



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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2013 Calendar

TERM 4	WEEK 4	Activity/Event
Monday	28 Oct	Year 6 leave for Canberra Pre School Orientation
Tuesday	29 Oct	Pre School Orientation
Wednesday	30 Oct	Pre School Orientation Info Evening & BBQ - Kinder 2014 and Preschool 2014
Thursday	31 Oct	Pre School Orientation Year 6 return from Canberra
Friday	1 Nov	Pre School Orientation ESI/SI Sports Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Year 6 Canberra Excursion

We have had some positive reports from our Year 6 teachers about the trip down to Canberra and the students' behaviour. We will be updating our school Facebook page regularly. Mr Willcocks reported that although the students were a little bleary eyed they all made it to breakfast and were excited to be heading to Australian Institute of Sport.

End of Year Dates

Please note the dates for the end of year activities in this years' calendar. We have tried to coordinate with Rutherford Technology High School to ensure there are no clashes.

Information for 2014

If there is anything we need to know to help us organise classes for 2014, please give the school a call to make a time to either chat with one of the Executive staff members or send us a note and we will give you a call. It would be appreciated if we could also have advanced notice of intentions to move out of our local area.

Funding 2014

You may have read in the Maitland Mercury about the level of funding the school will receive in 2014 under the NSW Department of Education and Communities Resource Allocation Model (RAM). We have received significant loadings for socio-economic disadvantage and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students but as yet do not have a concrete indication as to how this will translate into actual resources that we can spend at our discretion. There are some current staffing allocations that are included in the RAM. 2013 saw our school receive significant funding as Transitional Equity Funds and with that we have been able to do significant work supporting our teachers to continuously improve, particularly in the area of literacy. We will be continuing this work in the new year with the newly allocated resources and will provide more information as it becomes available. More information can be found at <http://www.telarah-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/central?news=news/a-better-way-of-funding-our-schools>.

CLASS NEWS:

Pre-School

The Preschool had a working bee last week to clear a space for a vegetable garden area. Thanks to Sarah, Brooke, Richelle, Mrs Greedy and Mrs O'Donnell for all the hard work. The children were keen to help plant and water the new tomatoes, capsicum and lettuce. Working in the garden will help us to develop a connection to the land.



This week we are looking forward to meeting our new preschool students at orientation. Students attending in 2014 will come for an hour visit over 5 days this week. We welcome our new families and look forward to sharing time with you this week.

KF Last Friday KF enjoyed a fun filled Maths day based on measurement! How long is an anaconda?

KC We have been very busy in KC. Last Friday we had a maths day where we participated in activities on 'mass', 'area', 'length' and 'volume and capacity'. The classes rotated through these activities and everyone had a great 'hands on' learning day. This Friday we will be participating in the K-2 sports day where we will participate in lots of great games.

KB had a great day last Friday, participating in the Kindergarten Maths day. They enjoyed the many hands on activities and were very excited by the new discoveries they made.

IJ are going on a journey with a gentleman named Mr Gumpy. Along with a range of different animals including a rabbit and cat, IJ are exploring features of 'Mr Gumpy's Outing' including direct speech, apostrophes and compound sentences. We hope the boat doesn't tip over! In numeracy, we learnt how to collect data, transfer this onto a graph and ask questions about our data.
We certainly are busy bees in IJ!

I-2K have been focusing on the PBL core value of "being positive" and "doing our best". We have been setting personal and class goals and trying hard to achieve our goals. We have all acknowledged things that we are good at and things we need help with. I-2K are hosting the Stage 1 assembly next Monday afternoon at 2:25pm and invite all family and friends. Our theme is "Being a Champion". We are all enjoying the weekly Sport rotations and looking forward to the ESI and SI Have a Go Sports Day this Friday where we can all be champions!

2C have been so busy! Half of our class have just finished the Learn to Swim Program. The improvement in the students' skills has been amazing!!! In class we have been busy with our new Literacy groups, looking at graphs and data as well as reading and writing based on 'Rose Meets Mr Wintergarten'. We're working hard as we will soon be in year three!!

Most of **2B** had a great time at swimming for the last 2 weeks. Some pleasing progress for all students. The students that didn't go swimming spent the afternoon with Miss Lamey.

