



Mount Tarcoola Primary School



School Motto
"Reliability"

Newsletter

Term 1 Week 10 2017 No: 5

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 6th April

ANZAC Day Assembly 9am

Before School Tennis 7:45–8am

Friday 7th April

Last day of Term

Tuesday 25th April

ANZAC DAY Public Holiday

Wednesday 26th April

Term 2 commences

Thursday 27th April

Very Hungry Caterpillar Excursion

Units 1A, 2 & 3

Friday 28th April

Year 6 Challenge Day (Term 1)

Monday 8th May

P&C Meeting 7:00pm

Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th May

NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5

Thursday 11th May

Before School Tennis 7:45–8am

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:

Well that was a quick nine and a half weeks. We have had a great start to the year and credit must go to our students, families and staff for your combined efforts, it is appreciated.

Last newsletter I spoke about School Council nominations and apologies because the nomination form wasn't with the newsletter. The nomination form is with this newsletter so please complete the form and return to school. The school council meets once a term so it isn't a big commitment and just as a reminder this is what I wrote last newsletter; *Now for the opportunity component; we have positions available on our school council for parent representatives. If you are a parent who has a child with special needs or from another cultural background please consider nominating as we have a very diverse school and it would be nice to have representation from across the spectrum.*

We conclude what has felt like a very fast paced term this week and just as a reminder Term 2 recommences for students on Wednesday April 26th. Monday April 24th is a School Development Day and Tuesday is ANZAC Day. If you are entering dates onto your calendar here are some additional School Development Day dates; Term 3 Monday July 17th and in Term 4 there are 2 days, Monday October 9th and Friday Dec 15th.

Our school is part of a national project related to students with a disability and, or, learning difficulties. We have been asked to provide data about the number of students and the learning needs of children in our school. Neither the students', nor the school's name are reported so it is confidential. What we do report are the types of needs and the resources the school uses to overcome barriers and support children. The information is used to help Government and the Department develop policies that acknowledge the level of resources needed in schools to meet the needs of all students in Western Australia.

If you would like more information about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for School Students with Disability follow this link <https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

Last Friday the P and C held a disco for students, and there were lots of very happy students dancing away to DJ Rusty's tunes in the undercover area. There were lots of parents helping out also, a big thank you. A couple of reminders from the P and C. First, can an adult please collect the children in preference to an older sibling. The parent helpers at the disco want to ensure that an adult is responsible for each child being collected. Secondly, the P and C wishes to remind students that if they are unsure of anything that they can ask any of the adults wearing a fluoro vest, or one of the staff members.

Please keep safe over the holiday period and if you are having some family time, slow down and enjoy.

SHANE RUTTER
PRINCIPAL

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who were awarded Certificates of Merit at the Parent Assembly on Friday 31st March, 2017.	
Room 1	Dusty Hammarquist, Shadri Rosman, Thomas Broadhead, Payeton Emery
Room 2	Leon Harrop, Abby Wilson, Jake Leech, Adriel Thompson
Room 3	Kustom Jennings, Zac Johnson, Kasey Shiozaki
Room 6	Jehya Poland, Holly Baynes, Dylan Berry, Hamzah Cotterill
Room 8	Hanru Janse Van Rensburg, Dean Caulfield, Reuben Middler, Cooper Bryden
Room 9	Reannah Bradley, Sophie Swain, Tahle Poland, Rae Metcalf-Nash
Room 10	Macklan Berry, Finn Beevers, Joey Garcia
Room 11	Callan Ryan, Jasper Hill, Tahlia Johnson
Room 12	Rhayssa Heseltine, Isaac Gamble, Charlotte Lancaster
Room 13	Zac Pearse, Ruby Varley
Room 14	Blazemer Fabello, Dylan Dufall, Leelarni Dempsey, Tasi Rai
Room 15	Ruby Macpherson, Reno Norman, Bailey Reid, Jeremy Caulfield
Room 16	Chanelle Reilly, Esther Pettigrew, Benjamin Ingle, Vinod Premaratne
Room 17	Mathew Fitzgerald, Georgia Thill, Amri Rosman Hannah Muchamore

Aussie of the Month	
Junior Student Alyssa Bergsma	Alyssa is a kind friend to everyone who always helps others when they are in need. Her happy smile is a welcome addition to our class.
Intermediate Student Jehya Poland	Jehya is a motivated student who puts effort into all her work. She quietly assists others with their work and keeps group members on task.
Senior Student Cooper Booth	He is a fun-loving easy going student who always displays the 4 bees with a huge smile on his face. You can't get more Aussie than Cooper!
Principal's Reliability Award	
Junior Student Kash D'Arcy	For always being a reliable student in our room. He co-operates with others and tries his very best to complete all work.
Intermediate Student Omar Elshekheiby	Omar is the epitome of reliability. He always completes tasks to a high standard without exception and is an excellent role model to others
Senior Student Shelby Merendino	Shelby displays Mt Tarcoola's 4 bees every single day. She is reliable to take on any task given, her politeness sets a very high standard in our classroom. She is co-operative with every single member of our school and is highly respectful. Shelby thoroughly deserves this award. She is simply one beautiful kid!

