Principal Message
This week our Year 3 and Year 5 children have been completing their NAPLAN assessments for Reading, Language Conventions, Writing and Numeracy. These diagnostic tests are marked centrally and we usually see the results returned to families and the school some time in term 3.

Our boys softball team played Narranga PS last week in their first round of the PSSA knockout competition. Narranga have a very strong tradition in softball and have won the state title on more than one occasion. Our boys were not overawed by their opponents and put on an excellent performance, despite losing. One of the highlights of the game came from Asttan Hope who hit a ‘four run homer’. Mr Matete was very pleased with the sportsmanship and effort that came from our boys. Well done!

With the cooler weather arriving it is timely to remind our families to make sure all items of school clothing are clearly labelled. Our lost property is starting to increase in size, with many items lacking a label with the child’s name.

OC Placement
Parents of students seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 must submit their application by tomorrow 15 May 2015. Late applications will not be accepted. The application website is at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Code of Conduct for school students on buses
It is every student’s responsibility to behave in a manner that ensures safety and comfort of the passenger and drivers in accordance with Transport for NSW published Code of Conduct. This includes:

Behaving appropriately:
- Respect the needs and comfort of other passengers (e.g. No use of offensive or racist language, fighting, spitting, placing feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus, eating or drinking - except water - unless the bus operator gives written permission.
- Give up seats to all adults and any disabled passengers.
- Adhere to the law that bans smoking on buses.
- Obey reasonable directions from the driver (e.g. where to sit or to remain in the bus).
- Keep arms, legs and heads inside the bus.
- Refrain from attracting the attention of the driver except in the case of emergency.

Respecting property:
Protect bus property.
Ensure that buses are not vandalised.
Report any vandalism, eg. graffiti and window etching.

Holding passes:
- Show travel passes to the driver on boarding and when requested.
- Use the travel pass only for its intended purpose.
- Keep your travel pass for your own use - you should not lend your pass to other students or borrow one from them.

Disobeying these rules may lead to the withdrawal of school bus travel passes and/or prosecution.

A full copy of the Code of Conduct can be found on the Transport for NSW web site at www.transport.nsw.gov.au

Upcoming Important Dates
May
18th PSSA Rugby League
19th ICAS Technology (UNSW Competition)
21st NSW Blues Visit
22nd MNC Cross Country (Sawtell Reserve)
27th Dinosaur Science Show
28th MNC Rugby Trials (Toormina P.S)
June
3rd Science Comp (UNSW Competition)
Group 2 Rugby League
4th P & C Meeting @ 9.30am (Staffroom)
5th Yarn Up @ 12.30pm (Staff room veranda)
8th Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)
10th Athletics Carnival (Stadium)
15th Writing Comp (UNSW Competition)
16th Spelling Comp (UNSW Competition)

Gotcha Being Good
Hollie Goodworth
P&C News
A big thanks to all who helped out at our Mother’s Day breakfast last Friday. We hope all mums/grandmas enjoyed their B.L.T roll. The winner of our raffle was Jessica Wilson, who took home a $150 pamper pack (for her mum) thanks to Terry White Chemist - Park Beach Plaza.

District Cross Country
Help Needed
Our school P&C Committee has been chosen to cater for this year’s “District Cross Country” carnival, next Friday (22nd May) at Sawtell Beach Caravan Park. Given the large amount of people attending this event, it is going to be a big job. If any parents can spare an hour or two of their time to help cook on the BBQ or serve food, it would be very much appreciated! Please contact the school office on 66532122 and leave your details and we will get back to you. Thanks. Vashti Broadbent, P&C President.

STEWART HOUSE
To participate in the draw, Stewart House envelopes need to be returned to the school by tomorrow, Friday 15th May.

Dinosaur Science Show
An exciting show with lashings of humour, loads of audience participation and huge scale models (up to 2 metres high) designed to “wow” even the most cynical students and amuse their inner paleontologist.

Wednesday 27th May
Cost: $5.50 per student
Special Family Discount for Families with more than 2 children
Please complete the permission note from last week’s newsletter and return to CLASS TEACHERS by Friday 22nd May

SPORT NEWS
Toormina Tigers played a neck and neck game last Saturday against Sandy Beach Storm, even with only 4 players and 2 of those unwell. They managed to keep in tie with the other team until they just missed out with the score being 22/24 their way.

Canteen Roster
Mon 18.05.15 A. Marriott
Tues 19.05.15 Closed
Wed 20.05.15 J. Ward
Thur 21.05.15 P. Jones & H. Ingram
Frid 22.05.15 K. Loader & J. Sinclair

NAPLAN

Mother’s Day Breakfast
Excellence in Child Dental Services

Call today on 1300 65 16 25

All children under 18 yrs of age can receive FREE DENTAL CARE through the Mid North Coast Local Health District.

PARENTS DO NOT NEED TO HOLD A PENSION CARD OR HEALTH CARE CARD FOR THEIR CHILD TO BE ELIGIBLE.

See you soon

Look after your smile!

Please call 1300 65 16 25 if you would like your child to have a check-up.

IF THEY ARE IN PAIN OR HAVE DENTAL PROBLEMS THEY WILL BE PRIORITISED WHEN YOU CALL 1300 65 16 25 TO BE TRIAGED.

OUR MID NORTH COAST LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT DENTAL CLINICS ARE SITUATED IN:

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IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER INDICATING YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE CHILD DENTAL BENEFIT SCHEME YOU CAN USE THIS AT ANY OF OUR CLINICS.
TOORMI GARDEN
2015 UPDATE

The Program
This year each year group will spend a term working in our garden, planting, growing and harvesting fresh produce. The program matches to:
Term 1 - Year 3/4
Term 2 - Kindergarten
Term 3 - Year 5/6
Term 4 - Year 1/2

Term 1
In Term 1, students from Year 3/4 learnt how insects as small as a bee and ant play such a pivotal role in the world’s ecosystem and the survival of plant life. Students planned romans, how to grow pea and squash seeds and when they grew into seedlings, transplanted them into our garden.

Term 2
This term, Kindergarten have been investigating living and non-living things. They are learning about the needs and plants by planting pea and bean seeds and taking care of them.
Later in the term, Year 3/4 students will help Kindergarten harvest the vegetables in our garden and prepare a healthy snack!

Parent Help...
This term I will be looking at installing a small hot water system in our kitchen space to allow students to wash up after cooking. If you are able to help us with this, can you please let me know.
I will send out a note about volunteering over this term and I will be looking for Kindergarten parents and Year 3/4 parents to come in and help students prepare pasta, bread and lamingtons using produce from our garden.

Thank you for our AMAZING P&F and SRC for their ongoing support in raising funds to support this program.

Hermione Dal-Bon