3R Mr Rees is happy to be back at school and very glad to see that his students have missed him! Unfortunately, ice cream DIDN'T help soothe my sore throat!!! We have started our new AL Text this term, "The Hidden Forest" by Jeannie Baker. "While looking for his fish trap, Ben thinks he sees something dark moving under the water. Is it a creature or only his imagination? He dives in to see - and discovers a wonderful hidden forest, full of amazing creatures."

4T are reading an 'Interview with Andy Griffiths' this week. He has written many fun children's books. Some of our class members have copies of his books at home which they really enjoy. It's great to see so many children reading at home for fun!

4-5K is very proud of their talented artists, a special congratulations to Samantha Brown (Samantha's portrait is hanging in the Maitland Regional Art Gallery as part of the FACE exhibition). Her artwork was also selected to promote the exhibition as part of the catalogue and is on the Galleries' facebook page. Congratulations also go to Rohan Baker-Wade - his fantastic black and white charcoal portrait is hanging in the Gallery as part of the FACE exhibition. Every year I am reminded what talented young people we have the pleasure of teaching in our public schools.

We are getting ready for our Jump Rope for Heart day by skipping for sport and also we will be trying to fit skipping in each day. Please do not be concerned if your child starts asking for different foods in their lunch box, as part of our healthy eating unit we are asking students to evaluate what and when they eat and to choose a healthier option if they are not eating a healthy food.

Library News

We have some great new books in the Library. Please encourage your child to bring his/her library bag on their library days.

If you have any specific requests for books that you would like to see in our Library, please let me know.

Gardening Club is not on after school this week as it is our Kindergarten Orientation Welcome Evening. Gardening will be on next week. Thanks, Mrs Kelly



Kindergarten 2014 BBQ and Welcome Evening:



Our orientation family BBQ is tomorrow at 5pm until 7pm. We look forward to meeting all kinder families both new and old tomorrow night. Please make sure that you have put your child's name down for Kindergarten 2014 at the office. Families have now been notified of the times for the Orientation Program for the children which begins next Wednesday on November 6th. Preschool families for 2014 will also be joining us for the BBQ.

Library times for Kindergarten classes:

For all of November KB, KC, KF and K/IN will have their library day on Monday due to the Orientation Program. Please remember to return those library books and bring those library bags on Mondays right through November.

ESI Maths Day:

KB, KC, KF and K/IN rotated through activities based on the measurement strand of the maths syllabus last Friday. A lot of great learning was done. Thanks to all the teachers who worked so hard to provide such engaging and relevant work for the children.



The Cancer Council is offering a one off workshop on improving family health and saving money. If you are interested in this session being held at school on Wednesday, November 27th please let the office know.



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to improve the health of your family and save money

Come to our Fruit & Veg Sense Session

Date: Wednesday 27th November
Time: 9:15am until 10:45am
Venue: Telarah Public School



Did you know that eating adequate amounts of fruit and vegetables all their lives can help protect children against diseases, including some forms of cancer? This session run by Cancer Council NSW as part of the *Eat It To Beat It* program will show you how you can easily:

- Save time and money making healthy meals
- Learn clever ways to entice fussy eaters
- Improve the long-term health of your whole family

Don't miss out on this great opportunity – register now at the school, by phoning (02) 4923 0710 or visit www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register



SPORTING NEWS:

Active After School Sport

Each Tuesday and Thursday, 50 students from years 1-6 are enjoying free sport activities after school. Basketball on Tuesdays with Mitch from Maitland Basketball is very popular with the younger students. AFL is equally popular with the older students on Thursdays with Justin. Free sport after school will continue next year as well, so pay close attention to newsletters and announcements to receive a place in this popular program.

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 'Have a Go at Sport Day'

Just a reminder about our sports day for all infants students:

When: Friday 1st November, 9.30-11.30am.

Who: All students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2.

What you need: Sunscreen, a hat, appropriate shoes - joggers and a water bottle.

We are looking forward to a great day of 'having a go' at a range of sports and activities.



P&C NEWS:

LEAD SMENCILS

Don't forget to buy your lead Smencil for only **\$2.00** from outside the hall each morning before school or from the school office during the day. Great Christmas stocking fillers!!



