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SCHOOL MOTTO: UNITY, HARMONY, STRENGTH

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER TERM 3, WEEK 7

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Dear Parents and Friends,

What an amazing night we had last Wednesday at the Tweed Community of Small Schools (TCOSS) Concert for Stewart House! Not only did our students look gorgeous, they performed brilliantly and were absolutely outstanding in their excellent behaviour and cooperation. Some of our little people were very tired by the end of the night, but I'm sure they were also very excited. Thank you to our wonderful parents for their support and creativity with costumes, hair and make-up. I would particularly like to mention Jo Everuss for sewing all those lovely little skirts. Mr Curby did a wonderful job in preparing our ukulele players, and there is a special thank you for Miss Curby's choreography, and for her energy and dedication in supporting our students to do their best on the night. Some further reviews have been included inside the newsletter.



Our 10 day swimming scheme began today, with a positive beginning. We look forward to hearing about our swimmers progress!

The parents' version of the 'Tell Them From Me' survey is now open, to provide an opportunity for parents to provide feedback to us on various issues to do with school. It is conducted online, it is completely confidential, and very easy to do. I encourage all of our parents to participate. More information is available inside this newsletter.

"Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships." - Michael Jordan

Mrs Cloherty

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

Parents without internet access who would like to participate in the survey can do so here at school. We will provide computer access for you.

More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

A Lovely letter from Mrs Armour (Musical Director and Conductor, TCOSS Concert)



Greetings Everyone,

I would be appreciative if you could pass on a message to the stars of the last 2 nights...our amazing kids. Didn't they all just sparkle up there on the big stage?

I would like you to say:

- a huge congratulations for an amazing concert night
- I loved the way they were all smiling and obviously enjoying themselves.
- I was so impressed by how well they knew all the songs and actions
- I was also impressed by how carefully they watched me so that we could keep it all together

- I was amazed that so many kids said thank you to me throughout the two days and nights.....(you must have all trained them well!!!!)
- I loved every single one of their school items and I could see how well they had rehearsed and remembered what to do
- Please tell them that they are all very special and I feel very lucky to have helped them create our amazing Stewart House Concerts.
- I hope they all enjoyed the experience and remember it for a long time.

It is obvious that an enormous amount of time and attention to detail went into the preparation of the singing and actions for the combined choir items. Congratulations to every single teacher...you have all worked to give our kids and their families a memorable and magical experience that will stay with them for a long time.

I am most appreciative of your help, support and patience in ensuring that we could deliver a quality experience for our kids and our small school communities.

Vikki Armour

"It was awesome!! What a wonderful showcase for all of our amazing small schools." – **Jeff Robinson (Principal Uki PS)**

Home Reading Scheme Party

Later in Term 4 our successful participants in our Home Reading Scheme and in the Premiers Reading Challenge will be invited to a party to celebrate their achievements. Participation in these programs is voluntary (though strongly encouraged and highly recommended).

To qualify for invitation to the party as a Home Reader, students **must have read at least 100 times and recorded each time on the official chart, signed and dated by an adult.** This is a vital part of the program. **The chart must be filled in before the invitation will be issued.**



We understand that there are children who read at home, but who do not fill in the official chart. By choosing not to fill in the chart, they are deemed not to be participating in the program. We understand that charts may be lost or destroyed, so replacement charts can be obtained from Mr Curby, but they will have to be filled in again (from memory if necessary). We understand that children like to read about things that interest them, but for the scheme to have any benefit, they must be reading at the appropriate level for them so that comprehension also occurs. (Only looking at the pictures doesn't count.) We understand that sometimes it can be hard to get home reading done at home, so Mr Curby is happy to listen to a reader and sign their chart in the mornings before school. Older students who are reading longer books are allowed to record the number of pages read in a session. Premiers Reading Challenge participants have a very limited amount of time to reach their quota. There are different quotas for each stage group, and once again the books must be correctly recorded on the official sheet. Please see Miss Curby if you have any problems. It would be wonderful if everyone qualified for an invitation to the party. There is still time if you try really hard!

