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8 August 2017

School Calendar

9 Aug	Science & Engineering Challenge at Maitland High School All day
	Year 3 First Contacts - National Parks Excursion 6:30 AM - 3:10 PM
	PBL Awards Assembly 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
10 Aug	4T Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
11 Aug	Chickens leave preschool All day
	Zone Athletics All day
	3N Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
14 Aug	ES1 / S1 Assembly in Hall 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
15 Aug	Choir in Hall 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
17 Aug	4K Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM

18 Aug	3/4R Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
22 Aug	Choir in Hall 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
23 Aug	Newcastle Permanent Maths Comp Year 5/6 All day
	Book Parade All day
	Read With Me All day
	PBL / Awards Assembly 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
24 Aug	4T Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
25 Aug	3N Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
28 Aug	ES1 / S1 Assembly 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
29 Aug	Kindergarten Excursion: Hunter Valley Zoo All day
	Choir in Hall 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
30 Aug	Father's Day Stall

	All day
31 Aug	School Performance - Mathy Matt Show All day
	4K Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
1 Sep	Stage 3 LMG Sports Day All day
	3/4R Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
5 Sep	Choir in Hall 2:30 PM - 3:10 PM
6 Sep	Sydney Opera House Recorder group to Festival of Instruments Music Rehearsal and performance All day
	PBL Awards Assembly All day
7 Sep	4T Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM
8 Sep	HS Stage 3 Sports Gala Day All day
	3N Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program 9:10 AM - 11:30 AM

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Education

EDUCATION WEEK

Many thanks to everyone for the support in celebrating education week last week. It was great to have many families come to visit the school on Monday, attend the Education Week awards night for the Rutherford Learning Community on Wednesday and then for the students to attend the opening of the first ever Earth Markets in Australia on Thursday. It was certainly a busy week.

Below I have listed all the individuals from our school who had their work acknowledged at the Learning Community Awards night last week. They are all genuinely extremely deserving and I thank and congratulate them for their contribution to our school.

- 1. Excellence in Student Achievement:** Kyle McQuillan
Supporting Statement: Kyle exhibits a positive attitude toward classwork and shows excellent behaviour in the playground and classroom. He has demonstrated a high level of skill in literacy and numeracy.
- 2. Excellence in Teaching:** Alexandra Stewart
Supporting Statement: Leading the implementation of innovative teaching practice through future focused and project based learning initiatives in Stage 3. Alex has been a driving influence in the implementation of effective programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at Telarah Public School.
- 3. Outstanding contribution by a school community member to the school and/or region:** Shirley Ernst
Supporting Statement: Enthusiastically supporting all students to effectively engage with the schools Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. Mrs Ernst provides her time with a smile and is a greatly appreciated volunteer.
- 4. School Achievement Award:** Telarah Public School Facility Dog Program
Supporting Statement: Chilli, Pepper and Cocoa have become integral members of the Telarah Public School Community over the last 4 years providing a calming and engaging influence for students when they need a paw. This innovative initiative demonstrates a creative approach to supporting vulnerable students.
- 5. Outstanding contribution by a non-teaching member of staff:** Mary Juratowitch
Supporting Statement: A long standing SASS staff Member at Telarah Public School Mary has been an SLSO in the ED Support Class since its

establishment. Her unconditional calm care and support of our most vulnerable students is exemplary and greatly appreciated by the entire school community.

6. **AECG award for an Aboriginal Student:** Roman Lobos

Supporting Statement: Roman has displayed outstanding leadership qualities in his role as a student leader and is a proven role model for his peers and younger students at Telarah Public School.

SkoolBag App

At the end of this week we will be using the Schoolzine App exclusively and will be deleting our Skoolbag App. This will streamline all services and hopefully make it easier for you all to stay in touch. There will be some teething issues but we will work it out and it will be easier to do this if you let us know any of the issues that you experience.

Parking

Please follow the signage for parking and keep all gate areas clear. This is a matter of student safety and is critical for everyone to be aware of and adhere to.

NAIDOC DAY CELEBRATIONS

We had a fantastic celebration for NAIDOC on the 25th of July. Students enjoyed watching the TPS Indigenous and Star Struck Dance groups perform. Many thanks to Michael Heitmyer for attending and leading the dance group.



Students also experienced Indigenous tabloid games, pebble painting, tried kangaroo meat and cultural activities in classrooms.

The Junior ATSI committee and year 6 students displayed wonderful leadership helping out with games and pebble painting on the day. Well done.

Congratulations to Roman Lobos and Mia Davidson who have been nominated for a Maitland AECG award for being Inspirational role models within TPS. We will find out the results soon.

