

IMPORTANT DATES

27th November – 8th December Swimming Scheme

1st December Yarn Up Meeting

4th December Volunteers Christmas Party

7th December Year 6 Graduation

8th December Presentation Assembly

Newsletter

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**30th November
2017**



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to the many parents who returned the Toormina Public School 2017 School Evaluation Surveys. A summary of the results included:

- 1 survey disagreed with the statement 'my child enjoys going to school'.
- 1 survey disagreed with the statement 'my child feels safe at school'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'my child is happy at school'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'parent involvement in school is valued by the school'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'Toormina PS projects a strong positive image within the local community'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'Toormina PS has an effective rewards system'.
- 2 surveys disagreed with the statement 'Toormina PS has an effective discipline system'.
- 2 surveys disagreed with the statement 'concerns regarding my child are addressed appropriately'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'Toormina PS staff are welcoming to families and community'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'our front office staff are friendly and helpful'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'Toormina PS has good communication systems'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'Toormina PS is recognised for wanting to increase parent satisfaction and parent engagement in 'school life'.
- 1 survey disagreed with the statement 'Toormina PS is recognised as a safe and engaging learning environment for students to learn'.
- 2 surveys disagreed with the statement 'I feel valued as a parent'.
- 100% of surveys agreed with or strongly agreed with the statement 'I feel my child's teacher takes on board feedback that I provide around my child's learning'.
- 1 survey disagreed with the statement 'I feel satisfied with the overall quality of education provided at Toormina PS'.
- 100% of surveys agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'teachers and families have opportunities to meet face to face to discuss issues related to my child's learning and wellbeing'.
- 1 survey indicated that they would not recommend Toormina PS to other parents.
- 1 survey rated Toormina PS less than 7 out of 10.

A summary of comments included:

1. I feel I have no idea what my child is learning.
2. There's not enough homework.
3. Teachers are outstanding.
4. Our child loves school and is excited to return every day.
5. Concerns and issues are dealt with swiftly and appropriately.
6. The school has an 'open door' policy and teachers are always available.
7. Concerns regarding teachers being off class.
8. Concerns over head lice.
9. Very reliable, caring teachers.
10. The school provides all the information you need to know about your child's learning x 2
11. The school is accepting of all students.
12. Staff and parent involvement is a strength.
13. Toormina PS is welcoming and friendly.

Road Safety

On Tuesday one of our students was lucky to avoid a motor vehicle pulling sharply into a neighbouring residential driveway. Through the actions of another parent alerting both driver and student a serious incident was avoided. As a result class teachers have again been asked to revisit Road Safety with their classes. Road Safety is taught from K-6 every year. When the need arises class teachers revisit these lessons and/or safety messages. Recently Mrs Vernon attended a department of Education Road Safety course. As a result Mrs Vernon has been able to provide the entire staff with the most up to date Road Safety teaching strategies. The school would very much appreciate all parents emphasising the road safety messages with their children as well drive very carefully in and around school zones. The Coffs Harbour Police have also been asked to make random visits to our school zone.

Upcoming Events

With only 2 weeks remaining until the end of the school year please keep abreast of the very busy timeline of events:

- Monday (4/12) there will be a Christmas afternoon tea to thank our volunteer parents and community members.
- Tuesday (5/12) the 2018, Year 7 Orientation Day will be held at the High School.
- Thursday (7/12) evening, the Year 6 Graduation will be held at the Sawtell RSL.
- Friday (8/12) the 3-6 and K-2 Presentation Assemblies will be held.

We hope to see many of you during the week. Have a happy weekend, stay safe!

Michael Hepi
Principal

Assembly Photos



LJ Hooker
Citizenship Award

Presentation Assembly

Friday 8th December - in the School Hall
Years 3 to 6
12 noon to 1.45pm
Kinder to Year 2
2pm to 3pm

Please note change of time for
Kinder to Year 2 Assembly

Parents if your child is being award a School
Leader or Sporting
House Leader badge, you will be invited during
the assembly to come forward and pin the
badge on your child.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

*Due to our
Presentation Day Assemblies
the canteen will be*

CLOSED RECESS ONLY

on FRIDAY 8th Dec

**Lunch Orders to be placed in slot
before school as usual. Children
will be able to purchase snacks
and drinks all lunchtime.**



Our Schools Sporting House Captains and Vice Captains 2018
 Ali, Luke, Charlotte, Enna, Logan, Aaron. Abi-Jane,
 Nicole, Nigel, Jack, Sofia, Ella, Lilliana, Tiarn, Liam and Bailey.
 Congratulation to these students.



Congratulations to Mia and Logan our Aboriginal Leaders for 2018

P & C News

Year 6 Photo

The P&C are organising a surprise farewell gift for our Year 6 students. We need all year 6 students to be at school on Friday 1st December for a special group photo. It is important that nobody misses out; the photo will be taken at 9.15am.

Chest Freezer

The P&C are selling a large chest freezer for \$100. The freezer is available for viewing. There is no warranty and transportation would be the responsibility of the buyer. Please contact the office if interested.

Toormina Talent Quest

The Toormina Public School Talent Quest will be on **15th December 2017 at 12:00**. Students from all years are encouraged to enter and perform an item. Girls and boys, it is time to plan your skit, rehearse your song or dance item and gather your props and your performance outfit! Can you do some magic tricks, a gymnastics, skipping or karate routine, play a guitar, tell a few jokes or show us a few tricks with your yo-yo. It is time to strut your stuff and show us what you have got! So start practising because you must try-out your act in front of your stage. Only the best make it through to the big stage at the Toormina Public School Talent Quest!

Family Fundraiser Night

Tuesday 12th December, 5pm – 7pm.

Come and enjoy a family night out to celebrate the end of another school year. This is a family event for parents to bring their children and support the P & C as they provide the last fundraiser of 2017. Mr Hepi and other staff will be on the BBQ and you can enjoy a sausage sizzle. There will a number of activities for your children to take part in and help raise some money for our school. Please come along and be there for the drawing of the Christmas raffle. There will be face painting and coloured hair spray both available for a small cost. There will be lucky dips available and the P & C are working towards booking a photo booth as well. So mark the date on the calendar and come back to school for our Family Fun Fundraiser Night! Please ensure you remain with your children on the evening, as your help and support with supervision is required. Thank you for your understanding.

Bus travel Information

If your child is starting Kindergarten next year or going from year 2 to 3, a new application form needs to be completed for bus travel.

All bus applications are completed online by going to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

Message from the Canteen

Our canteen is urgently looking for a few more volunteers to help out.
Please see Office Staff for the relevant paperwork to volunteer

Please be advised Canteen will be closed for recess on Friday the 8th December due to presentation Assembly.

4 th Dec	W Grant
5 th Dec	Closed
6 th Dec	C Kitchener
	E Waters
7 th Dec	J Ward
8 th Dec	M Maggio
	K Loader



Toormina Public School

is now taking enrolments



Kindergarten 2018

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New enrolments receive a 'Going to Big School' shirt.

Volunteers' Christmas Party 2017



Toormina Public School

would like to thank our many parents
and community members
who kindly volunteer in so many ways to
support our staff and students.



If you have helped at our school
this year, please join us for
afternoon tea in the staffroom on
Monday 4th December at 1.50 pm.

www.sawtellunitingchurch.org.au

Sawtell Carols by Candlelight



Sawtell Uniting Church
Sawtell Golf Club



Thursday, 21st December
at Sawtell Golf Club

All funds support
Toormina Community
Preschool

From 6.00
Santa arrives 7.15
Carols from 7.30
BYO food or available on the course
All alcohol consumed to be bought at the club