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Relieving Principal – Richard Metcalf

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 5th February:

Swimming Carnival Year 2-6

Wednesday 13th February:

P&C Meeting 6pm, Community Room.
Everyone welcome.

Friday 15th February - Assembly at 2.30,
including presentation of swimming
awards

Friday 5th April:

Cross Country

Thursday 11th April: School ANZAC service

Friday 12th April: Easter Hat Parade

Friday 12th April: Last Day Term 1

Monday 4th February 2019

Term 1 Week 2

2019 WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to the New Year. I hope that you each had a refreshing break over the Christmas period and are looking forward to the year ahead as much as I am. In 2019 we welcome many new families to our school and look forward to getting to know you. In total we have 23 new students. This influx of new students has seen the need to open a new class. Teralba PS welcomes Mrs Lauren Dubos to the staff. Mrs Dubos will be teaching the 5/6 class in 2019. As in previous years, if parents wish to sit down and have a chat with me, please contact the office to see my availability, I love spending time with parents to discuss your children and the school.

2019 - YEAR OF THE NOTE

In 2019 it is expected that all families become active in reading and returning notes on time. Due to the size of the school and the time demands on all staff, notes will not be chased if they are not returned. An SMS reminder will be sent a day or two before the due date. Staff are very mindful of the needs and demands of families and will assist children where possible but it remains the responsibility of parents/caregivers to return notes on time. If notes are not returned on time your child may miss out. If families have financial difficulties in paying for any excursion or school resource, please contact Robyn to apply for student assistance.

CLASS STRUCTURES AND STAFFING TERM 1 2019

K/1: Mrs Chelsea Perrett 1/2: Mrs Amy Maytom 2/3/4: Mr Jack Toole 5/6: Mrs Lauren Dubos

Instructional Leader : Mrs Karen Baker (Tuesday and Thursday)

Learning and Support Teacher: Mrs Melanie White (Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday)

Mrs Rita Brazer will take on the Librarian role and other teaching roles and work every Thursday and Friday.

Our support staff: Ms Karen Lewis, Mrs Lisa Barton, Ms Ange Noon and Mrs Mary Carthew.

Mrs Meleaha Kinnavong (Mrs K) will work every Wednesday 8:30-1:30pm as our School Wellbeing Officer. If you would like to make an appointment or need further information, please contact the office.

Ms Robyn Green, the School Administration Manager (SAM) will continue to do a great job in the office, supported by Mrs Kylie Checkley (SAO) on Mondays.

Mr Paul Higgins is our General Assistant and works on a Tuesday.

We also have two Home School Liaison Officers (HSLOs) on site at Teralba Public School; Mr Adrian Allan and Mr Steven Quodling, who both work Monday – Friday.

School Captains 2019



Rocco Goodbun



Jay Bell

House Captains 2019



Jayden Lanesbury



Jay West

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The school office hours are 8.15am – 3.15pm

SCHOOL HOURS FOR STUDENTS

Just a reminder that teacher supervision begins at 8.40am and students should not be at school until this time as there is no supervision. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

PERMISSION NOTES AND MONEY

Excursions, performances, extracurricular activities and representing Teralba Public School are considered important parts to a child's education, learning and development. When your children are involved in an activity, they will receive a note when payment is required for that particular school activity. The permission note and money should be enclosed in a sealed envelope with your child's name and class, the amount of money and the activity that they are involved in. These can be dropped in directly to the office in the morning or throughout the day. **Please do not use plastic bags.** Alternately, online payments can be made through our website POP system and receipt number written on the note then submitted to the office. Please include your child's name as a reference.

SCHOOL FEES – PAYMENT ONLINE

A great way to pay your fees is to go online. You can access this via the school website front page, choose the "Make a Payment" icon. If you have any questions please call the office.

****Please note:** there is a designated cut off point for payments of all monies and collection of permission notes. This cut off point allows for sufficient time for the planning of staff, confirmation of bookings and receipting of money. If you have any concerns with payment, please come and speak to the Principal, or office staff. We may be able to provide some financial assistance – all applications are confidential.

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ABSENCES

If your child has to be absent from school, it is important that you inform the school and provide a reason for your child's absence. You can advise the school of their absence by phoning the school, email, or coming into the school. If your child has to see a doctor because they are unwell, please provide a medical certificate to the school. All absences need to be explained to the school. If you do not advise the school of their absence before 9.30am you will receive an SMS requesting a reason. You can reply to the SMS in the usual manner.

Whole school assemblies will be held on Friday afternoons commencing at 2.30pm.

These will be held in weeks 3, 5, 7 and 11 for Term 1. **Week 3 Assembly will involve the distribution of Swimming Carnival ribbons**

TERM 1 SPORT

Term 1 sport will commence Thursday 14th February. The sport will either be athletics or softball, we are waiting confirmation. As we have received sufficient funding from Sporting Schools there is no cost to parents.



2019 PAYMENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES

Listed below are some of the activities for the year which will require payment to help you budget. If you wish to pay a bulk amount, eg \$100 it can be allocated to your child's account for use as the activities occur, or you can make payment by the due date or at any other time.

Term 1

TBA – Zone Swimming (qualifying students only) approx. \$7

5th April - School Cross Country - No cost

6th May - Zone Cross Country (qualifying students only) approx. \$7-8

Term 2

8th May - School athletics carnival - \$10 approx.

