



# Mount Tarcoola Primary School



School Motto  
"Reliability"

## Newsletter

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday 14th December**

Yr 6 Challenge Day

Last Day of Term

**Thursday 25th January 2018**

School Office open

**Friday 26th January 2018**

Australia Day holiday—school closed

**Monday 29th January 2018**

1:15pm — Class Lists posted on Art Room Windows

**Wednesday 31st January 2018**

Students commence 8:50am

### SCHOOL WATCH ALERT

Our school is being subjected to increasing vandalism after school and on weekends. Please report any after hours visitors to the police on **9923 4555** or School Watch on **131 444**. Please keep children out of the school grounds after hours.

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Last Friday I attended my first End of Year Presentation event. It was a fantastic experience. Congratulations to all the children who won awards, especially to Oscar Lin for achieving the Dux Award. Well done to the Year 6 children who sang beautifully and to Ibu Tiana for her efforts in teaching the children how to sing so well! It was great to see so many parents, caregivers and family members being able to make the assembly, the heat made it tough but I am sure that everyone was super impressed with the event.

We also announced next year's Head Boy and Girl and student councillors. Congratulations to Toby McMile and Bailee Reed as Head Boy and Girl and to Lucas Ronan, Nevaeh Hill, Joe Kennedy and Chayla Argent as student councillors for 2018. We are all looking forward to working with our new student leadership team.

Well done to the Year 6's on their Graduation Dinner which was held last Wednesday night at the Towns Football Club Function Centre. The tables were presented beautifully and it was fantastic to see all the children and the efforts they went to in being so smartly dressed. A big thankyou to the year 6 teachers and to Ibu Tiana for their wonderful organisation.

Semester two student reports will be coming home this afternoon. These reports are based on work the students have covered in second semester and grades are assigned according to how well the children perform against the achievement standard for what is expected of children for that year level for each subject area. A 'C' grade means that they have made satisfactory progress against the standard. Parents are more than welcome to contact the school to seek an interview with their child's class teacher to clarify any aspects of the student report.

It was remiss of me not to mention Bandanna Day in the last newsletter. Jordan Mitchell in Year 5 is very passionate about this cause as he participated in it along with quite a number of the Mount Tarcoola community. Jordan reminded me that it was important to get the message out about just how vital it is to try and combat cancer and in particular cancer in young children. Thank you Jordan and well done to everyone who participated in this cause! National Bandanna Day is the major fundraising and awareness campaign for CanTeen Australia. This powerful campaign has generated over \$30 million to support young people affected by cancer. CanTeen helps young people cope with cancer in their family. Through CanTeen, they learn to explore and deal with their feelings about cancer, connect with other young people in the same boat and - if they've been diagnosed themselves, they provide specialist youth-specific treatment teams.

A reminder to all parents and students that over the holiday break the school is out of bounds. It is not okay for children to be playing on school grounds. If anyone in the school community sees people on school grounds during the holidays please feel free to call the police, as they are trespassing.

Many thanks to everyone in the school community for a wonderful year. From the school office and support staff, to the teachers, the Admin team, the students, the parents and all the community supporters; you all make this beautiful school the amazing place it is.

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I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and festive holiday season. I have been super blessed to have been appointed as Principal to Mount Tarcoola PS and am very much looking forward to the upcoming school year. Although after a much deserved break!

Safe holidays everyone!!

Paul Luxton  
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS	
to the following students who were awarded Certificates of Merit at the Parent Assembly on Friday 1st December 2017	
Room 1	Kash D'Arcy, Nahalia Abraham, Thomas Broadhead, Gabriella Macdonnell
Room 2	Kuta Wills, Matt Mongoo, Ebonie Young
Room 3	Alyssa Bergsma, Jake Ingleton, Darren Merritt
Room 6	Ehryn Elsegood, Cassandra Wellman, Oscar White, Jimmy Horsman
Room 8	Darby Hammerquist, Mekhai Loland, Nakiya Van Lierop, Jay Furukawa, Sarah Morrison
Room 9	Jasmine Gronow, Barry Smith, William Pusey, Isaiah Pullicino
Room 10	Chaya Turner, Omar Van Lierop, Zyed Asad, AJ George
Room 11	Jayden Kara, Paige Conder, Jarad Velickovic, Oliver Macpherson
Room 12	Rhayssa, Heseltine, Charlie Archer, Jaxon Parsons
Room 13	Mischa Vermelis, Reef Molloy, Izabelle Sekuloff, Callum Mountford
Room 14	Hayden Broadhead, Raymon Bonney, Reza Mazlan, Lachlan White
Room 15	Digby Gallop, Stevie Pethick, Emily Pollitt, Ruby Wells
Room 16	Leela Ovens, Sam Sheilds, Kelsi Simpson
Room 17	Ethan Broadhead, Tahesha Brennan, Nitarsha Finch, Deborah-Jay Pettigrew

