



Our mission is to provide children with...

- a love of learning
- a pride in achievement
- a respect for themselves and others

...in a safe and happy environment

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School Planning

We are currently in the process of developing our new strategic plan to guide our operations in the next three years and are very keen to seek the views and opinion of parents and caregivers toward the operation of some key areas within the school. Next week we will be selecting a random sample of parents from each class and making telephone contact with them to ask some questions. All responses will remain anonymous. We are employing an additional administration person for the time it will take to complete the survey. Participation is voluntary, if you are contacted and wish to opt out you will have the opportunity.

Following this activity Mr Gadd will be coordinating a focus group discussion to discuss in further detail any of the issues that arise from the initial telephone survey.

The focus of the strategic plan is continuous improvement. We are very genuine about improving the services our school offers the Telarah community and providing the best education we can.

School Captain Nominations for 2012

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated for School Captain for 2012.

Boy nominees are: Jock, Tahj, Sam, Charlie, Asher, Danny, Cameron and Jaiden.

Girl nominees are: Jazmyn, Jorgia, Felicity, Hailee, Desharn, Jessica, Emily, Kiera, Jacinta, Hannah and Laura.

Student speeches will be held next week. Girls will give their speech on Monday 21 November at 9.15am and boys will give their speech on Wednesday 23 November at 9.15am. Parents are invited to attend the assemblies and listen to the nominees speak.

Classes for 2012

If your children will not be returning to Telarah Public School in 2012, please let us know. Classes are being organised based on our anticipated enrolment. The more accurate our information the more effective our planning will be.

Industrial Action 29 November 2011

Please be aware that the NEW South Wales Teachers Federation is planning industrial action on the 29th November. We will provide details about the level of supervision that will be available closer to the 29th.

Just Like Fish

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Damon Rodd from Just Like Fish who generously donated his time and swimming instructors to assist our senior students with swimming lessons over the past few weeks. His help and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Samaritans Food Appeal

Our school will once again be participating in the Samaritans Food Appeal. We are asking students to please bring in any canned or packet food to put under our Christmas tree. These food items will be collected and distributed to needy families in time for Christmas. Thank you for supporting this wonderful cause.

Rutherford High School – Parent Information

A Year 6 parent information evening will be held on Monday 5 December at 5.30pm to discuss all aspects of the transition to High School. Book packs for Year 7 will be available to purchase and the Uniform Shop will be open for the purchase of uniforms. Sausage sandwiches and cold drinks will be available for purchase from 5.00pm.

Rutherford High School - Orientation Day

All Year 6 students who have registered to attend Rutherford Technology High School are invited to participate in an Orientation Day on Tuesday 6 December. Students will travel from their primary school to the high school and will be placed in their classes for 2012, meeting their new classmates and undertaking a day of typical high school activities.

Read With Me

Parents are invited to their child's classroom to participate in Read With Me on Wednesday 16 November from 9.20 – 9.40am. Hope to see you there.

2011 Calendar

Wednesday 16 Nov	Read With Me
Tuesday 29 Nov	Surf Life Saving Yr 6
Friday 2 December	Carols by Twilight, Swimming Carnival
Monday 5 December	Parent Information Session, RTHS
Tuesday 6 December	Orientation Day RTHS
Thursday 8 December	Presentation Day 10.00am
Monday 12 December	Year 6 Farewell
Friday 16 December	Last Day for Students

Students in Sport: Thank you to P and C!

The following letter was written by one of our student leaders in thanks to the P and C for donating \$200 to assist Jade to participate in the NSW State PSSA Girls Cricket Knockout. This is something the P and C do for all student who reach this representative level in any sport.

Telarah Public School encourages and supports student's participation in a variety of sports. It was this encouragement which sparked my interest in cricket and allowed me to be selected in the Hunter Region Girls Cricket Team.

We were successful in Armidale in all our six pool games coming first and undefeated only to lose the grand final.

I am grateful of the support given to me by the P&C of Telarah Public School and to the support always given to all students.

Thank you
Jade
School Captain

Carols by Twilight

We are celebrating Christmas on Friday 2 December with Carols by Twilight starting at 5.00pm. All the classes and the choir will be singing and we will have sausage sizzle and selling glow sticks / flashies. At the end of the evening we will draw our Christmas Raffle and have a visit from Santa. It will be a great evening for all, so bring a blanket and come along. Christmas Raffle tickets will be going home this week.



Education
& Training

No Hat No Play

As the weather warms up this term it is school policy that students must be wearing a hat if they wish to play in the playground. Any student out in the playground who does not have a hat is directed to sit under the covered area outside the hall. Yesterday we had a number of students debating whether a hood constitutes a hat or not, the answer is that it does not. Please discuss this with your children and ensure they have an appropriate hat, clearly labelled with their name, when they come to school.

Monday Night is Nit Night!

Remember Monday night is nit night where we ask parents to check your child's hair for head lice. If you find any lice please treat your child's hair immediately before they return to school.

st Christopher's Chess Club

When: Wednesday Nights
Time: 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm
Where: St Christopher's Church Hall
92 Gillies Street Rutherford

Cost: \$3.00

T4 starts 12 October 2011

Enter our Annual Tournament!

Beginners to experienced...
From 6 – 78 years...
All players welcome!

A group of the Anglican Parish of Telarah-Rutherford - 4932 8604

For More Information
Contact Janice Fleming 4932 4336 or 0402 239 813

The Mutual
BANK@school
www.mightymutuals.com.au

Every Thursday

Please be reminded that Bank@School continues each Thursday at the school. Students can make their deposits by placing their passbooks in the secured school banking box at the School Office. At the allocated time a Mutual representative will arrive to process transactions. Any students not currently enrolled in Bank@School should see the office for an application.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS



HOSTED BY: MAITLAND & DIST. HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC
And ROBIN'S NEST CHILDREN'S HOMES (a Newcastle Founded Charity)

THERRY CENTRE NEW ENGLAND HWY EAST MAITLAND
THUR 24th to SUN 27th NOVEMBER 2011 10-4 DAILY
HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS STALLS FOOD

CHRISTMAS TREE COMPETITION WINNER BY POPULAR VOTE
\$2 ENTRY INCLUDES 1 VOTING SLIP extra VOTES \$1 EACH

SAT/SUN SANTA TIMES 10.30-12noon, 1.3pm. TAKE YOUR OWN FREE PHOTOS
BRING THE FAMILY & MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT
SALE 3PM SUNDAY – EXPO DECORATIONS & GOODS

