

Monday, 28 November 2016

From the Principal

2017 Student Leadership

Last Wednesday a dynamic group of Year 5 students presented election speeches to the school in preparation for the 2017 leadership elections. I am pleased to announce the following people have been elected as student leaders for 2017.

School Captains - Chloe McDonnell and Banjo Longworth
Vice Captains - Alison Doherty and Darcy Cooper
Prefects - Alliyah Hansen, Bella Maystone, Ava Morrow-Jones, Jai Hewitt, Brendan Bartlett, Hayden Lean
Student Leadership Team - Sarah Clarkson, Chloe Della, Larah Dunn, Emily Foreman, Rosealee Johnston, Bree Short, Lucy Wilkinson, Jayden Linder-Dial, Kayden Hogg, Caelan Iuliano.

2017 Class Placements

We are currently looking at class placements for 2017. If you have a genuine concern about your child's class teacher for 2017, please make time to come into the office and complete a request form. While every effort is made to ensure we get the right mix of students with the right teachers, sometimes the things we are concerned about due to information that has been passed around the school might not actually turn out to be the case.

Only requests in writing will be considered when putting classes together.

Final Scripture for 2016

This Tuesday afternoon sees our final scripture and ethics lesson for 2016. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sandner for her co-ordination of the religious and moral education program this year. It is quite a big job making sure that 355 students are all catered for each week.

I would also like to thank the scripture and ethics volunteers for giving up their time each week to work with the students of Tenambit. We look forward to working with you again in 2017.

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Important Dates

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| Week 8 | |
| Tuesday 29 th November | Times Table Challenge |
| Wednesday 30 th November | Kinder 2017 Orientation Cold Rock Day Christmas Disco |
| Thursday 1 st December | Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am Star Student Assembly |
| Friday 2 nd December | Stage 2 Taronga Zoo Excursion |
| Week 9 | |
| Monday 5 th December | Assembly Kinder 2017 Interviews |
| Tuesday 6 th December | Kinder 2017 Interviews |
| Wednesday 7 th December | Last day for Canteen |
| Thursday 8 th December | Presentation Day Years 3 – 6 |
| Friday 9 th December | Presentation Day K - 2 Christmas Carols – (night) |
| Week 10 | |
| Tuesday 13 th December | Year 6 Farewell Dinner |
| Wednesday 14 th December | Party Day |
| Friday 16 th December | Last day of school for students |

Star Student Badge assembly

This Thursday is our Star Student Badge assembly. This is one of my favourite assemblies of the year as it recognises those students who have made positive choices all year and worked hard to achieve all aspects of our 5 star rules.

I will be late to the assembly on Thursday morning as I have a meeting that I am unable to reschedule. Ms McDonnell will step in for me and begin the Kinder and Stage 1 awards.

Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2 - 9.05am

Year 3 and 4 - 9.55am

Year 5 and 6 - 10.30am

Those students who have received a badge will be treated to a sausage sizzle lunch and an ice cream.

Christmas Disco

This Wednesday night sees our final disco for the year. It is a Christmas themed disco and costs \$2.00 to get in. As usual, our hard working canteen staff will be on hand to make sure we have delicious treats to eat during the night. Come along and have some fun as we celebrate the end of the year in a very Christmasy way. K-2 starting at 5.30pm with the Years 3-6 at 7.00pm.

Presentation Days

A reminder that our annual Presentation Days are next Thursday 8th December and Friday 9th December. All students will receive an award, with four students from each class being chosen for an additional award.

The Year 3-6 Presentation Day will also include a number of special awards.

All students should be in full school uniform.

Thursday 8th December Year 3-6 Presentation Day 9.15am.

Friday 9th December K-2 Presentation Day 9.15am.



Year 6 Farewell

Date is 13th December.

Cost of \$20.00 for Year 5 students.

Notes and monies to be returned this week please so that we can finalise numbers for catering.

Kinder Orientation

This week is the last week of our formal Kindergarten Orientation Program. Our CUBS students will be working with the Kindergarten teachers for 2017 on activities in the kinder rooms. Parents are invited to the hall during the orientation session to find out information about school activities, uniforms, learning programs, the canteen and PBL among other things.

Times Table Challenge

It's that time of year again where we find out who the fastest three mathematicians are in each stage. This year our time tables challenge will be held on Tuesday 29th November. Parents are welcome to attend.

The times for each stage are as follows

Year 1 and 2: 9:15am

Kindergarten: 10:00am

Years 3 and 4: 10:30am

Years 5 and 6: 12:00pm

COLD ROCK DAY

It is that time of year when our students can start getting excited about the gorgeous warm days and the prospect of ice cream. On **Wednesday** (this week) we are planning another one of our Famous Cold Rock days. We will have M&M's, crunchie and the very popular sour worms. Ice creams will be \$1.00.

Stage 2 Taronga Zoo Excursion

This Friday Stage 2 will be attending Taronga Park Zoo. If you have not already paid for the excursion, all monies are due. It is important that students continue to display the 5 Star Rules when at school. Those who are unable to display and follow the 5 Star Rules and receive two or more orange forms will be ineligible to attend the excursion.

Canteen

Canteen Roster

Week 8

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| Tuesday | 29 th November | Narelle, Fiona, Pieta, Belinda |
| Wednesday | 30 th November | Kaye, Narelle, Karleigh |
| Thursday | 1 st December | Liane, Kaye, Victoria, Rebecca |
| Friday | 2 nd December | Liane, Samantha, Luke |

Week 9

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| Monday | 5 th December | Liane, Belinda, Samantha |
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Sports News - parkrun

This Saturday 3rd December Tenambit will once again be heading to Walka Water Works for parkrun. We want to make this one the best yet by getting as many students and family members along as possible. The run will start at 8.00am and teachers will be there from 7.30am. If it is your first time attending you will need to register at the parkrun website <https://www.parkrun.com.au/register/>.

