



Tregear Public School

# TREGEAR ENDEAVOUR

NEWSLETTER

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***For your Calendar***

**24/2 - PSSA**

**28/2 - Stage 2 Excursion -  
Planetarium**

**2/3 - PSSA**

**2/3 - School Clean Up Day**

**BE ON TIME**

**IN LINE**

**AT 5 TO 9**

## REMEMBER

\*No smoking on school grounds

\*No alcohol on school grounds

\*Make our school secure,

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Tregear Public School  
Making Connections  
Learning for Life

## FROM THE FRONT DESK

### Principal's Report

We are almost half the way through the term already and it appears to have gone so fast. The students are now settled into their classes and deeply engaged in learning. This week, I was able to get around to some classrooms and see the fantastic work from Kindergarten to year 6. I was very impressed by what the students could tell me about the different things they were learning and the samples of writing that they showed me. We have become an even more technology savvy school with the creation of our twitter account @TregearPS. We will try and update the school Facebook and twitter accounts when possible. At Tregear we try and resolve any issues between students by following the School Welfare Policy and by putting in measures to stop reoccurring behaviours. A number of times students will come home and say something happened at school and it can make parents upset or frustrated. Many of those times the students have never told the teacher and the school is unaware of a problem or incident. During our Values time and Anti bullying lessons, we try and give the students a number of skills to inform teachers or other peers about any problems that might be happening in the class or on the playground.

### Contacting the School

From time to time, parents or other members of the school community may need to approach the school in order to discuss the progress or welfare of your own child, express concern about actions of other students, enquire about school policy or practice or express concern about actions of staff. It is therefore necessary to have procedures that will help solve problems as soon as possible, so that a safe and harmonious school environment is maintained. The best results usually flow from working together. These guidelines aim to provide a guide, in order that concerns are dealt with in an open and fair manner and help reach an agreed solution.

Concern	Appropriate Action
The academic progress of your own child	Directly contact the child's teacher either by note, by phone or at an appropriate time to discuss any issues.
The welfare of your own child	For minor issues directly contact your child's teacher to clarify information. For more serious concerns, contact the office. State nature of concern and arrange a suitable time to talk with the class teacher or stage supervisor.
Actions of other students	Contact the class teacher for classroom problem. Contact the stage supervisor or the principal for playground problems.
School policy or practice	Contact the office. State nature of concern and make an appointment to see principal and/or appropriate member of staff.

The school will deal with issues between students as part of the school's Discipline and Welfare policy. Under no circumstances should a parent approach another child about an incident. In very rare cases, where people wishing to express concerns, do so in an aggressive or threatening manner, I have the legal authority under the 'Enclosed Lands Act' to direct the person to immediately leave the grounds or be banned from the school for a period of time.

### Priority Schools Program Survey

As I have mentioned during the Morning Assemblies, a very critical time for the school is coming up. It is very important at the start of March that every family who has children in Kindergarten to Year 4 complete the small survey about funding. With a number of schools applying for this funding, we need to make sure that we get 100% of the surveys back. Any parents needing help to fill out the survey need only ask. The funding equates to **\$250,000 per year for 4 years and an extra support teacher 3 days per week**. Without this funding, the school will lose 4 teachers and a teacher's aide. These teachers supply extra support in the classrooms and smaller class sizes.

### Meet the Parents BBQ

The school will be holding a free afternoon BBQ so that Parents can meet with the teachers. This will coincide with P&C Day on Wednesday 7th March. We have found in the past that this informal BBQ is a great way for parents and teachers to discuss the needs of their students and share any information that might help better engage their students. We will also be hoping to get many of our PSP surveys filled in on that day.

Richard Ford  
Acting Principal

### School Photos

School photo day will be held on Thursday 15th March. It is important to have the correct money and clearly labelled envelope so that there are no problems after photo day. Pixie photo is the company that we used last year with much more satisfaction than the previous company.

### High School Placements

Just a reminder that expressions of interest for high school have gone home and that they will need to be returned by Friday 16th March. Many parents have crossed out their local school. This needs to remain as this is just an expression of interest for what school you would like your child to go to, not a definite. Any questions please contact Miss Booth or Mrs Pelesasa.

### PSSA

Just a reminder that students who were selected for AFL will require a mouth guard to play each week. Mouth Guards can be bought at the office for \$5.00.

## Tregear Student Representative Council (SRC)

The SRC at Tregear Public School is an elected group of students from Years 3 to 6. The role of SRC members is to promote the views of all students in the school and to encourage students to become actively involved in their school. Two students from each class were democratically elected last week by their peers to become SRC members. These students are:

3C:	Tarkan Calay & Alexis Lee
3N:	Ara Poliquit & Sione Neiufi
3/4S:	Jack Phillips & Laquahn Tonga
4V:	Hayze Tauveve & Patricia Sage
5H:	Jordan Mackin & Kezyah Hotchkiss
5/6K:	Chloe Gitt & Casey Jones
6B:	Judy Shepherd & Tito Tuaupai
Support Unit:	Rachel Shields, Manar Alrubaie & Tysn Derley

Congratulations to all newly elected 2012 SRC members! The presentation of SRC badges will take place at the morning assembly next Monday 27th February at 8.55am.

### Awards

The following students have all received gold principal's awards:

Stage 1: Damanjohd Singh, Shaneque Hunter & Destiny Fabian

Stage 3: Jordan Byrnes, Sefo Palu, Bailey Hamlin & Logologo Amituanai

### Lunchbox Inspiration

It's easy to fall back on the same tried and tested school lunches, but why not try something new, tasty, easy and healthy? Quick and scrumptious school lunchbox ideas are available at School A to Z ([www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/recipes](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/recipes)) and the Heart Foundation, [www.heartfoundation.org.au/recipes](http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/recipes) which also offers a wealth of information about maintaining a healthy body weight and, of course, heart health.

### Getting Off To A Great Start

Check out the new School A to Z webcast which features an expert panel answering the most common questions parents have about how they can best support their children at school. Four video chapters cover doing well in class, social life, behaviour and technology. Watch the videos and contribute questions: [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/getting-off-to-a-good-start](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/getting-off-to-a-good-start)

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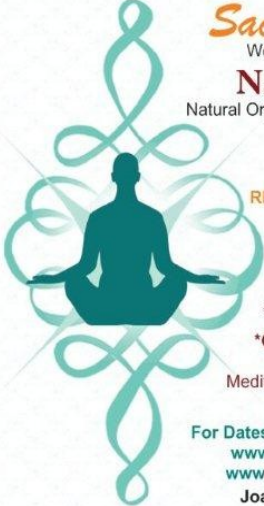
A Big Thank you to Mr John Melton for donating a Casio Keyboard to the school. Our students will benefit from this donation.

## Meal Deal - \$4.00

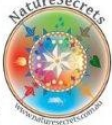
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Juice Cup



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