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OPPORTUNITY
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SUCCESS IN A CARING COMMUNITY

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Teralba Telegraph

Upcoming Events

Fri 10th Feb – Uniform orders and payment due

Tue 7th Feb - Swimming Carnival

Wed 8th March – Parent Information Sessions

Thurs 9th Feb – P&C Meeting 7pm

Tue 27th March – Questacon visit

From the Principal's Desk – Term 1 Week 1 31st January 2012

Welcome back. I hope everybody had a great holiday. We have a very exciting year ahead of us. Don't forget that the newsletter is published on the net every week at www.teralba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Classes 2012

Unfortunately due to numbers we have only been able to form 3 classes. (if you know of anybody looking for a great school send them our way). The class structure is

K/1 Class - Mrs Pohl

1/2/3/4 Class - Mr Calwell

4/5/6 Class - Mrs Te Rangi

I have had a chance to visit classes today and everybody looks happy and most are excited for the upcoming year.

Uniforms

The new school uniform is available for all students. The shirt is \$20 and orders are due in by Friday this week, 3rd February. It is important that students get a school shirt and **wear a blue hat** every day.

Text Book Fees

This year in all classes, teachers will be using text books to consolidate learning. This goes a long way in helping your child achieve their full potential. The text books that students will be using are; Spelling, Maths Mentals, Targeting Maths (Year 5/6) School Maths (K-4). The text book money is claimable under the Federal Government Education Tax Refund. More information can be found at www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au

Fees - Mrs Pohl's Kindergarten	\$5
Mrs Pohl's Years 1	\$17
Mr Calwells Class	\$30
Mrs Te Rangi's Class	\$42

Mission Statement

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*To provide a caring
educational
environment where
children, staff and
community work
together to strive for
excellence and
equality*



Attendance

Looking back at the attendance records for 2011, I have noticed that some students could improve dramatically. Over the holidays I read the NSW DEC's 2010 attendance policy and I would like to highlight some points of interest.

School Security

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Please phone

1300 880 021

to report anyone on
school grounds after
hours.

2.1 Parents are responsible for:

- enrolling their children of [compulsory school age](#) in a government or registered non-government school or registering them with the [Board of Studies NSW](#) for home schooling
- ensuring that their children attend school regularly
- explaining the absences of their children from school promptly and within seven days to the school, with a note
- taking measures to resolve attendance issues involving their children.

6.1 Parents are responsible for the regular attendance of students at school. Principals and school staff, in consultation with students and their parents, will usually be able to resolve problems of non-attendance. While parents should be reminded of their legal obligations under the [Education Act \(1990\)](#) the welfare of the student must be the focus of this consultation.

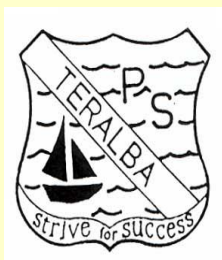
Please ensure that your child attends as much as possible. Their educational future is the one that can suffer. Please send an explanation note for each absence.

Swimming Carnival

Our annual swimming carnival will be held next week at Coughlan's Swimming Centre at Warners Bay. It is on Tuesday 7th February. The bus will leave school at 9:00 and return by 2:30pm. This is for all students who turn 8 years old or older this year. Cost is \$7.50. Permission notes are attached. Please complete both pages and return to school with payment no later than Monday 6th February. There is an entry fee of \$1 each for all spectators which is payable at the pool.

P&C

The annual general meeting of the P&C will be held next Thursday, 9th February. Please come along to help our wonderful P&C in 2012. The meeting will start at 7pm.



Free to good home!

Over the holidays the school was given a few truck loads of mulch. We have too much! Please feel free to bring a trailer down and take as much as you wish. The mulch is covering a large area of the back car park and I know we cannot use it all.

Needed

Mrs Pohl has asked if anybody has some old toys (cars, dolls etc) in good working order and would like to donate them to the home corner, please bring them in.

Active After School

Mr Calwell will be co-ordinating Active After School this year. I would ask everybody to participate in this fantastic and **FREE** sporting program. Bowls will be held on Tuesday and the Wednesday afternoon activity is orienteering. All equipment is supplied and afternoon tea is provided. Permission notes must be completed and returned before children can participate.

Parent Information Sessions

We will be holding a parent information evening next Wednesday (8/2/12). This will commence at 5pm and conclude at 6pm. Teachers will be discussing their teaching program and expectations, other school based initiatives and also answer any questions you may have. Light refreshments will be served as well.

Student Banking

School banking for students will recommence next Tuesday. If you would like your child to participate and they don't have an account you can request a package from school, open an account at any Commonwealth Bank branch or online through NetBank. There are rewards available for students who bank regularly. Please contact Robyn in the office if you need further info.





Speech and Drama Classes

- Have fun in small groups
- Build confidence
- Improve speech & communication skills
- Learn drama, mime & theatrical skills

Contact

Michelle Clipsham's Speech and Drama Studio
0249 593 506 madrama@optusnet.com.au

WOODRISING COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL & CHILD CARE CENTRE

- * Open 7.30am-6pm
- * 2-6yrs
- * Play-based program in line with Early Years Learning Framework
- * Fully accredited
- * Natural, homelike environment
- * Qualified, passionate teachers
- * Fees from as low as \$14/day (after Child Care Benefit & Child Care Rebate)

Limited vacancies currently available!

Visit us at 80 Haydenbrook Rd Woodrising (rear of shopping centre carpark)

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Web: www.woodrisingchildcare.com.au

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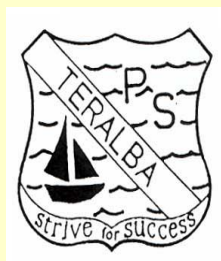
BMX

Come and try the thrill and excitement of BMX racing for FREE

Lake Macquarie BMX Club – Mary Street

11 February 2012 - 10am-12pm

All participants receive a free showbag



LAKE MACQUARIE FOOTBALL CLUB

"2011 MFL Club of the Year"

2012 Registration

Register ONLINE at www.lmfc.com.au to book your place for Season 2012.

We cater for U6 to U18. Come and play Football (Soccer) with LMFC.

Please contact Katie Hastings, LMFC Registrar on 0416 473 350 or registrar@lmfc.com.au

Bolton Point Fennell Bay Netball

REGISTRATION DAYS for all players will be held at

Toronto Town Square on:

Saturday 4th February 9am – midday

Saturday 11th February 9am – midday

Any enquiries about registrations should be directed to Jenni Gorick on 4975 5072 or Kylie-Ann on 0438 662 484. Anyone unable to attend the registration days should phone Jenni to make an appointment to visit her prior to 11th Feb.

2012 fees

Funnet (up to turning 7 years in 2012)	\$60
Netta (up to turning 10 years in 2012)	\$130
Junior (turning 11-17 years in 2012)	\$140
Senior (turning 18 years and over in 2012)	\$150