

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 7th December

Year 6 farewell 6 - 7.30pm

Thursday 9th December

PBL lunch orders due

Monday 13th December

Presentation Day

Tuesday 14th December

PBL Rewards Day Carnival day
Out of uniform

Thursday 16th December

Last day of year for students

Tuesday 1st February 2022

Students return years 1-6 only

Monday 6th December 2021 Term 4 Week 10

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Well this is the last newsletter for 2021 and what a year it's been. We started the year with hope that we had left COVID behind and that we could get a full year of face-to-face learning in. Unfortunately, that was not the case, in fact the effect of COVID in 2021 was longer with students working from home for 9 weeks (almost a full term). But as usual our wonderful children showed a resilience to change and an adaptability that we are all very proud of. Usually in this newsletter I reflect on the things we have been able to do this year, but due to COVID many excursions and activities have been placed on hold. An advantage of a year like this though, has been that our students have been in class engaged in lessons more. With no orientation, excursions, or other activities to take us away from class, we have engaged with students much longer and the results have been very positive. I look forward to continuing this work into 2022.

At this time I wish to thank each of you as parents and carers for your patience and understanding this year. As a school and as the principal I understand the pressures you have been under this year in regard to working from home with children. I also understand the pressures of needing to go to work during the pandemic. It hasn't been an easy year and I can't say that next year is going to be easier but as a community we have achieved lots. Thank you.

I want to make special mention of the students. Of course without them none of us would be here. They continually teach me lessons of happiness and resilience and have moved forward with little fuss and with a hope for better times. Thank you.

Year 6 - I have watched you all grow up into wonderful young men and women and I am proud to have known you. I wish you all the best in your future endeavours and hope you succeed no matter what you choose.

I want to thank the amazing staff here at Teralba PS! As a community you have only seen what your children say or what came home during lockdown. So much effort and hard work goes into your child every single day. I see how early staff arrive and how late they leave. I hear the conversations about your children and what can be done to make them become the best they can be. I see the work that goes into professional development so they can become better at their jobs. I thank them with all my heart for the work they do.

Finally, its Christmas time! A time for family, for food, a time to reset and reflect. On behalf of the staff, we wish you a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. We wish all those families and children who are leaving us the best of luck. Don't forget that you will always be part of the Teralba School family, no matter where life takes you, and you are always welcome back. Please make sure that over the holiday period you reset and rejuvenate. Spend quality time with loved ones and come back with a new energy in 2022. Please stay safe and Merry Christmas,

PRESENTATION DAY

Presentation day this year will be very different from all our presentations in the past. Due to COVID restrictions we will NOT be heading to Club Macquarie, rather Zooming it out live to all families.

All students will be receiving their class awards plus School Awards and 2 major awards per class. All major award recipients' families notified in advance.

The Zoom link is below, we will also send it out a number of times over the coming weeks on the Skoolbag app.

Date: Monday 13th December

Time: K-1 Presentation 9:30am

2-6 Presentation 10:30am

LINK - <https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/65653595243?pwd=aUt3YXNXUDZiYTl0Q3ZzYjJ6aWVVSz09>

24 HOUR INDUSTRIAL ACTION – TEACHERS STRIKE

Tomorrow, Tuesday 7th December the Teachers Federation have a planned 24 hr teachers strike. This means that normal classes are unable to commence due to reduced numbers of staff. There will still be some staff on site to supervise any student that cannot stay at home at this time. For more answers on the industrial action please go to the schools web page as the DoE have updated this news.

This Industrial Action will NOT effect the Year 6 farewell that is planned for Tuesday night.

NEW COLA

As reported to the P&C last week, groundwork and construction on the COLA will commence in the January holidays with final construction in the April holidays. We are all very excited about the COLA and are looking forward to using the space it will provide. There will be some temporary fencing and protective barriers around the school during construction but staff will ensure that all areas will be safe for the students.

STAFF 2022

As it is that time of year there are a number of staff changes in 2022. It is with mixed emotions that I let the community know that Mr Toole, Clancie (SLSO), Amanda (SLSO) and Madelyn (SLSO) will not be with us in 2022. Clancie, Amanda and Madelyn have worked across a variety of classes and supported many of your children in their time here at Teralba. Mr Toole has been offered and accepted a position at another local school. He joined us in 2016 and led many programs and taught across most stages. On behalf of the whole community we wish all 4 staff members the best of luck in the future.

In 2022 we welcome 2 new teachers. Miss Sophie Prior, a very experienced teacher from Forbes. Miss Prior applied for the fulltime temporary class position and was successful in gaining that. She is excited to move close to the coast and teach at our amazing school. We also welcome Mrs Lauren Taylor. Mrs Taylor will be teaching in the library and RFF 3 days a week. Both teachers are very excited to join our teaching family next year and we look forward to getting to know them.

