



# TAKARI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### **NEWSLETTER #20**

### Week 10 Term 4

## Wednesday 15 December 2021

**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:** It's been a very busy two weeks at Takari, with the Parent Helpers and Volunteers' Thank You Morning Tea and End of Year Concert being conducted last week. We also had the Graduation Assembly that was held on Monday.

The Parent Helpers and Volunteers' Thank You Morning Tea is a small way the staff can acknowledge and recognise all the wonderful support the school receives from parents and other family members. Whether it's assisting at the sports carnivals, being a parent helper in the Kindergarten or Pre Primary, or serving on the School Council or P&C, the school is very appreciative of your support. Thank you!

The End of Year Concert included the EduDance performances, which were colourful, loud and very energetic. It was great to see so many parents attend. Congratulations to the students who received awards at the concert, they were very well deserved.

We also farewelled nineteen students at the Graduation Assembly. Mrs Moroney did an outstanding job preparing the students for the event, which was well attended by parents and family friends. We wish all the graduating students the very best in high school and in their future endeavours.

I wish everyone a happy Christmas and a safe holiday. I'll see you in 2022!

David Tennant



THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK: The school community says farewell to four members of staff this year.

**Mrs Tolakis:** Mrs Tsolakis started the year as the Junior Primary Support Teacher and took over the Kindergarten teaching role at the start of Term Two. She is a very experienced early childhood educator and Takari has been fortunate to have had her on staff this year. Mrs Tsolakis has formed strong relationships with the students, parents and staff, and will be missed next year. Mrs Tsolakis has said she will be available for relief, so hopefully we'll see her around the school from time to time next year.

**Ms Thomas:** Ms Thomas was appointed the Science Specialist Teacher for the start of Term Two. She has a great understanding of the Science curriculum and ensured she covered this curriculum through engaging hands on activities and investigations. The students have really learnt a lot about Science this year thanks to Ms Thomas. We wish Ms Thomas all the best in the future.

**Mrs Katselas:** Mrs Katselas helped the school out this term when Mrs Rogers moved to the Kindy classroom. Mrs Katselas has been an amazing education assistant working in the Upper Primary. Whether working with individual students, or in a small groups, Mrs Katselas is a star. The staff and students have really appreciated her support and she will be missed by all next year.

**Ms Dawan Rampellini:** Ms Rampellini has been a cleaner at Takari since July. You may not see our cleaners but they are a very important part of the school community, ensuring the school is kept clean and tidy and making Takari a safe place for all. Ms Rampellini will be in business with her husband, and we will miss her hard work and smiling face. Best wishes Ms Rampellini.

#### **SCHOOL SECURITY**

The school has been the target of vandals over the last two weeks. On three separate occasions, windows were smashed, resulting in broken glass scattered throughout classrooms. Classes were required to relocate while cleaning and repairs were undertaken. This is senseless vandalism. Unlike other schools, Takari is not fenced, and its facilities are free for the community to use and enjoy. If this vandalism continues, fencing the site will need to be considered.

Community members are asked to be vigilant over the holiday break and report any suspicious behaviour or vandalism to **School Watch 1800 177 777** or the police. The basketball courts, oval, nature play and Joel Park are fantastic places to play. However, there is no reason for children (of any age) to be playing in and around the school buildings or in the fenced and locked early childhood centre, or climbing onto the roof. Security will be called if people are loitering on school grounds unnecessarily.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping our school secure and safe.

**STAFF ON LONG SERVICE LEAVE:** Mrs Van Delft and Mrs Stark are both taking long service leave in Term One of next year. We wish them both a relaxing break.

NEW TIMETABLE: Following the success of the lunch before recess trial, The School Council has ensorsed a change to the school's timetable for next year. The new timetable will see:

Lunch

Afternoon Recess

1:40pm to 2:00pm

Thank you to the eight parents who provided feedback on the trial.

2022 CLASS STRUCTURE AND ALLOCATIONS: The school will operate the following structure next year:

K	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 2/3	Yr 3/4	Yr 4/5	Yr 5/6	Total
20	19	20	22	8/16 = 24	7/17 = 24	7/21 = 27	6/20 = 27	183

Class lists (for Yr 2—Yr 6) are coming home with students today.

The school is still working with the Department to confirm staff appointments for next year. **Teacher allocations are not known at this time**.

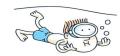
**2022 Personal Requirements Lists** (Book Lists) have been distributed. You can use any supplier but we strongly recommend Campion, for the convenience of getting the exact requirements, ordering online, paying contributions and free home delivery if ordered before 17 December.

Book List copies are also available on the Takari Primary School website

<u>School Uniform orders</u> should be done <u>online</u> through West Wear, preferably by 7 January 2022, to ensure sufficient time for free delivery to Takari. Collection of school uniforms is on Friday 28 January 2022.

If you have any queries about requirements for 2022, you are most welcome to come to the office to discuss.

**2022 SWIMMING LESSONS:** Students in Years 4-6 will be having swimming lessons in Weeks 3 and 4 of Term 1. The cost is expected to be \$60 per student. Students need to have completed swimming lessons to participate in the fantastic Takari Faction Swimming Carnival. We have not had a Faction Swimming Carnival for a few years due to upgrades at Balcatta Senior High School. Notes will be going home on the first day of next year.



Have a safe and relaxing holiday.

Remember, students return on Monday 31 January 2022 and Kindy students commence Tuesday 1 February 2022.

# Merry Christmas!

20	)22 Term	Term 1			
1	31/1 1st Day of Term -	1/2 Kindy Commences	2/2	3/2	4/2
2	7/2	8/2	9/2	10/2	11/2
3	14/2 Swimming Lessons Years 4-6	15/2	16/2	17/2	1872
4	21/2 Swimming Lessons Years 4-6	22/2	23/2	24/2	25/2

