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OPPORTUNITY
ACHIEVEMENT
SUCCESS IN A CARING COMMUNITY

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Teralba Telegraph

From the Principal's Desk – Term 3 Week 5 13th August 2012

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 15th August - 5-a-side soccer at Warners Bay
Thursday 16th August - Y6 Orientation at LMHS
Friday 17th August - Morris Gleitzman notes and payment due
Friday 17th August - Zone Athletics (track)
Monday 20th August - Zone Athletics (field)
Monday 20th – Wednesday 22nd August - Children's Book Week and Book Fair (in library)
Monday 20th August - JD Magic Show in library - **FREE!!**
Tuesday 21st August - Book Week Parade
Tuesday 21st – Wednesday 22nd August - Book Fair

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This week I spoke to the school in regards to Respect. I have noticed that a number of students are treating many adults, staff members and school volunteers with less respect lately. Please help us by reinforcing this valuable life lesson to your children. It is important that as parents we show the necessary respect to staff and to other parents, modelling the appropriate behaviours.

ATHLETICS RESULTS

Congratulations to Shortland in winning the 2012 Athletics Carnival. The points were tallied - 5points for 1st, 2 points for 2nd and 1 point for 3rd. After adding up the track events I thought it was going to be a run-away victory to Shortland, as they were leading by more than 50 points, but in the true Teralba fighting spirit, Hunter clawed their way back to only lose the carnival by less than 10 points. Great fight back Hunter and watch out Shortland in 2013.

Congratulations to our age Champions - Senior Boys Champion – Oliver Griffen; Senior Girls Champion – Cassie Monkton; 11yrs Boys Champion – Caleb Eggins; 11yrs Girls Champion – Tayla Fairclough; Junior Boys Champion – Bailey Kuba-Nix; Junior Girls Champion – Kyla Eggins.

Our Zone Athletics team has also been announced. They will represent the school this Friday and next Monday at Glendale Sports Centre. Congratulations and Good Luck. Ben M, Belle MM, Cooper S, Jude W, Jacinta D, Lacey H, Alisha J, Caleb E, Usain B, Braidon F, Tayla F, Oliver G, Tahnee G, Bailey K-N, Jamane E, Samantha H, Cassie M, Angel P, Alex P, Tristan B, Danielle H, Holly K-N, Jaidyn M, Jessie J-P.

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*



School Security

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Please phone

1300 880 021

to report anyone on
school grounds after
hours.

Student Banking
Every Tuesday

Book Week Assembly and Dress Up Day

Our annual Book Week Parade and assembly will be held on Tuesday 21st August. Students are to choose a book character and dress up. The parade and assembly will start at 10:30am. We will have a 'guest' story teller, students will parade for the parents and the school. After that a Book Fair will be held in Library. Students, Parents and guests are welcome to come and purchase books for themselves or the school. A light morning tea will be provided by the school. All the celebrations should be concluded, ready for students to return to class by 12pm.

We have some Book Fair vouchers to give away to each class as prizes for the Book Week Parade.

The theme for Book Week this year is "Champions Read".

HATS

From the 1st September (Spring) **ALL** students will be required to wear a wide brimmed hat whilst playing at school. Parents can choose 1 of three options. TPS Legionaries' (until stock runs out), the new navy blue bucket hats (with toggle) \$6 from the school, or parents can buy the navy blue, broad brim hats from Best and Less. We are getting very strict on the hats at school. It is important that students have the appropriate hat, in line with the NSW DEC Sun Safe policy.

MORISSET/CANBERRA INSTALMENTS DUE

Please note that the next instalments for the Morisset and Canberra excursions were due by **10th August**. Morisset - \$20 due. Canberra - \$60 due. If you are behind in payments and/or need assistance with payment please contact the school ASAP.

Payments should be sent to school in a clearly marked envelope, or you can pay by direct deposit to the school bank account.

MORRIS GLEITZMAN AUTHOR TALK

Please note that permission notes and payment for Morris Gleitzman author talk (years 3-6) must be returned to school by Friday as we need to confirm our booking then. If the note and payment are not returned your child will be unable to attend.



KINDER ENROLMENTS 2013

If you have a child starting Kinder next year or know anyone who does, please call to the office for an enrolment form. We need all completed enrolments forms returned to the office asap to continue our planning for 2013.

UPCOMING EVENTS (continued)

Thursday 23rd August - Small Schools Athletics Carnival \$4 each

Thursday 30th August - Payment and photo orders due

Friday 31st August - School photos

Tuesday 4th September - Yamuloong excursion \$2 each

Wednesday 5th September - Morris Gleitzman at Warners Bay (yrs 3-5) \$5 each

Monday 10th September - Kinder 2013 Parent Information Session
5.30pm in Library

Wednesday 19th September - Choir to visit Greenmount Gardens

Year 6 Raffle

Year 6 kids are holding a Father's day Raffle. Tickets will be 20c each (\$1 per book.) The raffle will be drawn on Friday 31st August.

1st prize - \$50 voucher at the Kent Hotel, plus a hat & cooler bag

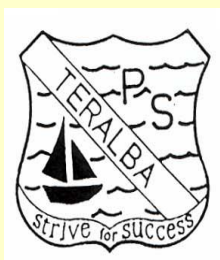
2nd prize - Armorall Gift Pack, plus a hat & cooler bag

3rd prize - \$10 Bunnings gift voucher, plus a cooler bag

Fathers Day Gifts

It was decided at the P&C meeting that instead of the traditional Fathers Day stall, the whole school would "paint a shirt". Each child or family are to bring in a plain T-Shirt (preferably light coloured, new or old) so they can paint it for their fathers. For families with more than one child you can decide if you wish to have more than 1 shirt, but other paintings etc will be done at school. The shirts will then be ready, with a homemade card for fathers.

For families with no fathers, more than one father, uncles etc let us know who the significant male is in your children's life so we can assist your child with their gift.



Nutrimetics

Kelly Ryan has organised a Nutrimetics fundraiser for Teralba Public School. If you are in need of any Nutrimetics products please see the attached flyers. All money and orders are to be returned by 7th September.

Head Lice.

It has been pointed out to me that some students have been infested with head Lice lately, so I have copied the following from the NSW DEC website.

The facts

Head lice infestations are a common occurrence, particularly in primary schools.

- about 23% of primary students have head lice at any one time
- anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is
- head lice move from one person's head to another via hair
- head lice do not survive long when they are off a human head
- head lice do not live on furniture, hats, bedding or carpet
- head lice have built up some resistance to head lice treatments

Treatment

- daily combing of white hair conditioner using a fine tooth comb is effective in getting rid of head lice and eggs (nits)

Tips for parents in reducing the spread of head lice

As infestations are particularly common in primary schools, it is best to choose a treatment that can be used over time. There is no single solution to eradication, only persistence.

- regularly check your children's hair
- teach older children to check their own hair
- tie back and braid long hair
- keep a fine tooth head lice comb in the bathroom and encourage all family members to use it when they wash their hair.

What you can expect from your school

Advice from NSW Health indicates that there is no need for students to be sent home or excluded from school because of head lice.

Teralba Public School will contact you if head lice are detected and discuss strategies from there.