Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Welcome back to another very busy term ahead.

Staff - We welcome a new face to our teaching team this term, Mr Trevor Barlow. Mr Barlow will be supporting programs from K-6 including providing my release time from 5/6W.

Unwelcome Visitors - Unfortunately during the holidays we were the target of trespassers on more than one occasion who conducted some very dangerous and potentially damaging activities. The police have been informed and will continue to investigate. As a community it is important to support and protect our school. If you see anyone in the school outside of school hours please contact the police immediately and report the trespassers, this can be done anonymously if you wish.

Morning Duty - A reminder that our supervision of the playground begins at 8:30am each morning. We understand that there are times and circumstances that may mean students arrive at school prior to this. It is important, that where possible, these occasions are infrequent and only happen when absolutely necessary. I seek your cooperation and understanding in this matter. Please come and see me if you need any assistance with this request.

Stage 2 and Stage 3 - Next week, Friday 17th October, 3/4P and 5/6W will be attending a Milo Cricket day to be held at Taree Recreation Grounds. Permission notes will be sent home this week. There is no cost for this day but we will need to coordinate parent transport for the students to and from the event.

We have also been fortunate enough to have Newcastle University offer our Stage 2 and 3 students (years 3 to 6) the opportunity to participate in the Go 4 Fun, program throughout this term. This program is designed to build teamwork skills as well as education of healthy lifestyle options. There will be no cost for this program. Details will come home in the next few days with permission slips.

Buckle up everyone, this term is shaping up to be a very busy one.

Warm regards,

Tania Gilchrist
CONGRATULATIONS TO SEVERAL OF OUR HARD WORKING STUDENTS.

Awards from our Last School Assembly held on Wednesday 17 September:

Class KG – Student of the Week Award went to Logan Bradley for his energy and enthusiasm in all class activities. Merit Awards went to Hayden Callaghan and Beau Williams for fabulous results in writing, the Fast Maths Award went to Quinn Ryan for passing yet another level and the Artist Award went to Lily Goddard.

Class 12B – Student of the Week Award was presented to Aaron Moore for all his hard work in literacy and maths. Class Merit Awards were presented to Molly Stuart for excellent work in literacy and Suwanne Bell for her wonderful effort in all subjects. The Fast maths Award was presented to Connor Potts for good progress and Quinn Huber received the Artist Award for his wonderful spring daffodils.

Class 34P – Student of the Week Award was given to Zach Nielsen for improvement in writing. Merit Certificates were given to Bailey Knott for great improvement in cursive writing and Indira Ryan for her outstanding work ethic. Wyatt Goodwin won the Fast Maths Award for steady progress and our Artist this week was Lilly Wallace for her very decorative boomerang.

Class 56W – Student of the Week Certificates were presented to James Morrison for his excellent application to tasks, Emily Gaul for her maturing attitude to school work and school life and Mitchell Lunney for always volunteering for tasks and developing strong school pride. Merit Certificates were presented to Jessica Pike for her committed attitude to achieving in maths and Kokoda Baker for his strong commitment to his school. The Fast Maths Award went to Luke Clapham for his consistent efforts.

Mrs Wild ran her last Assembly on Wednesday 17 September and presented the awards to our students.


Artists below: Quinn Huber, Lily Goddard and Lilly Wallace.
P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting - Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 21 October here at the school commencing at 6.00pm. Please come along, everyone is really welcome.

Uniforms – At the meeting we will be discussing uniform purchasing, suppliers etc. If you are waiting for uniform items please contact Margaret in the canteen on Monday or Friday, BEFORE THE MEETING, so that we have an idea what is needed and how many we need to order. We will try to put in an order for uniform items, including hats, very soon.

Thank You - to all those who brought in plates of goodies for the Afternoon Tea on the last day of Term. We had a wonderful array of party food for the children, staff and community who attended. Thank you also to the helpers on the day, especially those new helpers. There was a lot of laughter in the canteen on the day.

Christmas Raffle – Margaret will be sending out letters to community organisations very soon, asking them to donate to our Christmas Raffle. If you can also help out with items for the raffle this would be really appreciated. Come and see Margaret in the canteen on Mondays or Fridays.

On the last day of Term 3 our community, students, staff, parents and grandparents all joined together for a special Farewell Afternoon Tea put on by our P&C ladies and the canteen to say Best Wishes to Principal Christine Wild who is taking up a new position this term. Thanks to all the ladies who brought in fabulous food and thanks to the canteen workers on the day. It was a lovely way to say goodbye!

(Margaret knows Christine’s favourite party treats.)
Jayne Stuart, President of the P&C, presented Mrs Wild with presents from the school community.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

TAREE AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB Summer Season begins TOMORROW – Wednesday 8 October 2014 at 5:45pm.
TASC meets on Wednesday evenings during the Summer Season and runs through until March 2015. The club caters for all ages and abilities, including mature age swimmers, from 15 metre swimmers to distance swimmers in all strokes.
Registrations for the 2014/2015 season are open. Visit http://taree.swimming.org.au/ and click on JOIN NOW.
For enquiries: email tareeasc@gmail.com, call 0410 276 340, or Like us on Facebook.