



TAKARI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER #16

Week 2 Term 4

Thursday 21 October 2021

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: Parents are reminded that internet programs such as Houseparty, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook and Tik Tok have a minimum age requirement of 13 (or above) to sign up and open an account. A quick survey in the Year 5/6 class this week revealed that over 60% of students regularly used a number of these programs, even though they are under the minimum age requirement.

While this is primarily a home issue, the school is increasingly having to deal with problems at school that have occurred over the internet at home. This includes on-line abuse, bullying and the sharing of inappropriate photos.

The school was alerted this week to a number of videos and photos currently circulating through social media programs that show Takari students on the school site wearing school uniform. The videos and photos were uploaded and shared without the students' knowledge or permission. It is very disturbing that random people, not connected to the school community in any way, are identifying Takari students from these videos and photos.

Students have a very clear understanding that mobile phones are not be used at school for any reason without the knowledge of, and permission from, a staff member. Students know that photos and videos are not to be taken at school, and that phones will be confiscated if they are caught doing so. Unfortunately, the videos and photos currently in circulation were taken after school, when they stendents were not under the care and supervision of school staff.

School policy is that parents are informed when the school is alerted to students' inappropriate internet use. The school strongly encourages parents to monitor their children's internet usage closely and report any suspicious or inappropriate behaviour. Parents can access more information about on-line safety by visiting the government's **eSafety Commissioner** website at **www.esafety.gov.au**

David Tennant

TERM FOUR STAFF CHANGES: There are a number of changes to staff this term. Ms Harper has accepted a full time Manager Corporate Service position at Sir David Brand school. Mrs Van Delft will now revert back to her full five days/week Manager Corporate Services role. We welcome Ms Lynda Henderson as School Officer every Thursday. We also welcome Mrs Britt Katselas as Upper Primary Education Assistant every Monday and Friday. Mrs Wilson will continue working with Mrs Tsolakis in the Kindergarten.

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO TAKARI NEXT YEAR

The school is currently planning for 2022 and it is important the school has accurate information. Please contact the school as soon as possible if your child/ren will not be attending Takari PS next year.

WORLD EDUCATORS' DAY: Next Thursday 28 October, the school community will be celebrating World Educators' Day. The P&C traditionally acknowledges the staff's hard work and dedication by providing a scrumptious morning tea. They also take over the recess duty roster so staff can sit back and enjoy their special morning tea in peace and quiet. If you can assist the P&C by providing some morning tea or taking recess duty between 11:00am and 11:20am, please contact Kelly Praetz or Mr Tennant. We only require six parents to cover duty. No training is required and parents will get to wear the very stylish orange fluoro duty vests.

PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS PROGRAM: As a school, we are committed to teaching every child protective behaviour strategies so they can recognise unsafe situations and be proactive and confident in their response. The school commenced a ten week program two weeks ago and will continue this program next term. Parents and carers will be informed of what theme the school is focusing on each week. Communication and interaction between the school and home is encouraged. The following themes will be covered over the next two weeks.

Term 4 Week 3

Theme #5 NETWORKS

- A network is a group of adults, chosen by your child, who can provide them with support, assistance and,
 if necessary, protection.
- The most important factor when discussing safety with your child is keeping the communication channels
 open, letting your child know they can talk with you about anything.
- It is also vital that you help your child identify a 'safety network' of trusted adults with whom they can talk.

Term 4 Week 4

Theme #6 PERSISTANCE AND BEING ASSERTIVE

- It can be really hard to keep persisting and you might feel like giving up. Children should be encouraged to keep asking for help until they speak with someone, get the help they need, and their *Early Warning Signs* go away.
- To say "NO" assertively, it is helpful to stand up straight, keep your head up, shoulders back, look into the person's eyes and use a loud voice.





TEAM TAKARI





During Weeks 1 and 2, our Team Takari focus is

Kindness - We use kind words 'Think - Before you speak.

T = Is it True?

H = Is it Helpful?

= Is it Inspiring?

Is it Necessary ?

K = Is it Kind?

Respect

Responsibility

Good Manners







Personal Best

Kindness

Italian Day at Takari Thursday 14 October 2021

Ciao a tutti / Hello everyone!

Last week we celebrated Italian Day here at Takari. It was wonderful to see students dress up in Italian colours and theme! The highlight was an authentic Italian incursion from Nunzio Pizza. Students were in awe of the wood fire oven and especially appreciative of having a taste of the delizioso pizza! Nunzio answered some questions about his pizza making, but he said he could not reveal his secret recipe as it was passed on from his Mamma. A lot of students commented that it was the best pizza they've ever had! Grazie a tutti, thanks everyone!







Chappy Check-in Week 2 Term 4 2021

Just last night, I witnessed a small piece of GRIT and fear-conquering. As I write, I'm waking up on day 2 of Year 6 camp. It's why I take 3 days away from my family to spend them with my school family.

A child was very anxious in the pitch black of the escape room challenge. It was loud! 18 people talking excitedly at once in a confined space in a new environment away from home...totally understandable. However, this child was able to grow through this fear knowing it was safe - risking on purpose. This child knows a little bit more about how they can shape their own future by becoming a tiny bit more resilient. This child has every reason to be proud of their achievement. The other children should understand how their support contributed to the success of their classmate. Man! I love camp!

