Hello to the Tarampa SS community. Students in the Years 5/6 class returned from their 4 day camp at Tallebudgera Beach School last week. I have been given reports that student participation and behaviour in all events was exemplary which is fantastic news. Our reputation as a school with responsible and respectful students is extending further. Well done students and thank you to Mr de Grussa for looking after the students on camp. I was also pleased with the enthusiasm and behaviour of all students at our first swimming session on Tuesday.

In the very near future Tarampa State School will be adding and replacing computers in the school. Our P&C has funded 6 new computers and we will be receiving 12 near-new computers from the department. This will build our student/computer ratio dramatically. Furthermore, I have been given advice that the school will be receiving a major upgrade to a higher speed internet access through a dedicated fibre optic line coming into the school. This will allow for a more reliable internet connection and the ability to have more students accessing the same online programs at the same time.

Students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be attending the ARL Gala Day at Lowood Recreation Grounds next Thursday the 20th of October. I hope the students enjoy it as much as they did last year as it is a great event. Please hand you forms back as soon as possible. Thank you.
**In the Library**

Book Fair Week Opening day will be on Thursday the 20th of October. We will be having a few competitions to celebrate. Of course we will have our ‘Guess the Lolly’ competition.

As part of this Book Fair, we will be having a “Write an Australian Story” competition. Each year level will be in the running to win a $10 voucher to spend in the Book Fair. It will be worked on in class and the winners will be displayed in the library on Opening Day. The theme is still based on Book Week — Australia our Story.

We have decorated the library in Green and Gold!!! We will have a Dress Up Day, Green or Gold on Monday 24th October.

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**Year Prep/1 News**

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a lovely holiday.

Everyone did very well at swimming this week and will be placed in their appropriate groups as of next week.

The students stories for Book Fair are being judged and will be displayed in the library.

Thank you
Mrs Grassick.

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**Year 1/2 News**

For the first half of this term, we will be focussing on writing information reports on animals. So far, we have looked at bats and penguins and everyone is excited to learn some exciting new facts. Did you know penguins spend about 80% of their life in water? Ask your child for some other interesting facts! Welcome to Seth in Yr 2, we hope you will enjoy Tarampa S.S just as much as we do!

Mrs McGeary

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**Year 3-4 News**

We welcome Hallie Graham into our class who has come from a much larger school and likes the smaller school atmosphere. She has settled in very well and has been given Student of the Week this week. Next week, we are back to fractions and decimals in Maths. Students have tried really hard with the split strategy for multiplication over the last couple of days. Well done students.

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**Year 5-6 News**

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge how mature and well behaved the students were on camp. While I am a big believer of having high expectations of students and myself, things are put into perspective when observing how other students from other schools behave — it was refreshing ‘feedback’ for us.

The focus of camp was ‘Awakening the Hero Within’. The students found out they are either a Warrior, Guardian, Mastermind or Champion Hero by doing a comprehensive written profile. For the record, I found out I am a Mastermind Hero and yes, I was surprised too! lol
GUESS THE LOLLY COMPETITION IS BEING HELD IN THE LIBRARY NOW FOR JUST 50c A GUESS. WIN THE YUMMY LOLLIES!!!

Reading tips!!!
Flippy the dolphin - Flip the vowel sound! Try another vowel sound. Flip a short sound for a long sound and vice versa.
Tryin Lion
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