



TERARA TIMES

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Presentation Night

December is upon us and our presentation night is just around the corner. We hope you can join us in the Nowra High School Hall next Tuesday 9th December for a 6pm start to recognize the wonderful achievements of all of our students.

Students are to be seated by 5:50pm. They are to wear their full school uniform (no Year 6 shirts please) and wear black school shoes.

Presentation night is a highlight of our school calendar and we look forward to joining our school community to recognize the fantastic achievements of our students and our school.

School Planning

Earlier in the term parents were invited to a planning session to help set our school's strategic directions for the next 3 years. It is vital that every family has input to our evaluation process to ensure we are meeting the needs of all students.

Attached to this newsletter you will find a SWOT analysis sheet which I will ask you to complete and return by the end of the term. This is an opportunity to provide brief comments about our school's Strengths and Weaknesses, as well as Opportunities and possible Threats to our school's success.

The aim of the SWOT is for parents to provide a brief overview of their opinions. A more detailed survey will be sent out at the beginning of next year once the SWOT has been properly analysed. Parents who completed a SWOT in our planning session may already feel that their points have been made, otherwise I encourage you to take a few moments to complete the survey. I appreciate your honesty when completing the form.

School Ambassadors

Each year our presentation night program lists the names of families or individuals who make financial contributions towards the evening. Most of these 'sponsors' have had a long association with the school and have acted as ambassadors for a number of consecutive years.

During a recent P&C meeting it was decided that the school would invite families whose youngest child is in Year 6 to become ambassadors for their child's final presentation night and into the future. These families received letters today. We are also extending the invitation to become school ambassadors to all school families. If you would like to become an ambassador and make annual financial contributions to presentation night please see me.

Have a great week,
Rod White
Principal

Week 9, Term 4

Monday 1st December

This Week:

Tuesday

1/2 library

After School Sport

Wednesday

Pie & Paddle Pop day.

Thursday

Final Scripture

Thank you Morning Tea

K/1 library

Friday

Tuckshop

5/6 library

Mufti - Day: Gold coin donation

Next Monday 8th December

Tuckshop

3/4 library

Positive Behaviour for Success

This week's value is

Make good choices and being resilient

Congratulations to last week's winners:

Haley and Phoebe

Snakes

One of the joys of a semi-rural school is sharing our playground with the local wild-life. However in recent weeks we have been reminded of this by sightings of less popular characters - snakes.

In the interest of keeping our students, staff and visitors safe, our school does have a snake policy to refer to and last week we contacted a snake catcher to safely remove a snake, but it was too fast for us.

Our fantastic General Assistant, Mr Kupfer, has been busy ensuring there are no piles of green waste around the school, but unfortunately there are many places snakes like to call home.

The best thing we can do is make students aware of what to do if a snake is sighted and ensure that everyone is aware of areas to keep away from if there is a sighting. Our students have been very mature when dealing with this contentious issue and have been praised on their maturity and common sense.

Terara School Dinner

As always, our end of school dinner was a lovely evening and went way too quickly. Thank you to all the parents and staff for the lovely company and laughs!

It was a lovely way to celebrate a fantastic combined effort throughout 2014.

Thank you Morning Tea and Final Scripture

All parents are invited to a small scripture presentation this Thursday at 9:30am. This will be followed by a morning tea for us to thank everyone who has helped and supported the school throughout 2014.

We hope you can come along.

Year 6 Farewell

Our Year 5 & 6 students are excited about the Year 6 farewell which will be held next Friday evening. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you have not received information about this in recent weeks please see Mrs J.

Yearbook

Once again our Year 6 students are helping to create a school yearbook which will document the highlights and achievement of our students for 2014. The yearbook will be finalised and posted out to families during the school holidays. If you would like to place an order, please complete the slip and return with money by the end of the term.

YEARBOOK

Please reserve me _____ yearbook/s @ \$12.00 each.

Name.....

Meat Pie & Paddle Pop Day

THIS WEDNESDAY - 3rd DECEMBER

Name.....

Class.....

Quantity.....

Parent Signature

