

SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

5 DECEMBER 2012 - TERM 4 WEEK 9

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Families and community members who have helped at school during 2012 are invited to attend a morning tea on Wednesday 12 December at 10:45am in the new hall. Teachers will be providing the morning tea in appreciation of the support we receive from our families and community members. The relationship between the school and families is paramount in the development of student attitudes towards learning, and attitude is paramount to students achieving the best that they can. It is essential that parents have a close relationship with their child's teacher so please take every opportunity early next year to nurture this relationship.

The official opening of our shade house will be this Friday morning at 10:00am. The principal and teachers from Toormina High School as well as the 'Toormi Tradies Team' will be in attendance. The team of students built the shade-house last term and we now have a structure that will allow our students to propagate plants for the vegie patch and wider school gardens. Please come along if you are able, to show your appreciation of the effort made by the Toormina High School team.

Our Year 6 students are heading to Toormina High School tomorrow for their Year 7 transition day. This is always an exciting day as the students get a glimpse of what life will be like at high school.

We have a number of students trying out for leads in the 'Bongil Bongil Musicale' at Toormina High school in 2013. The final auditions are on Tuesday 11 December at 3.30pm at Toormina HS. Students wanting to tryout can get a note from Mrs Arthur.

Last Friday was **Haiti Hat Day**. Students have raised enough money to provide food and education for one child in the remote Haiti villages of Bouvier or Carrefour next year. The teachers have funded a student as well. I have included links to information on Haiti and the charity which has been set up by the principal of the CHEC High School.

<http://youtu.be/ZGyZoZ9yt-E>
www.frontierprojects.org

As our swimming programs end this week I send a big thank you to the teachers, parents, swim instructors and Sawtell pool staff who have supported this essential life skill for students living in the water abundant Sawtell area.

Please support the P and C 'Cookie Dough' fundraiser. Students will have fun cooking these in the holidays, under parent supervision of course. A nut warning is relevant to this product. A note and order form accompanies this

newsletter.

Our choir has sent off their audition video to hopefully be invited to perform at the Opera House in 2013. They have worked very hard and will be performing on Presentation Evening.

As the end of the school year gets closer please check the calendar in this newsletter so everyone can attend our special events. Most school functions start at 6:00pm.

Although the warmer weather can be a bit draining it is also a stimulus for many species of animal to become very active. This week we have had white-throated Needletails and Fork-tailed Swifts feeding in the skies above the school, a far cry from their breeding cliffs in China. On the way back from swimming students observed a large camouflaged moth on a pole. These Ghost moths have no mouth parts and have to live off the food consumed when a caterpillar. We do live in a rich natural environment.



PERSON OF THE WEEK

This week I have taken information and photos from the Toormina High School magazine. These are the real people who will be teaching our Year 6 students next year at THS.

Toormina High School Maths Faculty (from back left)

Robyn Kennedy - Numbers, puzzles, craft. **Russell Murchie**, Head of Faculty - Jenny, golf, Rabbitohs. **Kali Roraduri** - aspiring male-model. **Jackie Cooper** - Running, renovating, relaxing. **Adrienne Gillingham** - loves a chat. **Renee Dawson** - diving, family, quilting. **Joe Anderson** - future-all-black. **Simon Liu** - hardworking, humble, sincere.



UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Thursday 6 December</u>	Yr 7 Toormina HS Transition
<u>Tuesday 11 December</u>	Year 6 Farewell 6pm
<u>Wednesday 12 December</u>	Parent Helpers Morning Tea 10.45am
<u>Thursday 13 December</u>	School Concert 6pm in amphitheatre
<u>Friday 14 December</u>	O Day - Movies
<u>Monday 17 December</u>	Presentation Night 6pm Student Reports Home
<u>Tuesday 18 December</u>	Picnic Day - 7am start Reserve
<u>Wednesday 19 December</u>	Last day of school for students
<u>Wednesday 30 January 2013</u>	Yrs 1-6 students resume for '13

YEAR 6 2013 - JUMPER & T-SHIRT ORDER

Year 5 students will have received their Yr 6 2013 T-shirt order form. All monies and orders must be in to the school **NO LATER** than Friday 14 December 2012. All Yr 6 T-shirts will be available for collection at the school from Tuesday 29 January 2013.

RETURN OF BOOKS

Any present and past Reading Recovery students please return all outstanding books. Home Reading and Library books should also be returned.

COMMUNITY NEWS**VEGEMITE/QUICKSILVER SURF GROMS****XMAS/SUMMER HOLIDAY COURSES****LEE WINKLER'S SURF SCHOOL**

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UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open on Monday mornings 8.45 to 9.15am. We are seeking supplies of seconds clothing - if you can assist please see Kelly in the Uniform Shop. Should you be unable to attend the Uniform Shop during these hours, order forms are available at the school office.

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**THIS WEEK'S ASSEMBLY ITEM ...**

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