

NEWSLETTER CALENDAR - Term 3

Year 8 & 10 Subject Information Night	29 June
SPIRIT DAY	1 July
School Holidays	4-18 July
SDD3	18 July
Students Resumes Term 3	19 July
Regional Athletics	27-28 July
Out of Uniform	5 August
HSC Trial Exams	15-26 August
Year 11 Exams	12-20 September
School Holidays	27-10 September

SOARING AT EISTEDDFOD

Taree High Music Department was awarded a brand new Beale piano, won on behalf of our Year 11 rock band SOAR who took out the rock bands "Battle of the Bands" at the Taree Eisteddfod.



PRINCIPAL REPORT

What a term...how quickly ten weeks flies by...we must be having fun. Term 2 saw an intense time ramping up rehearsals for our School Musical "Back to The 80s." I would like to congratulate all staff and students who have given up hours of their personal time on weekends and evenings to ensure their audiences enjoyed a quality production. Taree High strives for excellence in all we do, and this initiative has been no exception. To all the parents who volunteered at performances, made costumes and simply ensured their children got to rehearsals, thank you so very much.

The P&C elected a new team to lead it through 2016. Congratulations to Annette O'Rourke (President), Jason Ryan (Vice President and Grants Officer), Diana De Beers (Treasurer) and Donna Croker (Secretary). It was lovely to see new faces at the meeting and I look forward to a productive year. All parents are welcome to come along on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm in the School Library.

As the term draws to a close we will hold our NAIDOC Day to mark NAIDOC Week which occurs during the school holidays. The theme this year is "Songlines – The Living Narrative of Our Nation", with the school hosting a day of celebration marked by an Assembly and Workshops led by community members on Tuesday June 28 from 9am. In addition to this, a Community Concert will be held in the school Hall on Thursday June 30 at 6pm. Our Hospitality students will be catering with a light supper of Kangaroo Tail Soup, Damper and Lemon Myrtle Cheesecake. Guest performances by students, Elders, community members and staff will showcase just some of the talent in Taree with Andy Saunders as MC. All are welcome.

And then there is Spirit Day to be held on July 1 ... the last day of term. The SRC and Ms Walker have been preparing for this day since the beginning of Term 1. It is annually a fantastic day with our school pride on show for all to see, culminating in the House War Cries. Reports will be handed out at the end of the day.

All this and many sporting successes makes for a vibrant school with amazing opportunities both in and out of the classroom.

Allison Alliston

PARLIAMENT HOUSE VISIT

On Thursday May 4 our School Captains Gabbie Aarons-Burton and Lucas Mepham flew to Parliament House in Sydney to participate in the 2016 Secondary Schools Student Leadership Program. They met His Excellency, General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor of New South Wales.

Gabbie filmed an altruistic moment from Lucas as he gave a homeless man \$20 of his own money - wonderful leadership!

Thank you to Ms Alliston, our school and the SRC for sponsoring an amazing event for our student leaders.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

We couldn't be prouder of all of our students who are members of the Manning Youth Action Team. The MYAT works hard to ensure there are fun and safe activities for the kids of the Manning to be involved in!

It's National Volunteer Week! So we thought we would take some time to highlight these awesome young people who make up (most of) the Manning Youth Action Team (MYAT).

The members of MYAT work tirelessly to plan and run youth events and to provide a voice for young people in the Manning Valley. We can't thank them enough for all their hard work.



LET'S MAKE MUSIC

Year 7 music classes have been busy making interesting musical instruments.



ONLINE PAYMENTS

Making Online Payments.

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting \$ Make a payment.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other. This is to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the \$ Make a payment you must enter:

- the students name, and
- class and reference number OR
- the students name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields OR there is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number. These are not used at our school, please leave blank.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school. For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

REFUGEE VISIT

Recently we were fortunate to have an amazing guest speaker visit our school and share his experience as a refugee from South Sudan. Yai Atem was 7 when war broke out in his village. After fleeing from the violence - on his own - he came across lions, crocodiles and many other vicious animals on his way to a refugee camp.

After spending over a decade in the camp, he finally was granted refugee status and moved to America.

He now calls Australia home and has published a book titled "Under a Sudanese Star." His stories were simultaneously captivating and heartbreaking, and his passion for life and gratefulness to be living here in the Lucky Country was very touching. Thank you to the wonderful and insightful questions our students asked and to Miss Gurr for organising the visit.



STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES

Our SES Cadets have successfully completed the SES course. Thanks to Garry, Doddy, Doug, Bruce and all the other SES crew. The Cadets have learned a great deal.

They worked with Cadets from Camden Haven High to participate in on-water activities on Friday June 3



SORRY DAY

Our Taree High Aboriginal Girls' Dance Group opened the Sorry Day at Purfleet with a Cleansing Dance, followed later in the program with the Berry Dance and the Pippi Dance. They did themselves, their families and the community proud.



EXPAND YOUR WORLD

Capture the spirit of fun and friendship in your own backyard! Department of Education-approved Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is pleased to provide a different educational and cultural experience for you and your family. Don't miss the invaluable opportunity to learn about your favourite foreign culture, and even improve your languages' score.

