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TL: Team Leader
Great Disco

Wow what great dancing and grooving I observed last night…….and the students had a good time too! I looked up at one stage to see six teachers on stage dancing away and showing students their moves.

Congratulations to all students on their excellent behaviour and great participation.

Thank you to Miss Davies and the parliament team for their organisation of the disco. Thank you to Mrs Wilson and Mrs Martin for their crazy antics to enthuse students. Thank you to all of the teachers that stayed back to supervise and assist.

A big thank you to parents for being on time and picking up their children promptly at the conclusion of the disco.

Working Bee

Thank you to the many people who helped out at our working bee last Saturday. We achieved all of the tasks we set out to complete and a little more.

We installed AFL posts in the bottom playground, installed colourful blackboards near the amphitheatre, demolished a retaining wall near KW, completed the preparation work for the softfall area near the slides, installed a new chook house in the chickens’ yard, weeded, trimmed, pruned and tidy many garden areas.

Thank you to everyone who was able to help out. Thank you to Peter and Leza Atkinson from the P & C for their co-ordination of the working bee. Thank you to Adam & Brian for picking up the new chook house and delivering it to school.

Thank you to Matt Atkinson, our excavator operator, for his work with the AFL posts. Thank you to the Terrigal/Avoca Panthers AFL Club for their assistance with the AFL posts.

This week the softfall was installed near the slides and looks amazing. The softfall in the bottom playground was also repaired.

Why AFL Posts?

Several people have asked me this week why we installed AFL posts and not league or soccer posts so I thought I’d outline my view.

The AFL posts were applied for through a grant prior to my arrival at the school. The posts were provided free of charge by the AFL. Part of the obligation for receiving the grant was to have the posts installed.

Whilst I understand that having AFL posts disappoints the rugby league, rugby union and football (soccer) sections of the school community I look at it that any posts encourage activity and development of skills. My observation this week is that students have been using the posts as soccer goals, league goals, union goals and AFL goals as well as chasey home bases, start/finish lines for running races and a slalom running course.

The other aspect is that we don't have big enough grounds to have AFL posts and league posts and soccer posts. So no matter which posts we installed there would be some disappointed people in the community. As I said before the aim is to encourage physical activity and skill development. Having some posts (no matter which type) helps with this.

Success in and out of school

Congratulations to Ethan (Yr6) on being selected in the Met North Regional AFL team. Ethan will now represent our region at the State Carnival later in the year.

Congratulations to Brody (Yr5) on being selected in the Met North Regional Under 11s Rugby league team.
Some of our students are also experiencing success outside of school. Recently Allanah, in Year 5, won gold in the 1100km walk at the State Little Athletics Carnival. She now travels to Perth to compete in the National titles.

Kai, also in Year 5, recently won the state nippers title in the beach flag event.

**Principals’ Conference**

This week I am attending the regional Principals’ conference which is held at the Crowne Plaza in Terrigal. The conference is an important annual event in providing Principals with the latest research, an understanding of the many changes occurring within the Department of Education and Communities and the opportunity to develop networks with other Principals.

**Permission notes – Please complete correctly**

I am asking parents and caregivers to please complete all permission notes correctly so that we don’t have to send them home again for completion.

You need to cross out either “consent” or “do not consent” to provide active permission. Also you need to cross out the section to consent for medical attention. Teachers will provide emergency care to a student and call ambulance, if necessary. This consent is about incurring costs for medical attention at the hospital or medical centre that may be attributed to parents/caregivers.

**BBQ @ Bunnings Thursday April 10th**

The P & C will be holding a BBQ at the Bunnings West Gosford next Thursday April 10th to raise funds towards the grounds improvements.

It would be great if you could pop along and buy a sausage sandwich or help out with the BBQ.

**Easter Raffle, Easter Hat Parade and raffle**

Don’t forget to get your tickets in the Easter Raffle. Prizes drawn Tuesday.

Also a reminder about our Easter Hat parade next Friday for K-2. Don’t forget that the P & C will also be conducting a BBQ on the day.

**Shifting Demountable**

Due to complaints from some of our neighbours 2D’s demountable will need to be shifted over the Easter holidays. It is moving up the hill slightly.

**Movie Night**

Early next term the P & C will be holding an outdoor movie night at school on Thursday 1st May from 5.45pm. Further details included in this newsletter.

**Autumn School Holidays and Term 2 return.**

The last day of term 1 will be Friday the 11th April. Students will be on holidays until Tuesday 29th April.

Monday the 28th April is a school development day. Students do not attend on this day. Staff will be involved in training and planning on this day. Teachers and support staff will be focussed on implementation of the new syllabuses.