COMMUNITY NEWS

AQUARENA SWIM SCHOOL

Swimming lessons for Term 2 commence Monday 24th April for 10 weeks until Sunday 2nd July, 2017. Re-enrolments open on Monday 27th March and new enrolments on 3rd April. Little Nemos Creche will be available, phone 0429 216 282.

For further information regarding Aquarena Swim School please phone 9956 6906 or email aquarena@cgg.wa.gov.au.

Please note: These lessons are not associated with In-term swimming lessons run through the school.

RANGEWAY DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE

The clinic will be closed for the holidays, reopening on Monday 24th April. If emergency treatment is required in this time the Allendale (9921 4218) or Bluff point (9923 1289) centres will be open, with the exception of the Easter period, 14th April - 18th April, inclusive. In this time, if urgent treatment is needed, you may need to see a private dentist or attend the Accident and Emergency Department of the hospital.

OLD GERALDTON GAOL

Holiday Fun & Activities — *Stories of escapes, games to play, painting, craft, and follow your own escape plan.*

Monday 10th April - Friday 21st April, 10.30am - 11.30am, Ages: 6yrs - 11yrs Cost: \$5.00 per child

Bookings are ESSENTIAL and all children MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Contact: Diane 0428 698 612 / Jo 0417 383003 or call into 84 Chapman Rd, Geraldton, visit us on FACEBOOK Old Geraldton Gaol CRAFT Centre

Monday - Friday 10am - 3.30pm; SAT 9am - 12noon

13 craft businesses - products and supplies.

Guided Tours: Daily at 2.00pm during the holidays or by request. We are closed for Easter.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT THE MUSEUM OF GERALDTON

ROCK ON: MINING AND MINERALS IN THE MID WEST!

Rock into the Museum of Geraldton these school holidays to discover the vast mining and mineral treasures hidden below the surface of the Mid West!

The Mine Site Activity Centre

Dates: Saturday 8 April - Monday 24 April 2017
Times: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Ages: all ages
Cost: free
Bookings: not required

Strike it Rich - Finders Keepers!

Dates: Saturday 8 April - Monday 24 April 2017
Times: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Cost: \$3 (\$2.50 per activity for families and groups of 4 or more children)
Age: all ages
Bookings: not required

Museum Trails

Dates: Saturday 8 April - Monday 24 April 2017
Times: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Cost: \$3 (\$2.50 per activity for families and groups of 4 or more children)
Age: all ages
Bookings: required for groups of 10 or more.

More Information

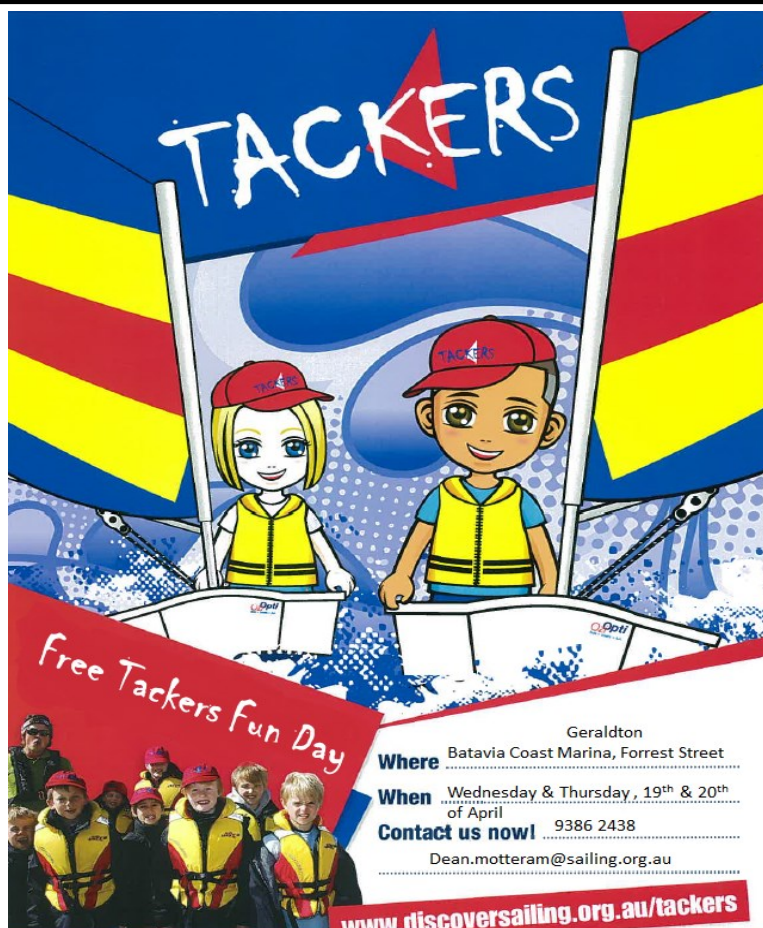
Call 9431 8393 or [click here](#) to visit our website.

