Dear Mums, Dads and Carers

Welcome back to Term 2 at Terranora Public School. I hope you and your children had a wonderful break. There are a lot of events that will be taking place this term so I encourage you to keep a close eye on the calendar and read the fortnightly newsletter.

A big thank you to all the students and community members who attended the ANZAC Day Dawn Service and ANZAC Day March in the holidays. Our students represented our school with pride and respect. This year our Terranora Public School Choir was given the opportunity and privilege to sing the National Anthem at both the 5.45am and 11am service. Their performance was beautiful and well received by the Tweed community.

I wish all the students in Year 3 and Year 5, the best of luck for the NAPLAN testing in Week 3. I warmly encourage all the students to do the best they can. Dates: Tuesday, 13 May; Wednesday, 14 May; Thursday, 15 May 2014.

I wish all our competitors the best of luck at the Far North Coast Cross Country Carnival on Thursday, 7 May. Thank you to Mrs Scott for her organisation of this event as well as the large parent support group who will be attending the carnival.

On Friday 16th May at 12:30pm at Banora Point High School our students have the opportunity to see a special performance by the Watoto Children’s Choir. A permission note was issued in Week 7 outlining this event. Watoto Children’s Choir have travelled internationally since 1994 as advocates for the estimated 50 million children in Africa orphaned as a result of HIV/AIDS, war, poverty and disease. Accompanied by a team of adults, the choir presents Watoto’s vision and mission through their stories, music and dance. There will be references to the Christian faith in this presentation. Please return your permission notes and money to the office by Friday, 10 May 2014.

There will also be a Community Concert on the same date at 6:30pm at Banora Point High School. All school families and friends are invited to this event. The evening show is put on by the local Christian Churches in the Banora Point area.

Felicity Henderson
Principal (Rel)
Jump Rope for Heart  
Term 2 & 3 at Terranora PS

Each year, Heart Foundation Jump Rope attracts over 300,000 school students, in over 1,500 schools around the country - Australian schools have been given enough rope to stretch from Australia to Hawaii!

Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is all about teaching Aussie kids how to keep fit and healthy. It improves their strength and confidence in physical activities and builds healthy bones and muscles. Students can have lots of fun with their class mates and play lots of skipping games too. At the same time they will be helping save Australian lives by asking their family and friends to sponsor them for being a part of this fun program. Funds raised go towards research to help the fight against heart disease and stroke.

Terranora Public School will be participating in Jump Rope for Heart for two terms, starting this week.

The children will be participating in improving their skipping skills in at least 3 PE sessions a week, which will culminate in a Fun Day (when champion skippers will perform and be announced) at the end of Term 3. Money will be raised by sponsorship or donations towards the middle of T3, so please start saving those loose coins for the next few months as it all adds up. TPS will keep a % of the money raised, with the majority going to such an important program. Who knows when someone in our families may need the expertise of a heart or stroke specialist?

I suggest the students bring their own skipping rope, with their name on it, for lunch time practice, as the school ropes will be kept for class sessions.

Anne Hepworth (Coordinator)

Nut Allergies

At Terranora Public School we have a large number of students who suffer from nut allergies.

We encourage parents to refrain from packing peanut butter, Nutella and nuts in the children’s lunch boxes.

Free Dental Service

Children between 0-18 years who have a Medicare card are eligible for FREE dental services at any of the NSW Health public dental clinics located at the Tweed Hospital, Pottsville Health One and East Murwillumbah Public School.

Please phone 1300 651 625 for an appointment.

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Friday morning 8.30 to 9.00 am

NEXT P&C MEETING
TUESDAY 2 June
7PM IN THE LIBRARY
NSWPSSA Swimming Championships

Congratulations and well done to our two school representatives Zoe and Amy who recently competed at the NSWPSSA Swimming Championships in Sydney as part of the NC PSSA Swimming Team.

Both Zoe and Amy performed exceptionally well and were very competitive at such an elite level of competition. The girls have progressed through a school carnival, to district and onto FNC level before qualifying for the state championships through the North Coast Championships. The Terranora Community is extremely proud of their achievements.

The Championship records show that Zoe was 15th in the 11yrs girls 50m Freestyle in a fantastic time of 32.15 secs and Amy was 27th in the 11yrs girls Backstroke in a wonderful time of 40.04 secs.

Zoe and Amy should be very proud of their results. Their dedication and commitment to swimming is a credit to them. Thank you to Zoe and Amy’s parents who were there with them to give them such valuable support the whole way.

Mr Wetherall

Senior Boys Cricket

Congratulations to the senior boys cricket team who played Pottsville on Thursday 1st May. The team batted and bowled extremely well to earn themselves a fantastic victory over Pottsville. An excellent batting partnership from Tom Whitney and Bayley Cox settled the team after a few early wickets.

When the team came out to bowl Lachlan Garner claimed some early wickets with tidy bowling, great fielding from all team members and super catches from Dane Philips and Josh Bevan. Tom Whitney backed up his batting contribution with a very tidy bowling performance to ensure the win.

The team will now progress in the tournament and will face Bangalow later in the term. We wish them all the very best in their next match.

Mr Lloyd

Year 5 Opportunity Class Placement in 2015

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving, academically gifted students who may otherwise be isolated from a suitable peer group. These classes can provide intellectual stimulation by grouping gifted and talented students together, concentrating school resources and using specialised teaching methods. Students are offered places in opportunity classes by a selection committee which considers all available information.

Online information & applications available at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Bell Times

School starts at Terranora at 8:55am. A bell rings at 8:53am to warn students it is time to go to the bathroom and get organised to go to class. We still have a large number of students arriving after 8:55am. Please ensure your child is in the school grounds by 8:50am to allow them time to get to their class before the bell.

Students arriving after the 8.55am bell need to come to the office for a late note to get into class.

The home time bell rings at 2.55pm. Many students come to the office upset saying they don’t know how they are getting home. Please write a note and give to your children when there are changes to travel arrangements, to remind them at the end of the day.

From the Office

Please remember when sending money to school to clearly label the envelope/bag with your child’s full name (not just first name) and class and include the permission note.

Due to an increase in last minute payments and permission notes for excursions, sporting activities etc. all future notes home will state a due date for payments and permission notes.

Late payments lead to last minute re-organisation for buses, entry fees and student missing out on events.

Therefore, please make payment to the office by this date. No money or notes will be accepted after this date.
The Watoto Children’s Choir will be performing at Banora Point High School on Friday 16 May 2014. Our school has the opportunity to see the performance and will be travelling by bus leaving school at 12.00pm and returning 1.30pm.

Join the Watoto Children’s Choir for a Concert of Hope. With vibrant, original African music, energetic dance routines and life-transforming stories, the tour is indicative of the new generation of leaders emerging out of Watoto. “Through the choir’s Concert of Hope, we share a message of transformation by telling the story of Africa’s rescued orphans and women,” says Gary Skinner, Watoto founder and pastor.

To allow your child to attend, please complete the permission slip below and return with $2 payment by Friday 11 April 2014, if you have not done so already.

PERMISSION NOTE
WATOTO CHILDREN'S CHOIR

I give permission for my son/daughter ___________________________ of class ______ to travel by bus and to attend the Watoto Children’s Choir Performance at Banora Point High School on Friday, 16 May 2014. Enclosed is payment of $2.00.

Please be aware of any medical needs my child has: ________________________________

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Parent/Caregivers Name                  Signature                      Date