Principal’s Reflections

Grandfriends Day
Despite the weather last Friday we had an amazing number of parents and grandparents arrive at school for Grandfriends Day. The children were so excited to show off their talents and their school, the rain didn’t dampen their spirits. So a big thank you to all who braved the elements to be a part of this special day, it really goes to show the importance our community places in the education of our children. The positive comments received about our school and our students were very pleasing to hear. To the staff who put in the extra effort organising these days in an already busy schedule, and to our volunteers in the canteen who work tirelessly to ensure we don’t go hungry, a big thank you too.

Class Contribution
Each fortnight we will be showcasing the work of 2 or 3 students. This week Kindergarten have contributed their thoughts on Grandfriends Day. Keep your eye out for your child’s work in the next Newsletter.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN testing was completed in Week 4. Students appeared to take it in their stride, handling the testing situation very well. All tests have been sent to Sydney for marking, results will be known later in the year.

Discover Uni Day
On Friday 15th May Years 5 & 6 attended a special day at Newcastle University. The aim of this visit was to give students and parents a glimpse of what is available to them if they choose to continue on to higher education. I would like to congratulate all students who participated in the day on the exemplary behaviour that was reported back to the school. This day appears to have changed the perceptions of what Uni life for many of our students.

Reports and Interviews.
All staff are currently in the process of writing Semester 1 reports on each child in their class. These will be going home in Week 8, Friday 12th June. Weeks 9 and 10 have been set aside for Parent/Teacher Interviews. This is a chance for parents/carers to speak with their child’s teacher about their progress and discuss any concerns they may have. I encourage all parents to book an interview time. Each classroom teacher will send home an interview time booking sheet in Week 8 allowing you time to organise an interview. If your schedule doesn’t fit into any of the allotted times, please contact your child’s teacher to arrange an alternative time.

Jenny Randall
Relieving Principal

Merit Awards
Congratulations to:
* Sarah Polson
* Joel Hasson
for achieving this high honour.

KINDERGARTEN - THOUGHTS ON GRANDFRIENDS DAY

My Grandfriends are best friends and like to hug,
Jodie
FOR YOUR CALENDAR

TERM 2
MAY

Wednesday 27th May – School Photos

JUNE

Friday 5th – Book Club due
Monday 8th – Queens Birthday HOLIDAY
Tuesday 9th – P&C Meeting
Thursday 11th - K-2 excursion to Sydney Aquarium & Wildlife world.
Monday 9th – Finals Competition School Public Speaking
Tuesday 23rd  – School Disco
Friday 26th – Last day of term

TERM 2 finishes Friday 26th June 2015.
TERM 3 begins Tuesday 14th July for students

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SAVE THE DATE - Hexham Bowling Club
The home of Ossie the Mossie, Hexham Bowling Club, will be having a Carpark Market Day on Sunday 4th October 2015 from 12noon to 4.00pm. All proceeds will go to our school so come along and support this great event.

Why not have a stall and sell some of those unwanted items or show your arts/crafts or culinary talents. For more information regarding site bookings please contact Denise, Dot or Angela on 49648079. Sites are $10 each.

MOBILE PHONE APP
Tarro Public School now has a mobile phone app that can be downloaded from either the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. Search ‘Tarro Public School’ and download to your mobile device. The username is ‘community’ and password is ‘tarrops’. This App will allow the school to send out notifications and reminders that you will be able to receive instantaneously on your mobile device. This will allow for a clearer line of communication between home and school.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
If you would like to order a family photo, this envelope is available from the office on request. This year you have the option to pay online for your photo graph orders. A specialised code for our school is located on the front of the order envelope.

Your online code is 152237

NOTES RECENTLY SENT HOME

 Newsletter - every 2 weeks
 School Photo envelopes
 Years 5/6 Sydney Excursion
 Years 3 & 4 Zoo Snooze
 K-2 Sydney Aquarium Excursion

BOOK CLUB
Book Club orders and money will need to be returned to school by Friday 5th June.

Change of Contact Details
We have had some parents contact the school to update contact details on our data base. Remember if details or circumstances have changed it is vital we know. Current contact numbers are critical in case of an emergency.

Student Absences
A reminder to send in a note or fill out a green slip (available at the office) to explain your child’s absence. This notification is to be given to the class teacher within 7 days of the absence. This is a DET requirement.

Medical Information
Over the next couple of weeks, Mrs Bourke or I will be contacting those parents who have not updated their child’s Health Care Plan in the last 12 months. All students with medical needs are required to have a Health Care Plan developed by a health care professional and shared with the school so that procedures can be put in place for the wellbeing of all.

Notes and Money
Just a reminder that all notes and money must go directly to your child’s class teacher. These will be collected each morning, recorded and sent to Mrs Keeley for receipting.

GRANDFRIENDS DAY
What a wonderful turnout of Grandparents, parents and friends, considering the weather. The performances went ahead as planned and everyone had an enjoyable afternoon. Thank you.
COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Food Allergy Week 17-23 May
Did you know that 1 in 10 babies born in Australia will develop a food allergy? The Food Allergy Week website has lots of great information, ideas and resources to help you be more allergy aware.
Find out more: http://www.foodallergyaware.com.au

Is your child making friends at school?
Kids who get on at school tend to be more engaged in learning. Here are some ideas on how to help your child with social skills:

Get your tickets NOW

San ANDREAS

This is a great opportunity to attend the screening of the movie “San Andreas” 2 days after its worldwide release. Starring Kylie Minogue and Dwayne Johnson.

This is a fundraising event for ShelterBox Australia, Rotary provides humanitarian relief of shelter, warmth and dignity to families who have lost their homes to disasters. Currently providing immediate relief in NEPAL.
Date: Sunday May 31st 2015
Time: 1:30 pm (movie duration 120 minutes)
Place: Scotty's Cinema, Raymond Terrace NSW 2324 (Adelaide St & Bourke St East)
Cost: $20 per ticket, which includes tea/coffee & cake

Tickets available from:
Myall Pharmacy at Hawks Nest & at Tea Gardens
Raymond Terrace Dental Care- 47 William
St Raymond Terrace
Myall Coast Rotarian Judy Richardson on 0402655790

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