Venue:

Museum of Geraldton
Museum Place
Batavia Coast Marina
Geraldton

Bookings:

No bookings required for activities. *Programs are subject to availability. All children 12 years and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please note the Museum of Geraldton closes on public holidays.*



The poster features a central illustration of two children, a girl and a boy, wearing red caps and yellow life jackets, standing on a boat. They are holding a large blue flag with the word 'TACKERS' written in white. The background shows a stylized blue and white wave pattern. Below the illustration, there is a red banner with the text 'Free Tackers Fun Day'. At the bottom of the poster, there is a photograph of a group of children wearing life jackets and caps, smiling. To the right of the photograph, there is contact information for the event.

Where Geraldton
Batavia Coast Marina, Forrest Street

When Wednesday & Thursday, 19th & 20th
of April

Contact us now! 9386 2438
Dean.motteram@sailing.org.au

www.discoversailing.org.au/tackers

TERM 2 2017

WEEK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	24 APRIL SDD	25 ANZAC Day	26 Students commence	27 The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show K1, PP2 & PP3	28 Year 6 Challenge Day—PCYC & Pool
2	1 MAY	2	3	4	5
3	8 P & C meeting 7.00pm	9 NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5	10 NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5	11 NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	12 NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
4	15	16	17	18 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	19
5	22	23	24 National Simultaneous Storytime – The cow tripped over the moon.	25 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	26 Parent Assembly Rooms 3 & 12 Year 6 Cake Stall
6	29	30 Constable Care – 3 performances	31 Young Writers' Year 6 students	1 JUNE Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	2
7	5 WESTERN AUSTRALIA DAY	6	7	8 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	9
8	12 P & C meeting 7.00pm	13	14	15 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	16
9	19	20	21	22 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	23 Parent Assembly Rooms 1 & 11 Year 6 Cake Stall Interschool Spelling Bee
10	26	27	28	29 Before School Tennis 7:45 – 8:00am	30 Year 6 Challenge Day Last Day of Term
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SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections are being held for four vacant parent representatives of the Mount Tarcoola Primary School Council.

The Mt Tarcoola Primary School Council is structured in accordance with the School Education Act (1999) and School Education Regulations (2000).

The Council consists of the Principal and elected parents, community members and teachers. Parents and community members form the majority of the School Council.

WHAT DOES THE SCHOOL COUNCIL DO?

In general terms, the Mount Tarcoola Primary School Council takes part in:

- Promoting the school within the community
- Establishing and reviewing the school's objectives, priorities and general policy directions
- Financial planning to support the above
- Evaluating the school's performance in achieving the school's objectives
- Formulating codes of conduct for students
- Determining, in consultation, a dress code for students when attending or representing the school
- Providing advice on policy for religious education

Approving the following:

- Contributions and charges
- Extra-cost optional components of the school's educational program
- Items for personal use in the educational program
- Advertising and sponsorship arrangements.

WHAT TIME COMMITMENT DO I NEED TO MAKE?

The School Council generally only meets once a Term. The meetings are generally held in the early evening at the school.

WHAT QUALITIES ARE DESIRABLE?

School councils need parent representatives who:

Have a broad vision and can focus on the 'big picture'

Can work collaboratively and cooperatively as part of a team and set aside personal views/beliefs

Can show solidarity in support of properly debated decisions

Will prepare for active participation in the council's business

Have a willingness to learn.

WHO CAN NOMINATE FOR AND VOTE IN SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS?

Parents and Carers with children attending Mount Tarcoola Pre Primary or Primary School are eligible to participate in the election process as long as their name appears on the child's Admission card.

HOW DO I NOMINATE AS A PARENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SCHOOL COUNCIL?

Easy! All you need to do is complete the form below and return to the Principal, who is responsible for managing the election process.

An election will be conducted by the Principal if more than four nominations are received.

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NOMINATION - MOUNT TARCOOLA PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

I _____ (name) wish to nominate for election to the position of parent representative on the Mount Tarcoola Primary School Council.

I am the parent / carer of a student attending Mount Tarcoola Primary School and understand that my eligibility to nominate for this election will be checked against my child(ren)'s enrolment card.

Child's name _____ Room _____.

I have read and understood the attached information sheet and commit to working in the best interests of the students attending Mount Tarcoola Primary School.

Signature: _____