

# Toormina Public School Newsletter

#### Week 1 Term 1 • 29 January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all students and their families. It has been great to see how well students have settled into their new classes back at school today. Our new kindergarten students are completing Best Start testing today and on Monday. We look forward to seeing our new kindergarten students begin school on Tuesday. We are watching class numbers closely as students return and classes may change slightly if numbers grow. We'll let families know if this happens.

Our school swimming carnival has hit us very quickly this year and is being held on Monday next week. This is only for students in years 3-6 and students in year 2 who are confident swimmers and turn 8 years old in 2021. Thank you to all families who returned their permission notes and fees so quickly. Without signed permission, we are unable to take our students to the pool. Unfortunately due to covid restrictions, parents are unable to help assist on the day or sit in the stands or pool deck with students and staff. On the bright side, the pool is open and may have parents attend, remaining on the opposite side of the pool (away from the student area), provided they comply with the Coffs Harbour Olympic Pool covid rules including signing in.

With the new year, we have many new faces at our school. We would like to welcome new staff to Toormina Public School. Welcome to Miss Brogmus, Miss Gill, Mr Lambert, Miss Pierpoint, Mr Sharkey and Miss Young. They are all very excited to be working with our wonderful Toormi students, families and staff.

Please support your children as they settle into new classes with new routines and new friends, please give them time to adjust. If you have any concerns, please make an appointment with their class teacher and you are also welcome to speak with stage supervisors for advice. Early Stage 1/Stage 1-Mr Paul Macpherson, Stage 2- Mrs Alana Benfield and Stage 3 - Mr Craig Simpson.

Kind regards, Mr. Matt Hankinson Principal

#### Classes 2021

Classes for 2021 will be taught by the following teachers. We will organise an evening for parents to meet with teachers for 2021 in the next few weeks once the student and class numbers are finalised. If you have any concerns, feel free to organise a time to discuss this with your child's teacher. Please note, Mrs Schweikert has changed her surname back and is now called Ms Duck.

Class	Teacher
<b>Kinder Blue</b>	Miss Lang
<b>Kinder Red</b>	Mrs Vernon
1 Yellow	Ms Duck
1/2 Orange	Mr Macpherson
2/3 Lime	Mrs Pinsak
3/4 Jade	Mrs Benfield
3/4 Purple	Mr Crawford
4/5 Amber	Mrs Kadwell
5/6 Aqua	Mr Simpson
5/6 Green	Miss Brogmus
5/6 Violet	Mrs Crawford and
	Mrs Craddock

## **Upcoming Events**

Mon 1 February	Swimming carnival
Tues 2 February	Kindergarten begins
Tues 9 February	Proposed Meet the Teacher afternoon
Wed 17 February	Toormina District Swimming carnival

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#### New Staff Faces – Welcome!



**Miss Brogmus** 



**Mr Lambert** 



Miss Gill



**Miss Pierpoint** 



**Mr Sharkey** 



**Miss Young** 

# Canteen

Our canteen operates 5 days a week for lunch and recess. Children are asked to please place all lunch orders before 9:30am to ensure the canteen has enough time to prepare and cook the orders for the children.



## Skoolbag

If you haven't downloaded it already, SkoolBag is an app where you can receive alerts about what is happening in your child/ren's school life. You can nominate whole school and specific years. Our newsletter is available here and you can also submit absence notes and sign permission slips via this app. The Skoolbag app can be downloaded on Android and iOS mobile devices. We hope as more parents use the app, it will help create a more streamlined communication system between school and home.

