



# Tweed Heads South Public School

TERM 3 WEEK 4 2023

NEWSLETTER

## CALENDAR DATES

- Monday 14  
August - Year 6  
visit from TRHS  
(ATP information)
- Monday 21  
August -  
Gurruuman visit to  
Southern Cross  
Saint Joseph  
Retirement Village
- Tuesday 22  
August - Tweed  
Heads Librarians  
visiting classes.
- 23 - 25 August -  
Book Fair
- Thursday 24  
August - THSPS  
Public Speaking  
Finals
- Friday 25 August -  
Book Week  
Parade 9:15am -  
10:15am
- Busy Bees  
Playgroup - Every  
Thursday 9:15am  
- 10:45am

## Principal's Message

What a busy productive and engaging fortnight we have had at our beautiful school. It was lovely to see the school community come together to our NAIDOC Day celebrations. The 2023 NAIDOC Day theme is 'For Our Elders' which celebrates and pays respect to all Elders, honouring the important role they play as cultural knowledge holders and leaders in the wider community. We had our NAIDOC Day assembly which was held outside to incorporate the 8 Ways Pathway Pedagogies of both Community Links and Land Links, followed by a community morning tea in our new Library which had a 'For Our Elders' photo and cultural display. It then culminated in open classrooms where the community was invited to share in NAIDOC activities in their children's classroom.

**Sporting Event Update** - Last Friday was the District Athletics carnival, over 40 students attended this event to represent our school. Congratulations to all the students who competed at this level and well done to all the students who have made it through to represent the Tweed District at the Far North Coast Athletics Carnival in many events over the coming weeks. Our stage 3 students participated in both the Rugby League and Netball Gala days. The students represented our school with pride and great sportsmanship. They not only did very well in both gala days but all reports from both teams they had fun and worked as a team. Well done to all of these students.

**Road Safety at drop off and pick up times** - I know that over this term safety at the front of the school has become an issue. Please be aware that the Roads and Traffic Authority will be completing random checks in the afternoon. If road and safety rules are not being followed fines will be issued. Fines can be up to \$380 for traffic offences within school zones and for those people who are not following the rules.

**Due to only having one small entrance at the front of the school until the main gate is operational. Could you please pick your children up from school and move off the school site as quick as possible.** At the present time we have a large number of students leaving the school ground including high school students, parents, carers, bus lines and walkers which is causing large amounts of congestion and pedestrian traffic. This is both a hazard and is definitely adding impact of the safety of our students. There has been a new pedestrian crossing has been installed at the front of the school. Please be aware that students will be crossing in peak times in the morning and afternoon. Therefore, please be mindful that student safety is first and foremost. Please make sure you slow down and check if any student has walked onto the crossing. When dropping off or picking up your children please park your car in the parking areas provided carpark next to the school at Arkinstall Park. Please do not park over the driveway or footpaths as these areas are provided for the safety of our pedestrians and blocks access to the designated parking area.

School Zones and speed limits of 40kms per hour both at the front of the school.

Make sure when dropping off your child in the area that the car is stationary to the kerb and not moving to allow your child/ren to get in and out of the vehicle safely.

Please make sure seat belts are fastened when entering the car and before moving off.

Please do not call your children over from the carparks in the middle of the road due to the amount of congestion at the end of the day and for your children's safety. If you park your car please pick your child up at the gate at the front of the school and leave promptly to avoid accidents and large amounts of congestion at the front gate entrance.

Warm regards, Felicity Henderson - R/Principal

# Syllabus Section

## NARRATIVE TEXTUAL CONCEPT

NARRATIVE IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THINKING. WHEN WE THINK, WE THINK IN NARRATIVE FORM. NARRATIVE CAN REFER TO A STORY ITSELF OR TO THE CONVENTIONS BY WHICH WE COMMUNICATE AND UNDERSTAND IT. THESE CONVENTIONS ARE THE WAY WE CONSTRUCT A WORLD THAT SETS UP AND DEPENDS ON EXPECTATIONS OF HUMAN BEHAVIOUR TO AMPLIFY IT. THEY INCLUDE THE SELECTION AND ORGANISATION OF ACTIONS AND EVENTS INTO A PLOT AND A SUITE OF INDIVIDUALISED OR STOCK CHARACTERS TO CARRY THE PLOT FORWARD. A NARRATIVE IS USUALLY STRUCTURED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO INVITE RESPONDER INVOLVEMENT THROUGH RECOUNTING CHALLENGES AND CHARACTERS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS THEM AND MOVING TOWARDS RESOLUTION.