DISCO

The school will be holding a Disco in the school hall on Wednesday, 6 November commencing at 6.00pm and finishing at 7.30pm. Cost is \$2.00. The theme for this disco is HALLOWEEN. Glow Sticks & Smencils will be on sale.



XMAS RAFFLE

Raffle tickets have been distributed to all students. Tickets are 50c each and will be drawn on Friday, 13 December 2013.

1st Prize – Wheelbarrow full of goodies

2nd Prize – Bottles of Wine & Florist Voucher

3rd Prize – Pamper Pack

Please return sold tickets to office and if you would like any more books to sell, they are available from the office also.

Telarah Public School does not endorse students door knocking or selling without the supervision of a responsible adult.

2014 Bus Passes

If your child is currently in Year 2 and has a bus pass, they will need to reapply for Year 3. Forms are available at the office.

Year 7 2014 Orientation at Rutherford Technology High School

Year 6 Parent Information/Orientation Evening will be held on Tuesday 3 December, 2013 between 5.30-6.30pm in the School Hall

Year 6 Student Orientation Day will be held on Wednesday 4 December, 2013 commencing at 9.00am in the School Hall.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION LIST

Please complete the details below and return to the office if you wish for your newsletter to be emailed.

Student Name.....

Class.....

Email address.....

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students. These students arrive in February 2014 for 3, 5 or 10 month programs in Australia. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Finland, Canada, U.S.A, Colombia, Mexico and Japan will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceast@scce.com.au or call us toll free on **1800 500 501** to request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

Maitland Parkrun

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Maitland Parkrun is a free, weekly, timed, 5km run/walk.

We encourage people of every ability to take part. From those taking their first steps in running to experienced athletes.

Juniors, families & seniors. We welcome you all. It is completely run by volunteers and has a fantastic community feel about it.

Come join us every week commencing Saturday 2 November 2013 at Walka Water Works. Start time is 8am.

Before you come along you need to register online (It's free and simple) www.parkrun.com.au/maitland Follow us on Facebook.

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	Monday	Tuesday
Maitland Park (Church Hall)	6 - 7:30pm	6 - 7:30pm
Maitland Grossman High School		4 - 5pm

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Thornton Public School	6 - 7:30pm	6 - 7:30pm	
Telarah Public School			4 - 5pm

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Vacation Care
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PROVIDER APPROVAL NUMBER: PR-00007689
Ph 49391840 83 - 85 Weblands St Rutherford 2320 Fax 4939 1849
ABN 94 288 377 301

19th & 20th December 2013 (Rutherford & Thornton Centres Only) - 23rd & 24th December 2013 (RUTHERFORD ONLY)
6th - 10th January 2014 (Metford, Rutherford & Thornton Centres Open)
13th - 24th January 2014 (Ashtonfield, Metford, Rutherford & Thornton Centres Open)
Pupil Free Day Tuesday 28th January 2014 (Ashtonfield, Rutherford & Thornton Centres Open)
Open 6.30 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. Monday to Friday

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"Child Care Benefit(CCB)" and Child Care Rebate (CCR) is available pending eligibility
Full fees will apply until CCB and/or CCR is authorised by "Dept of Human Services" (adjustments will then be made)

Daily fees after CCB range from \$5.50(1 child with 100% CCB) to \$44.50 per child
Plus excursion fee if applicable. Fees to be paid on first day of care each week.

2014 Kindergarten Children will not be permitted to attend prior to 6th January 2014 or any Excursions during this vacation care period.

Bookings can be made at our centres and Main office
from Monday 11th November, 2013
Sorry no phone bookings

Please note: Bookings are essential and 5 FULL WORKING DAYS (Working Days are Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm excluding Public Holidays) written notice must be given to book out or else full fees will be charged.

Supported by Community Services, Department of Family and Community Services NSW
Maitland Baptist Church Child Care Inc - "showing Jesus' love to the Community"

The simplest way

...to create a healthier lunch box

Choose these simple, tasty options for your child's lunchbox to give them the energy to get through the day.

When you next pack their lunches, have a think about healthier options.



Snacks	Healthier Snacks
Small packets of savoury bikkies	Wholemeal rice crackers with cheese + fruit slices
Buttered popcorn	Unbuttered popcorn with sultanas
Packet of potato or corn chips	Vegie sticks: carrots, beans, celery with a hummus or guacamole dip

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