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WHAT'S ON AT THE GARDENS?

Week 5 (13 August - 17 August)

Wednesday - "School's Out" 2BOB Radio program
Wednesday - AAS Soccer
Thursday - AAS Gymnastics
Friday - Zone Athletics
Friday - Buddy Classes

Week 6 (20 August - 24 August)

Wednesday - SC1 Tuncurry Park Excursion
Wednesday - AAS Soccer
Thursday - AAS Gymnastics
Friday - Book Week celebrations (see page 2)
Friday - Daffodil Day

HOME TIME PROCEDURES

We have been trialling a new home-time procedure and would welcome your feedback. Class teachers are walking with the children to the Bushland and Mudford Street gates at the end of school day. This is a great opportunity for us to say "Hi" to family members as you pick up the children as well as keeping the children safe as they leave school.

CHILDREN'S SAFETY

The safety of all children is everyone's business. Some ways we can all help include:

- ☺ Making sure they know you expect them to use the marked pedestrian crossings
- ☺ Follow the "Crossing Supervisor" directions
- ☺ Remind your children to always let you know where they are playing
- ☺ Be home before dark
- ☺ Never get into cars or go somewhere with people they don't know

VOLUNTEERS TEACHING OUR STUDENTS

Using the power of music to inspire and enrich the lives of all Australian children

GREAT NEWS!!!! Our school was successful in applying for and receiving support to implement a **music program** at our school. The ACMF has provided us with free musical instruments. Tish McMahon has kindly volunteered her time to teach classes K- 6. Children will be able to learn how to play various musical instruments, leading to school and community performances. Some of the instruments children are being taught to play include percussion, guitar, boomwackers, glockenspiels, melodeons, tone bars, bells and ukuleles.



The school would like to thank Tish for her expertise and time.

Volunteer Creative Arts Program

Children are also being offered the opportunity to participate in some great creative art activities being offered by another wonderful volunteer. Wendy is running a girls dance group on Wednesdays and Fridays during the lunch break. The girls are enjoying the variety of dance moves they are learning and their confidence is developing each week. Wendy is also running preschool and K – 2 dance and movement lessons as well as dance lessons for 3/4S. The senior classes have been learning about recycling material and have woven shopping plastic bags and made bracelets and necklaces from recycled items. We sincerely thank Wendy for sharing her skills with the children.

If you have a particular interest and would like to come along and share this with the children, please contact the school.



NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2012

A reminder that all reading has to be completed by 1 September 2012.

Kinder, Years 1 & 2: 30 books (*or have read to you*)

Years 3 & 4: 20 books

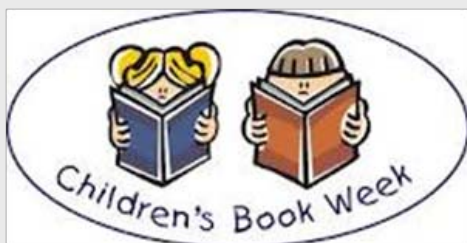
Years 5 & 6: 20 books

Please see your class teacher or Mrs Johnson if you need help.

BOOK WEEK

You are invited to celebrate Children's Book Week here at Manning Gardens on

Friday 24 August.



Planned activities include:

Book parade, family reading photos, sausage sizzle, competitions & prizes, National Hour of Reading and a Book Fair.

Books available to purchase throughout the week.

Come dressed as your favourite character or to the Book Week theme "Champions READ"



ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

This term we will be offering gymnastics on Thursday afternoons and soccer on Wednesday afternoons, commencing Thursday 9 August. This will run until the end of the term.

Please return the completed notes to school if you would like your child to participate in this free program.

DAFFODIL DAY - Friday 24 August

As well as our Book Week celebrations, Friday 24 August is also Daffodil Day, raising money for the Cancer Council. Children and families may purchase items in support of this worthy charity from the school..



CANTEEN NEWS Olympic Specials



Gold: Aussie BBQ Burger, drink, large icy pole \$5.00
Silver: Chicken & salad wrap, drink, small icy pole \$4.00
Bronze: 5 chicken nuggets, drink, small icy pole \$3.00

Please pre-order for lunch - **ends Thursday 16th.**

Winter Warmers - \$1.00 each (available anytime)

Hot cup of soup (chicken noodle or creamy tomato)

Hot cup of Milo

Coming soon - Fathers Day Stall

Wednesday 29 & Thursday 30 August in the Canteen

Winners!

