

School Newsletter

TAPS STUDENT VOICE



Grand Friends Day, Open Day, Performances & a Book Week Parade too - Phew

Hundreds of grandparents, parents, family and friends visited classrooms to celebrate learning and were entertained by student performances and our book parade.

As the community entered our school student leaders and members of the school band greeted them with smiles and musical performances. Parents, grandparents and the rest made their way to classrooms to see the amazing learning journey we have been on at TAPS. It was great to see so many helping out on the day. (continued page 2)

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HONESTY

Do your best to be honest, responsible and build trust with others.

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MINDFULNESS

Staying calm and in control will help you in any situation

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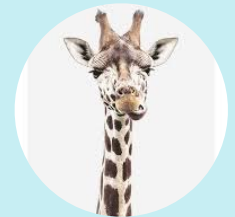
GRATITUDE

Be grateful for the good things in your life.



Jokes for Kids

Yesterday a man got hit in the head with a 7UP. He's fine though it was a soft drink.



Why does a giraffe have a really long neck? Because its feet smell really bad.



When is a door not a door? When it's ajar.

(by Alisha & Riyaad)

After this parents and relatives gathered under the primary shelter to be entertained by the band, dancers, drummers and choir. Classes also paraded in their favourite book characters. There were lots of pirates. During the assembly the P&C held a thank you raffle for our students. Every student had their name in a barrel and great prizes were randomly given out. Following this many people stayed to have lunch with their children. Afterwards school went back to its usual routine.

Takeshi & Idris

Sister City Visits from Japan

2 weeks ago we had some very special visitors who came all the way from Koshigiya City in Japan. This city has a special association with Campbelltown.

Japanese students, teachers and leaders came to our school to see how we work in Australia and to learn and practise some English. Our visitors put on quite a show for our school. They also presented us with gifts (A 2019 Japanese Rugby World Cup ball and lots of origami). Our school greeted our visitors by giving them gifts (an Aboriginal Message Stick and souvenirs). Our senior & junior dancers also performed for our visitors. They visited many classes and participated in STEM activities with our students. The Japanese students and adults were very happy, thankful and left our school with many smiles. We learnt to greet our visitors by saying 'konnichiwa' and farewell by saying



'sayonara'. We really enjoyed our visitors company and hope to see them again soon.

Wyatt & Chris

In fact we will see them again in 2019 - Mr Pope.

EDVENTURE

Edventure is a time to participate in something you enjoy. Students at TAPS have attended these exciting classes for two terms. They are both exciting and full of fun. We interviewed Ms Houlton the organiser of primary Edventure. She said, "Edventure gives students opportunity to participate in something they enjoy." Rohan and Bailey two students said "Edventure is engaging and fun for all personalities." Glen who does drama said, "It's fun because you get to be around people who like the same thing as you." Mrs Flamos & Miss Love both intertwined science with cooking. "Science & cooking is like chemistry. In the last two weeks students have learnt about micro-organisms and fungus and how it is used to make bread." Layla and Kobi two students said it was "fantastic, fun and delicious."

Natarsha & Carter



Year 6 Voice

This week we interviewed Jorja Gosling, Ryan Nangle & Rohan Narain. Jorja has enjoyed her experience from K-6 at TAPS because it has many learning opportunities and the school is interactive. Jorja participates in netball and softball gala days which are her favourite activities at school. Her most memorable experience is making it into the Spelling Bee competition.

Ryan has been at TAPS since Year 1. He has enjoyed learning here at TAPS ever since. He likes making new friends, helping people and having a different teacher each year. His favourite subject is art and he likes playing math games too.

Rohan thinks school is fun. He described year 6 as being like a big fish in a small pond. He mentioned his favourite moment was a time at Gala Day when Bailey was squirting water at people's stomachs. Rohan spoke highly of his friends who have helped him cope with many different things on his journey from Kindergarten to Year 6. He thinks the biggest challenge about going to high school will be learning to cope with more teachers and moving from class to class. (Don't worry Rohan we all



have the same concern.) Rohan's advice for all is "Stay in school."