Our volunteer families come in different sizes but all have big hearts in choosing to share their daily life and culture with an international exchange student. Volunteer families are more than wonderful hosts. They are a crucial part of S.C.C.E.'s tireless award-winning efforts to embrace our world through international cultural understanding and help put Australian culture on the map. Their voluntary accommodating of a 15-17 year old sporty, adaptable and nature-loving young individual brings with it unexpected rewards as the opportunity offers everyone a unique experience, to learn, gain and adjust.

Exchange students will be arriving soon in mid-July. Select your choice of a French, German, Italian, Spanish, Swedish, Finnish, Danish or Norwegian student and according to your family's availability. S.C.C.E. takes care of all the arrangements including school.

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Totally awesome!!!! What a fantastic show 'Back to the 80's ' was. So many wonderful kids and staff working together to give their very appreciative audience a great performance. Brilliant!! Go to Taree High Facebook for lots more photos.



ATHLETICS

Friday May 6 was a great day blessed with glorious weather and fabulous competitors.



ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS 2016		
BOYS		
12 yrs	Charlie Dignan	Peel
13 yrs	Oscar Smith	Hooke
14 yrs	Ethan Collings	Peel
15 yrs	Harry Croker	Hooke
16 yrs	Nicholas Gilbert	Hooke
17+yrs	Rhys Jackson	Peel
GIRLS		
12 yrs	Emily Heath	Hooke
13 yrs	Zoe O'Bryan	Murray
14 yrs	Tylah O'Connor	Manning
15 yrs	Abby Baker	Manning
16 yrs	Nicola Searles	Peel
17+yrs	Tayler Kurtz	Hooke



Congratulations to all of our age champions from the 2016 Athletics Carnival.

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

- Our very talented Year 10 student Sophie Watson who placed 4th in Australia for Under 17's womens power tumbling at the National Gymnastics Competition in Melbourne last week. We are so proud of you!!



- Congratulations to all competitors who participated in the regional cross country. A very important special mention goes out to Portia Rennie who finished FIRST in the 16 girls, and to Imogen Nelson, Ebony Extrem and Kaylah Thompson for their result as top performing team in the 12 years girls. They will be now be representing Taree High and the Hunter Region at State in Term 3



- Jacob Straub for Hunter Regional Basketball and Jake Lauder for competing in Hunter Regional Touch



- Our 12 Years Girls Relay Team have broken the Record from 1994 of 1min - Smashed it by 3s Running it in 57.99 .

Well done Emily, Ebony, Charlotte & Chloe!



- Our Show Team. WELL DONE to our students who took part in showing cattle at the Wauchope Show! What a fantastic learning experience you all had.



- Our athletics champions who were awarded their medals.



- The boys Rugby League team being presented with their achievement certificates



- All students who competed in the U14s and 16s teams at the Manning Regional Futsal Titles at Taree's Saxby's Stadium. Taree High finished Runner-Up in both competitions. Thank you Mr Kelly.



- Our swimmers who competed in the All Schools Swimming Carnival.

Relay: Claire Van Kampen, Emily Rainger Hannah Hartup & Kalani Cross - 8th.
200m breast stroke: Brock Van Kampen - 9th.
200m breast stroke & 50m back stroke: Claire Van Kampen - 8th.

It may not have been the Olympics but the competition was fierce - we are so proud of all of you!



- Our Under 14s Rugby League boys! The boys all played extremely well and managed to win all their games in the Buckley Shield competition and advance to the next round of the competition to be held at Raymond Terrace next term. Thank you to Mr May.



- Year 11 student Matt Buchanan on achieving a new record for the 17+ years boys High Jump - clearing 1.78m!
- THS students, Lara Watts and Bree Pensini who have been chosen to represent NSW in the U15s Championships! What an amazing accomplishment!
- Jordana and Shyanna Wardrop. Our girls competed in the Australian Age Championships in Adelaide.
- Well done to Year 9 student Claire Van Kampen who won a gold Medal in 100m BA/S at NSW CHS Swimming - and good luck on your bid to make it to nationals!



TRIVIA NIGHT COME ALONG TO A FUN FILLED NIGHT OF TRIVIA!!



PROCEEDS TO TAREE'S COMMUNITY OWNED
BUSHLAND HEALTH GROUP LTD.

VENUE: CLUB WEST (TAREE WEST BOWLING CLUB)

COST: \$13-00 A HEAD OR \$100-00 A TABLE OF 8

TIME: SATURDAY 23RD JULY 6.45PM

HOSTED BY: WARREN BERRY

HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF PRIZES,
MONSTER RAFFLES,
FUN AND GAMES BETWEEN ROUNDS.
COME AND JOIN THIS SMASHING NIGHT

FOR BOOKINGS PHONE ALLEN LENTON MOBILE 0419 148 113

BISTRO— OPENS 5-00PM

BOOK A TABLE— COME WITH FRIENDS—BRING FAMILY— BRING WORKMATES
BRING A TOTAL STRANGER— CHALLENGE OTHER BUSINESSES— COME BY
YOURSELF OR WE CAN FIND YOU SOME FRIENDS. **JUST BE THERE!!**

THIS IS OUR 8TH YEAR!!! SO BOOK EARLY AS WE HAVE BEEN
BOOKED OUT EVERY YEAR. DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED, BOOK NOW

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