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OPPORTUNITY  
ACHIEVEMENT  
SUCCESS IN A CARING COMMUNITY

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# Teralba Telegraph

Term 2 Week 1

1<sup>st</sup> May 2013

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** - Sport for Life starts \$25 per student

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** - Zone Cross Country

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May** - Active After Schools commences (AFL) 7 weeks

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May** - Active After Schools commences (Gymnastics) 7 weeks

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May** - NAPLAN

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May** - P&C Meeting 6 pm

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** - Living with Kids

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June** - Senior Netball Gala Day

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June** - Paul Harragon Cup

I hope everybody had a great break and that you are looking forward to the term ahead. This is only a very short term of 9 weeks and traditionally term 2 is extremely busy with NAPLAN, PSSA sport, Starstruck and many other events. Don't forget that this newsletter is a vital means of communication so watch out for it on Mondays. The newsletter is also published on the school website. [www.teralba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.teralba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

This term the DEC gave extra funding to schools for an additional Staff Development Day. This day was designed for staff to become familiar with the new National syllabus that will begin to be implemented starting next year. As a school we have already started planning its implementation and we all look forward to developing our teaching programs further.

## What does the new syllabus mean for you and your child?

Overall you will not notice many significant changes to the way we teach certain subjects in the school, although you may notice slight changes to the reporting of outcomes. NSW DEC has been a leader in education throughout Australia and because of this a lot of the National Curriculum has been modelled on the NSW Board of Studies syllabus.

As teachers we have been given new planning and reporting tools and there have been slight changes to the curriculum. The resources that Teralba School has are more than adequate to assist teachers in the implementation of the new syllabus. For further information please visit the web site below.

<http://syllabus.bos.nsw.edu.au/support-materials/parents-guide/>

## 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*

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**BANKING DETAILS FOR  
DIRECT DEPOSITS**

**BSB** 032-001

**ACCOUNT NO** 15-2985

**ACCOUNT NAME**

Teralba Public School

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR  
CHILD'S NAME AS A  
REFERENCE

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*School Security*

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*Please phone*

*1300 880 021*

*to report anyone on  
school grounds after  
hours.*

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## ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

The Zone cross country will be held this Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May at Rathmines. Thank you to those parents who are able to assist with transport. We will need to leave the school at 9am. If you have not already shown us your licence and registration papers, please do so by Friday morning. All permission notes and payment of \$2 per student must be returned to school **TOMORROW**.

## YEAR 5/6 MAJOR EXCURSION

Please note that **\$30** deposit is required by Friday **3<sup>rd</sup> May** for all students attending the major excursion. If you wish to apply for Student Assistance Scheme please see Robyn for an application. This should be done as soon as possible as there are limited funds available. If you are unable to pay the deposit by Friday please contact Robyn to make alternate arrangements. Failure to pay the deposit or make arrangements may result in your child's place on the excursion being forfeited.

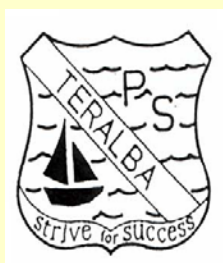
## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOLS

Active After Schools this term will be held on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 3.15-4.15pm and there is no cost. All children will receive a healthy afternoon snack and drink. **ALL CHILDREN PARTICIPATING MUST HAVE A SIGNED PERMISSION NOTE.** Please return the permission note to school asap. Please also make sure which day/days your child will be attending. AFL will run on Wednesdays and gymnastics on Thursdays.

## ASSEMBLY FORMAT CHANGE

As a school we have decided that students need a bigger input to their education. As a result we have decided that we are going to hold a school council every 'other' week, rather than assembly. This school council will be run by the student leaders, for the students. Students will have an opportunity to voice concerns, suggestions and ask questions. It is also an opportunity for parents to raise concerns and suggestions to students. We will still sing the National Anthem and School Song but the format will change to a round table style discussion. Please feel free to join us this Friday for our first 'School Council'.

School Councils will be odd weeks and School Assembly will be even weeks.



## WELFARE AND DISCIPLINE

During this term's staff development day the staff revamped the Welfare and Discipline policy, in particular the consequences for students who repeatedly do things that are against the school rules. The major change will be students who receive Red Cards. If a child receives a second 'Red Card' for a similar offence the teacher will be requesting a meeting with parents to discuss things we can do to help improve their behaviours. If a child receives a third Red Card for a similar offence then the parents will be asked to meet with the teacher and the principal. It is important that as parents, if your child receives a Red Card you work with your child to dramatically change this behaviour.

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**STUDENT BANKING  
EVERY TUESDAY**

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## TERM 2 SPORT

This term we are having Sport for Life every Thursday. This is for **all** students and the cost is \$25 per student for the term. This must be paid by the end of week 4. Please pay in instalments if that helps with your budget. Student assistance scheme funds are also available to assist low income earners. Please apply immediately if you need assistance.

## AWARD WINNERS

The following merit awards were presented at the assembly on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Congratulations.

Noah  
Braidon  
Theo

Emma  
Jaidyn  
Kyle

Congratulations also to Amber who received a merit award on 29/3/13 and was not included on the list.

Caught Being Good awards were won by Shakayla and Kyle.

## P&C NEWS

The next P&C Meeting will be held in the Library on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm.



## EXPOSITION WORK SAMPLES

### Why should we keep our environment clean?

Most people would agree that we should take care of the environment. The real truth is we don't take care of the environment. All you need to do is look at the disgrace around you. You need to put rubbish in the bin and you won't step on broken glass.

We can solve this by simply putting your rubbish in the bin. Do you want to live in a rubbish world? It is grotty to put your rubbish on the ground. We've got bins - use them!

Secondly, if everyone recycles, the world will have less rubbish and our country will be clean.

It is disgraceful that our wildlife is killed simply by using plastic bags. It goes to the ocean and wildlife and sealife gets killed. By simply using green bags instead of plastic bags, we can solve the problem.

In conclusion I feel that you should pick up your rubbish. If we pick up three bits of rubbish every day our environment will be clean. Don't litter and recycle your waste and the world will be a lot healthier.

### Jude Wittman

Most people agree that we should take care of our environment. The real truth is we don't! You only have to walk down the street and you can see rubbish, cigarette butts, broken glass and plastic in the gutter.

Firstly, you can organise the neighbourhood tidy ups in your streets to help keep the environment clean.

Secondly, if everyone recycles the world would be healthy and change the world.

Thirdly, it is disgraceful that animals die every day. We can help by not using plastic bags. We can all use green bags.

### Elissa Davis