NARRATIVE IS A PART OF EVERYDAY COMMUNICATION TO CONVEY ANY MESSAGE, BE IT POLITICAL (AN ANNUAL BUDGET), COMMERCIAL (A FASHION COLLECTION) OR INSTITUTIONAL (PUBLIC HEALTH WARNINGS). IN THESE MESSAGES, THE ELEMENTS OF NARRATIVE MAY NOT BE OBVIOUS AND ARE INFERRED THROUGH PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION WITH THE SITUATION.

### WHY IT IS IMPORTANT

IT IS INNATELY HUMAN TO TELL STORIES AS THIS IS THE WAY WE ORGANISE AND SHAPE LIFE EXPERIENCE. WE USE NARRATIVE TO CONNECT PEOPLE TO INFORMATION, VALUES AND IDEAS. THROUGH NARRATIVE WE EXPLORE HUMAN ACTIONS, INTERACTIONS, MOTIVATIONS AND REACTIONS.

TEACHERS USE NARRATIVE TO ENGAGE STUDENTS IN LEARNING AND STUDENTS USE NARRATIVE TO



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HUMAN EXPERIENCE AND WITH IDEAS.



## Thank You!

Thank you to all our families for their contribution to our collection of bread bags. We have sent four full boxes back to Wondersoft. Soon we will be able to convert our collected points for some new sporting equipment.



## P&C update

On Friday 18 August 2023 our school P&C have organised a Crazy Hair and Sock Day. Feel free to come to school with crazy hair, socks, or both! Get creative and have some fun with colours, styles and/or accessories.

Please bring a Gold Coin Donation to your class teacher to participate. Funds will go to the P&C to help purchase school equipment for our children.

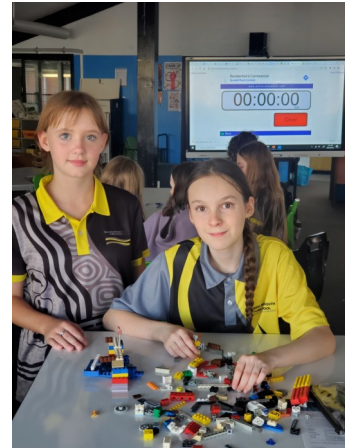
The canteen will also be selling special treats on the day so don't forget to bring some money to purchase some yummy delights from the canteen.



*Crazy*  
HAIR & SOCK DAY  
Friday, 18th August

# STEM

Students in Wagaan are participating in STEM activities each Friday afternoon. Last week, they were given a cup full of random Lego pieces and required to build specific objects within 3 mins. Cooperation and creativity were essential in completing the tasks of building a bridge, a robot and then a creature.



## NSW Premiers Spelling Bee

On Wednesday 9 August, our two THSPS Spelling Bee champions competed online via Zoom in the state-wide competition against 26 other schools. Kauri was our junior champion who made through to an outstanding third place. His tricky word that he was caught out on was 'liaise'.

Tyler was our senior champion, and he was also outstanding making it through to the third round where the words became really difficult. His tricky word that he was caught out on was 'exuberant'.

Congratulations to both boys for their impressive effort and skill.





# Library News

It has been such a busy term in the library with lots of books being borrowed and returned. It would be great to see every child bring a library bag to school as this keeps the books they borrow safe. Lots of different activities are also available to students during break times and they have been very popular.



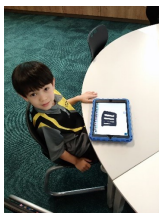
Here is a quick rundown as to what classes have been doing. Preschool have been listening to fairy tales. We then went onto the iPad and created lots of pictures about the stories we read. Here are some big bad wolves and scary trolls.



