**Important Dates for your Diary**

- ☺ College photos are scheduled for next week. **Monday 9 to Wednesday 11 March**—everyone to wear their full Summer Uniform please!
- ☺ PTI (Parent Teacher Interviews) for Year 7 and new Secondary students to the College **Thursday 12 March 2015**
- ☺ Year 12 Midcourse Exams from **Monday 16 to Friday 20 March**
- ☺ Beauty and the Beast Production coming soon!! Get your ticket on the College website. **Friday 27 and Saturday 28 March from 7pm @ TBC**

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**A Word from Mr Coleman**

I’ve just visited the Year 5 camp at Camp Elim where I saw the students having a great time doing their ‘Mission Impossible’ night activity. For many it was the first time to be away from home and so were a little anxious. In order to alleviate this, a number of our Secondary students attended the camp undertaking the role of Group Leader, arriving on Sunday to prepare in advance. They had a very significant task to encourage, lead and support their younger charges and they did so with maturity, enthusiasm and responsibility. The Primary students look up to older students and appreciate the care and commitment shown to them. The Bible tells us to ‘encourage one another and build each other up’ (1 Thessalonians 5:11). These fine young leaders have done just that.

The leaders themselves benefit as well by strengthening their own leadership skills for the future. Everyone benefits from effective leadership so it is important we give young people experiences that help build leadership potential. The ultimate form of leadership is servant leadership, where leaders take on positions of responsibility not for themselves but for the benefit of others. Jesus himself said, ‘…..whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many’. Mark 10:43-45.

Thank you and congratulations to Alethea Foakes, Annie Duffin, Courtney Morgan, Dallas Gundy-Clark, Gemma Willmott, Jessie Wright, Kaitlin Reeman, Kate Wright, Keren Macpherson, Madi Moriarty, Matrix Sumpner-Johnston, Mitchell Wilson, Noah Haynes, Samara Dun and Tiana Young.

Thank you also to the organising teachers Miss Armstrong, Mr Grimwood and Miss Stevens and to the parents visiting.

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**Carpark Safety!**

Due to increased enrolments our carpark is quite busy! You may have noticed our carpark monitor who is ensuring your child’s safety (and also helping traffic flow). Please remember that the drop off zone is for pick up/drop off only i.e. it’s a no parking zone/no standing zone. If you have to park, please do so only in designated parking slots and be sure to accompany your child across the carpark i.e. they shouldn’t walk on their own. We thank you for your cooperation; we always have the safety of all students as our priority.
**Kindergarten (KV) in the classroom...**

**Premier Reading Challenge**

You might like to discover these books from the Year 3 to 4 booklist

You might like to discover these books from the Year 5 to 6 booklist

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**School Banking**

Wow we have had a busy term with school banking ... lots of new bankers and some rewards redeemed already. Remember to keep on banking each week so that you can get your next reward sooner. We have a great new competition that has just started - bank at least 25 times this year and you are in the draw to win a family trip to DISNEYLAND!!!

We now have an express deposit box available on Wednesday mornings. If your child doesn't want to wait to bank they can simply drop their bank book in the box and their deposit will still be processed as usual. Bank books will be returned to your child's class room on a Wednesday afternoon.

If you have any questions about School Banking or you would like your child to join up please come and see me on a Wednesday morning. I can be found on the verandah outside the Year Two classrooms from 8.45 until around 9.30 am. Just look for Pat the School Banking Dog and that's where you will find me.

Lisa Andrew
School Banking Coordinator
Kindergarten

KV & KW are having a wonderful time practising their phonics skills using our new iPads.

Year 6T Stories

Year 6 have been busy writing a fairy-tale based on the book The Lion, Witch and Wardrobe. Here are just a few parts of students work:

On a quiet Thursday afternoon, Ella was sitting out at a stream moderately deep in the woods. She was watching the stream mildly trickle down the rocky slope, while munching on a few wild berries she'd found in her travels. After a couple of minutes, Ella got up, and trudged off into the forest. While she was walking, she spotted a rare Owllink flying from tree to tree. As it cawed its soft song, it sweeper past Ella, causing a rush of wind to swish past her. It seemed as if it was almost following her.

