



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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Messages from Mr Gadd

Welcome

Many thanks to all of the students, parents, caregivers and staff members who have welcomed me very warmly to Telarah Public School. I am developing a very good feel for the place as there are many positive things occurring in our school every day and I look forward to working with the Telarah Public School community for some time.

Many parents and caregivers have already taken the opportunity to contact the school to make time to meet with me to either discuss an issue of concern, to seek advice or to sound out my opinion on an issue within the school. I have enjoyed each of these interactions and have been very pleased that at the centre of each conversation is peoples commitment to making our school the best it can be for our students.

I have been a Principal for 6 years at both Karuah Public School and Tanilba Bay Public School and I have learnt that each and every school is unique. I am enjoying learning about what makes Telarah Public School tick.

Class Organisation

We are continuing to monitor our student enrolment numbers as there may be the need for a re-shuffle of classes due to a decrease in enrolments. Should this need to occur students in affected classes will receive a note home and we will endeavour to honour all class placement requests previously made.

Communication

This year the newsletter will be published once a fortnight on Tuesday and will be sent home with the oldest child in each family. We welcome community contributions and not for profit organisations may publish in our newsletter for free but there will be small charge for local businesses wishing to advertise. As you will notice we are working on a new format and will be seeking your input and feedback in the near future. We will publish 'interim newsletters' from time to time if the need arises due to special events or circumstances.

If you have an issue you would like to discuss the appropriate place to start is with your child's class teacher. Following the class teacher the next person to see is the stage leader and then Mr Debenham or myself. The names of the executive and their areas of responsibility are outlined below.

Kindergarten: Mrs Ros Sherlock
Year 1 and Year 2: Mrs Anne Kelly
Year 3 and Year 4: Mrs Libby Cantwell
Year 5 and Year 6: Mr Steve Taylor
Deputy Principal: Mr Phillip Debenham

Mr Debenham's substantive position is Assistant Principal and Mrs Cantwell is relieving in his position whilst he continues to relieve as Deputy for Mr Smith.

Thank you, Tony Gadd

School Gates

For our students safety our general assistant will be locking all gates other than the ones at the front of the school between the times of 9.45am and 2.30pm. If you need to come to the school in between these times please use the front entrance adjacent to the car park and administration block.

Kinder Information Night

Don't forget the Kindergarten Information Night tonight at 5.30pm in the Kinder rooms. Looking forward to seeing you there!

2011 Calendar

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| Tuesday 8 February | Kinder Information Night, P&C AGM Meeting |
| Wednesday 16 February | Water Saving Show |
| Monday 21 February | Swimming Trials |
| Friday 1 April | School Photos |
| Monday 4 April | School Photos |

Active After School

Our Active After School program will commence next week. Activities this term will be Basketball on a Tuesday and Cycling on a Friday. Children do not need to bring a ball or a bike, all equipment will be supplied by the instructor. If your child is interested in participating in this wonderful program, please complete the attached consent form and return to the office as soon as possible. Mrs Taylor will confirm placement for activities before the commencement of the program.



Hats and Water Bottles

Please remind your children to bring their hat and water bottle to school every day. Remember, No Hat No Play.

Bubbles & Supa Squirt Water Saving Show

On Wednesday 16 February all classes will be attending a free performance by the "Ship-O-Fools Clown Troupe" in the Telarah Public School Hall. The performance will show students ways in which to save water and will be showing us ways to use less water in our everyday tasks. Students will learn about the water cycle in a fun and educational way.

Swimming Trials

Our swimming trials will be held on Monday 21 February at East Maitland Pool. Mr Willcocks will be sending home information over the next week. The swimming trials is for students only who wish to try out for Zone.

Head Lice

Could all parents please remember to regularly 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.

Bus Pass – Year 3

If your child is in Year 3 this year they will need to reapply for a bus pass. Please see the office for further details.