Red Riding Hood and Goldilocks



In K-2 we have been reading lots of books about staying safe and making sticker videos about how important it is to swim between the flags at the beach and to always have an adult watching you when you are in the water. These pictures were about keeping the pool gate shut.

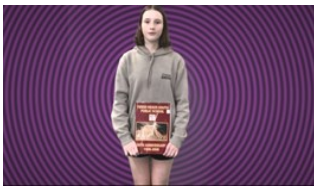


In Years 3-4 we have been looking at non fiction books and are very enthusiastic about learning how to use Minecraft Education.



# Library News

Students in Years 5 and 6 have been having lots of fun learning how to use the green screen special effects feature to create videos in Imovie.



Book Week occurs each year between 21-25 August. During this time we have some special events happening. Librarians from the Tweed library will be visiting the school to talk to students about becoming a member of the public library. The public library is free and encourages children to become lifelong readers.

Gurruuman will be walking to the Southern Cross Saint Joseph retirement village. Students will be reading to the residents and the residents can read to the class.

The Book Fair is back again. From 23-25 August students will be able to buy books, pens, pencils and posters from the fair which will be open each day between 11-11.30. The school makes money from the sales which will then be used to buy new books, so please support us to support students and their reading.

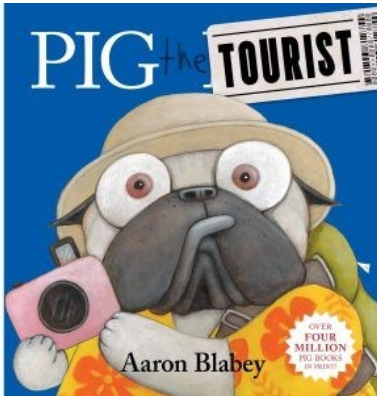
On Friday 25 August between 9:30-10.30 the annual Book Character Parade will be held in the hall. All parents and friends are welcome to attend. After the parade parents can have a photo with their children for a \$1:00 donation. These photos will be printed and sent home with your child a few days later. If the weather is fine, there will also be a chance to sit with your child and read some picture books from the library. Please bring a towel to sit on. You can also visit the Book Fair in the community room, right next door to the library.





# Book Week—Costume Ideas

Costume Ideas you can Create with Things you have in your Wardrobe



## Pig The Tourist

You'll need

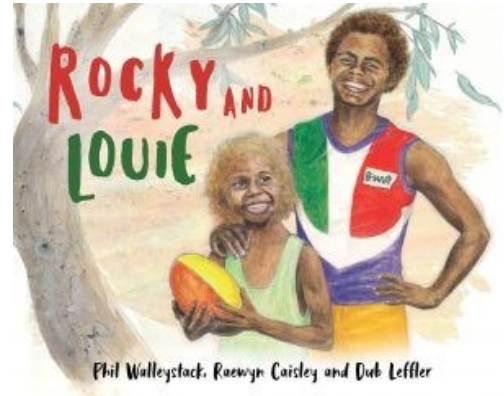
- A Hawaiian t-shirt
- Broad-brimmed hat
- Backpack
- Camera (or a printout of a camera)



## Fly

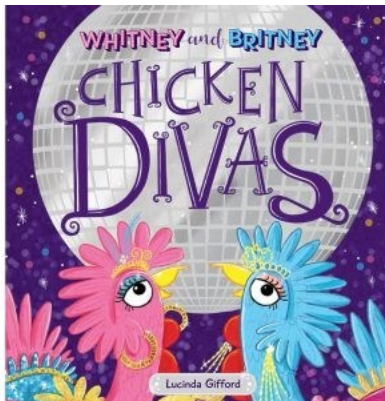
You'll Need

- Goggles or sunglasses
- Blue stripe shirt
- blue pants
- Toy bird



## Rocky and Louie

- Football jersey
- Football



## Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas

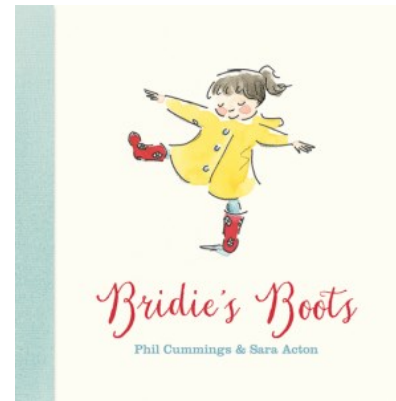
- Feather boas
- Blue or pink clothes
- Blue or pink gloves
- Blue or pink accessories



