



## *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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### **PSP Survey**

We have greatly appreciated the positive response to the Priority School Program survey, we sent 233 surveys out and have received almost 100% back. There are a few still to come so please bring them in as soon as possible. We have made up a great easter hamper as a prize for all families who returned their surveys in the first week. All students from families that returned their surveys by this Friday will receive a water ice-block next week. The winning family of the easter hamper will be drawn tomorrow at our student assembly celebrating harmony day.

### **Harmony Day**

Tomorrow (Wednesday 21 March) is Harmony Day and the school will celebrate with an out of uniform day with students encouraged to wear something orange. It is appropriate for students to wear their uniform with a "touch of orange" if they choose. Please note that we do not expect parents to go and buy something orange. Whatever is in their child's wardrobe will do. It will be a gold coin donation for all students who come out of uniform

Students will also be able to try a taste of international foods on the day for a 50c donation. All money raised on Harmony Day will be donated to World Vision.

Throughout the day students will be participating in class activities aimed at increasing their awareness that Australia is a multi-cultural society and we all need to live and work in harmony with each other.

Mrs Keith  
Harmony day Coordinator

### **School Photographs**

All students have received today their photograph envelope. **Please note that students in Kinder to Year 6 will have their photograph taken on Monday 2 April not Friday 30 March. Preschool students will have their photograph taken on Tuesday 15 May and Thursday 17 May.** Please note that students have to bring their envelope on photo day, Monday 2 April. Class teachers and the office staff will not be held responsible for any

photograph money. Parents are able to put sibling money in the one student envelope however each student must return their envelope on photo day.

If you would like a family photograph, please see the office for an envelope.

If you need to organise a payment plan for your children's photographs, please contact MSP Photography on 4966 8292.

Premium Pack	\$36.00
Value Pack	\$32.00
Basic Pack	\$29.00
Portrait Only	\$21.00
Group Only	\$20.00
Family Photograph	\$10.00 - \$25.00

**Don't forget Out of Uniform for  
Harmony Day tomorrow.  
Students are encouraged to  
wear orange!**

### **2012 Calendar**

<b>Tuesday 20 March</b>	<b>School Disco</b>
<b>Wednesday 21 March</b>	<b>Kinder Photos in The Maitland Mercury, Book Club due</b>
<b>Monday 2 April</b>	<b>Kinder – Yr 6 School Photos</b>
<b>Thursday 5 April</b>	<b>Last Day of Term 1</b>
<b>Tuesday 24 April</b>	<b>Students return for Term 2</b>
<b>Tuesday 15 May</b>	<b>Preschool Photographs</b>
<b>Thursday 17 May</b>	<b>Preschool Photographs</b>

### Kinder Photographs – Maitland Mercury

Tomorrow (Wednesday 21 March) the Kindergarten photographs will be in The Maitland Mercury. Students who have pre-ordered a paper should receive them tomorrow.

### Book Club

Wednesday 21 March is the last day for book club orders. Please put your order in an envelope and hand to Mrs Bateup.

### Round 2 Boys Cricket Knockout

On Friday 16 March our senior boys had a solid win over Gillieston Heights Public School. Captain Tahj elected to bat first and thanks to Curtis and Cameron we were given a good start. Curtis scored 15 runs and Cameron in his first game scored a solid 6 runs. Caleb coming in at first drop top scored with 16 runs and retired.

After the break Tahj and Vice Captain Curtis opened the bowling. Tahj picked up two wickets and was well supported by debutants Josh, Jock and Danny.

Telarah boys won by 82 runs over Gillieston Heights PS and the boys are keen for the next game.

The man of the match was awarded to Caleb who top scored, kept wicket and bowled tightly.



### Zone Rugby League Trials

Congratulations to Tahj, Jock and Danny who made it in to the Maitland Zone Rugby League Team. The boys played outstanding football to secure a spot in the side. The team play a gala day at Raymond Terrace this Friday and we wish them all the very best.