By Zara Andrew

Once upon a time there were 3 kids. Their names were Tom, Anna and Lucy they were at Lucy's house. One day they were playing hide and go seek and Tom was in. He counted to 25 while they went to hide. Lucy was running with Anna following behind her when they suddenly found a massive robe over a door shaped object. Lucy removed the robe and opened the door then suddenly Lucy tripped over a staircase of stairs and fell, Bump, Bump, Bump! Anna suddenly shouted, "Lucy are you ok?!

By Jade Simpson

Once upon a time there was a beautiful young girl named Anna, and a tall boy named Jack who lived in Chernobyl in Ukraine. Then Nuclear Accident 4 was coming, so Anna and Jack had to leave. They left to a mystical house in Kiev, Ukraine's capital city. The house looked sort of like it was really old and about to collapse. Then, when they stepped in the house, they found that the floor boards were very creaky. Very creaky indeed. After they stopped worrying about the floor boards, they were amazed by the size of the house. And how modern the inside looked.

By Joshua Kirkwood

Once upon a time there was four children who lived in London at a time where there was war in London. The children Cindy, Tom, Lilly and William were all very scared. So all the children were told to go on a train to some strangers house to keep them safe. Cindy the youngest said "what if he hurts us"

"He wont hurt us! Its for our own good we don't want to get hurt do we" said William who is the oldest of the four

"No " said Cindy. So they got on the train it was a sad moment for all the parents and children. The train left off and they waved and left. It was a long trip for the children. Cindy is a very good girl. She is always kind and cheerful but loves eating sweets. Tom is the second youngest. He is not very mature but is always curious about things. Lilly is the second oldest and is brave girl. She's smart and caring and is always acting like mother. William is a strong boy and is very confident in what he does.

By Jessica Hickey

Once upon a time there were two boys. Their names were Fred and Billy. They lived in Feller Street. Across the road from there house was an old lady's house. It's was Like one of those hoses you would see in a horror movie. She was moving. There was a For Sale sign outside her house. No one new why but Fred and Billy knew there must be a reason. So Fred and billy went and asked the old lady if they could have a look around the house. So they went on in when the house was having an inspection with he Real Estate Agency. When they were their the old lady told them not to go in the basement in a creaky, scary voice. The boys looked at each other and decided to have a look around the rest of the house. It was a small house and they had gone through each room, when Fred Said "I think we have searched the whole house." Then billy said, "no, we haven't searched the basement".

Fred replied "but the old lady said not to go down there".

"She won't know, she's old" billy said pleadingly. He was trying to convince Fred to go into the basement, if the old lady said not to go there, there MUST be something good in there!

By Tory Ehsman
Zone Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the wonderful TCC Primary Zone Swimming team who gave their all at the THACCCSA Zone Swimming Carnival last week. Despite climbing on the bus before 5:30am, every student was full of energy in their races and enthusiastic in their support of each other. A big thankyou to all the parents who came down to support their children and a special thankyou to Mel De Wright and Mel Kuhn for lending their swimming expertise to the competitors!

Special congratulations need to go to Jessica Skender and Spencer Farland. Jess was the Age Champion for 8 year old girls and Spencer was Runner-up for Age Champion in 9 year old boys.

Both Jessica and Spencer along with Ella Farland qualified for the CSSA State carnival next week.

Well done, everybody!

Parent Reading Seminar

Last Wednesday was the first of our Parent Reading Seminars. It was a great afternoon of not only sitting together and sharing about why we like to read, and the books we are currently reading, but also to participate in some activities that can help us when we are reading with our children. There were many conversations that arose from this: the one that has stayed with me was about the importance of reading for enjoyment. “…reading because it is a good thing to do,” was what one parent said. The next day I went into my Year 11 English class and shared this idea with them. One of my students, who was quietly listening to the discussion, emailed me a poster about what he thinks about books: a boy, standing on a pile of books amid rubbish and squalor, looking over a brick wall at an island with balloons, sailing ships, a castle and a rocket ship. Whether fiction or non-fiction, mystery, romance or crime, books open up to us new worlds, new experiences and new ideas.

I look forward to seeing you at the next Parent Reading Seminar next term.