Congratulation to the Bell family, winners of the Canteen Survey Raffle.

Also congratulations to Joshua Richards, winner of the \$25 McGrath Meat voucher and Grandma Shirley, winner of the \$25 Townhead Fruit & Veg voucher. We raised a total \$192.00! Thank you for your support.

CANTEEN OPEN



TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

ZONE ATHLETICS

The Zone Athletics Carnival held on Friday 10 August was only partially completed due to the unsafe weather conditions. Events that had not been completed will now be held on Friday 17 August. The children that will be attending will be receiving a new permission note. Mr Amidy and parent helpers will be transporting the children to Tuncurry. They will be leaving school on Friday morning at **8.00am**. Please be on time.

3/4S FUNDRAISING

Class 3/4S are holding a fundraising raffle for their 2012 end of year school camp.

1st prize: 9 holes of golf plus lunch for 2 people at Wingham Golf Club

2nd prize: Two tickets for Taree Tenpin Bowl.

3rd prize: Children's DVD and book pack

Tickets available from Miss Somerville or from the canteen on Wednesday's only. Tickets \$1.00 each.

FANTASTIC STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT!

The list of riding accomplishments of SC4 student Tara Copp just gets longer and longer! Tara and the team from Manning Great Lakes Riding for the Disabled competed and won gold in the International RDA Championships! The team of five riders were assisted by three leaders as they acted out the story of Sleeping Beauty to music. They are the feature story on the cover of the Manning River Times newspaper dated Tuesday 14 August.



Congratulations Tara!

"SCHOOLS OUT" Radio Program

Selected students from 5/6C will be hosting the 2BOB radio program "School's Out" this afternoon.

Tune into 104.7fm from 4.00pm today to hear them present the show.

**KINDERGARTEN & PRESCHOOL 2013
ENROLMENTS**

Do you have a child, or know of someone with a child eligible for Kindergarten or Preschool?

To enrol in Kindergarten, your child needs to turn **5** by 31 July 2013.

For Preschool, your child needs to turn **4** by 31 July 2013.

Please call into the office to collect an Application to Enrol form so we can commence preparation for Orientation Days.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The last day to place an order at school for group photos is tomorrow, Thursday 16 August. Payment is required with your order or payments can be made by credit card online at www.theschoolphotographer.com.au

Community News

Free Parenting Workshop

"Bringing Up Great Kids" parenting workshops will be held in the school every Tuesday from 12.30pm for the next six weeks.

For enquiries please contact Tamara Bean on
0409 226 583

Jayem National Education

Tutoring for all ages!
4 Macquarie Street. Taree
Phone 6551 3332
Email jayemne@bigpond.com
www.tutoringtaree.com.au

Freestyle Fridays

Friday nights at Taree PCYC 6.30pm - 9.30pm, starting 17 August 2012.

Free transport, food and loads of fun activities (music, sporting and cultural).

Ages 10 - 17 years.

Phone 6551 0292 for more information.

Good Beginnings Playgroup - "Play & Learn"

Where: Koori Room, Manning Gardens Public School

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Time: 9.30am - 2.00pm

No cost involved. Morning tea and lunch provided - come along and have a feed!

For more information, please contact Tamara Bean on 0409 226 583 or Graeme Bales on 0458 791 294.

Cricket

Play cricket this summer with your friends.

There's lots of ways you can get involved in cricket with your local club, association or indoor centre.

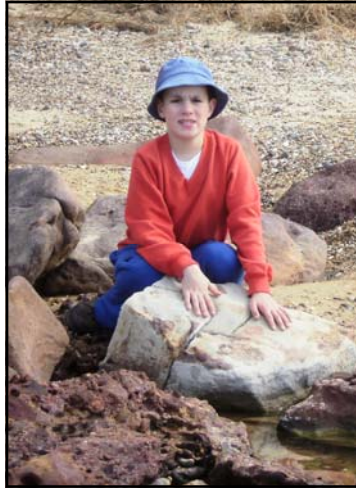
Find out more at playcricket.com.au

GARDENS GALLERY

On Monday 13 August, SC5 went on an excursion to Bonny Hills. In the morning we drove up to the North Brother Mountain Lookout where we were able to see all the way to Port Macquarie.

After this we explored the rock pools at Bonny Hills Beach and played in the park.

We had a lovely day!



Tara Copp from SC4 on her horse after their gold medal winning performance in the International RDA Championships