CHOIR AT SLOW FOOD CONFERENCE OPENING

On Thursday 3rd August, the Telarah Public School choir and the Pre School were invited to take part in the opening of the Slow Food Conference in Maitland. The Pre School enthusiastically gave the "Acknowledgement of Country", and then the choir sang the National Anthem and a song with an environmental theme: "Big Yellow Taxi". We were very proud of the choir's singing, especially as there was a power issue

and the CD player did not work, so they sang both songs unaccompanied, but they sounded fabulous *a capella*!

Prior to the opening, the Choir visited Maitland Regional Art Gallery (MRAG). The students really enjoyed looking at the beautiful building and the amazing art works. Our MRAG guide, Anne McLaughlin, later told Mrs Kelly how much she enjoyed working with our students and how engaged and interested they were. She said they were a delight. Well done Choir!

Thanks to Mr Debenham, Kerrie H and Tahlina's Grandma for supporting us on our excursion.

BOOK CLUB

As of Issue 5, all Book Club orders need to be submitted online via 'LOOP' ordering. No more money or order forms will be collected at school.



Ordering via the 'LOOP' is easy with all instructions are on the back of the book club catalogue.

LOOP ordering will be open until Friday 4th August for Issue 5 and then orders will be delivered to the school shortly after that – usually within the week.

If you require help to order in this way, please feel free to contact Miss Craig in the library.

Book Week



Book week celebrations will occur in week 6. During this week we will have a book fair running on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for students and their parents to purchase items. Items available will range from \$1 – approx. \$20. There are usually book packs available at higher costs. It would be preferable to cash payments during the book fair, though online payments can be made at school during this event.

The Book Parade will take place on Wednesday 23rd August in the school hall. All parents are welcome to come along and support this event and I encourage all students to dress as their favourite book character. Please note that costumes do not need to be purchased or be expensive – usually the best ones are the creative ones made using what's available.

There will be some guessing competitions and lucky prizes throughout the parade, so keep an eye out.

**Thank you
Miss Craig
Teacher Librarian**

SOCCER GALA DAY

On Friday 21st July, Stage 3 Soccer players were treated to a Soccer Gala Day hosted by Rutherford Technology High School students. The High School students, who all do soccer as an elective, acted as team managers, coaches and referees, ensuring everyone had a great day out.



CANTEEN NEWS – AUGUST 2017

As we move toward the new Healthy Canteen in school requirements, you will see some items phased out and some new items emerge for the children and staff to try.

New items are:

- Jelly sticks 20 cents
- Fried Rice \$4.00
- Rick crackers \$1.00

Milos now available at recess (1.55pm-2.15pm) daily during term 2 and 3 for \$1.00

Don't forget with the cold weather upon us, soups are available daily for \$2.00 per cup.

The monthly specials will be offered for July and August due to school holidays.

- Grilled chicken salad w/baby spinach, feta and semi dried tomato with aioli
- Grilled Chicken wrap w/baby spinach, avocado, bacon, cheese and fruit chutney
- Lamb and gravy roll

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED for Thursday and Friday. Please enquire at canteen or give me a call if you can help.

Term 3 VOLUNTEER Raffle prize is a \$50 fuel voucher. The winner will be drawn in the last week of this term.

Copies of updated menu now available

PLEASE NOTE: As of Term 3 2017 finger buns and Nachos will no longer be available. The price of muffins will increase from \$1.00 to \$1.50. This is due to supplier price increases and I apologise for any inconvenience. The canteen and P&C Committee strive to keep costs down on canteen items as much as possible and will continue to do so.

Regards, Elisha

SCHOOL MUSICAL

All students in Kinder, Years 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 will be involved in our School production, *"Australians All"*, to be held in the last week of this term.

Dates and times: Tuesday 19th September at 7pm, Wednesday 20th September at 10am and Thursday 21st September at 7pm. Tickets will go on sale in Week 8. Mark the dates in your diary/phone! More information to follow about costumes, costs etc.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN 2017

Dear Parents,

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our preschool and school– and all we need you, your family or friends is to shop for your groceries at Woolworths.



From Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped here at the school or at your local Woolworths in the Telarah Public School box.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit the link below.

<https://www.woolworths.com.au/shop/discover/earn-and-learn>

SCHOOL ZINE

Telarah Public School has moved across to a new way for our school community to stay up to date and be able to access Newsletters, our calendar and what's currently happening.



We have provided a step by step way to download the Schoolzine App onto your smartphone and other devices.

On the instructions provided it mentions a 4 digit school passcode, you do not require this to access our schools App. When prompted to enter a name and code you just need to create your own or log in with your Facebook or Google account.

We are very excited to move across to a new way of communicating with our School Community and hope it meets your needs. We will offer you tips and advice on how to best use the new applications, please give us a call if you have any questions.

Skoolbag will be phased by week 4 this term. We found many people were having difficulty with Skoolbag, particularly those with older devices, so have decided to try a different product.

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