Miss Laughlin
Head of Teaching and Learning

Reading Seminar from Mrs Parker

Our first information afternoon for parents was on the 5 Big Rocks of Reading. Attendees were coached on the developmental stages of children’s reading, hearing about phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary and comprehension. With the assistance of Mr Reed, Mrs Chittick, Miss Laughlin and Mrs Parker, parents rotated through some practical work stations, learning how to best support their own children in the various stages of reading acquisition. Each family was presented with a crisply fresh new book to take home and enjoy. Stay tuned for further literacy workshops.

Mrs Parker
Learning Centre Coordinator
Due to increasing enquiries regarding Kindergarten next year, if you or someone you know have a child who will be starting school next year, could you please contact our Enrolments Manager, Heather Johnson, as soon as possible to register your interest!

The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten-Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools. Participation by schools and students is voluntary.

The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and to enable students to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Challenge runs from 2 March to 28 August (11:59pm) 2015. Students must complete their online Student Reading Records by 21 August (11:59pm). Ongoing reading is encouraged. Books read from 1 September 2014 can count towards the 2016 Challenge.

All K-6 students are automatically registered in the PRC (or see Mrs van Dyk for help).

Students in Years 7-9 who participated last year (in Year 6-8) can log on using last year’s details (or see Mrs van Dyk or Miss Laughlin for help).

To meet the challenge, students must read a minimum number of books according to the following rules:

Years K to 2—need to read 30 books with a minimum of PRC books for the challenge at 25. PRC booklet selection are K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-9.

Years 3 to 4—need to read 20 books with a minimum of PRC books for the challenge at 15. PRC booklet selection are 3-4, 5-6, 7-9.

Years 7 to 9—need to read 20 books with a minimum of PRC books for the challenge at 15. PRC booklet selection are 5-6, 7-9.

K-9 booklists can be downloaded from the PRC website: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html (or just google, “Premier’s Reading Challenge”)

Reading not only helps students improve their vocabulary, ability to write clearly and accurately, and empathic understanding of others, it helps students develop other essential learning habits such as: being organised, meeting deadlines, being accountable, and taking responsibility for their own learning.

So encourage your children to take on the challenge.

Parents of Year 7 students and new Secondary students this year will be invited to book an interview with their teachers next Thursday March 12 2015. You would have received a letter explaining how to book for the interviews, if you have not, please contact the Front Office for the details.

Also coming up is the Primary PTI’s which is scheduled for Thursday 2 April between 3:30 and 6:30pm, information will be coming out closer to the date. This is an advance notice for your calendars.

If you are interested in writing, you might be interested in entering one of the following story/poetry competitions. See your class teacher, or Miss Laughlin, for more details.

Writing competition (both stories & poetry) (various age categories year K-12) closes 29th March 2015 http://www.write4fun.net/


Various other writing competitions can be found: http://www.writerscentre.com.au/competitions/
Helping the College fulfil its mission and objectives is Mr Luke Wyllie, our College chaplain. He provides support and guidance about Christian ethics, values and beliefs, and is involved in the College’s Pastoral Care program, providing assistance with student welfare.

Luke is dedicated in the way he mentors students in leadership, both in preparation for their participation in Chapel assemblies and during lunchtime Bible Study and discipleship groups encouraging students as they explore issues of faith and spirituality and what this means for them and their lives. If you would like to know more about the role of the Chaplain at the College, or would like to get in touch with Luke, please call the office.

Nominations for Parent Representative

Nominations are called for a parent representative to the school board. The School Board is comprised of eight persons including two parent representatives. This is a great opportunity for a parent who is passionate about Christian Education and would like to represent the parent body of the school as a Director on the School Board.

Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- Subscribe to the College Statement of Faith
- Active membership of a Christian Church
- A lifestyle that does not conflict with Christian values
- Involvement in the school for at least one year, with one or more children currently enrolled in the school

Please contact the Front Office for nomination forms and any questions.

Nominations close Friday 24th April 2015.
Ballot papers (if required) out 1st May 2015.
Ballot (if required) closes 3:30pm Friday 8th May 2015

Learning to live with change and loss.
Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Taree Christian College we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons For Growth for Years 8-10. It will commence on Friday 24th April (Week 1 of Term 2).