**Michael Burgess**

**Principal**
LATE TO SCHOOL

On any given day we can have an average of 10 students late for school. Many of these students are habitually late. It is important that students arrive on time as they miss important messages about what is happening at school today and vital learning. It is important for students to arrive before 8.55am. I have included an article with ideas of how to get your child to school on time. If you need any assistance in getting your child to school please feel free to contact me.

Toni Formby
Deputy Principal

EASTER RAFFLE

It’s time again for our Easter Raffle!

This is one our most successful fundraisers but we need your help to make it a success.

HOW YOU CAN HELP….
- We need contributions of Easter Eggs or Easter chocolate. These donations can be of any size – large or small – any help is appreciated. Please bring them to the front office (and put them in the big box!) by Monday 31st March. There will be free raffle tickets for the families who donate the most Easter chocolate! **If you want to be eligible for the free tickets, put your Easter chocolates into a plastic bag & write your name & class on the bag before you place them into the box at the front office.
- Also, on Monday 7 April at 3pm we will be arranging the baskets for the raffle prizes. If any parents are able to offer half an hour of their time to assist with wrapping baskets of Easter chocolates please let the ladies at the office know.

HOW CAN WE BUY TICKETS?
- Tickets will be on sale each morning leading up to the day of the raffle from Wednesday 26th March, 8:30 to 9:00am outside the front office. Tickets will cost $1- each.

WHEN IS THE RAFFLE?
Tuesday, 8th April

PLAYERS REQUIRED!

Players required - Girls born in 2003 to play in a basketball team at Terrigal Stadium.
Games are mainly on Thursday afternoons commencing Term 2.

Please contact Tammy Schwarzl on Ph: 0414 811 151
***PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MORE SUSHI AVAILABLE FOR ORDER THIS TERM***

Canteen helpers needed to join our friendly Volunteer Team. New helpers always welcomed. Can you spare a few hours, one day a month? Split shifts available if required.

a) 8.30am – 1.15pm (end of Lunch)
b) 8.30am - 11.20am
c) 11.20am - 1.15pm (end of Lunch)

(or just select any day where “Volunteers are Needed as a ONE OFF)

Thank you
Deslee James
Canteen Supervisor

‘Hunger Haven’ Special Healthy Lunch Deal for Term 1

To help us keep our ‘Healthy Canteen’ Award status for 2014. During Week 11

Monday 7th April – Friday 11th April

‘FISH SUB’ WEEK $5.00

- Crumbed fish on a long roll with lettuce/carrot/mayo or tartare sauce or tomato sauce

Plus
- Flavoured milk 300ml OR Springwater 350ml

Plus
- Fresh Fruit Pieces Apple/orange /grape (in snap seal bag)
Outdoor Movie Night 2014
at Terrigal Public School oval

We’re starting earlier, so bring the young ones.

Dr. Seuss’
The LORAX

Tickets just $3 per person
Thursday 1st May (Term 2, Week 1)
Gates open at 5pm – Movie starts at 5:45pm
Food and beverages will be available for sale

More info @
www.terrigal-p.schools.nsw.edu.au or facebook – information for parents

Parental Supervision Required for All Students (including high school siblings)
Strictly no alcohol or smoking event. Bags may be inspected upon entry.
Local Business Support

Here are two easy ways you can earn money for our school...

1) We have teamed up with our local Aussie Farmers Direct milkman to raise funds. Jump online to: AussieFarmers.com.au/Fundraisingoffer
   If you are already a customer you can link your account to Terrigal Public School by visiting: AussieFarmers.com.au/linkmyaccount OR Collect a $15 gift code from the office.

2) If you shop at Ritchies IGA supermarkets register (at no cost) for a Community Benefit card and link your account to Terrigal Public school, each time you shop show them your card and a percentage gets donated to the school.

Canteen

Birthday Cake Policy - Frozen Fruit Tubes
With our new birthday cake policy, the canteen is now able to supply 100% frozen fruit juice tubes for parents to purchase. The tubes can to be purchased in a pack of 24 for your child to share with their classmates. If class numbers exceed 24, extra individual tubes can be purchased.

Orders need to placed “one week” in advance on line with flexischools or over the counter.
The cost will be $12.50 for a 24 pack and 50c per extra tube.
If classmates are absent on the day, unopened, leftover tubes will be sent home with the birthday child.
If you order this service please inform the teacher via the diary on the day so the treats can be picked up from canteen at a time suitable for the class.

The P&C manages a school canteen to provide a service to parents through the provision of healthy lunches and small snacks at recess.