Multicultural Day @ Dungay PS **Tuesday 1 September 2015**

Please find attached permission note for this excursion. It will be a day full of Multicultural activities and there will be an international food fair. Students will be able to purchase food vouchers with 3 sections for students in Kinder/1/2 and 4 sections for Years 3/4/5/6. Each section is worth \$1.50. Vouchers will be available for purchase at a later date. Students will walk through the food fair and choose food they wish to try. Each portion is equivalent to 1 voucher. A bus has been booked to convey our students to Dungay Public School. This is a whole school event and there will not be any staff supervision at school. Cost for the transport will be \$10.00 per student or \$25.00 for family of 3 or more. Please complete your note and return it to school with your payment by **Friday 28 August 2015.**



Ball Games @ Burringbar Public School

Friday 11 September 2015

Students have been practising for the annual Ball Games to be held at Burringbar Public School this year. A bus has been booked to convey our students to this event. This is a whole school event and there will not be any staff supervision at school. Cost for the transport will be \$10.00 per student or \$25.00 for family of 3 or more. Canteen facilities will be available. Menu will be published at a later newsletter. Please complete your note and return it to school with your payment by **Monday 7 September 2015.**

Assembly

Kindergarten will be hosting our assembly this Friday. Assembly will commence at 2:45pm in the Library. Everyone is welcomed.

Learning Centre News

Word of the week winners:

K/1 Kacey

2/3/4 Chiara & Lucas Atkinson

5/6 Chantelle

Well Done!!



Scholar Dollar - Tweed City Shopping Centre

Don't forget! When you make purchases from any of the shops at Tweed City, present your dockets at the "Information Desk" to include your Scholar Dollar points to our school. We can win some great prizes for our school. Check out the attached leader board.

Thank you

Thank you to Frank Van Den Broek for trimming some of our over-hanging tree branches. It looks so much brighter giving our gardens more sunlight. Thank you also to Sharon Heilbronn and Jo Everuss for getting our fruit & vegie garden planted. This is all in preparation for the Murwillumbah and District Garden Club competition. We are expecting the judges here on Tuesday 1 September and hoping to win this competition for the fifth consecutive year.



Book Week Parade

We have scheduled a proposed Book Week Parade day. It is Thursday 17 September (Week 10). This date will be confirm in next week's newsletter.



What's On!! Term 3, 2015

Mon 31 Aug	Maths Olympiad @ WHS Year 5 & 6
Tue 1 Sept	Multicultural Day @ Dungay PS
Fri 4 Sept	Father's Day Stall
Fri 11 Sept	Small School Ball Games @ Burringbar PS
Sat 12 Sept	Tyalgum Music Festival
Sun 13 Sept	Tyalgum Music Festival
Tue 15 Sept	Cricket Gala Day

Notes:

EOI Years 2/3/4 Camp - Green (Due 28 August)

Multicultural Day - in newsletter (Due 28 August)

Small Schools' Ball Games - in newsletter (Due 7 September)



CANTEEN ROSTER Term 3, 2015



	<u>Volunteer</u>		<u>Volunteer</u>
Thur 16.7	Athletics Carnival	Thur 20.8	Sue
Fri 17.7	Sue	Fri 21.8	Sue
Thur 23.7	Sue	Thur 27.8	
Fri 24.7	Sue	Fri 28.8	
Thur 30.7	Sue	Thur 3.9	
Fri 31.7	Sue	Fri 4.9	
Thur 6.8	Sue	Thur 10.9	Volunteer required
Fri 7.8	Sue	Fri 11.9	Ball Games
Thur 13.8	Sue	Thur 17.9	
Fri 14.8	Sue	Fri 18.9	

** Volunteer is required for 10 September or canteen will not operate.



PUB RAFFLE ROSTER 2015

<u>Jan 9th</u>	<u>Feb 13th</u>	<u>Mar 13th</u>	<u>Apr 10th</u>	<u>May 8th</u>	<u>June 12th</u>
Maree	Maree	Maree	Maree	Maree	Maree
<u>July 10th</u>	<u>Aug 14th</u>	<u>Sept 11th</u>	<u>Oct 9th</u>	<u>Nov 13th</u>	<u>Dec 11th</u>
Maree	Hall Committee				Monster Raffle

Swimming Scheme

Swimming Scheme commenced yesterday. Thank you to Miss Curby for taking our students swimming. Students were graded yesterday in their groups. Thank you to our P & C for subsidising the transport cost which made it more affordable. We have 21 students participating in this year's scheme.

