Principal's Message

We have had a very busy start to the term at Tanilba Bay Public School which has helped us stay warm in these very cold conditions. Our school has been very settled and all students are doing their best and achieving great results. Well done to all students for their efforts in both their classrooms and the playground. Congratulations to our girls' soccer team for their excellent 6-0 win against Shoal Bay PS this week. Our boys also played a fantastic game on the day and unfortunately they lost a close game.

Our senior boy’s rugby league team had a very disappointing result in their game against Dungog PS last week. Our boys were winning 14-12 in a hard fought and close game when the referee blew his final whistle at the end of the game. However an appeal to the referee was made by the other side that there was still two minutes to go and the referee called two minutes extra time and our boys eventually lost the game 18-14. The extra two minutes was stoppage time for an injury. Stoppage time should not be factored in to a Mod Rules Rugby League game. Immediately after the game I lodged a protest with the PSSA and both schools have been notified that the game must now be replayed. This is a good outcome as it is fair to all of the children involved from both schools. Congratulations to all of the boys on the team for the excellent attitude displayed in dealing with the original disappointment.

Next week is Education Week and we have a full program of events planned to highlight and celebrate our students, staff and school. This is an excellent opportunity for family members to get involved with our school and be involved in your child’s education. We hope you will take the time to look at our program of events and come and join the fun.

Kindergarten 2015

Please make sure you get your enrolment papers in as soon as possible so we can start organising our class groups and have everything organised to make sure your child’s first days at TBPS are happy and successful. Also if you know of anyone who intends to enrol their child in kindergarten at TBPS next year who is not currently involved with the school encourage them to contact us as soon as possible. Our Transition program is starting very soon and we hope to get as many families as possible to our parent information evening, Teddy Bears Picnic and our orientation days.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program
This program is on again so if you shop at Woolworths please collect the stickers and send them in. In previous years we have been able to purchase some wonderful resources for our school through this program.

We look forward to seeing plenty of family members at school next week during our Education Week activities.
Have a great weekend.

Stuart Wylie
Principal

Notification of absences
Beginning next week, we will be trialling a new system for notifying parents and caregivers about unexplained student absences from school. When your child is recorded as being absent you will receive either a text message or email from the school alerting you to the absence. This will also ask you to send the school an explanation for the absence. This response can take the place of sending a note on your child’s return to school.

Tim Harris
Deputy Principal
There are many parents and students who wonder why learning the times tables is important. It is essential that your child masters times tables during primary school. Once your child has an understanding of their times tables they have a strong foundation to build on when working with numbers in all areas of mathematics.

**Encourage your child to master their times tables.** This is an excellent site with a wide variety of games and links to help them become multiplication masters!

http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/timestable/interactive.htm

### Calendar of Events

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### Absentee information

When children miss out on school they miss out on vital information, their learning routine is broken, they can lose confidence and they miss out on building up friendships.

If your child has to be absent from school for any reason, including arriving late or leaving early, please either tell your child’s teacher or the administrative assistant at the school, or explain the reason by phone, email, SMS or written note as soon as possible, or within seven days.

Once children are enrolled parents are legally required to send them to school every day that the school is open for instruction or participation in school activities, such as sports days. A small number of absences may be justified if your child:

- has an unavoidable medical or dental appointment (preferably these should be made after school or during holidays)
- has to go to special religious ceremony
- is required to attend a serious and/or urgent family situation (e.g. a funeral)
- is too sick to go to school, or has an infectious illness.

Failure to explain an absence within this time will be recorded as an unjustified absence on a student’s record. Schools will inform parents if a student is absent from school without explanation.

### Woolworths Earn & Learn

Tanilba Bay is again collecting stickers for the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. By spending $10 at Woolworths you are able to collect a sticker. The more sticker sheets we can fill the more money we attract to spend on resources for the school. Stickers have been available since July 15th and the program will run till the end of Term. Sticker sheets are included with the Newsletter and you can collect more sheets from the office anytime. A collection box is also in the office. Thanks for your assistance in this fundraiser.

Mrs Paula Flux

### quicksmart

Our Quicksmart Numeracy children have started back in Term 3 with a very focused attitude. We are all working hard on our number facts and learning to master them with accuracy.

The Quicksmart Masters for this fortnight are: **Sam Mahomet** for outstanding recall of facts and his infectious enthusiasm which encourages others to succeed. **Corey Radford** for continued enjoyment of the program and ongoing persistence to reach his goals.

Well Done!

### ES1/S1

A big congratulations to all of our public speaking participants who recently competed in the ES1 final. Participating in the final were Molly and Gemma from KB; Khloe and Rylan from KM;
Jessica and Evelyn from KR and Ruby and Billy from KS. The joint winners from Early Stage One were Billy from KS and Jessica from KR-congratulations Billy and Jessica!!!

