2014 School Fees
Books and Stationery $20
Voluntary School Contribution $30

Up Coming Important Dates

March
Friday 21st  Harmony Day (Hangi) - Mufti Free
Saturday 22nd  P&C Family Portraits

April
Wed 9th  P & C Easter Raffle Drawn
Thurs 10th  School Photos

Principal Message
Harmony Day – Friday 21st March

We are all looking forward to celebrating Harmony Day this Friday with our Hangi organised by Mr Matete and Ms Ricketts. We also have multicultural snack foods available that can be ordered through the canteen.

District Soccer

Last week, we had 11 of our students attend the trials for District soccer teams. We had 6 boys and 3 girls who were successful in being chosen to join these teams.
Congratulations to all!

North Coast Basketball

Three of our students were selected to attend the North Coast basketball trials in Grafton yesterday. Congratulations to Shavanah Boota, Byron Walker and Jada-Lee Brunton.

Stage 3 Canberra Parents Meeting

Parents of Stage 3 students are invited to attend an information session with teachers regarding our trip to Canberra in August. The meeting will be next Wednesday 26th March from 5.30pm-6.00pm in our library.

Farewell from Mrs Martyn

After 10 years at Toormina Public School, I will be saying farewell to you all at the end of this term. I will be taking up the Principal’s position at Repton Public School from the beginning of next term. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the sensational memories that I will take with me and wish all of you the very best for the future.

Jane Martyn

Harmony Day Tomorrow

Just a reminder that Friday is a mufti day (no cost). Children may like to wear a costume from another culture or something orange (the Harmony Day colour).

Hangi Orders

It is so exciting to see so many orders rolling in! Wednesday was the cut off for orders (so food could be purchased and prepared in time). Parents are welcome to come in and help out with the Hangi on Friday anytime.

Please remember, if you have an order it will not be ready until after 2pm. So please ensure your child has something to eat for lunch on Friday.

If you want your child to bring their meal home for you to try, please let them know and we can provide a plastic bag so they can bring it home.

A HUGE thanks to all mums and Dads who have helped peeling, cutting, organising the vegetables and helping with the fire pit! We couldn’t do it without your help.

We are looking forward to a great feast on Friday full of fun! We hope to see you there.

Thankyou to our wonderful Hangi Kitchen Helpers!

Haromnie Ricketts
and Hone Matete
This week at our school assembly we saw 5/6C students relive some of their most embarrassing memories in the form of four short skits. Student’s own writing was used as a basis for each skit and their dramatic abilities put to good use.

Next week there will be no assembly. The following week, Monday 31st March, 4N will be presenting their assembly item to the school.

Congratulations to all of our student of the week winners.

School Banking

School Banking day at Toormina Public School is Tuesday. To start School Banking, your child needs a Commonwealth Bank Youth Saver account.

If your child has a Youth Saver account, they can start School Banking straight away - just send their bank book and deposit into school on Tuesday.

If you would like to open an account, the Commonwealth Bank are holding an Account Opening Session at our school on: **TUESDAY 25TH MARCH 2014** between 8.30 - 9.30am.

Simply bring your Driver’s licence (or other form of identification) to the Account Opening Session and an account will be opened for your child.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our School Banking Co-ordinators by leaving your contact details with the staff in the front office.

P&C News

**Shop for Coffs Coast Schools**

A huge thank-you to everyone who collected their receipts and dropped them into our school office, it was noted at Parkbeach Plaza that Toormina Public School gave this promotion our best shot ever this year, for a chance to win a classroom full of I-PADS. That is a great effort in itself! The competition closed yesterday and the final schools battling it out for 1st prize were Naranga, Glenreagh, Ulong Karangi & Coramba Public Schools. So unfortunately we didn’t win (winning school announced in next Wednesday’s Advocate) however we didn’t walk away empty handed! Congratulations again to Leland Ramsey (1C) who won our school the weekly “Student of the Week” prize in this promotion last week. Leland emailed in and asked for some gardening equipment/tools for our new school gardens. We are very grateful to have been chosen and received a stack of gardening tools (including a new wheelbarrow) from Thrifty Link Hardware.

**Easter Raffle Donations**

To make up our big prize pool, we are again asking all families to please donate a chocolate gift/ easter egg (fully wrapped please). Donations can be dropped into our front office during the month of March and thank-you to everyone who has done this already. We are getting some wonderful donations and are very excited to bring you as many prizes as possible this year.

1st Prize: A gorgeous big fluffy bunny & basket of easter eggs/ chocolates – valued at $75 (prize on display at our school office).

Easter raffle tickets have been selling very well. Well done to all children who have already returned full books of tickets. Please contact the school office if you would like some more. Tickets are 50c each or 5 for $2 and the raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 9th April just before the Easter Hat Parade. SO KEEP SELLING & GOOD LUCK!

**Community News**

**Canteen Roster**

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**Pearls of the Harbour**

Health professionals giving you their hot tips for taking care of your health.

$25 includes dinner, speakers and entertainment.

**For women over 30**

Thursday 4th April, 6pm for 6.30pm start, The Happy Frog, 51 Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour.

Ticket available at the Coffs Harbour Women’s Health Expo or phone 665175114 to pre-order.

**Book early or miss out!**