Come along and enjoy a fun morning and remember you don't have to run you can walk.

Dream Big - School Spectacular-Qudos Bank Arena

Ms Gray, Mrs Sandner and Miss Creagan attended the Schools Spectacular in Sydney on Friday, 25th November 2016 with fifty excited and well behaved students from Years 3-6. We were "living the dream", witnessing the inspiring talent from children throughout NSW schools.

It was thrilling to attend this event with nine thousand other children. The show was amazing and the performances were fabulous. Thank you to all parents who supported this event.

You will be able to watch the show on Channel 7, next Saturday. So tune in and be amazed by the spectacular singing and dancing. This was the biggest show of 2016 and broke the Guinness Book of Records. Five and half thousand performers on stage at any one time.

Amazing!!!! Let's do it again next year.

Mrs Sandner, Mrs Gray and Ms Creagan

Canteen News

School Disco

The last school disco for 2016 will be held this Wednesday 30th November, 2016. The theme for this disco is Christmas. The canteen will be selling hotdogs as well as other Christmas treats.

Canteen Closure

The **last day** that the canteen will operate in 2016 is **Wednesday 7th December**. Please ensure your child brings lunch and snacks from home for the remainder of the school year.

The canteen Committee would like to thank everyone for their assistance and patronage in 2016 and would like to wish everyone a very safe and happy holiday. We look forward to seeing you all in 2017.

P&C Fundraising

Fun Day Banking

In 2017 Tenambit Public School will be holding a Community Fun Day at school on Saturday 25th March. To assist parents to have spending money or purchase of ride bands for their children Fun Day banking is collected between 8.30am and 9.15am in Mrs Gilchrist's office. This will continue each Thursday morning until 15th December and recommence in Term 1, 2017.

Christmas Raffle

Baskets have been placed in all classrooms for donations to make up our Christmas hampers. If every child could donate one item, the P&C will be able to make up some great hampers. Last year with all our fantastic donations we were also able to donate four Christmas hampers to the Samaritans to assist families in need. With your assistance we would love to be able to do that again this year. The class that has the most donated items will win an ice block each.



Raffle books went home last week. There are some wonderful prizes to be won especially the beautiful patchwork quilt made and donated by Barbara Maloney – Zoey Maloney's grandmother. Please

return all sold tickets by Friday 9th December. The raffle will be drawn at the Carols.

From the office:

- Want to make a payment? As of the start of this term parents can now make direct payments through our school website. Please see below for further details or contact the school office for more information.



Parents Online Payments

Go to the school website,

<http://www.tenambit-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

and the **\$ Make a Payment** link will be on the front page. By selecting the link you will be taken to a secure Westpac Quickweb payment page.

MAITLAND CITY LIBRARY is excited to announce a bigger and better Summer Reading Club in 2017!

Star Wars Launch

We will be launching Summer Reading Club with a special Star Wars Launch on 1 December at Maitland Library, 3.30pm – 5.00pm. Join us for heroes and villains activities, have your photo taken at our Star Wars Selfie Station. Register for Summer Reading Club and pick up your starter pack.

The first 100 children to register at any Maitland City Library branch on 1 December from 3.00pm will receive an extra mystery prize.

Summer Reading Club runs from 1 December until 31 January. This year's theme is Heroes and Villains. There are many fun activities and great prizes up for grabs, such as movie tickets or book vouchers.

Win extra prizes by completing our *Book Bingo* and *What Happens Next Challenges*.

For more information on the Summer Reading Club and Star Wars Launch, visit our website www.maitland.nsw.gov.au/Library

Positive Behaviour for Learning PBL

PBL Affirmation for the Week

I can complete set tasks!

Volunteers Afternoon Tea

Invitations were sent home last week to our Volunteers Thank You Afternoon Tea to be held this Friday 2nd December in the Library.

To assist with catering could you please contact the school to confirm your attendance.

We are all looking forward to thanking you all personally.

Community Christmas Carols and Markets

Preparations are being finalised for our Community Christmas Carols and Market night on Friday 9th December from 5.00pm to 9.00pm.

The following stalls have been confirmed – Tupperware, Jamberry Nails, Toys & Novelties, CK Fairy Floss, Kickin Back Coffee Van, Candle & Melts Soy Scents by Shez, School Accessories & Sensory Items, Inspired by Ashton Felt Ball Garlands, Rag N Bone Handmade Kids Clothes, Toys & Accessories, Aboriginal Art & Nic Naks, Miche Handbags, Christmas Elves & Accessories, Handmade Jewellery & Silk Parasols, Tropical Sno Cones, Ann & Carmen's Delicious cakes & Slices, Christmas Craft, Festive Photo Booth, P&C BBQ – selling steak and sausage sandwiches and cold drinks and last minute raffle ticket sales.

Come along and get your Christmas gifts and sing along to our Australian themed Christmas Carols.



All swimming program refunds are available at the school office. The monies will need to be signed for – if you would like it sent home with your child please call the office to arrange.



SCHOOL CHAPLAIN POSITION

Generate Ministries invites applications for the position of School Chaplain at Tenambit Public School

Generate School Chaplains work in partnership with schools, local Chaplaincy Support Teams, and Generate Ministries, to provide pastoral care in NSW Government School communities. Generate Ministries is a Christian organisation employing School Chaplains in NSW state schools. All Generate employees must adhere to the Generate Statements of Belief and Code of Conduct.

Application information can be found at mychaplain.org.au