Camp

The MORE  
that you read,  
the MORE things  
you will know.  
The MORE that you  
learn,  
the MORE places you'll go.



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Bulletin 1 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February

## News from the Principal

Welcome back for 2017. It is always so exciting to start a new school year – planning for the months ahead, setting goals and challenges, catching up with friends and making wonderful memories along the way. I hope you all had a chance to spend some quality time relaxing and enjoying time with your family and friends. To those families who are new to our school we hope you have settled in well and we extend you a very warm Tahmoor Public School welcome.

To date, we have started the year with a significantly increased enrolment with over 400 students currently attending our school. This provides us with a staffing entitlement for 15 mainstream classes and 3 multicategorical classes. All classes have been set up to provide the most effective optimum engaging learning environment for all of our students at Tahmoor Public School.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mr Joel Coleman, Ms Amanda Green and Mrs Gloria McAllister to our staff for 2017. These teachers come to our school exhibiting great enthusiasm and a commitment to providing quality education for our students here at Tahmoor Public School.

New parking banners have been displayed on our school fence. Parking officers have indicated that they will be monitoring these drop off only zones very stringently so please be mindful of this.

Congratulations to our new school leaders, I look forward to working with you in 2017.

Our 4 new school captains and vice captains for 2017 are as follows:

Boy Captain: Kade Wilson

Girl Captain: Ivy Haselhuhn

Boy Vice – Captain: Blake

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Girl Vice – Captain: Maddison Woods

Have a great fortnight!

David Schofield, Principal



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# Australian Colour Budgerigar Association Inc.

Promoting healthy, agile and vivid budgerigars in an educational, inclusive and child friendly atmosphere.

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**Membership benefits**

- Club price cap
- Bi-monthly meetings
- Online competitions
- Workshops
- Online magazine
- Show entry passes
- Trade discounts
- Guest lectures

ALBS AUSTRALIA

Hi There

I am the president of the Australian Colour Budgerigar Association Incorporated (ACBA). The Wollondilly regional group of the ACBA meets on the last Saturday of even months at Tahmoor Public School from 10 am until 12 noon. Our workshops include presentations by guest speakers about how to care for and breed active and colourful budgies.

I have attached a club sign in JPEG format and request your help in publishing this in your school newsletter.

I was told that advertising for local not-for-profit community groups in public school newsletters is free, but I am happy to pay if you can please let me know how much for a business card-size ad in each newsletter for the school year.

Kind Regards  
Marc

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Dr Marc A. Noakes  
President  
ACBA

<http://colourbudgerigar.wixsite.com/home>

**PCYC Mission**

We get young people active in life  
We work with young people to develop their skills, character and leadership  
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**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

PCYC POLICE CITIZENS YOUTH CLUBS

## Managing Challenging Behaviours Collaboratively

The popular programme developed by Dr. Steve Walker, Brief Therapy Solutions

Workshops for parents with children diagnosed with ADHD, Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD), Conduct Disorder (CD) or challenging behaviours

**What you will learn...**

- Child development and the link to seriously challenging behaviours
- How to look for and identify lost skills in your child
- Parents as partners in managing behaviour
- Strategies to reduce outbursts
- How to make a difference in your child's challenging behaviour

Next workshop series commences in February 2017

Date	Evening Thursday Even 6pm-8pm 2017 until 8th April 2017
Venue	Bury Bee Kindy, 102 Marlin St, The Oaks
Time	6.30pm to 8.30pm
Facilitators	James Walker - Manager Quality and Research (Master Child Adolescent Welfare, BA (Social Work) Studies and Certificate IV in Training and Assessment) and Nicole Humphries - Casework Team Leader, Family Support - Wollondilly Council (Bachelor Social Science (Social Welfare))

There is no fee charged for this course but a gold coin donation is requested for refreshments. All sessions need to be attended; there is NO childcare available for these workshops. Please call Nicole at Community Links Wollondilly on 4683 1776 to book your place. Please note these workshops are not for people employed in the sector, it is for parents and carers only.