CLASSES 2022

As discussed at the P&C meeting, in 2022 we will have 6 classes at Teralba PS. The school are entitled to have 5 classes but due to grade distribution we have decided to use school funds to pay for a 6th class. We are seeing a large influx of younger students and we must reduce teacher to student ratios to maximise learning opportunities in these areas.

In 2022 the class structures will be as follows:

Kindergarten
2 x 1/2 Classes
3/4
4/5
5/6

When we finalise students in early 2022 we will inform you of what teacher will be on each class.

CLASSROOMS 2022

Due to class structures for 2022 we will be making changes to the classrooms. Kindergarten will remain in their current room. Year 5/6 will be moving next door to Kindergarten. Both Year 1/2 classes will be next to each other. They will be in Mr Toole's room and The Hub (the middle room) Year 4/5 will be in Mrs Dubos' room and Years 3/4 will be in Mrs Brazer's room.

PBL CARNIVAL

Our PBL Rewards day will be held on Tuesday 14th December. This is an out of uniform day. Please make sure that students wear 'play' clothes as some activities may involve water! **Students MUST also wear a hat and enclosed shoes, no singlets or midriff tops please.**

We have hired 2 large jumping castles and a large inflatable slide. We have also hired 5 oversized party games (Jenga, connect 4 etc) Staff will do face painting, hair spray and other games and activities will be on offer. The school will provide freshly cut fruit and other small snacks for the morning. Students must bring their lunch or have ordered a pizza order We are excited to be holding this day to celebrate the hard work that students have completed this year.

DOMINO'S PIZZA & POPPER LUNCH

To coincide with PBL rewards day on Tuesday 14th December a lunch order for Pizza and Popper will be available. Costs are

1 Kids Mini Pizza - \$4

1 Popper - \$1

Students have received an order form. **Forms and cash payment are to be returned to school by Thursday 9th December. LATE ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL

To celebrate the last week of school we invite all children to come to school in their best Christmas outfits and shirts from Tuesday 14th December. Students are expected to wear their uniforms on Monday for presentation day but can come in Christmas and out of uniform attire for the remainder of the week. Year 6 may want to come to school on Thursday in their uniform in order to sign their shirt.

YEAR 6 CLAP OUT

All double vaccinated parents/carers of current Year 6 students are invited to join us on the last day/afternoon of school. All visitors must check in at Gate 4 using the QR code, wear a mask and join us as we farewell your child and send them off to high school. Please allow enough time to check in prior to 2:45 as all staff will attend the clap out.

Please note, only parent/carers of Year 6 who have 'checked in' and presented their double vaccination certificate may attend. Don't forget if your child wants their shirts signed you may need to purchase a 'white' sharpie so that the signatures can be seen on the darker shirts.

SUMMER SEASON

Now that the warmer and wet season is upon us we are seeing many more mozzies. We encourage all students to bring mosquito repellent in a roll on form in their bag. In the past we asked families not to bring Aeroguard due to a member of staff being allergic. This is not the case anymore. Families are also reminded that students are to bring and wear a school hat each day.

CANTEEN

Due to excess stock in the canteen the P&C have decided to have an 'end of year' sale. The end of year sale will be on **Friday 10th December**. All items will be sold for 50c. Items include pies, sausage rolls, juices (apple, orange and apple & raspberry), strawberry and chocolate milks, ice blocks and snacks including sultanas, rice crackers and chips.



KIWANIS TERRIFIC KID

Last Friday at our school assembly we were able to present the recipients of the Kiwanis Terrific Kid award for the months of June, July and November their prizes. Congratulations to the following students who have been recognised by teachers for being **Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Respectful, Responsible, Inclusive, Friendly, Inquisitive and Capable.**



Max Gee – Terrific Kid for June

Max received this award for working hard in all areas and being a kind and helpful friend.



Jett Thorning – Terrific Kid for July

Jett received this award because he is a caring friend who enjoys learning about his friend's cultural background. He tries his very best in all learning tasks and enjoys a challenge, particularly in maths.



Toby Brown – Terrific Kid for November

Toby received this award because he tries hard in everything he does. Toby completes all tasks, is a great listener, takes his learning seriously and aims to please. He is a lovely friend and great sport.

2/3B

One morning, a couple of weeks ago, the students of 2/3B entered their classroom to find the chairs stacked up with caution tape across them. There was a strongly worded letter addressed to the students, stating why the chairs had quit their 'job' and that, for the chairs to return, the students needed to write them a persuasive letter back. This is Ivy's letter.