### Gifted and Talented Student Camp

The Hunter Primary Gifted and Talented Student Camp will be held on 24-27 July 2012. The cost of the camp

will be approx \$300 per student. If your child is interested in attending the camp, please see Mr Taylor. All nomination forms need to be received by Wednesday 4 April.

### Hunter Sports High School 2013

If you would like to your child to attend Hunter Sports High in 2013, please see the office for an application form.

### Year 5 Camp

Students in Year 5 will be attending the Aussie Bush Camp from Tuesday 26 June to Friday 29 June. The total cost for the camp is \$291.50 which covers transport to and from the camp as well as all meals and cabin accommodation. A deposit of \$50 must be paid to the office by Friday 23 March to secure your child's place for the camp. If you have any questions regarding the arrangements or payment for the camp please see Mrs Keith or Mr Gadd.

### Student Emergency Contact Form

All students have received a Student Emergency Contact Form for parents to check that we have the correct contact information for your child. This information is very important in the event we have to contact you for an emergency or if your child is sick. Could parents please sign the form and return to the front office as soon as possible.

### Comprehensive Permission Note

All students have received a yellow Comprehensive Permission Note. Could parents please complete the form and return to the front office as soon as possible.

### Year 7 2013 Expression of Interest

Expression of Interest forms were due back last Friday. If you have not previously filled out the form, please complete it and return to the front office as soon as possible.

**Kinder – Year 6 Photographs will be taken on Monday 2 April. Preschool photographs will be taken on Tuesday 15 May and Thursday 17 May, depending on which group they are in.**

## Don't forget our P&C Disco Tonight

**Pre-school to Year 2**  
**4.30 – 6.00pm**

**Year 3 to Year 6**  
**6.00 – 7.30pm**

**The canteen will be opened selling  
chips, drinks and lollies. Students  
will also be able to purchase  
flashies.**

### Facebook

The school has a Facebook page that we will be posting updates, news and events on. If you wish to receive these please search for Telarah Public School and "Like" us! The up to date authentic page is the one with the green school logo.

### Emails

Parents are also able to have copies of newsletters and notes emailed. If you would like to take advantage of this please contact the office.

### Eftpos

We now have an Eftpos machine at the school office which can be used for paying school excursions, fees etc. Please note that we are not able to give any cash out when using the Eftpos machine.

### Headlice

Remember Monday night is Nit Night where we ask parents to please check their child's hair and treat if necessary.

### P&C Easter Raffle Tickets

The eldest student in each family received their raffle tickets today. All raffle tickets need to be returned by Wednesday 4 April to go in the draw to win a fantastic Easter Hamper. If you require more tickets, please see the front office.

### P&C School Disco

On Tuesday 20 March the P&C will be holding a school disco.

Pre-school to Year 2 students will be from 4.30 – 6.00pm.

Year 3 to Year 6 students will be from 6.00 – 7.30pm.

### P&C Dates to Remember

8 May	P&C Meeting
11 May	Mothers Day Stall
6 June	School Disco
12 June	P&C Meeting
17 July	P&C Meeting
14 August	School Disco
14 August	P&C Meeting
31 August	Fathers Day Stall
11 September	P&C Meeting
9 October	P&C Meeting
6 November	School Disco
13 November	P&C Meeting
11 December	P&C Meeting
12 February 2013	P&C AGM Meeting

**Please note that all P&C Meetings are held at  
7.00pm in the old library.**

### First Chess night for Term 1 8 Feb 2012



#### 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

Beginners to experienced...  
From 8 – 18 years...  
All players welcome!

A group of the Anglican Parish of Telarah-Rutherford

For more information  
Contact Janice Fleming  
4932 4336 or 0402 239 813

### First Craft night for Term 1 6 Feb 2012



Junior Craft Club  
Monday Nights  
4.30 – 6.00 pm  
For children 8 – 14 years

St Christopher's Church Hall  
92 Gillies St, Rutherford  
\$3.00 per night.  
All materials & afternoon tea  
supplied.

For more information  
4932 8604