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OPPORTUNITY
ACHIEVEMENT
SUCCESS IN A CARING COMMUNITY

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Teralba Telegraph

Upcoming Events

Tue 21st Feb - Zone Swimming Carnival.

Thur 23rd Feb - Book Club orders and payment due

Tue 28th Feb - Pizza Day, Yr 6 fundraising - order form out soon

Fri 9th March - School Cross Country

Tue 27th March - Questacon visit. \$5 each - must be paid by Monday 27th March.

Tue 3rd April - Museum & Art Gallery visit (whole school). More details soon

Wed 4th April - Combined Schools ANZAC Service, Year 6

From the Principal's Desk – Term 1 Week 4 20th February 2012

It's A Girl! - On behalf of the school community we would love to wish Mrs White, Darren aka Mr White, and Bella a huge congratulations. Abbey Elizabeth White was born on Thursday 16th February, weighing in at 3.5 kg (7.7 lb in the old scale) and measuring 53cm. All are doing well and we look forward to seeing them soon.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

Last week at assembly the swimming carnival awards were handed out. Congratulations to Shortland on their overwhelming victory; don't worry Hunter, you can get them back at the sports carnival.

Congratulations to Hayley Jorgensen (Senior Girls Champion) and to Jonas Wittman & Bailey Smith who are the joint Senior Boys Champions.

12 students will be representing Teralba Public School at the Zone Swimming Carnival tomorrow. Good luck to all our swimmers.

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*



PSP Funding

School Security

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Please phone

1300 880 021

to report anyone on
school grounds after
hours.

As some of you may be aware, Teralba Public School is a PSP (priority School Program) funded school. This means that we receive extra funding from the State Government because we are in a low socio-economic area. This funding is about \$15000 per year and is based on a 3 year plan. This money is used to increase our teacher time, fund more specific numeracy lessons and fund a community support officer for the school.

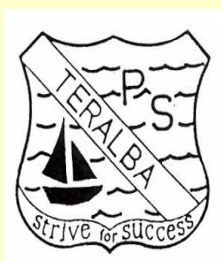
The current round of funding ends this year and we need to apply again in March to see if we are eligible for the next 3 years. So, on March 5th a survey will go home with all students. The survey asks questions about your income and employment status. It is completely anonymous and is returned in a sealed envelope that we send away. No private information is released to the school. It is **vital** for the running of the school that we are successful in gaining funding for the next 3 years. This means that **all** surveys need to be returned. As encouragement all students will receive a Freddo Frog when they return their survey. If you need help completing the survey, school staff are more than willing to help, or if you want the information to remain confidential, the local PSP officer is available to come to school to help you. It is still 2 weeks away, however, we thought it important that we inform you of the significance of the survey.

Student Banking
Every Tuesday

School Camp

This year we have combined with Fassifern Public School for our major camp. We are going to head to Canberra for 4 days in November. We are only in the initial stages of planning but the cost will be around \$400 per child. Yes that sounds a lot BUT - with Federal Government rebate taken out and fund raising contributing, I am aiming for the cost to be \$250 per child. If you have a child in years 3-6 please be aware that this camp is coming up. If you wish for your child to attend then expect to pay that much money.

As is custom all other students will be going on a major excursion at the same time to a venue yet to be decided (Australian Reptile Park is one option).



Chaplain Grant

As discussed in the P&C meeting, we will be applying for the National Chaplaincy grant. This grant will allow the school to employ a school chaplain for 2 days a week over the next 3 years. It is another huge opportunity that will allow us as a school to support your child and yourself.

**CAUGHT BEING
GOOD AWARDS -
18th FEBRUARY**

**Summer
Jack
Christiana**

Questacon Science Show

The Questacon Science Show will be visiting our school on Tuesday 27th March. **The cost is \$5 per student. Payment is required by Monday 26th March**, or your child will be unable to attend the show. Permission notes are not required.

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students received merit awards at assembly on Friday 18th February:

**Tayla
Jack
Summer**

**Wyeth
Kaleb
Sophie**

Well done!

Assembly is held every Friday morning at 9am in the library. Parents and friends are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Book Club

Orders and payment are due Thursday 23rd February. Orders should arrive at school by 1st March and will be sent home with children.

Global Permission Notes

Could you please return the global permission notes as soon as possible. Prompt return of these notes means that your child will be able to fully participate in school activities.



Text Book Money

Thank you to those parents who have paid their text book money. These books are use in everyday and we need to have payment asap. You may pay in instalments.

Kindergarten - \$5

Mrs Pohl's Year 1 - \$17

Mr Calwell's Class - \$30

Mrs Te Rangi's - \$42

School Fees

Please note that the above mentioned money is **not** the school contribution fund. The School contribution fund (School Fees) is used by the school to assist in the buying of pencils, rubbers, glue, books and other items used by the students. **The School Contribution Fund for 2012 is \$40 per student.** There is also a family rate of \$20 for each child after your first. (e.g. a family with 2 children will pay \$60, a family with 3 children will pay \$80; Fees may be paid in instalments. Thank you to everyone who has paid in full or made instalments.

Canteen

Attached is the new canteen menu. At this stage canteen will be open **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday for recess only** and recess and **lunch on Fridays.** We have no-one to operate canteen on Wednesdays. We need as many parents as possible to volunteer their time to support the canteen. The canteen has been a great success over the past few years, raising vital funds to support your children. If you can volunteer 1 day a month or 1 day a week, it is all appreciated. If you would like to volunteer please see Megan Richards or let Robyn in the office know. Training will provided for volunteers.

QUESTACON

Enclosed is \$..... for my child/children

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to attend the Questacon visit on 27th March 2012