This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practice new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem solving, decision making, effective communication and support networks. Mrs Liz Harris (School Counsellor) and Mr Luke Wyllie (school chaplain) are trained facilitators of this program.

If you think your son or daughter would benefit from the program we would encourage you to talk to him/her about participating in the program. Students may also approach their roll call teacher if they are interested in attending. Families will receive further information about the program towards the end of this term.

Taree Christian College is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

If you require further information please contact Mrs Liz Harris or Mr Luke Wyllie for further information.
Flashback...

**CAROLS ON THE GREEN**

The last day of school last year we all celebrated with our annual event “Carols on the Green”. Despite the damp start to the evening, many people braved it and were able to enjoy yet another successful evening with a great family/community feel.

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ICAS Competitions

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS), is the largest independent assessment program for schools in the world with more than 2 million entries annually. Students from over 20 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Pacific and the USA actively participate in ICAS each year, assessing children’s subject knowledge and skills against university determined benchmark marks. ICAS competitions are held in the areas of Digital Technologies, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing, for students in the primary and secondary years of schooling.

Students who have been identified as having an academic aptitude at TCC have been nominated by their teachers to participate in these competitions. Notes for these students must be returned by Friday March 27, 2015.

If you would like to discuss your child's involvement in this competition, see either your class teacher, or Mr Reed (PS) or Miss Laughlin (HS).

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Library Notice

Library loans are for one week – loan/s should be renewed before the week is up if you haven’t finished reading your book/s.

A YELLOW Reminder Notice is sent home with the student for overdue books. If the book/s are not returned or the loan/s are not renewed after receiving this notice, an ORANGE Warning Notice is sent home with the student. If there is no response, a RED Notice of Demand (showing the cost of each item) is sent home with the student stating that the book must be returned to the Library within 3 days (allowing for the weekend) otherwise the cost to replace the book/s will be added to your School Fees.
Visual Arts students go “POP”

On February 25, Year 8, 9, 10 and 11 Visual Arts students, five lovely parents and a couple of teachers travelled to the Art Gallery of New South Wales to see two very inspiring major art exhibitions and sit in on a lecture by the curator. After the talk and question time in the gallery theatrette, our students were treated to viewing some iconic American, English and Australian Pop Art works in the “Pop to Popism” show (including works by Andy Warhol) before perusing and enjoying the young talent to be found in the “Art Express” exhibition on the top floor. For those who felt the need to stretch a bit and play a while, students were invited to relax by having a game of Twister and do some sticker fun in the Pop Play lounge room area. It was very fruitful day and it seems that many students took away a lot of ideas and techniques to explore during Visual Arts whilst at the College. Well done everyone! What an epic journey it was!

Mrs Grimwood

Premier Reading Challenge

You might like to discover these books from the Year 7 to 9 booklist

Maths Club

The Maths Club will recommence on Monday 9.3.15 (Week 7). It will then continue each Monday afternoon for Term 1. Maths Club is available to high school students: there will be assistance for those needing help with their Maths work, help with Maths homework or assessment tasks and Mathematical Challenges for those wishing to extend their knowledge of Maths. Examination preparation will also be available to all students at this time.

The sessions begin at 3.05pm in C1 and finish at 4.05pm.

Christina Attard
Maths Coordinator
Year 7 Camp

A time of bonding, playing and not sleeping. Year 7’s enjoyed the relaxed yet stimulating camp up at Scott’s Head. Students relaxed at the beach, enjoyed happy snaps at Big Banana, kissed seals, touched dolphins and had a good splash at the pool.

Perhaps one of the highlights of the camp was the beach walk on the first night. The students shared the beach with crabs that were crawling out of their holes in the dark and dead jellyfish that had been washed ashore by the tides. The following night, students engaged in a few head splitting rounds of trivia which tested the Year 7 students on their knowledge of the world around them, but more importantly, of what they had gleaned about Taree Christian College during their time in Secondary.

