

Tacking Point Public School Newsletter



Upcoming Events

- ◆ MON 24/8
AFL
Coffs Harbour
- ◆ FRID 28/8
LNC Athletics
- ◆ WED 2/9
Book Parade
- ◆ FRID 4/9
Boys Soccer v
Kempsey East at
Kempsey 10am
- ◆ TUES 15/9
School Photos
- ◆ WED 16/9
Yr 3 Excursion
Group 1
- ◆ THUR 17/9
Yr 3 Excursion
Group 2

Photo's for
students and
staff that were
absent on the
15/9
- ◆ FRID 18/9
NC Athletics -
Coffs Harbour
- ◆ THUR 24/9
Yr 2 Car Rally
- ◆ TUES 29/9
K-2 Athletics
Carnival

Enrichment Classes

Next year it is planned that there will again be 2 extension classes in our school - one in Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) and one in Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6).

Students who are invited to be part of these classes will display many of the following attributes:

- use high level thinking skills
- are prepared to challenge themselves academically
- are committed to completing tasks and show determination and dedicated practice
- demonstrate fluency, flexibility and originality of thought
- are willing to put in the effort to achieve these extended standards across a number of Learning Areas.

These attributes will of course be further developed in the classes. Although these students are working on an alternate curriculum, all basic curriculum content will be covered, albeit at a faster rate and with fewer revision opportunities.

Shortly the following selection process will begin.

- a) All teachers from Year 2 to Year 5 are asked to nominate any student they feel could benefit from being in the class. In this nomination teachers are encouraged to list all 'possible' as well as 'probable' students.
- b) These students will receive a 'Notice of Nomination' form by 1 September 2009. If you feel that your child would benefit from being in this class and he/she has

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Week 4, Term 3

not been nominated to sit for the VTT test by that date, you can nominate your child. To do this you will need to see Mr Robinson before 8/09/09.

c) Parents of nominated students will be asked to complete a "Parent Nomination" form to provide the school with additional information.

d) All these students are then asked to complete a test that covers:

- word knowledge and comprehension
- more complex mathematical concepts and problems
- a writing task
- an opportunity to display creative/lateral thinking skills

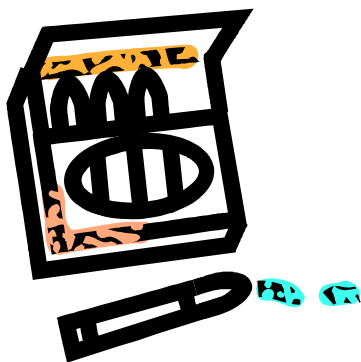
e) All student results of this test (VTT) are then correlated with
- NAPLAN results
- University competition results
- academic results in Semester 1
- class teacher ranking on work habits and attitudes

f) Generally, students in the senior class will be placed for both Years 5 and 6.

A committee comprising of a parent, executive staff and teaching staff will then rank the students, class numbers are determined and towards the end of Term 4 the successful students are invited to be in the class the following year.

It is felt by collecting data from as many sources as possible the school is offering the fairest and most inclusive opportunity for a student to be selected for the class.

T Robinson
Principal



School Photos

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 15 September 2009.

This week students have been provided with an order envelope for their upcoming school photos. Please return envelopes to your class teacher prior to photo day. Should you have any further questions please contact Hydro Photographics on Phone: 6581 4700.

Information and strategies for parents of children with learning difficulties

Some simple but effective phrases to prompt reading strategies

Prompts-

- Look at the picture (this will encourage your child to look at visual information)
- What do you do when you come to a word you don't know? (this question will help them to remember the different strategies that have been taught)
- Say the first sound of the word (this helps the child to focus on the visual information of the word- decreases guessing)
- Chunk out the word (get your child to run their finger along the word and say the sounds and then try to put the sounds together)

Maree Wall (Support Teacher Learning)

New Enrolments for 2010

Applications for new enrolments for 2010 are now being taken. If you have a child who turns 5 by 31 July 2010 they are eligible to enroll for Kindergarten. Please collect an Application to Enrol from the school office for completion and return. If you already have children enrolled and currently reside outside of the

school zoned area you will need to apply for a "non-local" enrolment. This should be done as soon as possible to ensure a placement is available for your child. When returning forms please produce a birth certificate for copying, proof of your residential address (e.g. rates notice, lease, etc) and if your child's immunization is complete an Immunisation History Statement.

If you have family, friends or work colleague interested in enrolling at Tacking Point please ask them to contact the school.

Rugby Union

Last Friday evening the two Tacking Point 3/4 teams played in the respective finals series with both teams progressing to this Friday's grand finals.

In the 3/4 first division Tacking Point accounted for St Josephs Port 20 points to 5 with tries by Dafydd, Joe and Logan.