9th May - School photos - varying package prices from approx. \$25

24th June - A Matter of Seconds water safety program - No cost

26th June – Civic Theatre Excursion Years 3-6 approx. \$25

TBA – Life Education - \$10

Term 3

27th August – Civic Theatre Excursion Year K-2 Approx. \$25

August - Junior Netball Gala Day, unknown cost, approx. \$2 each

August - Senior Netball Gala Day, unknown cost, approx. \$2 each

TBA – Musica Viva - \$10 approx. each

Term 4

Bathurst excursion, Years 5 & 6, approx. \$370 each

Morisset camp, 2 days, 1 night to be confirmed (years 3 & 4) - approx. \$170 each

****Please note that these costs are approximate and subject to change****



STUDENT BANKING

Student banking is every Friday. Deposit books can be left in the box at the office **before school**. Thanks to Quida Lockwood for coming in every week to process banking.

CANTEEN

Canteen will commence this week and will operate on Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays. Lunch orders are available and are to be ordered by 9am. Students can purchase items at recess, please also try to have correct money or small notes to make it easier for our canteen volunteers.

The canteen menu is attached for your information.

Volunteers needed:

We are always looking for volunteers to help. Please see Robyn in the office or Karen in the canteen if you can help.

P&C

Next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th February.

President – Stacey Matthews

Treasurer – Emma Caruana

Secretary – Krystal Sullivan

Vice President – Vacant

Other Positions

Canteen Supervisor – Karen Cleaver

Fundraising Co-ordinator – Jaclyn Sam

Uniform Shop Co-ordinator – Krystal Sullivan

All parents are welcome to come along and join and contribute. For more information about what a P&C is and what is expected please see <http://www.pandc.org.au>.



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WELCOME MRS DUBOS

Hello,

My name is Lauren Dubos and I'm very excited to be the new Stage three teacher. This is my first year at Teralba Public School and I have felt so welcomed by all of you!

I grew up in Newcastle but have lived in Wallerawang; which is a tiny town near Lithgow, for the past 8 years. My family and I made the big move back to the coast over the Christmas break and are really loving being closer to the water!

I completed my studies at Newcastle University and have worked as a teacher for the past 9 years. My previous appointment was at Portland Central School, where I worked with students all the way from kinder, to year 12.

I'm really passionate about teaching stage three! It's a great time for growth, developing leadership skills, independence and preparing for high school. I'm looking forward to guiding my class through this very exciting time in their schooling!



2019 WORK BOOKS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

In 2019 all staff will be using a variety of resources to assist in teaching your children. For years 1-6 this includes Handwriting workbooks, "Sound Waves" work book and online subscription, and other online resources. The total cost for these teaching resources and subscriptions is **\$50 per student**.

Please note **Kindergarten** will not be using the handwriting text or the online "Sound Waves" subscription. Their teaching resource cost is **\$20 per student**.

Please pay these amounts by **Friday 22nd March**. As always, if you require assistance or an extension of time please contact the office.

ATTENDANCE

As 2018 attendance data was reviewed over the break, I noted some alarming trends in some students' attendance data. These included frequent late arrival or early pick up, several days away without any notification and siblings having days away together. Every school day counts and is vital in helping students reach their full potential. You will be contacted via text each day your child is away. Staff will contact you if your child has been away unexplained for more than 2 consecutive days. Any child that is away for more than 4 days without an appropriate reason will be referred to the Learning and Wellbeing team. This could result in a referral to the Home School Liason Officers or the NSW Department of Education Child Wellbeing Unit.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

Mrs Perrett, Mrs Maytom and Mrs Dubos will be holding parent information sessions next Thursday 7th February. Sessions will take place in your child's classroom, starting at 3:10pm. Mr Metcalf and Mrs Brazer will supervise all students in the Library. For parents of students in multiple classes, please contact your classroom teacher to make alternative arrangements.

The parent information session for Mr Toole's class will be held on Thursday 14th February at 3:10pm.

PARENT - TEACHER MEETINGS

Please remember that teaching and classroom support staff are NOT available to talk to parents between 8:55am and 3:05pm unless a prior appointment has been made. Staff are extremely busy preparing lessons or teaching your children. We understand that on the rare occasion this cannot be avoided but it is important to be mindful of the education of all children.

INFORMATION ABOUT TERALBA

ASSEMBLIES

Are held every second Friday, Weeks 1, 3, 5, 9 and 11. Occasionally a different time and day may be needed. These take place in the Library from 2:30pm. All parents and guests are welcome to join us for assembly. During Assembly students receive awards, sometimes class items are presented as well as other special presentations. Assemblies are great times for children to learn the National Anthem, pledge to be great students and celebrate achievements.

NEWSLETTERS

Are sent out every second Monday Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. As a school we endeavour to publish all relevant information about what's happening or about to happen. Newsletters are available in hardcopy or emailed copy.

SPORTS HOUSES

Teralba has two sports houses, Shortland (red) and Hunter (blue). Each child has been allocated a house and will be reminded before swimming, cross country and athletics carnival. Only students 8 years old (2019) and older participate in the swimming carnival while the whole school participates in both the cross country and athletics carnival.

TERM 1 2019 – SCHOOL DAYS

9:00 – 11:15 Morning Sessions (9:00-9:15 – Daily PE Stage 1-3)

9:15-11:15 – Learning time (Generally Literacy or Numeracy)

11:15 – 12:00 Lunch, (11:15-11:30 eating time)

12:00-1:45 Middle session

1:45-2:10 Recess

2:10-3:00 Afternoon Session

3:00 Dismissal under COLA (weather permitting)

CREATIVE AND ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER

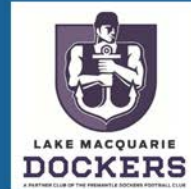
The NSW Government is helping to get active and become creative with the new Active Kids and Creative Kids program. Parents, Guardians and Carers can apply for 2 vouchers valued up to \$200 per calendar year for each student enrolled inschool.

The vouchers may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities as well as art, drama and music classes.

For more information see the Service NSW website.



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