Principal’s Report
We hope all our students and families have an enjoyable and relaxing long weekend. It is a wonderful opportunity to recharge and is a well-deserved break for our students who have been working extremely hard this term.

2014 e-reader program
We are very lucky to have one of our students qualify for the 2014 e-reader program. 150 students across the state will be issued with an e-reader which has a variety of books already downloaded to it. The student can use the e-reader at home and at school for a period of 10 weeks. If the student’s reading improves during this time they can keep the e-reader at no cost. Congratulations on this wonderful opportunity, Tyreece!

This term is a short 9 week term. Semester 1 reports will be going home at the end of Week 8. In line with DEC guidelines our report format has changed this year. With the introduction of the Australian Curriculum, it is now mandatory for all NSW public schools to use and report on the NSW K-10 English Syllabus.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Monday 23rd June – Wednesday 25th June (Week 9). These interviews are extremely important in your child’s education and provide the opportunity for you to discuss your child’s progress and raise any concerns with the classroom teacher. A note to request times for the interviews will be sent home next week. Please ensure you complete these and send them back to classroom teachers as soon as possible.

As a small school it is vital that our students get along and learn skills to play with each other in a positive manner. Recently there have been some questions raised about who and where children can play in the playground. To clarify these issues:

- All students play under the Cola before school.
- During eating times students sit in their class areas to eat for supervision purposes.
- Children are allowed to play with children from their own class, a class below or a class above. Superstars can play with Heroes. Heroes can choose to either play with Superstars or
Champions and Champions can play with Heroes. Students in Superstars and Champions are not encouraged to play with each other during recess and lunch for safety reasons.

- Superstars can play on the grassed area on the toilet side of the silver seats, while the Champions can play on the field side of the silver seats and Heroes can play in either area.

After feedback from a number of parents it has come to my attention the need to clarify our school expectations and Behaviour Policy. All teachers want the best possible social, emotional and academic outcomes for all students. The teachers have recently revised Toongabbie East’s Behaviour Policy and have worked with children to ensure that all students are aware of school expectations and the Behaviour Referral System. In order for our school’s Behaviour Policy to be implemented in a fair and consistent manner it is important for teachers, students and parents to have a common understanding of both the school expectations and the Behaviour Referral System. Please discuss school expectations and the attached Behaviour Referral System with your child on a regular basis. We really appreciate the feedback and support we have received from parents in implementing the Behaviour Policy. A full copy of the school’s Behaviour Policy is available on request. If you have any questions regarding these policies and procedures please come and see me.

Ms Vicky Wallace
Relieving Principal

CLASSROOM NEWS

As part of our learning on life cycles we had an opportunity to watch chicks hatch from eggs over a couple of weeks. Everyone enjoyed cuddling and touching the chicks.

In our writing we have had some excellent work as can be seen, especially from the Superstars.
GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

Office Hours – week beginning 10th June 2014
Next week the office will be unattended Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Our School Admin Manager, Mrs Vicki Kennett, is attending a training course. If you have urgent requests please ring the school mobile number on 0477 762 208.

Stewart House Clothing Appeal
Advance notice for the Stewart Housing Clothing Appeal. In mid-June the clothing appeal bags will be sent home and it is a good opportunity to clear out cupboards and drawers of unwanted items such as clothing, blankets and quilts. Bags will be collected from school on Tuesday 24th June. Bags will be sent home on 17th June 2014.

If you would like to know more about the work that Stewart House does please visit their website www.stewarthouse.org.au.

2015 Kindergarten Enrolment
Enrolments are being taken for Kindergarten 2015 of children, who will be turning 5 years old on or before 31st July, 2015. Please pass this information on to friends or neighbours who do not receive this newsletter. Enrolment forms are available from the school office.
Toongabbie East PS Behaviour Referral System

At Toongabbie East positive behaviour and consistently following school expectations is encouraged by teachers using classroom reward systems, Teppies, Positive Behaviour Awards at school assemblies and the inclusion in Art, Computer or Chess Club.

In instances where school expectations are not followed the following procedures will occur:

**Warning 1**
A warning is issued after a student breaks a school expectation.

**Warning 2**
Warning 2 is issued after a student continues to break school expectations.

**Warning 3**
Warning 3 is issued after a student continues to break school expectations.

**Time Out**
If student continues to ignore school expectations, they are to sit in the designated ‘Time Out’ area.

Time Out may occur within the classroom or within another classroom.

After Time Out the teacher will discuss the student’s behaviour and school expectations with the student before they can re-join the class.

**Orange Slip**
If after a Time Out there is no improvement in the student’s behaviour, students will receive an Orange Slip.

An Orange Slip will result in a lunchtime detention with the Principal where the behaviour and school expectations will be discussed.

Continued Orange Slips will result in the School’s Level System being implemented.

If a student displays aggression, violence, bullying or deliberately damages property an Orange Slip will be issued immediately.

Teachers will visually display the Behaviour Referral System in the classrooms so that students are aware of their progression.
UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY, PENRITH OBSERVATORY, ASTRONOMY NIGHT
Saturday, 21 June (7pm – 9pm)
The evening will include a presentation, a 3D astronomy movie that will run for 15-20 minutes, a tour of the dome area and stargazing through various computerised telescopes. Our program will run regardless of the weather.
Cost: $15 adult, $10 child/concession and $40 family.
Bookings are essential: Book and pay online: www.uws.edu.au/observatory, What’s On
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