Community Links Wollondilly

BRIEF THERAPY SOLUTIONS Managing Challenging Behaviours

## MILO in2 CRICKET

### REGISTER NOW!

Next program starts at Tahmoor Sportsground on Saturday

11<sup>th</sup> Febr

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The MILO in2CRICKET program is designed for boys and girls from 5 to 7 years old. It is a fast, fun and active program that emphasises maximum participation, basic motor and cricket skill develop-

## Tahmoor Cricket Club MILO T20 Blast

When: Saturday, 11th February 2017 to Saturday, 1st April 2017 (8 week program)

Time: 8:30 am – 10:00 am

Location: Tahmoor Sportsground, Thirlmere Way, Thirlmere NSW 2573

Contact: Rebecca Spragg on 0411 304 047 or [registrar@tdcc.net.au](mailto:registrar@tdcc.net.au)

Ages & Cost: Girls and Boys aged 7 to 12, only \$99! 1st week free

VISIT [PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU/T20BLAST](http://PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU/T20BLAST) TO FIND OUT MORE



## SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February we are holding our annual Swimming Carnival at Picton Leisure Center for students Years 3 – 6 and students turning 8 this year. Money and notes are to be returned by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

Under the new payment scheme, money cannot be accepted after this date. Should you require assistance with payment, please see Mr Schofield prior to the payment cut-off date.

## 2017 CLASS LISTS

KB – Mrs Booth  
KG – Mrs Grant  
KT – Ms Testaz  
1B – Mrs Browne  
1/2N – Miss Dudukovic  
1/2D – Miss Dooley  
2L – Mrs Lazarus  
3M – Mr Maumill  
3A – Miss Allard  
4/5W – Miss Whitford  
5/6A – Miss Green  
5/6O – Mrs Owen  
5/6G – Miss Gibson  
5/6R – Ms Statham  
MCB – Mr Ballango  
MCC – Mr Coleman  
MCT – Mr Byrne



### Health Care Plans



It is very important that all students have updated medical information every year. If your child has a medical condition please get a plan from the doctor and bring it to our school as soon as possible. It is also important to make an appointment and let their classroom teacher know

## P&C NEWS

The first Tahmoor Public School P&C Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 in the Teachers Staff room at 9am. Please go to the front office where they will direct you. The first meeting of the year will be held directly after the AGM. All current positions will be vacated and P&C members will vote for a President, 2 Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary. All welcome to attend and anyone wanting to become can do so at a cost of \$1 which allows you to vote. **NOTE:** You can attend all The role of the P&C in our school community is to support the interests of the school by promoting cooperation between parents, citizens, students and teaching staff; assist in providing facilities equipment for the school by way of fundraising.

We run targeted fundraising events that contribute towards a specific purpose, so be sure to read all the correspondence that comes home so you don't miss an opportunity to support our school.



# Kinder News



*Welcome to all the Kindergarten students that started their first day of big school today! We look forward to building strong and positive relationships with our new students and families. A friendly reminder that the school day ends at 2.00pm until the 24<sup>th</sup> February.*

## STAGE ONE NEWS!

We have made a great start to the year with all students settling into their classes nicely. We are looking forward to the big year ahead!

Stage 1 teachers will continue the implementation of L3 in all classrooms and look forward to outstanding results again this year. All teachers will continue working closely with the Numeracy Continuum to engage all students in TEN activities.

We are currently looking at being sun safe and have designed some great posters that remind us to 'Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide'.

Thank you!