The camp ended with a traditional stopover at McDonalds before getting back to school overstimulated and weary. It was a great catalyst for new friendships and a great opportunity for the cohort to familiarise themselves with each other and to develop fundamental coping skills required to live cooperatively alongside many like aged students.

Music Department

Beauty and the Beast

Only 3 weeks to go until our performances of Beauty and the Beast commence. Make sure you have purchased your tickets via the College website as Saturday night is nearly sold out.

Performance for TCC community and open to the public – Friday 27 March 7pm
Performance for TCC community and open to the public – Saturday 28 March 7pm

Tickets prices are set at: Adult $15, Secondary student $11, Primary student $7, 3yrs and under Free.

Music Lessons

Music lesson on Guitar, Bass, Keyboard and Piano occur weekly at the College by visiting peripatetic music specialists. Prices are set at $25 per half hour lesson for all teachers and are scheduled on a rotating timeslot so your child does not miss the same school lesson each week. If you would like to organise lessons in Guitar, Bass, Keyboard or Piano please contact Mr Day on aday@tareeccs.nsw.edu.au

WAKE Touring Band

The new WAKE Touring Band will be visiting Lakeside church next Friday 13th March to run their Youth Service. Please keep this team in your prayers.

Music Rehearsals Times

Beauty and the Beast - check emailed schedule
WAKE Touring Band – Tuesday 8-9am
Jazz Band – Monday Lunch
Chapel Band – Thursday Lunch
Year 8 Camp was INTENSE!

Year 8 camp was intense; well we did actually sleep in tents. Apart from the tents I think Year 8 camp was the best camp I have ever been to. At camp it felt like friends became family. Surfing was really fun, everyone did really well. It was good to see who could stand up for the longest and who could stand up first. The survival talks were good and it was interesting to eat different things with different tastes that we could collect from around the beach.

Kate Drury

Year 8 camp was “fun” because we got to go surfing, and we learnt survival skills. We learnt what plants we can eat and we tried different seafood things. We also got to jump off a really tall rock into the ocean. Some of us got to go on a beach walk on Friday morning which was nice. Overall camp was very “fun”!

Darcy Gross

Year 9 Camp

Year 9 enjoyed the Sydney camp ESPECIALLY the millions of kilometres of walking involved! From the Harbour Bridge to the Opera House, Taronga Zoo to China Town we all enjoyed getting ‘up close and personal’ with the people (and animals) of Sydney. Our accommodation in ‘upper class’ Pymble was great as were the meals served. Some students especially enjoyed the variety of dishes available at the China Town food court, while others pleaded for the familiarity of ‘Maccas’. It was a full on camp experiencing the extremes of Sydney life, and certainly helped broaden students’ world view and their appreciation of the wonderful Manning/Great Lakes region.

Mr Lawson
Year 10 Camp

Year 10 went to Coffs Harbour for our camp, starting with an Ocean Awareness Course at Sawtell. No camping for us, we had the best rooms and facilities we have ever had on any camp. Capture the Flag after tea brought out the competitive spirit in certain people. Thursday, with a few light showers of rain, we overcame the Commando Course, the Tug of War proving that not even using Uncle Mick will guarantee success! Off to Ice Skating, where Rhiannon viscously attacked the ice with her nose and Tiana showed us knee-skating! Laser tag helped us release our inner soldier and Kegel bowling calmed us down again. Some of us are still wondering why any boy would bring chilli sauce to Camp. Despite threats of torrential rain, major flooding and closed schools, we finished the camp with Flip Out, and watched amazing feats of trampoling enthusiasm. Shout out to Mr Saunders, Mr Walker, Mrs Sage and Mrs Wallis for taking us on Camp.

