Principal's Message

Through the last week the staff have been trained in CPR ensuring we are up to date with the most current procedures to maintain life, something that we hope we will never have to use.

Aston, Kaiden and Jamie participated in the zone tennis with all of them competing admirably. In this competition Aston won and will go forward into Hunter Region level in Newcastle. Well done Aston. Parents have reported that it was a great day with all three students enjoying themselves and representing our school with pride and skill.

Two of Taree High Schools head teachers, Mr Proctor-Maths and Mrs Hillyer-English visited for an exchange of information around how we can work together to ensure that all of our students receive the best education possible. This discussion was valuable leading to a very clear understanding of what our students need to succeed. As a result, we believe, transition to high school will be easier. MIPS practises introducing more student direction. Rising to challenges will serve them well.

Our instructional leader, Alan Tonkin visited under the Early Action for Success strategy setting the programme for 2016.

Tennis lessons began and will continue for term one. Wayne Deer will deliver lessons every Thursday (weather permitting) under the Hot Shots Programme.

I have attended the Hastings Region Principals Professional learning, hosted by Mark Youngblutt. The focus was on the school’s self-evaluation of the past year and setting this year’s goals. Frank Potter, who oversees the Tamworth area, therefore ours, spoke around the importance of schools meeting the students needs.

A huge thank you to all the parents for sending your children in full school uniform, with a hat, a healthy recess and lunch, including fruit, and well rested and ready to learn.

Each week, in assembly on Friday morning, we will focus on each of our schools values and how students can demonstrate that value. Last week we talked about the first value—RESPONSIBILITY: Complete tasks to the best of your ability, Care for your property, accept the consequences for the things that you do, be honest, be trustworthy, look out for others and follow the school rules.

Raffle tickets are attached to this newsletter. This is a major fundraiser for our students. Please help by supervising the selling of your booklet. If you need more they are available at the front office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wed. 24/2/16 Zone swimming at Taree
- Fri. 26/2/16 Hunter tennis in Newcastle

Reminders
- Canteen tomorrow
- TENNIS
- Student banking
Awards—Aislinn, Nicola, Bryton, Michael, Aston, Jamie, and Kaiden.

Gold—Zade

Community News

We provide this section as a community service. These events are not sanctioned by the school.

Old Bar Netball Club – 2016 Registration Day

Are you looking for a great team sport to play along & register with Old Bar Netball Club
We will be holding Registration Days on:
Sunday, 21st February from 5:00pm
Wednesday, 24th February from 5:00pm
@ Club Old Bar – 1 Belford Street
Any Enquiries to: The Registrar, Claire King Mobile: 0413 036 599 cajking@bigpond.com

The Local AFL Club, Manning Valley Mustangs Sign On Days -
- Sunday 21st February and 20th March – 9:45am – 12:00pm, Johnny Martin Oval, Taree
For more information, please contact Julie McLachlan on 0456 196 744 or Mustangsafl@mail.com

Are you looking for a great team sport to play? Come to Taree Tigers Hockey Club & give Hockey a go. There is a free starters pack for all new junior players.

It is a great team sport for boys and girls from 5 years of age. Taree Tigers Hockey Club is looking for players in 2016 for both Junior & Senior competitions. No matter what your age or ability we have the junior Boys or Girls or senior team just for you. We have a registration day on Tuesday February 23rd 5.00 to 6.30pm, then a Registration and first training day on Monday February 29th from 4.45pm to 6.00pm at the Taree Hockey Centre. If you would like to just come and try before you decide you are very welcome also. Contact Karl Williams on 0413333383 or Tony Lewis on 0418510986 for more information. So come on, give hockey a go in 2016.