Price list are available on the Internet via Flexischools https://www.flexischools.com.au/, the school website http://www.terrigal-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/canteen and at the canteen. Lunch orders must be placed before 9am and will be delivered to the classrooms.

Any questions please contact: Virginia Hunt - 0418 449 853 Canteen Sub-Committee Manager

Uniforms Shop News

News from the uniform shop....to make room for our new style winter stock we will be having a sale.
- old style girls winter tunics ($30)
- jackets ($35)
- trackpants ($20)
- other items on sale are:
  - Boys grey trousers ($15)
  - girls white ankle socks $1 pair
  - footy socks $4 pair.
We will also have a good range of “second hand” items.
Come and grab a bargain at our stall after the Easter hat parade.

Summer Dresses

We are currently experiencing problems with our last order of Girls Summer Dresses. After a few washes the fabric is badly pilling. If you have purchased a dress this year, or late last year, and
you have noticed tiny balls of fluff forming on it, please email tpsuniform@gmail.com and we will arrange to have it replaced by the supplier. We apologise for the inconvenience and we will endeavor to have the problem rectified asap.

Just in time for footy season...remember you can buy blue, black and white striped footy socks from the Uniform Shop. Only $4 per pair.

Sports Shorts – we have just received our new style sports shorts – they are super comfortable and great quality $22 each


- The Uniform Shop HOURS: Wednesday: 8.30-9.15am, throughout the term.
- Uniforms can also be purchased online via Flexischools. Go to [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) to register or see Canteen section above for more details.
- To buy or sell pre-loved Uniform items join our Facebook Group TPS – Pre-loved Uniforms. [https://facebook.com/groups/339332946170749/](https://facebook.com/groups/339332946170749/) (For Sale or for Free)

If you have any questions please email: Sally Carr our TPS P&C Secretary, on Email - sally@geecarr.net

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**P&C Meeting Dates 2014**

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**Parent Representative**

Each class at Terrigal Public School has one or two parents who are responsible for liaising with the other parents from the class to organise parent dinners, coffee mornings, holiday activities etc. If you have a small amount of available time and enjoy arranging social activities then please consider being the Parent Representative for your child’s class. You should receive a note by the end of this week, giving you all the details.

If you have any questions please email: Sally Carr our TPS P&C Secretary, on Email - sally@geecarr.net

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**Minutes from P&C Meetings**

The last minutes can be found [http://www.terrigal-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/parents-citizens/p-c-meeting-minutes](http://www.terrigal-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/parents-citizens/p-c-meeting-minutes) - (copy and paste this URL)

**Membership**

Membership is $1 and can be paid to our Treasurer - Emma Denniss, or President - Yvette Schweiger or myself, Sally Carr in between the times of meetings, (or by placing your $1 on an envelope with your name and contact details, and handed to the office staff) but members are not deemed financial until the close of the next general meeting

If you have any questions please contact me
Sally Carr
TPS P&C Secretary
Email - sally@geecarr.net

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**It’s a Sausage Sizzle**

The P&C is organising a sausage sizzle on Friday 11th April 2014, the day of the K, 1 and 2 Easter Hat Parade.

Please refer to the note sent home or a copy in this newsletter.
Dear Parent,

The P&C is organising a sausage sizzle on **Friday 11th April 2014**, the day of the K, 1 and 2 Easter Hat Parade.
The hat parade is from 11.30am to 12.30pm and sausage sandwiches will be available for purchase by parents and students after the parade.
Students in Stages 2 and 3 will be able to purchase the sandwiches at lunchtime.

**Sausage sandwiches - $3 (to be paid in cash on the day)**
Cold drinks will also be available to purchase on the day.

In order to help us know how many to cater for, if you intend to purchase a sandwich please can you fill in and return the slip below by the Monday 7th April.

Please note:
(These need to be paid for in **cash on the day** & are not available to order via the Flexischools website.)

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**P&C Sausage Sizzle – Friday 11th April 2014**

Child's Name: ________________________________

Child's Class: ________________________________

I intend to purchase _____ sausage sandwiches @ $3 each – on Friday 11th April 2014

# Please do not send any money with this note, you pay in cash on the day.

Michael Burgess                                                    Yvette Schweiger
Principal                                                          President P & C
Do you want free training?
Would you like to find out more about landscaping and construction?
Would you like to the chance to earn a nationally recognised qualification?
Are you unemployed? Are you a single parent?

We are seeking unemployed Dads and Mums who are interested in gaining hands on skills in construction or landscaping who would like to participate in a project at Terrigal Public School in Term 2, 2014.

This is part of the National Partnership Agreement on Training Places for Single Parents, Teenage Parents and Jobless families. The aim is to improve job readiness of parents in receipt of parenting payments.