Ally, Lily and Mrs Wallis

Senior Camp (Year 11 & 12)

This year all students in Year 11 and 12 attended a study skills camp at Tahlee near Karuah. After a two hour bus trip and a wrong turn, we finally arrived at the campsite. Year 11 were involved in workshops designed to help them prepare for their final two years of schooling. Some of these workshops included: being intelligent, note taking, study sensei, time management, goal setting and getting organised. Year 12 students focused more on honing their skills to do the best they can in their upcoming HSC exams later this year. Some of the Year 12 workshops included: work/life balance, ace your exams, managing stress & the HSC, memory & mnemonics and doing well in the HSC. Some of the sessions were presented by TCC staff, and others by Elevate Education (an education motivational organisation). Students were also lucky enough to hear from a visiting Christian Sexologist who came to visit us during camp on Thursday with Mr Coleman. Other activities enjoyed by the students included: swimming in the lake/pool, jumping off the giant tower, climbing a mountain, optional early morning exercise, night activities and just relaxing and building relationships. Students also participated in devotion and worship times, with many staff and students sharing their testimonies. Thankyou to the other teachers and helpers (Mrs Lawson, Mr Colville, Mrs Reinhard, Miss Chloe, & Nate from TBC) who came to support and look after the students.

Adam Day – Stage 6 Camp Coordinator
2015 Writers Retreat

Writers’ Retreat is back in 2015 and we hope to build on the learning and fun we have all had over the last two years. The retreat is for students in Years 7-12, who are good at, or who are interested in writing. Once again, we will gather at Tahlee Ministry Centre, this time from June 3-5, 2015. This year’s writers include Cecily Paterson (a Christian writer from Kangaroo Valley), Cameron Semmens (a Christian poet and performer from Melbourne) and Val Clark (a Christian writer from Dubbo).

Early bird registrations close on March 13. Contact Miss Laughlin or the Front Office for further information.

Uniform Matters

It is great to see that most of our students have started the year really well in regards to uniform. Some issues that we are currently focusing on in Secondary include –

- **Shoes** – Our policy requires that all students wear PLAIN black shoes with their summer uniform. For safety reasons, shoes need to be leather or leather like (NOT CANVAS). When students are in sport uniform, shoes must be predominantly white.
- **Socks** – Socks are required to be above the ankle.
- **Skirts** – We are currently in the process of checking the length of the girls’ dresses and skirts. They are required to be no more than 5cm above the knee.
- **Jewellery** – should be kept to a minimum. Students who have a nose ring have been asked to wear a retainer (clear plastic nose stud) when they are at school and travelling to and from school in their uniform.

If for any reason your child is unable to be in the correct uniform, please provide them with a note stating both the reason and when it will be corrected.

College SRC

This year the SRC will be collecting old mobile phones as part of Taronga Zoo’s ‘Recycle Mobile Phones’ program. Mobile phones contain the metal coltan – being in high demand – is unfortunately often mined illegally, threatening gorilla habitats in Africa. By making the simple choice to recycle our old mobile phones, we can collectively reduce the demand on this metal and raise funds for conservation of these magnificent creatures. Year 9 enjoyed their time at the Zoo recently when we travelled to Sydney during camp week. The gorillas were very entertaining to watch and we particularly enjoyed seeing the mother with her new baby. It’s exciting to be part of a program that positively impacts our natural world.

Thanks in anticipation of your support, **Cal Wiersma and the 2015 SRC team.**

Touch Footy Photos...

The High School Touch Gala was on Monday 2nd March in Newcastle. All teams were very competitive, with the under 15 boys missing out on the final after a close encounter in their semi-final with the team that went on to win the competition. The teams were:

- **U15 Boys**
  - J Clarkson
  - M Walker
  - J Elmer
  - A Mayers
  - R Alderman
  - D Paulson
  - E Walker

- **U15 Girls**
  - J Marr
  - J Hobson
  - T Heaslip
  - I Gundy-Clark
  - S Dun
  - T Fernance
  - K Wisely

- **Open Boys**
  - M Dowswell
  - J Dack
  - C Druy
  - S Frederickson
  - B Elmer
  - N Tooze
  - T Cunningham
  - K Green

- **Open Girls**
  - M Moran
  - J Correia
  - C Hargreaves
  - A Bennett
  - L Moy
  - J Miller
  - S Mayers
  - S Frederickson

Thanks to Mr Dawson for coaching the boys teams and helping prepare the teams to play.

From this Gala Day three TCC students were selected to represent the Hunter Zone at the CSSA Touch tournament in Coffs Harbour, Sarah Mayers, Jasmin Correia and Malachi Walker. Also Iesha Gundy-Clark and Dylan Paulson were selected to be reserves for these teams.

