



Toormina Public School
P & C Association
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Newsletter
TERM 4 WEEK 6
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IMPORTANT DATES:

NOVEMBER

28th Intensive Swimming Starts

December

8th Presentation Day

10th Grand Toormi Presentation

13th Year 6 Farewell

Dear Parents/Carers

On behalf of the school, thank you to those who completed and returned surveys. The survey is an avenue for you to have a voice and help drive the school planning forward. A summary of results include: Parents indicate;

- 96% of children enjoy school
- 89% feel safe at school
- 89% of children are happy at school
- 93% feel valued by the school
- 82% agreed Toormina Public School projects a positive image within the local community
- 93% agree TPS has an effective rewards system
- 85% agree TPS has an effective discipline system
- 86% agreed child concerns are addressed appropriately by the school
- 86% agreed TPS is welcoming to families and community
- 96% agreed the office staff are helpful and friendly
- 96% agreed TPS has good communication processes
- 93% recognise TPS is wanting to increase parent satisfaction and engagement
- 93% recognised TPS as a school with a safe learning environment
- 89% would like to know more about what their child is learning
- 92% feel that their child's teacher takes on board parent feedback
- 93% are satisfied with the overall quality of education provided at the school
- 93% of parents would recommend TPS to other families

93% of parents rate Toormina Public School 7 or above out of 10.

Congratulations to the Hulbert family, the winners of a \$30 Birch Carrol and Coyle voucher for returning the Parent Survey.

Temporary Teaching staff

Due to a number of retirements over the past couple of years Toormina Public School has been very fortunate to employ quality casual teachers to fill these vacancies. I would like to thank all our temporary teachers including; Mr Pike, Miss Kitcher, Mrs Vernon, Mrs Hardy, Mr Matete, Mrs Kadwell, Mrs Trindall, Mrs Healy and Mrs Lawrence for their professionalism, dedication and enthusiasm towards providing a quality learning environment for all children.

This week the school notified the department's Staffing Unit to have a classroom teaching position filled permanently. This in itself is a process. Once the outcome is known the school community will be informed.

Instructional Leader

From 2017 Toormina Public School will welcome back Mrs Black who will be working with K-2 as an Instructional Leader, Deputy Principal. Mrs Black's new role will be to support quality classroom practice, building teacher capacity with the aim of improving student learning outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy.

OC Class 2017

Mrs Dal-Bon will be teaching the Opportunity Class in 2017.

School Captain Speeches

The 2018 School Captain speeches will be held tomorrow morning from 9:30am in the hall. All parents are most welcome to attend. Good luck to all students who are running for these leadership roles. There will be plenty of opportunities in 2017 for all students to be leaders.

Presentation Assembly

Please note: Due to the Toormina High School transition day for Year 6 the Toormina Public School's end of year Presentation Assembly will be held on Thursday 8th December. We apologise for any inconvenience and hope that you will all be able to attend.

Ice Cream Fundraiser

Year 6 students will be selling \$1 a scoop ice-creams during lunchtime Tuesday next week. All funds raised will go towards the Year 6 fun surfing day with the principal.

Assembly on Friday

Unfortunately I will be attending a Principal's meeting with my Director tomorrow and will be unable to attend the assembly being presented by K Blue.

Have a great weekend.

Michael Hepi
Principal

Chess News

Last Thursday 9th of November our chess teams attended a local school chess competition at St Augustine school in Coffs Harbour. Our students had a great day, coming Second in the A grade, First in the B Grade and Third in C grade. All students enjoyed the day and represented our school with pride.



Kindergarten Blue News

Kindergarten Blue has been visiting 1 Yellow each Thursday afternoon to help them get used to the idea of next year's transition into Year 1. Kindergarten Blue has been enjoying art activities, listening to books and having all of their questions and worries about Year 1 answered! Here are what some of the girls and boys had to say:

Iasiah Reid The chairs are much bigger than our chairs!

Tim Wilson Learnt how to say waterfall with Mrs Vernon, but it was too noisy



2000 Club

Jack Jones

3/4 Indigo

Lexie Pennington

2/3 Olive

Last Kindergarten Orientation Day

Friday the 11th November was the last 2017 Kindergarten Orientation Day. Children participated in lots of Project Based Learning activities based around the Science theme – "Does it Sink or Float?" Children had a great morning. We conducted an experiment to find out which objects would sink or float. We also made pirate crafts and had some fun splashing about with water. We look forward to seeing all the girls and boys next year when they start Big School!

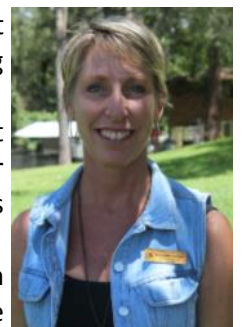


Wanted: Christmas Tree

Mrs Paff is looking for an artificial Christmas tree and decorations that can be used for play during lunchtimes.