Dear Chairs,

I understand that you are on strike. I am really sorry for that but please don't make it for the whole day.

I'm sorry for all the people in my class swinging on you and not tucking you in. I'm also sorry for people kicking you.

I know I haven't been farting on you but I'm sorry for all the others farting on you. I'm sorry, but I know that it isn't me. I'm also sorry for leaving pencils and rubbish on you. Please don't quit! We will treat you better, I promise!

Love, Ivy.

SAUCE BOTTLE DONATIONS

Thank you for the donations of empty sauce bottles for our art room. We have had a generous donation of quite a few bottles so no more are needed.

ART CLUB

Voting has taken place at Bunnings, Boolaroo and the Art Club's design of the reading throne has come 2nd place! They have won a \$50 Bunnings voucher for the school to use for resources.

A second round of voting will also occur on the 9th December so if any T.P.S families are in Bunnings on that date, please vote for us.

SCHOOL BANKING – STATEMENT FROM COMMONWEALTH BANK

For 90 years, our School Banking program has helped children learn about money, reinforced the importance of regular savings and provided structure for parents to support their children to save.

Support is strong from schools, principals and volunteers who choose to run the program, however you may be aware that in past months, a number of state and territory governments have announced bans on banks delivering programs in their schools, and the NSW Government announced a similar decision today, because of a report from the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

We are disappointed with the position taken by ASIC and subsequent decisions by some state and territory governments to take the choice to participate away from individual schools and parents. Because of the ASIC review and these government decisions, we are unable to continue providing programs in schools and we have had to make a difficult decision to close our School Banking program nationally.

As a result, the CommBank School Banking program **will not be returning to schools beyond 2021.**

Our School Banking program was established in 1931 at a time when having a bank account was not commonplace, and since then we have helped more than 15 million Australians take their first financial steps.



Blue Light
NEW SOUTH WALES

Coming Events

PCYC MORISSET

Blue Light Disco
End of Year Blue Light Disco

Date **Friday 17th December** Time **5pm-6.30pm - Jnrs**

Location **PCYC Morisset** Time **7pm-9.30pm - Snrs**

Age group **5-11 Jnrs** Cost **\$5 members**

12-16 Snrs **\$10 non members**

For more information about this event or other club activities, please contact our office.
Phone: 4973 4766 Email: morisset@pcycnsw.org.au

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SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2021
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9AM - 12PM & 12.30PM - 3.30PM | \$25 HALF DAY, \$40 FULL DAY | AGES 5 - 12

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 20 - 24 Dec 2021	MULTI SPORTS MORNING ONLY	CHRISTMAS CRAFT MORNING ONLY	MULTI SPORTS MORNING ONLY	XMAS GAMES & TREATS MORNING ONLY	CLUB CLOSED MERRY CHRISTMAS
WEEK 2 3 - 7 Jan 2022	CLUB CLOSED	BASKETBALL 12.30-3.30 SOFTBALL	9-12 MIXED GAMES 12.30-3.30 CUPCAKE DAY	9-12 MULTI SPORTS 12.30-3.30 BOXING	9-12 GARDENING 12.30-3.30 ART & CRAFT
WEEK 3 10 - 14 Jan 2022	9-12 NETBALL 12.30-3.30 BIKE & ART & CRAFT \$6 OOTER DAY	9-12 PICKLEBALL 12.30-3.30 ART & CRAFT	9-12 BASKETBALL 12.30-3.30 SLIME MAKING	9-12 MIXED GAMES 12.30-3.30 MESSY CRAFT	9-12 CANVAS CREATIONS 12.30-3.30 CUPCAKE DAY
WEEK 4 17 - 21 Jan 2022	9-12 MINI OLYMPICS 12.30-3.30 ART & CRAFT	9-12 TREASURE HUNT 12.30-3.30 PICKLEBALL	9-12 E-SPORTS 12.30-3.30 PAPER PLANE CREATIONS	9-12 MULTI SPORTS 12.30-3.30 ART & CRAFT	9-12 NETBALL 12.30-3.30 MESSY CRAFT
WEEK 5 24 - 28 Jan 2022	9-12 TYRE GARDEN 12.30-3.30 TIE DYE (BYO SHIRT)	9-12 AUSSIE GAMES 12.30-3.30 AUSSIE CRAFT	CLUB CLOSED	9-12 MIXED GAMES 12.30-3.30 HEALTHY TREATS	9-12 TIE DYE (BYO SHIRT) 12.30-3.30 ART & CRAFT
WEEK 6 31ST JAN 2022	9-12 MULTI SPORTS 12.30-3.30 ART & CRAFT	BACK TO SCHOOL	BACK TO SCHOOL	BACK TO SCHOOL	BACK TO SCHOOL

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