



Taralga Public School

NEWSLETTER

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HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR WEEK:

**BACK TO SCHOOL
WELCOME NEW
KINDER
STUDENTS**

NEXT ASSEMBLY

**FRIDAY
5.2.2016
9:00 am**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Each Mon	Student Banking
Each Fri	LIBRARY

WEEK 1 TERM 1

4th February, 2016

Principal's Message



Dear Parents,

The children have settled into school very well. Welcome to our new families and students. Please remember to wait at the school gate in the afternoon to collect your child/children.

Homework will begin on Monday, to be handed back on Friday. Home Reading on Monday to Thursday and using our new Home Reading books. Remember it's important to read every day to your children and for them to read to you. Students need to change readers every day.

Crunch & Sip or fruit break happens around 10:00 a.m. each day, so please remember to pack quick bite sized pieces of fruit. It revitalises the students and gives them an energy boost for their work.

Please remember to let the school know any changes to the student's home time arrangements.

On Friday, 5th February is our first assembly which is held in the Library. Everyone is welcome to attend. Wednesday, 10th February is our first P & C Meeting for the year, commencing at 5:30 p.m. Membership is \$2.00 and everyone is welcome to attend. This is a great chance to know what's happening at school and to meet others.

On Tuesday, Tanya started computer lessons from Year 2 - Year 6. The students enjoyed their first lesson and are very excited.

Kathryne will be cooking on Monday, 29th February and Monday, 14th March. All helpers through the day or part of it are welcome. Please let Kathryne know. This is a great chance to help and watch the students learning.

If anyone would like to help with reading, K-1-2 or 3-4-5-6, please let the teachers know.

I am on K-1-2 Mondays and Fridays, depending on meetings. Ms Alderton settled our Kindergarten in well to the K-1-2 classroom. Ms Grahame's class are keen to work and are enjoying being back at school. Thank you to Ms Alderton and Ms Grahame - a great start to the school year.

Parents and students are asked NOT to walk through the staff car park. Entry gates are north of the big pine tree. Thank you.

Kind Regards,

Liza Duncan
Principal ☺



**Regan & Alec with their 'Dollarmite' Student
Banking Achievement Certificate - both boys
were the most consistent bankers in 2015.
Well done!!**



**Saxon & Axel enjoy playing with the play
dough.**

Celebrating Success



POSITIVE SIDE OF THE LEVEL SHEET - Week Term

Kinder:

Year 1:

Year 2: WATCH THIS SPACE IN FUTURE WEEKS

Year 3:

Year 4:

Year 5:

Year 6:



HOME TIME ARRANGEMENTS:

Please complete the table below regarding your child/ren's home time arrangements. This is a great help so we know just where we should direct your little one to go. You may indicate that your child will attend Kid's Club (beginning again in March) on this note. Thank you.

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CHILDREN/S NAME/S:

MONDAY:

TUESDAY:

WEDNESDAY:

THURSDAY:

FRIDAY:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY.....To those students & staff celebrating their birthday in JANUARY & FEBRUARY:

Javana - 2nd January

Hunter - 9th January

Tyler - 19th February



K-1-2 KIRRALONG CLASSROOM

Our new Kindergarten children are settling in beautifully and have made friends with their peers and other classmates in Years 1 and 2. They have been tracking fingerprints round a lollipop and completing some "Super Submarines." We have some very scary snakes dangling above us and have all been busy painting interesting covers for writing and spelling books. Spiders are the project of the moment - black painted egg-carton spiders, with heavy, pipe-cleaner legs - wonder which sound we have started with this year?

Everyone is very excited to work in beautiful new workbooks covering the areas of mathematics, maths mental and spelling. New dictionaries, or 'useful word books' are used when writing stories. This is a very industrious classroom!!

Please remember to add some fruit or vegetable pieces for the children to nibble on during the 10 minute fruit break.



P & C NEWS -

Welcome back to all the families for another school year and a very big welcome to all our new families! Our first P & C Meeting will be held next Wednesday, 10th February at 5:30 p.m. in the school library. All are welcome to attend.

We look forward to another fun filled and exciting year ahead of us. Hope to see you all on Wednesday.

P & C Committee

COMPUTER NEWS

Great start by all students to computer lessons this term, we had a great time working in small year groups. We had fun learning about how we use computers and how to deal with technical issues. We also discovered how computers and the internet can be a great learning tool, but how to use it with caution.

Next week we will be problem solving with hardware and software tasks. It will be very exciting. Students have the opportunity to take home their computer notebooks if they wish and optional homework will be set on some weeks. Homework is designed to create enthusiasm for this subject and will never require a home computer. Homework is not compulsory.

Students are encouraged to share their learning and thoughts through their notebooks, however, please ensure that notebooks come back to class every TUESDAY.

We have a computer competition in action each term which is based on class performance, end of class quiz sessions, remembering notebooks and completing homework tasks.

STUDENT BANKERS ...

If your child/ren would like to start banking at school with a "Dollarmite" Account, please request an application pack from the office. There are great new rewards this year - Term 1 - 'Wildlife Writer Set' and 'Flying Snake Tail.' Each term, 2 more reward items become available. Students need to make 10 deposits to be eligible for rewards, (while stocks last), there is no minimum deposit.

This year's Grand Prize Competition is a the chance to win a family trip to Australia Zoo. All you need to do is make 15 school banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 and you automatically receive an entry into the competition for a chance to win.

TENNIS COACHING starts again this Sunday, 7th February at the Taralga Community Courts.

Juniors - 9:30 am Seniors - 10:15 am Coaching costs - \$15.00 per person

Any queries, please contact: Martha - 48402445 Michelle - 48402146

Social tennis for adults starts at 9:30 am - \$2.00 per person.

Tennis is a great sport for meeting people and being involved in the community.

THE OFFICE CORNER:

- ◆ Please return all notes at your earliest convenience. It makes life so much easier in the office.
- ◆ Please return the 'Home time Arrangement' note on the previous page as soon as possible. Thank you.
- ◆ Attached to the Newsletter is a booklet of Absence Notes for your use. Please send one with your child detailing the reason for the absence on the day he/she returns after an absence. Thank you.
- ◆ A lunch order price list is attached for your convenience. AVAILABLE EACH DAY EXCEPT TUESDAYS.

OUR SCHOOL IN PHOTOS



WELCOME TO OUR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS - Saxon, Beau, Annie, Tyler, Amali, Milly, Cooper & Maggie. Aren't they just the best???



Oliver, Nash & Tommy, Jason & Harry love cricket.

Sarah has coloured an amazing picture.

Milly & Maggie working hard.

Hunter, Taylah & Javana enjoying our wonderful playground.

