School Swimming Carnival

We are all looking forward to tomorrow’s Swimming Carnival. It will be the first ‘day time’ Swimming Carnival that has been held at THPS for over 10 years. The students are really excited about this day time event which is providing all students with an opportunity to attend and participate. All teaching staff will be at the pool prepared for a very busy and rewarding day. It is a school day with a variation to the normal routine and all students are expected to attend. Thank you to the parents/carers who have indicated that they are available to assist with one of the many pool side roles. Mr Regan will chat with you in the morning about your role. We certainly hope to see many parents/carers and family members at the pool (entry fee $4 per person) joining in the fun and supporting the students and the school.

Please remember to send your child to school prepared for the Swimming Carnival.

They will need:
- fruit break, morning tea, lunch and a water bottle.
- house colours or school uniform must be worn. A full brim hat is required by all students.
- sunscreen should be applied before they come to school and they can reapply themselves at the pool as required.
- students have been told that there is no need for them to bring any extra money as they will not have free access to the kiosk. This is due to the volume and supervision of students that would be expected.
- students who have parents/carers attending will be able to have purchases made on their behalf by the parent/carer or family member.

Jacquie McAllum
Principal

THPS Captains and Vice Captains 2016
**Bus Passes**
From Monday 22 February 2016 all students travelling on Surf-side school buses will be required to produce their 2016 passes or their letter of confirmation from the Department of Transport and Main Roads or pay the fare using a TransLink Go Card or cash. Any queries regarding eligibility for the School Transport Assistance Scheme can be referred to the TransLink website http://translink.com.au/tickets-and-fares/concessions/school-transport-assistance or phone 13 12 30.

**School Banking Day - Wednesdays**
Mrs Rebecca Mansfield is once again our school banking volunteer parent. Banking commenced last Wednesday and will continue all year. Bank books must come to school office by 9am and will be returned the following day.
New students may collect an information envelope on how to open a Youth Saver Account from the school office.

**P&C News**
The P&C Association would like to welcome everyone back for another exciting school year and a special welcome to all new students and families to the school.
Joining the P&C is one of the best ways to show your children how much you value their education and how interested you are in what they do. The primary purpose of the P&C is to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, carers, students and staff into close co-operation and to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school. P&C meetings are a friendly gathering of people who share the common goal of caring for our school and is a great opportunity to get to know other parents.
Our first meeting this year will be held on **Monday 22 February** from 6 - 7:30 pm (NSW time) in the school library. Parents, carers and students are invited and we will be hosting a pizza dinner. We will also be holding our annual general meeting on that night where we will be electing members to the positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary & Fundraising Coordinator. If you would like any additional information about any of these roles or would like to nominate anyone for a role, please leave your information with the school office.

**Uniform Shop**
The School Uniform Shop is now open on Friday mornings from 8.30 - 9.30am.
Uniform prices have been updated as at 27 January 2016. The new price list can be collected from the uniform shop, canteen or the front office.

**Canteen News**
The canteen is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

**CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS**
The canteen is dependent on volunteer help, so if you are able to help even just one or two days in the term please let Ruth in the canteen know.

**Book Club**
Orders and money are to be returned to the school office or to Ms Sibly in the library in a secure envelope with the student’s name and class written on the front.

**Saver Plus**
You may be eligible to join if you:
- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- are at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work (yourself or your partner) including casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal work, and

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**School Leader Profile 2016**

Name: Mya  
Position: School Captain  
Class: 6/5R  
Age turning this year: 12  
House Group: Fraser  

**Started at Tweed Heads Public School in:**
Kindergarten - 2010 (left)  
Year 3 - 2013 (returned)  

**What I like doing best at school:**
Hanging out with my friends  
**What I like doing best at home:**
Hanging out with my brother  

**Favourite memory of Tweed Heads Public School so far:**
My first day at school  

**What I have done to help the school as a leader so far:**
I am a buddy to the new Kindergarten students  

**What I would like to see change in our school:**

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**Book Club Due Date**
**Monday 15th February**

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have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

To find out more:  
- call or sms your postcode t 1300 610 355
- email saverplus@bsl.org.au
- visit www.bsl.org.au/Saver-Plus

*Cost may apply

**Trying to Limit Screen time to Two hours?**
**Help is at Hand! eSafety for parents - too much time online.**

Trying to drag your children away from online games, apps, YouTube videos or social networking? Want to know what is normal and when they are spending too much time online? Child development experts, including psychologist Dr Helen Street, answer questions about how much time children should spend online. Search online for “Esafety for parents too much time on line” and follow the links or click on:


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**Community News**

POW MARTIAL ARTS, AUSTRALIA
Teaching self-esteem through self-defense.
Where: Tweed Heads Public School Hall
When: Thursday evenings
- Children 4 - 11 years  6 - 7pm
- Teens & Adults 12 years+  7 - 8pm
Entry via Bay Street (Cul-de-sac car park).
For more information please call Paul or Tracey on 0468 477 951, email tracy@powmartialarts.com.au or visit the website http://powmartialarts.com.au

DEFENSE TACTICS TAE KWON DO FOR KIDS
The students learn life skills for school success. Courtesy, integrity, self control, perseverance, respect, self defence, courage, discipline, confidence, goal setting and indomitable spirit.
Where: Tweed Heads Public School Hall
When: Wednesday afternoons 3.30 - 4.30pm
Entry via Bay Street (Cul-de-sac car park).
For more information please call 0414 884 713, email tony@defensetactics.com.au or visit the website www.defensetactics.com.au

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**POW MARTIAL ARTS, AUSTRALIA**

**Perkins House - Yellow**

**Captains & Vice Captains**
- Taj and Molly
- Jacob and Jade

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**Fraser House - Red**

**Captains & Vice Captains**
- Connor and Mary-Jane
- Lachlan and Chloe

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**Bradman House - Green**

**Captains & Vice Captains**
- Ezekiel and Bailee
- Diego and Sharmily