Another busy week at Tweed Heads Public School with a variety of extracurricular activities for our students. Some of the activities included Oz Tag, an Author Visit, Baseball, Tree Planting and a Visual Arts Workshop. Most of these extra activities were offered to all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 therefore allowing students the opportunity to learn new skills in a variety of contexts.

Public Speaking Program
Our whole school Public Speaking Program has begun. Students have been busy working on their speeches to present to their class. Stage finals will be held in Week 6 with dates to be advised.

Early Birds Program
Preparations are well under way for our Early Bird Program to welcome our new Kindergarten students for 2015 along with their parents to our school community. A variety of Guest Speakers and activities are being planned to help with the transition from home to school.

THPS Responsible Thinking Program (RTP)
Inside this week’s newsletter is an insert explaining the various levels of our RTP program. The outline explains the types of behaviour that may see children placed onto a white, yellow or red card in our school discipline system. Thankfully the vast majority of students at THPS display outstanding behaviour and manners at all times. These students enjoy a reward day at the end of each term to celebrate their good behaviour.

North Coast Athletics Carnival
Good luck to Sarada, Bella and Lachlan who will be attending the Far North Coast Athletics Carnival at Byron Bay on Friday 15 August.

Jenny Wetherall
Relieving Principal
P&C News

P&C MEETING
The next meeting will be held on **TONIGHT** at 6pm in the library. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Cooking Program - 1H
Last Tuesday 5 August 1H made some delicious ‘Tuna and Avocado Sushi Sandwiches’ and ‘Custard Tooty Fruity Cups’. The students learnt in our cooking program how to follow a recipe, which they can easily make at home for the family. Tomorrow 1M will be cooking some fabulous treats.

Spare uniforms needed
We are in desperate need of any spare clothing for the pool in the office. If you have any old school **jumpers or jackets** please send them into the office.

If your child comes home wearing a borrowed item of clothing please wash and return it to the office as soon as possible.

Thank you

Tree Planting - Bunnings Project
Our school waste watchers did some tree planting with Bunnings on Wednesday 6 April 2014. First we got our briefing on what we had to do. Next, we dug holes for the plants to go in. Then, we gently pulled our plants out of their pots and put them into the holes. Finally, we watered our plants so they could grow.

Our tree planters were:
- Sienna
- Natasha
- Jye
- Paikea
- Sophia
- Jalamari
- Chelsea
- Samantha

We would like to thank Bunnings and Mrs Underwood for helping with the Tree Planting Project.

Written by Zac - 6/5C

Recorders
The office has just received new stock of recorders. The cost of a recorder will be going up by 50c to $8.00.
**Author Visit**

Last Monday 4 August some classes went to the Author Visit, his name was Phil Kettle. We learnt how to plan a story and we asked him some questions. A few of the questions were “How old were you when you started writing books?” and “What were the stories about?”. Phil Kettle was very funny and he also talked about when he was in school. Phil Kettle’s first book he wrote was about football.

*Written by Keeley and Alabama - 3S*

**Oz Tag**

On Monday 4 August THPS had an Oz Tag Clinic for Years 1 - 6. We had two teams and everyone had a tag on each hip that you had to try to take. I liked Oz Tag because I got to run around a lot and it was so much fun.

*Written by Charlee - 2C*

**Mufti Day**

**Dress up ‘Australian’**

**When:** Tuesday 12 August

**Gold Coin Donation**

**Lunchtime:** Disco in the hall with prizes.

Money raised is going towards costs of the trip for the School Spectacular Dance Group to travel to Sydney in November.

*Thank you for your support!*

**Absences**

When a child is absent from school, the school needs notification by phone, a written note or you can come into the school to notify the office staff.

**CampOut with Kids**

This is the first time the CampOut with Kids Program has been held at THPS. It is a fantastic program where one parent and child camp at school overnight and take part in activities together that develop and build on their parent/child relationship. The activities will be facilitated by teachers who have volunteered to take part in the program. There can only be one child with one parent/carer per tent. The total program cost per pair, parent/carer and child is **$15.00**. Please note the maximum number of participants for the CampOut with Kids Program is 40 students with 40 parents. Please return the note and payment to the front office ASAP.

The payment of $15.00 per pair will provide:
- CampOut with Kids ‘show’bag of program materials and treats for the child.
- Evening meal (main and dessert)
- Supper (drink and biscuit/slice)
- Breakfast (toast and drink).

The P&C will be catering for this event.

**Enrolments for 2015**

We are currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten in 2015. If you have or know of an eligible child (who must turn 5 by 30 July 2015) please contact the school office for an enrolment package. Our school is looking forward to welcoming new students to our Early Bird Program which commences in the first week of Term 4 (10 October 2014).

**Snapshot of Learning Form - Blue Note**

The Snapshot of Learning form is a survey designed to help us develop school programs to cater for the needs of students at THPS. Please complete a form for each student in your family and return it to the class teacher.

**Water**

- About two thirds of our body is water
- It carries food around our body
- It carries away waste
- It keeps our temperature steady

Drink plenty of clean, plain water: it is ‘The Thirst Quencher!’