Student Exemption

If your child is going to be absent for five or more days an Application for Exemption from Attendance at School must be completed. Please keep this in mind if you are going on holidays or if your child is sick. Please see the office for further details.

Student Emergency Contacts

A new Student Emergency Details will be sent home shortly with your children. It would be appreciated if parents could complete the form (double sided) and return as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Asthma

If your child suffers from Asthma a new information sheet needs to be completed. Please see the office for further information.

P&C

Our P&C Meeting will be held tonight at 7.00pm in the old school library. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new families to Telarah Public School and warmly invite them to join the P&C. Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Tuesday 8 March. Looking forward to seeing you there!



Community Notices

MAITLAND BLUE LIGHT MONTHLY DISCO

2011 Blue Light Disco Calendar

Friday 11th February
Friday 11th March
Friday 8th April
Friday 13th May
Friday 10th June
Friday 8th July
Friday 12th August
Friday 9th September
Friday 7th October
Friday 11th November
Friday 9th December

6.30pm till 9.30pm

Cost \$5.00



15 YEARS & UNDER ONLY

(Children over this age will not be admitted!)

Children must be picked up from inside the door of disco by an adult!!
Parents most welcome to stay

DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE ENVIRONMENT
RUN UNDER NSW BLUE LIGHT RULES & SUPERVISION
Contact Maitland BlueLight
David 0408680709



Maitland Football Club Inc

2011 REGISTRATIONS

Registrations will be held at Fieldsend Oval on the following days and times:

Saturday 29th January – 10am to 5pm
Thursday 3rd February – 5pm to 8pm
Saturday 5th February – 10am to 5pm
Thursday 10th February – 5pm to 8pm
Saturday 12th February – 10am to 5pm
Thursday 17th February – 5pm to 8pm
Saturday 19th February – 10am to 5pm

All registration and season fees are due at registration.

All new players 5years to 18years must bring a birth certificate.

All ages from 5yrs to O/45's welcome.

Players playing in the All Age and O/45 teams must have a passport size photograph.

For further information please contact Evelyn on 0432 945237.

RUTHERFORD FOOTBALL CLUB



PLAYER REGISTRATIONS

Tuesday 1st FEB 2011 – 3:30pm to 5:30pm
Saturday 5th FEB 2011 – 1pm to 4pm
Tuesday 8th FEB 2011 – 5pm to 8pm
Sunday 13th February 2011 – 11am to 2pm

To be held at Maitland City Bowling Club

All registrations receive free shorts and socks.

All new players will need to supply a copy of Birth Certificate

Positions available in all age groups U6 to Over 35.

U10 Girls needed for Sunday Girls Competition.

For further information please visit our website www.rutherfordfc.com or contact the Club Secretary on 0423361736



Hotline - 0421 831 309
www.maitlandhockey.org.au

Hookin2Hockey

Only \$40

Includes all equipment to keep
+ 2 Week skills introduction
Wed. nights - 5pm from Feb 23
Register online or by phone



**Under 7's & Under 10's
Only \$60**

Includes rego. and all games
Wednesday nights from March 16

**Under 13's and 18's – Mixed
Tues. & Wed. nights from 6pm**

Women's Comp. – Sat. from noon
Men's Intercity Comp – Weekends



WEST MAITLAND SCHOOL BOYS R.L.F.C

INVITE YOU TO PLAY THE GREAT GAME OF
RUGBY LEAGUE

AGES 6-17 ARE ALL INVITED TO HAVE FUN AND GET
FIT WITH YOUR FRIENDS, LEARN NEW SKILLS, AND BE
PART OF A TEAM.

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AT
CORONATION OVAL FROM 1ST FEBRUARY
ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAY 4-5PM.

OUR COACHES ARE A MINIMUM LEVEL ONE ACCREDITED AND ARE
OVERSEEN BY AN EXPERIENCED COACHING PANEL TO ENSURE YOU
WILL HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE COACHING.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 0407417505