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What’s happening in our school community...

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Students and Social Media

Parents/carers experience many concerns when their kids look to join social networking sites. There are many social media sites for children under 13 years. Facebook social media is not for children under 13 years. It does have an age restriction for joining of a minimum of 13 years but this is often ignored and not monitored by parents/carers as kids join FB social media.

Issues related to social networking and social media are addressed within the context of the school Personal Development, Health and Physical Education curriculum. Related topics are also covered within the context of studies on Information and Communication Technology. The school has also invited local Police Education Officers to run Cyber bullying and social media workshops with the senior students. The school programs combined with parents/carers being aware and closely monitoring their child’s use of social media will assist with a child’s understanding of safe and best practice. We would ask that parents/carers take time to do their own research to find tips and advice on how they can manage and monitor their child’s use of social media. The link below related to social networking advice has everything parents need to know.  
www.webwise.ie/parents/guide-social-networking-advice-for-parents/

2016 Planning

The 2015 school year is only 22 school days away from finishing. Over the last few weeks of this term we are very busy winding up the current school year and preparing for the next. Your assistance in advising us of any possible changes to enrolments for 2016 would be appreciated as we prepare our initial class groupings to start the school year. This early advice helps us prepare classes and also organise staffing requirements.

Jacquie McAllum
Principal

University of NSW Maths Competition

In Term 3 some of our students completed the University of NSW Mathematics Competition. Logan of Year 3 entered the competition and achieved a Distinction Award. Well done Logan!

School Banking

At THPS School Banking is available for students every Wednesday. Our volunteer parent, Mrs Rebecca Mansfield, comes to the school to process student bank books and to distribute prizes for their saving efforts. We would like to acknowledge the time Rebecca contributes every Wednesday morning to help our school. Thank you Rebecca, we appreciate your assistance very much!

Special Visitor at Assembly

On Wednesday 11 November at our school assembly we had a very special visitor….a bilby named Clover. Jak won the ‘Save the Bilby’ Competition a few months ago and part of his prize was a visit to school by Clover. 3F had a special talk and viewing by handlers before Clover’s the whole school assembly.

Year 6 - Tweed River High School Orientation Day

When: Thursday 3 December
Where: Tweed River High School (Sport & Entertainment Centre) Heffron Street, Tweed Heads South
Time: 8.30am - 2.15pm
Who: Year 6 students - all day
Parents: 8.30 - 10.30am
What to Bring: Camp permission note, hats, water and lunch money/food
What to Wear: School uniform

Please feel free to contact TRHS on 07 5524 3007 for further information.

Miss Kerry Pope
2016 Year 7 - Year Advisor

‘Grab That Gold’ - School Musical

When: Wednesday 9 & Thursday 10 December
Where: School Hall
Start Time: 6.30pm
Ticket Cost: Single Tickets $5
Family Tickets $15
(Immediate Family Members Only)
Tickets are available for purchase at the school office.

Book Club Due Date

Wednesday 25th November
Term 4 Week 6 Awards

Weekly Student Blue Awards

KF  Ava-Lee, Jett
KH  Tanner, Lexi
K/1M Isabella, Blade
1W  Azahlia, Stella
2/1M Ziah, Bill
2R  Dakota, Ariah
3F  Thomas, Celine, Alyssa
4/3S Angelina, Hudson, Callum
4C  Alabama, Lilly, Auburn, Savanna
6/5C Ava, Seth, Emma
6/5R Diego, Moana, Dayne, Chloe

Silver Rippa Awards

KF  Thomlyn, Ori
KH  Kyden, Tyrese, Starbella
4/3S Stevie-Lee
4C  Jayda, Savanna
6/5R Brodie’Mae, Rory, Zachary

Bookwork Awards

KF  Indigo
KH  Aurillius
K/1M Jesse
1W  Kyeema
2/1M Natalya
2R  Ethan
3F  Zaire
4/3S Callum
4C  Jayda
6/5C Jackson
6/5R Chloe

Gold Rippa Awards

KH  Tanner
K/1M Rose, Jed, Tia, James, Nichaila, Harmony, Kalani
1W  Azahlia, Sophia, Kyeema, Beau, Samirra
3F  Ameira, Alyssa, Bella, McKenna, Aalyrah, Chloe, Sienna, Natasha, Anna
4/3S  Tiala
4C  Ricco, Zane, Lilly, Sophia
6/5R Jacinta

Welcome to Tweed Heads Public School

6/5R  Jade