** Principal’s Message **

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers

I would like to wish all the students and their families a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday. It has been a busy and successful year with many events and wonderful learning experiences that have taken place. Students (Years 1 – 6) return to school on Wednesday, 28 January and we look forward to another busy year with more fantastic learning opportunities at our school.

In Terms 3 and 4 we have had a number of security issues after school hours particularly on the weekend. Our school is a wonderful place. If you see anything suspicious please contact school security immediately. If we all look after our school and keep an eye out, hopefully our school will remain a safe, secure and beautiful place. SCHOOL SECURITY: 1300 880 021

Congratulations to our students and staff for a superb Presentation Day ceremony. Thank you to all the families that attended. Your participation raises the status of the day for all the students. I understand that for many parents it is difficult getting away from work for the ceremony. Thanks to Mr Wetherall and Ms Hepworth for their organisation of this event.

At the end of 2014 Terranora Public School will sadly farewell Mrs Mary Seckold and Mrs Jenny Flynn who will be retiring from the Department of Education. I would like to thank them for the contributions they have made to the education of many children and for the many lives that they have touched in many ways throughout their teaching careers. They will be sadly missed by staff, students and the community. Goodbye and Goodluck.

We say goodbye to many families who have their youngest child in Year 6. Some families have been a part of Terranora School for many years and have been an intimate part of our school community. On behalf of the staff and students of our school, my best wishes to each family we farewell in 2014.

An immense amount of work and dedication by the staff of the school creates the success we enjoy. Without the in-kind support of the staff and support staff we could not offer the breadth of curriculum and opportunities available here. My heartiest congratulations to all the staff and the executive of the school, and my immense appreciation for what you do.

A big thank you for the donations we have received from the parents and community for our new Creative and Practical Arts room. The construction will be completed by the end of the term and ready for lessons in 2015.

Our school could not offer the wide range of opportunities without the great support from our volunteers. On behalf of the whole school, thank you to our wonderful volunteers.
We have had a busy year and there have been significant changes made to the learning environment in 2014 – a new and safer parent pick up area, grading of the slope on the oval, new railings throughout the school, new garden beds and turfed areas, replacement of air conditioners, upgrade of the front office area and promotional signage.

This has been a successful year and it has been a real privilege to be the principal of this great school. My thanks to the staff for their hard work and commitment to our students and for all the support from the students and community throughout the year. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a wonderful 2015.

Felicity Henderson
Principal (Rel)

**TALENT QUEST**

This years Talent Quest was another successful occasion with an abundance of talented participants.

Following are the winners -

Years K - 2   Bodhi - 1K
Year 3 - 6   Henry - 4/5F
                Charlotte - 5S
                Annalese - 5S

Thank you to our Talent Quest organisers, judges, parents and staff in general for supporting students in their quest for fame. The students love the Talent Quest and your work is appreciated.

**SCHOOL CAPTAINS 2015**

CAPTAINS   Cooper
VICE CAPTAINS   Elise
PREFECTS   Lain
                Charlotte
                Liam
                Hunta-Lily
                Jacson
                Isabel

**SCHOOL SECURITY**

Terranora Public School is requesting help from the community to assist with security. After school hours on week days and on the weekends, school property is continually being damaged by intruders, especially by the riding of skateboards and break-ins.

Unsupervised students are not permitted on the school grounds. Please be vigilant and if concerned, ring Security on 1300 880 021. A photo is extremely valuable as usually the offenders cannot be found.

Thank you for your assistance.

**ASSEMBLY**

**MONDAY 15 DECEMBER 2014**

CAPA and Instrument Program Students Certificate Presentation
1.35pm in the school hall
ALL PARENTS WELCOME
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM TERRANORA PUBLIC SCHOOL

GOOD NEWS UPDATE

You may remember last year, our beautiful school raised $4000 for Saxons’ mum Dreya, who left her family for her chance to live, by attending a German Cancer clinic. After five months of being away from her beautiful children, missing her daughters third birthday and last years Christmas, I’m very happy to update you with extremely happy news. Dreya’s doctor in Australia, who suggested she tie up her affairs has now told her; “I just have to say; You are in remission!”

I personally would love to thank each and every parent, teacher and child from Terranora who helped raise funds, make cupcakes, donated uniforms, offered to cook for us, and who prayed for her and her family. I even heard of children emptying out their piggy banks! Such a blessing and a miracle that she was clinically terminal and now about to celebrate Christmas with her beautiful, loving and very grateful family and friends! Cancer free!!! Hope this brings you as much joy as it brings us. Have a very merry Christmas and an awesome new year!! And thanks again, you made a real difference!

Kind Regards
Sally Purcell

SKOOLBAG APP
Smartphone School to Parent Communication
Terranora School will be using the Skoolbag App for school based communication and publication of newsletters.
Click on the link below for installation instructions.

SEARCH OUR SCHOOL NAME IN: Available on the iPhone App Store Available on Android Google play

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THE TEAM FOR 2015

PRESIDENT Owen Hogan
VICE PRESIDENT Melony Ruddy
TREASURER/FUNDRAISING Prue Brims
SECRETARY Phyllis Walmsley
CANTO CONVENOR Gabby McGuren
CANTO TREASURER Tracey Caunter

Congratulations to these office holders, your time devoted to our school is very much appreciated.

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2014

UNIFORM SHOP

Heaps of stock available.
The uniform shop accepts cash or cheques.
Please be aware that if you are paying by cheque, the uniforms cannot be collected until the cheque has been cleared.
The uniform shop will be open on -
TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2015
9.00AM TO 11.00AM
Tweed Shire Vacation Care
Junior & Senior Vacation Care

WHERE: Tweed Heads South
Primary School
Heffron Street
TWEED HEADS SOUTH

BOOKINGS: 07 5523 3708
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Programs are also available for download from -
www.tweedshirevacationcare.com.au