From all the Stage 1 team,

Miss Carman, Miss D (1/2N), Miss Dooley (1/2D), Mrs Browne (1B) Mrs Lazurus (2L), Mrs Marden and Mrs Howe



## Stage 3 News

*Congratulations to Ms McConnell who was married over the weekend. She will be now known as Mrs Owen. On behalf of the Tahmoor school community we would like to convey our best wishes to both Ashleigh and her husband Russell.*



*All the staff at the support unit would like to welcome all returning and new students at the school for 2017. Further exciting projects like our sensory path and sand pit (which will be completed shortly) will be undertaken this year and all members of the school community are invited to enjoy using them.*

# Stage 2 News

I would like to take this opportunity to say welcome to the students, parents and carers of Stage 2. This year promises to be an exciting one with many great opportunities for our students.

The teachers who are part of Stage 2 this year are dedicated and full of energy and excitement as the year commences. It has been a fantastic start to the year and I am sure that this will be built upon providing our students with the best possible opportunities, experiences and results.

**Stage 2 at a Glance** Mr Maumill – Stage supervisor and teacher of 3M ; Ms Allard – 3A ; Mr Booth – 4B ; Ms Whitford – 4/5B Mrs Kaapro – Learning Support/RFF teacher

The students of Stage 2 have a hard working and dedicated team of teachers to support them this year. You will have the opportunity to meet the Stage 2 teachers at Meet The Teacher Afternoon next Wednesday. A note will be sent home early this week.

**Equipment** Each class teacher if they have not already will be sending home a note outlining the desired equipment for use within the classroom. If you have any questions or queries related to this list please see your child's classroom teacher.

**Payments for excursions, incursions, camps and other activities** This year Tahmoor Public School along with other NSW Public Schools are using a new system for processing payments for excursions, incursions, camps etc. It is most important that all notes are returned and payments made before the closing date. No late payments will be able to be processed this year. If the closing date has passed your child will not be able to participate. If you have any queries related to payments please see the office staff or myself.

**Swimming Carnival** The school swimming carnival will be held on February 14. This is a great day where students of all swimming abilities have the opportunity to participate. There are competitive and non competitive activities. If your child is a competent swimmer they will be able to participate in age races in the 50 metre pool. If they are not a competitive swimmer there will be novelty events and activities which provides them with the chance to cool off in a shallow pool. All activities both competitive and non competitive are strictly supervised by school and Picton pool staff. The carnival is a great experience for all students. Parents and carers are also able to attend the carnival to watch their child participate. Parents and carers can also volunteer to assist on the day. If you have not received a swimming carnival note please contact your child's teacher.

**Stage 2 Overnight Camp** A note was sent home on Friday regarding our Stage 2 overnight camp which will be held from March 29 to March 30. The camp supports learning within the Personal Development Health Physical Education Key Learning Area. It also provides an important opportunity for students and staff to form strong teacher student relationships. The camp will cost \$160 this includes travel to and from the camp, meals, accommodation and activities for the two days. If you have any enquiries related to the camp please see your child's teacher or myself as Stage supervisor.

**Week 2** I know that it seems strange to be calling the students first week at school week 2. This is due to the school term calendar commencing on the Friday before the students commenced as all staff participated within a staff development day in preparation for the year ahead.

Week 2 began with many excited students returning to school and for others it was their first day at Tahmoor Public School. This can be both exciting and a little frightening at the same time for some students. I am happy to say that all of our students have settled into their new classes extremely well this year and I have seen quality work across the Stage 2 classrooms during my visits.

I am proud to say that Stage 2 students are doing a fantastic job from the very start of the year. Routines have been established with all students following these. This has enabled a very settled start to the year with all students working to the best of their ability. For this they should be congratulated.

## **Celebration of success**

To celebrate the success of our Stage 2 students the teachers within Stage 2 will be selecting samples of students work to share in the newsletter. This will include samples of writing, artworks and photographs of activities which the students have been involved in. I look forward to sharing the great work and success of our hardworking students in the next edition of the newsletter.

On behalf of the Stage 2 teachers I would like to say once again welcome to everyone who is a part of Stage 2 this year. The year promises to be exciting and filled with great success. I look forward to working with everyone to build strong partnerships between home and school. If you have any questions, queries, or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,  
Michael Maumill