If your family has an old tree (about 3 or 4 feet high) that is no longer needed or used, please contact Mrs Paff.

Any second hand decorations, in good condition, would also be appreciated.



Stranger Danger

Just a timely reminder that as teachers and parents we must constantly remind our children to be safe and always report activities which are unnatural or unsettling.



School Banking

The last day for school banking this year will be on Tuesday 29th November. Congratulations to all the students for their good effect in saving.



Library Borrowing

Over the next couple of weeks students will need to return all items that have been borrowed from the library. Borrowing will finish at the end of week 7 for stocktake and reminder notices will then be issued for any unreturned items. Please be aware that any student who may have lost or damaged a book will be requested to pay for a replacement. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Intensive Swimming



REMINDER: That the final payment for Intensive Swimming is due no later than Friday 18th December. Thank you

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The raffle will be drawn on the 8th December 2016.

Thank you everyone for the great response we have had to our Christmas Raffle, well done everyone. We have many more ticket books available from the front office.

Please note that there will be a separate raffle for the children who sell their raffle books. **Do not forget to write their name**



and class on the front page of the sold raffle book. Sold tickets and money to be returned to the front office. The more books you sell the more chances you will have to win.

This year the P & C Christmas raffle is the biggest we have ever had. A Full list of the prizes has been sent home

CANTEEN NEWS

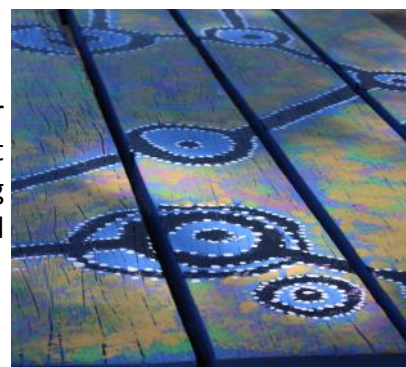
Friday	18th	October	K Loader, J Sinclair
Monday	19th	October	K Loader
Tuesday	20th	October	Closed
Wednesday	21st	October	J Ward
Thursday	22nd	October	H Ingram

Closed Every Tuesday



Update on Decorating tables

Thank you again Mr Elliott for the great work you are doing to make our school more attractive.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Toormina Tigers Vs Wildcats on the weekend, they won with a great result of 43 to 8, the boys have come a long way this year. This week will be the last game before the finals begin. Well done boys.



Toormina Kids are Terrific

Stickers For sale at the Front Office \$2.00 Each



ART IN THE GARDEN

*Wednesday, 30 November and
Wednesday, 7 December 2016
4pm-5pm*

- Christmas Decorations and Gift making in the Botanic Garden Pavilion
- Make a variety of Christmas decorations, gifts and cards with a Christmas and Botanical theme
- \$5 per child aged 4yrs-12yrs olds

*Bookings are essential to
Julie Belford on 6648 4542*

STEM challenges in 5/6 Aqua

5/6 Aqua students had to design and build a model hut. The hut had to be at least 10cm high and attached to a cardboard base no bigger than 40cm by 40cm. The hut had to have a working door and be able to withstand a windstorm (or Mrs Dal-Bon's hairdryer), without falling over or falling apart. We had some interesting designs and ALL structures survived Mrs Dal-Bon's hurricane hairdryer!



Toormina Public School - Term 4 2016

Term Four	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
6	14 November	15 November	16 November THS Taste-A-Day Yr 6	17 November NRL Tag GALA DAY	18 November K Blue assembly	19 20 Nov
7	21 November	22 November	23 November	24 November	25 November	26 27 Nov
8	28 November Intensive Swim Scheme	29 November Intensive Swim Scheme	30 November Intensive Swim Scheme	1 December Intensive Swim Scheme	2 December Intensive Swim Scheme	3 4 Dec
9	5 December Intensive Swim Scheme	6 December Intensive Swim Scheme	7 December Intensive Swim Scheme	8 December Presentation Assemblies 3-6 12pm-1:45pm K-2 2:15pm-3pm Intensive Swim Scheme	9 December Reports home 1/2 Crimson assembly Intensive Swim Scheme	10 11 Dec
10	12 December Grand Toormi Presentation	13 December Yr 6 Farewell 6pm Sawtell RSL Club	14 December	15 December Talent Quest	16 December Last day for students Yr 6 Water Fight	17 18 Dec
11	19 December SDD Last Day for staff	20 December	21 December	22 December	23 December	24 25 Dec
Hols	26 December	27 December	28 December	29 December	30 December	

**Please note that Presentation Day has been changed to the 8th December
Students return MONDAY 30th JANUARY 2017**