Congratulations to these students on this exciting opportunity.

All students represented TCC very well and played with great sportsmanship and determination.

**Mrs Collier**
UP AND COMING EVENTS

SILVER WEEK—Week 7
Monday 9 March
⇒ Primary Assembly in the MPC 9:10am
⇒ Secondary Assembly @ TBC 9:10am
⇒ College Photos—Primary only
⇒ Year 10, 11 & 12 Music excursion to Encore in Sydney
⇒ Primary State Swimming Carnival
⇒ Primary Years 1 to 6 Homework Centre held in TCC Library 3:05 to 4pm
⇒ Primary Drama Eisteddfod group practice 3 to 4pm
Tuesday 10 March
⇒ College Photos—Family, Friends, & College Leadership
⇒ CSSA Secondary Swimming Carnival
⇒ Primary Chapel 12:30 to 1:30pm @ TBC
Wednesday 11 March
⇒ College Photos—Secondary only
Thursday 12 March
⇒ Year 7 and new students in Secondary PTI evening
⇒ Primary Drama Eisteddfod group practice 3 to 4pm
Friday 13 March
⇒ ICC Cricket World Cup Excursion
⇒ Secondary Chapel 12:30 to 1:30pm @ TBC
⇒ WAKE Band at Lakeside Youth 4pm to 10:30pm
GOLD WEEK—Week 8
Monday 16 March
⇒ Primary Assembly held in the MPC 9:10am
⇒ Secondary Assembly held in TBC 9:10am
⇒ Year 12 Midcourse Exams (all week)
⇒ Primary Years 1 to 6 Homework Centre held in TCC Library 3:05 to 4pm
⇒ Primary Drama Eisteddfod group practice 3 to 4pm
Tuesday 17 March
⇒ Year 12 Midcourse Exams (all week)
⇒ Primary Chapel @ TBC 12:30 to 1:30pm
Wednesday 18 March
⇒ Year 12 Midcourse Exams (all week)
Thursday 19 March
⇒ Year 12 Midcourse Exams (all week)
⇒ Primary Drama Eisteddfod group practice 3 to 4pm
Friday 20 March
⇒ Year 12 Midcourse Exams (all week)

Community Announcements
(all these announcements are advertisements not necessarily endorsed by our College)

Rotary Long Term Youth Exchange—Applications are now open for students between the ages of 15 and 17 years and 6 months as at 16/01/16 to participate in a life changing experience. Application forms are available from www.rotaryyoughexchange9650.com.au and close 15/05/15.

Women’s Heart to Heart—where women of all ages come together in a Christian caring environment to learn more about His word. The Theme this term is mental health. They meet every Tuesday 9:30am at the Taree Baptist Church—for more information contact Lesley Aldridge on 6551 4072, you are more than welcome to turn up on the day.

Club Taree Junior Rugby League Sign up—All new registrations to be done in person via the Club Registrar contact Julie on 0417 488 633, if re-registering go on line to: clubtareeredrovers.sportingpulse.net.

Flexion Fitness Rhythmic Gymnastics—held in the TCC MPC Monday’s and Wednesday’s for more information contact Rachel on 0418 837 273.

Emersus Youth—Taree Baptist Church Youth Group continues each Friday evening from 7 to 9:30pm. Please contact the Church on 6551 2051 for further details and group locations. All students in Years 7 to 12 are welcome to attend.

Devoted—Taree Presbyterian Youth Group meet every Friday from 4—6pm at 76 Albert Street. Bible teaching / prayer / games / dinner. Ages 12 to 18 welcome, contact Paul on 6552 1082 for more information.

Taree Netball Association—registration held every Thursday at the Netball courts at the Taree Rec Grounds from 4:30 to 5pm.

Greater Taree City Council—are seeking your input on what happens in our community parks. To have your say visit their website and view the draft plan and fill in a quick survey or drop in to one of their libraries to view.

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TAREE BAPTIST CHURCH

10 Year Building Anniversary Celebration!!

Everyone is invited to help us celebrate this exciting milestone.

Join us on Sunday March 15 10am with special guest speaker Garry Mason

Afterwards we will gather together for lunch in the Parkside Room.
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