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# Toormina Public School Newsletter

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## Big Banana

Unfortunately this event has been cancelled due to lack of numbers. Refunds will be given to students at the end of today to take home, please check your child's bag.

### Reports

Educational research provides evidence for the view that parental encouragement and support for learning activities at home, and parental involvement in schools and classrooms, have a positive impact on children's learning. Parents place a higher priority on receiving information about their children's progress than any other type of information they receive from schools. To be active partners with schools, parents must have relevant information to enable them to support the learning of their children. The most common sources of information for parents are newsletters, parent evenings, conversations with teachers, and direct inquiries to schools. Your child's Semester 2 report will be sent home during the last week of school.

### Student Welfare Worker

We are fortunate to have Elizabeth Paff working with us as a Student Welfare Worker. Elizabeth commenced in this position on Monday. She also works as our Community Liaison Officer.

### Intensive Swimming

Our Intensive Swimming program aimed at improving the vital skill of swimming in students from Years 2 to 4 will be held in weeks 8 & 9. This program is commencing Monday 26th November for two weeks at a cost of \$68 per child. Notes went home last week, however if you missed getting a note then you or your child can collect one from the office.

### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Fri	16.11.12	Toni Montgomerie, Colleen Kitchener
Mon	19.11.12	Kirrilee O'Connor
Tues	20.11.12	CLOSED
Wed	21.11.12	Graeme Meehan
Thurs	22.11.12	Roxanne Astill

### School Banking

Dear Parents

Many students are eligible to claim Reward Items. Redemption cards were sent home with all eligible students last week. To ensure no-one misses out, we need to submit the **LAST ORDER** by 27th November. This means all claims need to be sent in with the school-banking on or before 27th November.

No orders will be taken after this date. If your child is close to collecting their tokens, say 7, 8 or 9, then please send in a redemption card and we will order in good faith.

We have been experiencing delays in receiving Reward Items from the Bank. This is due to stock shortages at their end. Please be assured all Reward Item redemptions we have received have been ordered. Our apologies for the delays.

### END OF TERM

The last day for School-Banking will be 11th December, 2012.

### RAFFLE

Our end of term raffle for eligible bankers will be drawn on 11th December.

- 1st Prize: \$25 - credited to the Winners bank account.
- 2nd Prize: Prize pack donated by CBA
- 3rd Prize: Prize pack donated by CBA

To receive a ticket in our end-of-term raffle, students only need to deposit to their bank account through School Banking each Tuesday.



### **Up Coming Important Dates**

#### November

- 16th
- 22nd
- 26th to 7th Dec
- 26th to 5th Dec

**Big Banana Evening Cancelled**  
P&C Meeting  
Intensive Swimming Yr 2 to Yr 4  
Book Fair

#### December

- 3rd to 7th
- 10th
- 12th
- 13th
- 14th
- 17th
- 18th

Canberra Excursion (Stage 3)  
Volunteers Xmas Party  
Yr 6 Orientation Toormina High  
Presentation Day  
Talent Quest (Parents Welcome)  
Yr 6 Farewell  
Stage 1 & Stage 2 Party Day  
Carols by Candlelight



## STUDENT AWARDS

*Congratulations to the following students*

### **Gotcha Being Good**

08.11.12	Josh Wallace	5/6M
09.11.12	Ethan Corcoran	KC
12.11.12	Aiko Arendain	3/4S
13.11.12	Jamie-Lee Buck	5/6C
14.11.12	Kyle Campbell	KB

### **Club 1000**

1/2M	Koa Matete	KC	Sebastian Gregory-East
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### **Club 2000**

1/2M	Lyla Paul	1/2M	Jessica Wilson
1/2M	Porscia Bennett	1R	Phoebe Morgan
1R	Ashlee Watson		

### **Our School Community - Elizabeth Paff**



Student Welfare Worker and Community Liaison Officer.

This week I have been fortunate to take on a new job in conjunction with my Community Liaison Role. As Student Welfare I will be working closely with our Relieving Principal, Jane Martyn and School Counsellor, Zahira Tolhurst to support the social and emotional wellbeing of our students and their families.

This means that I will be assisting students and their families when they may be having a difficult day or going

through a challenging time outside of school. I am able to provide general support, mentoring and offer referrals to school counselling as well as specialist agencies outside our school community. I may also, with parent permission, run individual and group programs with students which would be aimed at increasing confidence, resilience and the well being of the students involved.

I am really looking forward to encouraging and guiding our students, helping them to learn the skills they need to live happy and fulfilling lives at school and in the future.

### **P&C Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 22nd November. Please join us for a cuppa and cake, and help us to help you with any issues you may have, ideas or suggestions. All toddlers most welcome.

### **Intensive Swimming Scheme**

The lessons for Intensive Swimming will be held during Weeks 8 and 9 of this term. If your child is in Year 2, 3 or 4 and cannot swim or are a poor swimmer they are eligible to attend this 10 day learn to swim program at a cost of \$68.00.



This covers the pool entry and bus travel, the lessons are given free of charge. If you want your child to attend please complete the given permission note and return to school with \$68.00 (this equates to \$6.80 per day) to cover the cost of the scheme. **Payment must be made by Wednesday, 21st November 2012.**

*Pam Greenway*

### **Book Fair**

We are pleased to advise that we will be holding our Term 4 book fair from Monday, 26th November to Wednesday, 5th December. We will hold a cake stall with lots of goodies for parents and students on Monday, 26th November. Wish lists will be done before Monday so students can be organised with payments.



The library will be open to buy from;  
8.30am-3.30pm Monday, 26th November  
11.20am-12.00noon Tuesday, 27th November  
8.30am-9.00am, 11.20am-12.00noon, 3.00pm-3.30pm  
Wednesday, 28th November and Thursday, 29th November.  
Thanks for your support in the National Year of Reading.

### **Crunch & Sip**

**Four reasons to send snow peas for Crunch&Sip**



1. Kids love their crunch texture and sweet flavour
2. They are a source of iron, protein and potassium
3. They don't bruise easily
4. They make an exciting change for Crunch&Sip

### **Calendars**

Last chance to get a calendar with your child's artwork. All order forms and artwork and money need to be in by tomorrow, Friday 16th November. (\$12 per calendar). They would make a great Christmas present.

### **Royal Far West Op shop**

The Royal Far West is a children's charity that supplies free healthcare to country children. Funds to support this charity are raised locally at The Royal Far West Op Shop on the corner of Moonee and West High Streets Coffs Harbour. This Op shop is in **URGENT** need of donations of men's and children's clothing, also school uniforms, household goods including linen, craft items/wool, bric-a-brac books etc. Please drop your donations into the Op shop.