In the 3/4 second division Tacking Point won a tight contest 5-0 over St Josephs Laurieton thanks to a try by Sam. With Kane, Jasper and Dane having inspirational games.

Grand Finals

This Friday evening at Stuart Park the two Tacking Point 3/4 rugby teams will contest the Port Macquarie all schools rugby grand final. In the first division Tacking Point will play St Peters and in the second division Tacking Point take on St Columba 4. Both games kicking off at 5.30pm.

The 5/6 grand final which Tacking Point will also contest has been delayed a week and will now take place on Friday 28 August 2009.

Ian Wall

ASSEMBLY ROSTER

NEXT FRI 9.10am	Yrs K-2 Hosted by 1K
NEXT FRI 2.00pm	Yrs 5 & 6 Hosted by 3C

UNIFORM SHOP

8.30am 9.15am	Mondays
8.30am 9.15am	Wednesdays

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

Monday 24/8	closed
Wednesday 26/8	C Sorensen

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Mr Terry Robinson

From the Library

Book Week Theme: Book Safari

Next week is Book Week and provides a great opportunity to search out your favourite books and read them again. Or perhaps you could go on a Safari to find other books by your favourite author.

Book Parade Wednesday 2 September Week 6 Commencing at 9.30am.

At TPPS we hold an annual Library Book parade to celebrate and promote Australian Children's Literature. Students, staff and visiting toddlers are invited to come to school on the day dressed as a favourite *book* character for our whole school parade down the cat walk! (*No movie stars or pop stars - please!!!*) So start thinking about your costumes and rattling the back of closets and raiding Op shops for ideas!

Bookmarks

Congratulations to the following students and their families who have together completed their reading aloud bookmarks:

Kindy

Ben KS, Angus KL, Emily KL, Damon KL, Lachlan KL, Ella KL, Hannah KL, Corey KC, Dave KC, Olivia KC, Alyssa KC, Lily KC, Laura KC, Jared KC, Zac KV, Jasmine KV, Luke KV, Corey KV, Max KV, Daniel KV, Payten KV, Ella KJ, Rachel KJ, Madison KJ.

Stage 1

Sarah 1K, Olivia 1K, Brooke 1K, Therese 1K, Tom 1K, Monique 1K, Lleyton 1RK, Hannah 1RK, Summer 1RK, Shanaye 1RK, Breanna 1G, Kassandrah 1RD, Kingslee 1RD, Nataya 1-2G, Isabella 1-2G, Liam 1-2G, Rohan 1-2G, Liam 1-2G, Nathan 2MP, Alycia 2MP, Theo 2MP, Tara 2L, Wilson 2L, Arcadia 2L, Alex 2C, Finlay 2C, Tayla 2P, Ambrose 2P.

Stage 2

Riley 3J, Grace 3J, Jansson 3J, Lachlan 3R, Carly 3SG, Oscar 3SG, Jorga 4N, Alannah 4N, Lauren 4N, Liam 4T, Tiffany 4T, Lachlan 4K, Sarah 4-5M, Blake 4-5M.

Stage 3

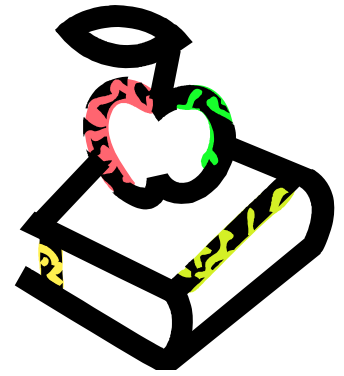
Elle 5C, Bridget 5C, Jai 5R, Jack 5R, Joel 5R, Caleb 5R, Anthony 5R, Emily 5R, Charles 5M, Crystal 6K, Kataryna 6K, Jaki 6S, Jessica 6S, Jayde 6S, Sarah 6K.

Leanne Tracy
Teacher Librarian

Soccer

Vikings Futsal offers a great summer program of indoor 5 a side soccer for all age groups. Vikings 5 a side indoor summer soccer competition registration dates are as follow: Monday 24th/31st August 3.30pm-6pm. Saturday 29th August 11am-2pm.

Mondays September 7th/14th/21st 3.30pm - 6.00pm. All junior ages from 6 years and upwards. Contact 0488 728 334.



CANTEEN ROSTER

MON 24/8	M Burton
TUE 25/8	M Turner N Drury
WED 26/8	R Allen V Gan
THU 27/8	C Newham E Sprague
FRI 28/8	B Gaherity C Howell S Hamill (12-2pm)

Thank you to the canteen committee volunteers and ladies in the ice-cream van who assisted with the canteen at the District Athletics Carnival.