Niki, Jyzelle, Alisha

SPORTS ACTION

Girls Soccer

On the 17th August the girls soccer team made their way down to Lynwood Park soccer fields. They were determined to complete their goals

(and score some goals too). And they did with a total of two wins and one bye. The goals have been working hard all season with the aim of winning all their games in one Gala Day. The seniors have won more than half of their games and the juniors have won exactly half of their games. Players talked about how it has been an amazing experience. That it has been fun and a fabulous experience to share with friends. Evie from the senior team said, "It is an amazing team who have had amazing team work and she loves playing with her friends." Izzy and Serenity from the junior team said, "We love playing with our friends outside of school." Mrs Best-Roberts the girls coach feels the girls have come a long way and she loves their amazing teamwork. **Niki & Natarsha**



Netball

The Gala Day Netball teams practice hard every Friday. The coaches are Mrs Rochetto & Mrs Warren. All of the girls and boys work really hard both at the games and in training. "It is really wonderful that all of the boys and girls



encourage one another, try their best and display good sportsmanship, whether we win or lose." said Halima.

Jyzelle

STUDENT WRITING FROM ACROSS THE SCHOOL

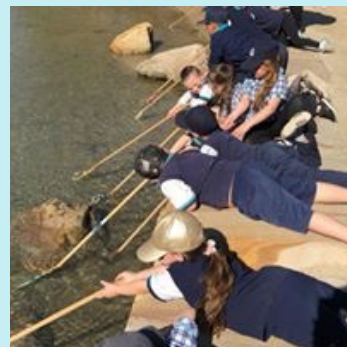
You Should Really Go!

Yesterday we went on the best excursion ever. We went to the Royal National Park. They had the best activities ever. We saw stuffed animals. There was a crocodile, duck, fox, echidna and a wallaby. We got to see fish and the water was sparkling.

All of us got to lay on our bellies on the bank. We got to catch bugs. I caught a jumping bug and an ant. It was tiny. I could not see it!

The excursion was fun. I did not want to leave. The next time your class goes somewhere tell your teacher to go to the National Park and see Ranger Jamie.

Ella 2L



MORE STUDENT WRITING

Nightmare on Harris Street (an extract)

Anaabeth Bruce did not expect that her Uncle Harold and Aunt Petunia would give her a birthday card. Life with the Greenwoods was boring. The whole of Harris St was boring. Their routine was exactly the same. Wake up, get a morning coffee, read the paper, blah blah blah. If only she was with her parents. They had gone on a quest to search for the Snowy Bear of Achilles and both got killed leaving Annabeth with Petunia. Aunt Petunia was the sister of Iris Brunch and something had happened 11 years ago, ending with Petunia storming off and leaving her sister. Annabeth wondered if it was Petunia who killed her sister

extract by Cindy 4M

AND YET MORE STUDENT WRITING

The Wind

I can feel the wind. I can see the sun. Miss Vamvas' hair is moving in the wind.

Woody KV

The sky is clear and it is sunny too. I could feel the cold breeze and the sun on my face. I saw Miss Vamvas' hair moving because of the wind

Katrina KV

PRINCIPAL IN BRIEF

Celebrations

Alannah Bruin - regional public speaking finalist. Top 10 out of 25,000 students.

Alannah & Enesha Roy also competed in a national dance festival in Brisbane placing second in the country. Wow

Tournament of the Minds Team won regional competition and are progressing to the state final.

Formative Assessment practices in classes continue to engage more and more students.

Character Education, PBL & Wellbeing programs mean negative behaviours continue to drop.

Coming Up

Athletics Carnival (take 2) Thursday 6.9.18

P&C Meeting at 6.30pm on 10.9.18 in the train.

Stage 2 camp 25th & 26th of September

P&C Disco (in school time) 28th September

Reminder

Parents & students please use the crossing at all times.

YET MORE STUDENT WRITING

Junk Food Should be Banned in School Canteens

I've got diabetes. I am obese and my teeth are rotten! Why did I eat so much sugar?
Wwwhhhhyyy? You should feel sorry for me so ban junk food in school canteens.

Do you want all of those nasty infections and diseases? Junk food has so much sugar it can cause heart disease. Experts say that sugar can cause a lot of problems like ... diabetes, obesity and other problems. I have no idea why people would have that much junk food.

Hey Mr Pope why don't you check this fact out? Did you know that sports drinks have 19 tsp of sugar. Flavoured milk has 15 and tropical juice has 28 tsp. Do you want to be responsible for the kids that had those drinks and are now sick.....

extract by Aisha 4L