## Hark, It's Me, Ruby Lee

You'll need

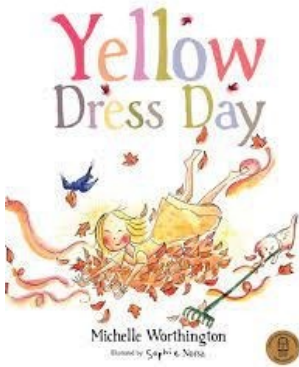
- Hair in pigtail buns
- School uniform
- School books
- Light blue ribbons



## Bridie's Boots

- Yellow coat or raincoat
- Red boots or gumboots

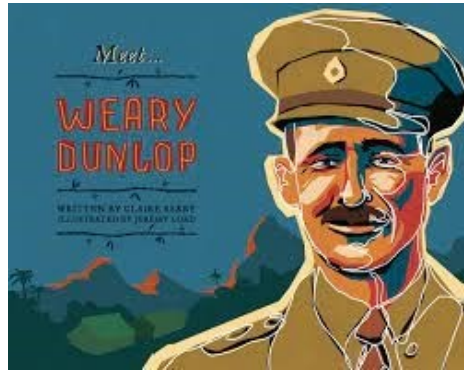
# Book Week—Costume Ideas



## Yellow Dress Day

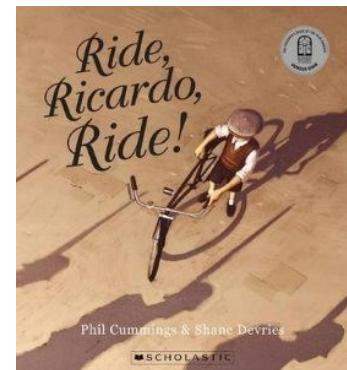
- Yellow dress
- Yellow ribbons
- Yellow shoes

You might like to use this for a group costume as the character has a different colour for every day.



## Meet Weary Dunlop or Meet the ANZACs

- Soldier's Uniform/  
Camouflage clothes



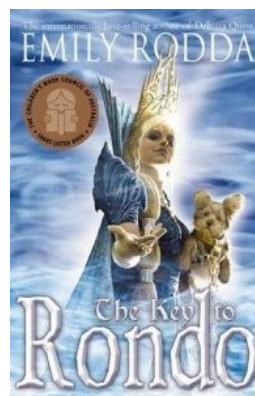
## Ride, Ricardo Ride

- Cap
- White shirt
- Black pants
- Brown vest
- Bicycle



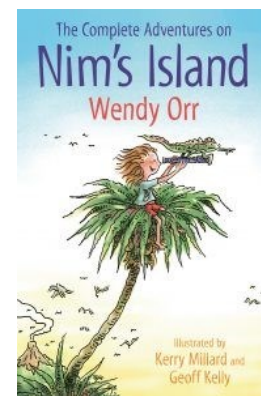
## Go Go and the Silver Shoes

- White shirt
- Red pants or skirt
- Silver shoes, glittery if possible



## The Key To Rondo

- Blue or silver dress
- Crown or tiara



## Nim's Island

- Shorts and t-shirt
- Binoculars or telescope
- Soft toy bird or lizard



# Preschool

Preschool would like to say a big thank you to Aunty Beanie and Kyra for joining us in our NAIDOC celebrations, sharing stories and creating some handprint art and animals from clay. We had a great time and enjoyed spending time with you both. We appreciate your time and sharing your knowledge and wisdom.