TAFE NSW Hunter TAFE is funded under this program and is collaborating with Terrigal Public School to improve the school grounds.

If you are interested in participating please contact the school office on 4384 4599
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<td>Come with us and enjoy two hours of gymnastics at Buritz, Erina. Are you a future gymnastics star? Activities to include trampoline, bar and floor. All gymnastics teachers are accredited</td>
<td>Back by request, another recycling day. We will use a variety of materials to make functional items. Please bring in glass jars and cardboard boxes</td>
<td>A first for us. Join us for a day at the zoo in the beautiful Hunter Valley. Enjoy wombat patting, monkey feeding and reptile shows. Do you fancy cuddling a koala or holding a crocodile, enjoying interactive animal experiences and informative shows? Then this is the day for you. Leave at 8.30AM Return at 4.30PM</td>
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<td>Another first for us. Join us for a day of activities at Lutanda at Toukley. Over 8’s can go on the high rope swing and flying fox and then try their hand at archery. The younger children can enjoy bush walking, tennis, basketball, swings, trampoline and playing on the lake beach. Sounds like a great day out. Leave at 8.30 Return at 4.00PM</td>
<td>Come for a day of craft and slimy goo. Today we will learn how to make our own slime. Lots of other activities and take home craft. Wear old clothes</td>
<td>Join us for our traditional party day. Always a favourite and fills up quickly. Enjoy yourselves on the giant jumping castles and we will entertain you with our party games. Wear old clothes Lunch provided</td>
<td>Monday 28 The Entrance Skate Park Off to The Entrance skate park today. Bring your scooters and skateboards. Don’t forget helmet, knee and elbow pads. You will not be allowed to skate without. For those who do not want to skate we will play games and go to the park. Leave 9.30AM Return 2.30PM</td>
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School Holiday Workshops

Ph: 0466247716  treehouseartstudio@gmail.com

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School Holiday Program

Cooking: Tuesday, 15th April 2014 at 11am—1pm
Craft—Puppet Making: Wednesday 16th April 2014 at 10am—12pm (children up to 8 years)
Wednesday 232nd April 10am-12 noon (children 9-12 years)

Where: Green Point Community Centre
Cost Includes all resources:
$10 per child for Cooking
$5 per child for Puppet Making

For Bookings call Ph: 4367 7591
School mornings
How to get kids ready for school without a fight

How things go at home in the morning can set the tone for the day ahead. Children who arrive at school feeling calm, relaxed, fed and ready can make the most of the first few hours of the day.

Children don’t understand time in the same way as grown-ups. This can make school mornings a stressful time of day for families. Time pressures and competing demands can turn mornings into a combat zone.

Getting along in the morning at home will also help you. Research shows that fighting with children in the morning makes it harder for you to work well. It even increases the risk of you having an accident at work.

Here are some ideas to take some of the pressure out of school mornings – even if things don’t always go smoothly!

The night before

- Try to find out the night before (or even earlier) if there is something special going on at school.
- Prepare lunches and set the breakfast table ready for the morning rush.
- Get your child to have a bath the night before. This means you won’t have to worry about this in the morning.
- You might know something is going to come up that could cause conflict (such as buying lunch or choosing which clothes to wear). Talk about it the night before when everybody has time and is less likely to be stressed.

Try to read school newsletters and check bags for notes the night before. You could also try to prepare clothes, sign school notes, and get schoolbags ready the night before.

In the morning

- **Getting up an extra 15-30 minutes earlier might help things run more smoothly.** Also try to allow plenty of time to get from home to school. Rushing can really increase stress levels.
- **Good moods can be infectious.** Tackle the morning as positively and as optimistically as you can.
- **Mornings are easier if your children can do things for themselves.** Once your children are old enough, getting dressed on their own, making their own breakfast, and tidying up after themselves can all make things easier.

- If your children are young, **remind them what they are meant to be doing** and when. Simple ‘to do’ checklists, even with pictures, can help as a reminder.

- Some children get up more easily if they have an **alarm clock**.

- Try to **cut down on distractions**. Television is one of the culprits that can distract children from getting ready. Consider leaving it off, unless it’s a special treat for being ready on time.

- **Focus on the positives.** A rule of thumb here is six positives for every negative. Look for good behaviour and try to ensure that positive comments – **praise and encouragement** – outweigh instructions and reprimands.

- **Use surprises to celebrate cooperation** and being ready on time. A treat in the lunch box, or an extra story at bedtime might be all it takes.

- **Try not to give your children extra attention for arguing, whining or stalling.** Even negative attention is an incentive for them to keep arguing, whining and stalling.