I ask that you keep allowing your children (not you) to combat their little anxieties one tiny step at a time - growing gritty, resilient big people.

Chaplain Gwyn-Wednesday & Friday

Students currently in Year 5 can now apply for Gifted and Talented programmes for 2023. For more information and application go to https://www.education.wa.edu.au/gifted-and-talented Applications close Sunday 13 February 2022.

SCIENCE NEWS! Week 1

This Term Science is all about Physical Science (or Physics). There will be a whole lot of movement going on as we study the forces of push and pull and the science behind light and sound. The upper years will be looking at energy from electric circuits and magnets. Term 4 is the term of big challenges as we continue to design and create STEM projects. Stay tuned!

We started the term with paper helicopters and spaghetti towers (for Italian Day).







Cup Cakes for a Cause

"Come on Takari students, let's raise money for Wheelchairs for Kids"

Since 1998, Wheelchairs for Kids has provided 50,000 disadvantaged children from 90 counties. In Week 4 starting 1 November 2021 classes will be selling cupcakes to raise money for Wheelchairs for Kids. Every \$200 raised, will provide a disadvantaged child a wheelchair.

Later in the term Wheelchairs for Kids will bring 20 wheelchairs for our students to participate in an obstacle race.

Cost of the cupcake: gold coin donation



YEAR 6 CAMP

Year 6 students are currently away on their camp, and by all accounts they are having a fantastic time.

What a wonderful way to finish year 6

We hope that Mr Tennant, Miss Jongen, Mrs Moroney and Gwyn Bishop are enjoying themselves as much as the students.

Takari P&C

Next P&C meeting: Thursday 21 October at 7.30pm in the Science Room

The Balcatta Buzz Family Halloween fete: Saturday 30 October, 3-9pm

Includes movie night, food trucks, haunted forest, animal farm, bouncy castle, best dressed and raffle prizes up for grabs. So get your best scary costume on, bring a picnic rug or chairs and enjoy the community spirit! We are looking for anyone who is available to lend a hand on the day.

Colour Run 2021: Friday 12 November

The annual Colour Run a popular events at Takari, and we are lucky enough to be going ahead as it was only cancelled a few weeks' ago due to the P&C closing. Thanks to the parents who came forward to make this much-loved event happen. If you can lend a hand please get in touch with one of our Fundraising co-coordinators Alana Dodd or Elissa Strumpher.

Kelly Praetz, President: Praetz 85@hotmail.com 0417 761 749



Help keep our school safe and secure

If you see or hear suspicious behaviour immediately contact School Watch Security or the Police. Thank you for your support. School Watch Security: **1800 177 777**



2021 Term Planner Term 4

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2	18/10 Jump Jam 8am	19/10 Nude Food Tuesday	20/10 Containers for \$ School Banking	21/10 Newsletter #16	22/10
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3	25/10 Jump Jam 8am	26/10 Nude Food Tuesday Edu dance	27/10 Containers for \$ School Banking	28/10 Assembly—PP	World Edu day 30/10 P&C/ Halloween
4	1/11 School Council Meeting Jump Jam 8am	2/11 Nude Food Tuesday Edu dance	3/11 Containers for \$ School Banking	4/11 Newsletter #17	5/11 Night of the rising stars showcase
5	8/11 Jump Jam 8am	9/11 Nude Food Tuesday Edu dance	10/11 Containers for \$ School Banking	11/11	12/11 P&C Colour Run
6	15/11 Jump Jam 8am	16/11 Nude Food Tuesday Edu dance	17/11 Containers for \$ School Banking	18/11 Newsletter #18	19/11
7	22/11 Jump Jam 8am	23/11 Nude Food Tuesday Edu dance	24/11 Containers for \$ School Banking	25/11 Assembly—Yr 6 & Staff PP Orientation	26/11
8	29/11 School Council Meeting Jump Jam 8am	30/11 Nude Food Tuesday Edu dance	1/12 Containers for \$ School Banking	2/12 Newsletter #19 K Orientation	3/12
9	6/12 Jump Jam 8am	7/12 Nude Food Tuesday End of Year Concert 5pm	8/12 Containers for \$ School Banking	9/12 Parent Helpers Morning Tea	10/12
10	13/12 Jump Jam 8am Yr 6 Graduation Yr 6 Dinner/ Dance	14/12 Nude Food Tuesday Takaris' Got talent	15/12 Containers for \$ School Banking	16/12 Last Day for Students	17/12 School Development Day



Please SAVE the DATE!

Saturday 6 November (Week Four)

Takari Primary School Undercover Area

After the success of last year's inaugural 'Night of the Rising Stars Showcase', the school community has asked for its return for 2021! The night features music from the Takari Rock Bands, the Stirling Community Youth Band and friends. Planning is underway and further details will be available after the school holidays.

Friends and family are welcome- start spreading the word!

The Complex Attention Hyperactivity Disorders Service (CAHDS) offers parent information sessions. They are intended for parents with children who experience significant attention difficulties, including a diagnosis of ADHD. My attend any or all of the sessions. They will run from 10:00 am to 12.30pm at Perth Children's Hospital. At no cost. If interested you will need to register with CAHDS PH: 6456 0214 Email:CAMHS.CAHDS@health.wa.gov.au From: CAHDS Team