Bongil Bongil Band Workshop
Our school will be hosting another Bongil Bongil Band Workshop this Friday. Thank you to our dedicated staff that have helped to make this possible.

P&C Annual General Meeting
Our P&C had their AGM today. We are fortunate to have such a great and hard-working support network within our school community and value immensely the work that they do.

Thank you to our outgoing Executive: Lorrinda Tidey, Toni Montgomerie, Amanda Ensbey, Tracey Kelly, Angela Phillips-Gow, Margaret Hope and Debbie Cook.

We welcome our 2013 Executive and look forward to another successful year.

President: Elizabeth Caralis
Vice President: Jodi Gee
Secretary: Kellie Eather
Vice Treasurer: Mel Bennett
Treasurer: Margaret Hope
Relieving Principal: Jane Martyn

Up Coming Important Dates

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P&C
Tomorrow evening from 5-7pm the P&C is holding a fundraiser at the Big Banana water slides, with money raised to go to the computers which the school purchased at the end of last year. Tickets, sausage sandwiches and drinks will be available on the night. All welcome.

Easter Raffle
We are requesting donations of Easter Eggs for our raffle which will be drawn on the 27th March. Bring in your donation to the office and place it in the Easter box. The raffle book will be sent home Friday and spare tickets will be available at the office.

Easter Hat Parade
Our K-6 Easter Hat Parade will be held on 26th March at 12.15pm. All students will make their hats in class and will be part of our fun parade.

National Day of Action Friday 15th March, 2013
Toormina will be involved in taking a stand against bullying in schools and learning how to be an active bystander. The students will be participating in lessons during the day related to our Positive Behaviours for Learning and Anti Bullying Policy. A colouring in competition will be held, with our winner from each class receiving a $3 canteen voucher.

Mufti clothes are allowed on this day.
No donation is required.

Canteen Roster

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**K-6 Assembly**

**Student of the Week Awards**

We would like to warmly welcome our new Music/Choir and Dance teacher, Mrs Scott, to our school. Mrs Scott has been teaching Music for almost 20 years in both Australia and Europe. Her dance experience has included choreographing student performances at the Melbourne Concert Hall and Sydney Town Hall as well as a variety of school and community musicals. Mrs Scott is passionate about Music Education and encourages creativity in her students as they learn via singing and movement, eventually transferring this knowledge onto a range of instruments. She also incorporates improvisation into this learning process. Mrs Scott believes that "every child is inherently musical" and enjoys giving students the opportunity to perform in choirs, concert bands, orchestras and musical productions.

It is great to have a teacher with Mrs Scott’s expertise and passion for sharing her love of dance, music and singing with our students, join our teaching team.

**Bongil Bongil Musicale Production**

Five of our students are so excited to have been selected for leading positions in the Bongil Bongil Schools combined production Factorium Fantastica "Make Believe You Can" to be presented in June. Hannah Davis, Matthew Donnan, Tori Rose, Danielle Tate and Lara Auton spend Wednesday afternoons over at Toormina High School rehearsing with students from other schools in the area. The production has two casts, allowing as many students as possible to experience the thrill of performing on stage. Hannah is part of the Barbie dance team, Matthew has been cast as Little Ted, Tori will be a clown as well as dancing in the Bratz team and singing, Danielle and Lara are fairies with Lara also being in the Barbie dance and gymnastic teams. These students love working with the High School Drama teachers, meeting new friends and learning new skills. Tori says that she "...loves the costumes" and Lara likes "...learning new choreography". Matt says that the bigger kids "think that we are all cute!"

Elizabeth Paff  
Community Liaison & Student Welfare Officer

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**Our School Community**

**Mrs Joanne Scott**

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**STUDENT AWARDS**

**Congratulations to the following students**

**Gotcha Being Good**

- 07.03.13 Mikayla Freeman KB
- 08.03.13 Patrick Crawford 4H
- 11.03.13 Dakoda Bennett 4H
- 12.03.13 Jarryn Walter 5/6N
- 13.03.13 Elijah Brady KH

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**Have you received the Schoolkids Bonus?**

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 - have you?

If you received a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education, whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting: [australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus](http://australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus) and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink or visit a Centrelink-Medicare office.