Aussie of the Month	
<b>Junior Student</b> Isaac Gamble	Isaac has a wonderful, friendly and courteous manner. He shows great commitment and reliability to completing all tasks. Isaac is always up for a challenge and happy to give everything a go in a true Aussie Spirit.
<b>Senior Student</b> Finn Dethlefsen	Finn has really stepped up as a leader this semester, taking on a Peer Mediator role. Finn sets an awesome example during singing/graduation practise, helps out for sport and other activities when required.
<b>Staff Member</b> Nicole Harrop	For creating the colourful backdrops for the Graduation Assembly.
Principal's Reliability Award	
<b>Junior Student</b> Payeton Emery Year 2 Room 1	For continuing to be a most reliable member of our class. She follows all the class rules and is a great role model for others in her group. Well done!
<b>Junior Student</b> Claire Bond Year 2 Room 9	Claire leads by example. Claire quietly demonstrates the 4 Bee's, is respectful to teachers, peers and with the classroom environment. She politely awaits her turn and listens to others. Claire co-operates and follows instructions, is reliable and organised.
<b>Senior Student</b> Mia Jones Year 6 Room 17	Mia has displayed great maturity and dedication to every aspect of schooling this year. Her polite and happy disposition has allowed her to demonstrate all the qualities of the 4 Bee's. She is a very helpful student who always assists those in need. Congratulations Mia on an outstanding year.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS 2018
A reminder for Parents to complete Student Requirements for 2018 online by Tuesday 28th February 2018 or take it into WINC on Chapman Road by Tuesday 14th February 2018. The P&C receives a 5% rebate from all <b>online pre-orders</b> .

Staff at Mount Tarcoola PS wish parents, students and community members a safe, happy Christmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing all returning/new students and parents in 2018.

School recommences for students on **Wednesday 31st January, 2018 at 8:50am**.

Class lists will be posted on the Art Room window at approximately 1:15pm on Monday 29th January.

The school office will be open on Thursday 25th January 2018. Please be aware we will be closed on Friday 26th January for the Australia Day holiday.





**HEAD BOY, HEAD GIRL AND STUDENT COUNCILLORS 2018**  
 Congratulations to the following students who have been elected as Head Boy,  
 Head Girl and Student Councillors for 2018.

**Head Boy & Councillor:** Toby McMill  
**Head Girl & Councillor:** Bailee Reed  
**Student Councillors:** Chayla Argent, Nevaeh Hill, Lucas Ronan and Joe Kennedy

**HONOUR BOARD**

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who were awarded Certificates at our  
 2017 GRADUATION AND ANNUAL AWARDS

Rm 1	Miley Argent, Phoenix Isaac
Rm 2	Kaitlyn Carr, Jake Leech
Rm 3	Nienna Friesen, Finn Smith
Rm 6	Jehya Poland, Jack Rozario
Rm 8	Clover Keatley, Dean Caulfield
Rm 9	Sophie Swain, Elias Vlavianos
Rm 10	Liyana Manok, Zarah Middler
Rm 11	Thalia Johnson, Mikayla Pearse
Rm 12	Xanthe Brockman, Alexander Winson
Rm 13	Ruby Varley, Zachary Pearse
Rm 14	Raymon Bonney, Robert Bonney
Rm 15	Ruby Macpherson, William Gauci
Rm 16	Brianna Palmer, Ethan Berry
Rm 17	Chayla Argent, Riaz Mohammad
DUX	Oscar Lin
Citizenship	Stevie Pethick, Vinod Premaratne
Sports Boy	Nate Fox-Muhl
Sports Girl	Stevie Pethick
GUC Academic Endeavour	Annabelle Goforth
Maths Award	Oscar Lin
Science Award	Deanna Pollitt, Oscar Lin
Augustus Gregory Award	Aaliyah Lolang, Jett Butson
Literary Award	Emily Pollitt
Junior Spirit of Mt Tarcoola	Rory Holland
Intermediate Spirit of Mt Tarcoola	Fatimah Azman
Senior Spirit of Mt Tarcoola	Jenna Butson
Mid West Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Education Encouragement Award	Lakai Merritt

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**RANGEWAY DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE SCHOOL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS**

During the school holidays Rangeway Dental Therapy Clinic will be closed from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 until Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

In case of an emergency contact Allendale Dental Clinic on **9921 4218** until Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

After 20<sup>th</sup> December, in case of dental emergency:

A & E Department at Geraldton Regional Hospital;

Your local private dentist;

General Dental Clinic in the Community Health Building, Shenton Street (eligibility criteria applies).

Rangeway Clinic will reopen Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2018

**Batavia Tennis Coaching Multisport Holiday Clinic**  
**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2017**



Half Day Clinic 9.00am - 12.00pm (Age 7+), Geraldton Tennis Club. Including Basketball, Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee & More! As Well As Lots of Tennis

**TODDLER & PEEWEE TENNIS**

**8.30am - 9.00am (Age 3-6)**

Click (ctrl+click) [here](#) for full details or phone Colin Thompson on **9956 2182** for more information



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## **SESSIONS:**

**LOCATION:**

Mount Tarcoola Primary School

**DATES & TIMES:**

9.15am - 11.15am

**Tuesdays;**

**Feb 20 and 27**

**March 6 and 13,  
2018**



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