Term 3 will see the Kindergarten students of TBPS continue with Morning Fitness. We will be completing BrainGym exercises each morning combined with actions to get all of the students moving and grooving and ready to learn for the day. It also helps us warm up on the chilly mornings!

This term Kindergarten students will be participating in Creative Arts groups every Wednesday afternoon. The students will rotate to each Kindergarten classroom to participate in learning from all strands of Creative Arts including Drama, Visual Art, Dance and Music.

2/3G
Welcome back to Term 3. In 2/3G we have been doing some amazing work to improve our writing. I have been pleased with the creativeness of my students with their “Sizzling Starts,” improving their narratives immensely. In Mathematics we are looking at mapping, division and multiplication in the next few weeks and automatic recall of our times tables. During HSIE we will be focusing on “State and National Parks.” A note will go home within the next week outlining our research project for this term based on the above unit. Congratulations to Nate and Cailan for representing our class in the Stage1 and 2 public speaking finals, and Jenaya for settling into 2/3G. Just a reminder homework is due on a Friday and home readers are to be changed during the week.

4B
Term 3 is back and we are running. We are focusing on getting ready for our camp and practicing our performance piece. We had the public speaking finals this week; congratulations to Charli and Holly who represented 4B. We are currently looking at time and focusing on number for our math topics this term, we are also reading ‘The Witches’ as our novel study. Home readers are available for all students and there is no limit to when they return and take new books, it is up to them. Hopefully we have more books swapped this term so they can benefit and improve their reading skills. Great Aussie Bush Camp is close so we need to get finalised payments soon to make sure we are ready to go. If there are any questions about camp please contact the school as we have about 10 spots left to fill.

5D
Welcome back to Term 3 and what a start it has been!

During NAIDOC celebrations we participated in dance and art activities as well as researched some of Australia’s famous Aboriginal role models from sport, arts and politics.

The Stage 3 public speaking final was held on Monday. A big congratulations goes to Victoria Miller and Joe Mitchell who will now represent our school at the Zone Public Speaking finals. We also celebrated Sebastian Bailey’s outstanding achievement of Junior Boy Age Champion.

In literacy we are all enjoying our new Novel, The Tale of Despereaux. The story is very energetic, exuberant and especially detailed with wonderful imagery and layers to capture the imagination. We are beginning to talk about preparing for the Stage 3 Market Day where the children will design and run their own stall as a fundraiser for the year 6 Farewell. Stay tuned for more information as the term progresses.

Lisa Dovey
Our uniform shop, located in the AV room is open Mondays 9am – 10am and on Wednesdays 2.30pm – 3pm. Don’t forget if you can’t make it on these days, you can also leave an order at the office and we will put it together for you next time the uniform shop is open and these can be sent home with your child.

Next Meeting

Our meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 3:15pm. Our next meeting will be **Thursday 30th July** in the library. All welcome to attend.

Each year Salamander Bay Shopping Centre holds an Annual Fundraiser to support a local charity or community group. Last year the Centre’s Helping Hands campaign raised over $6,000 for local war veterans and their families, and the year prior saw over $2,000 raised for the local Rural Fire Service. In light of the devastating April storms in Port Stephens, this year the Centre’s Annual Fundraiser will give the community the opportunity to say thank you to the SES for their assistance during that time.

The “I LOVE Saying Thank You” campaign will launch in-Centre on the **8th August**. The Port Stephens SES Unit will be holding an Information Day complete with volunteers in uniform, a display of the resources and equipment the Unit uses, information on how to prepare for future storms, and more.

From the 8th – 21st August, customers are invited to write their message of thanks on a love heart and tie it to the stands in the Support Hubs located throughout the Centre. $1 for each heart will be donated by the Centre directly to the local SES to assist them in purchasing a new generator. We hope to see you there.
This term we will be working on how to keep our bodies healthy. Courtney will be sharing knowledge about nutrition and the importance of exercise. We are also looking forward to having a personal trainer Nick visit us and share his healthy tips with the children and families.

We will also be looking at our multicultural society, Eden will be sharing interesting information about cultures around the world. We will also be welcoming Jason to share knowledge about his culture, learning about games he played when he was a child in the Philippines.

Assessment and ratings. In May, we completed our assessment and rating conducted by the Education & Communities office of education. We are extremely happy to announce that we are MEETING all quality areas, a lot of hard work from dedicated staff to achieve such a result in a short amount of time, well done.

Leadership program we continue on this term with our Better Buddies leadership program. Congratulations to Deakin, Lacy, Lachlan J, Elizabeth, Logan, Michael, Lyla and Olivia our Term 3 leaders. Our leadership program will continue until the end of the year helping all OSHC children connect by learning from each other and by building self-confidence through the program.

Before and afternoon care bookings can be made by enrolling online or by phoning 1300 105 343, for current families please book through your parent portal. Booking your child/ren into OSHC is very important so that service staff are aware that your child/ren are required to attend.

Looking forward to a fun filled Term 3!

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