

NEWS LETTER

Safe Respectful Learners

TERM 4 | WEEK 8 | December 2020



CREATING OUR FUTURE

Welcome Year 7 2021!



Welcome to our 2021 Year 7 students! Congratulations to our scholarship winners (on right) Koby Werner (Sawtell PS), Charlotte Kopp (Sawtell PS), Nathan Walsh (Boambee PS), Stella Dodd, absent from photo, (Bonville PS), Asher Blair (Toormina PS) and Maddox Bird (Boambee PS).

Thank you to our peer leaders and School Learning Support Officers who were assigned to a class and spent the day with our newest students to ensure a great first day at high school! Ryan Sullings and Wendy Whittle (bottom right) are our year advisers for this group.

Welcome Year 7 2021!





Thursday, Week A, Period 3

Just SOME of the classes held during this period at THS include: Sheridan Johnston and her Year 8 Personal Health and Development1 students, Louise Evans and her Room 24 students enjoying the picnic food they made in class, Matt Francis and his year 10 Visual Arts ceramics class, Michelle Nichols, Year 10 Agriculture students checking their chickens and Adam Berrada's Year 8 Personal Health and Development2 students playing hard in the COLA.





Whirligigs!

Mr Driscoll's Year 8 Technology class have been making 'whirligigs', wind powered garden ornaments, photo above is Emily Tucker, well done!



Spring at the Farm

Ollie, photo on the right, recently got a hair cut! Thank you to John O'Dwyer for coming in to shear Ollie. Year 9 Agriculture students listened to John talk about aging sheep by looking at their teeth. It was determined Ollie is approximately 3 years old. He also explained the process of crutching and wiggging. He talked about condition scoring and wool quality. A couple of the school's muscovy ducks are visiting the primary school for the next two weeks and Angel is sitting on a clutch of eggs, which should hatch soon. The juvenile ducks have been released from their enclosure and are free ranging with the adult ducks on the farm.

Melissa Nicholls, Agriculture Teacher



BE BOLD

Make a difference and build safer communities

Certificate III in Vocational and Study Pathways



Code	10586NAT
Duration	18 weeks full time delivery 24 weeks flexible delivery
Cost	Nil Fee exemption for eligible candidates applies
Location	Various locations in NSW

WHAT YOU CAN BE

The Indigenous Police Recruitment Our way Delivery Program (IPROWD) supports Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to join the NSW Police Force or other Justice and Emergency Service Agencies.

Course outcomes include:

- Communication
- Information Technology
- Writing and Presenting Information
- Ethics and Workplace Responsibilities
- Aboriginal Studies
- An excursion to the NSW Police Academy, Goulburn, NSW.
- Support to reach the fitness levels required to meet the NSW Police Force Recruitment standards.
- Support with applications for Charles Sturt University, NSW Police Force or other Justice and Emergency Service agencies.

Eligibility Criteria

- Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent, and to self-identify and be accepted or known by your community. (Proof of Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander may be requested)
- Have no serious prior criminal history or serious driving offences. (All applicants must give approval for a basic Police screening to be conducted)
- Be a minimum age of 17 years 10 months at commencement of the course.
- Have or be able to obtain a NSW Driver's Licence.

READY TO BE BOLD?

To express your interest or find out more

Contact STATE IPROWD TEAM
Phone 1300 823 393
Email IPROWD@tafnsw.edu.au

OR APPLY TODAY AT TAFNSW.EDU.AU/IPROWD

Be connected,
Be recognised,
Be a go-getter.

#10 88888. Terms and conditions may apply.
Information is correct at time of printing: November 2020



Careers

YES TAFE Taster Program -

Pictured is year 10 student, Jesse Barnier, tinting Mrs West's eyebrows during the last day of the Hair and Beauty course.

Hopefully, the Tafe taster program will run again in Term 2 2021.

TAFE Early Childhood Education and Care

Currently four of our year 11 students are studying Early Childhood Education and Care, through TAFE at Coffs Harbour Education Campus each Wednesday as part of their HSC.

Pictured is Emerance Illunga playing the part of Handa in the story 'Handa's Surprise' while interacting with students and parents at the Wawaa Guul Preschool.

Defence Work Experience

Program 2021 The Defence Work Experience Program (DWEP) is returning in 2021! DWEP provides opportunities for young Australians, aged 15-24, who have an interest in a Defence career to gain exposure to job roles that are available in the Australian Defence Force and Australian Public Service. Programs are run Australia-wide.

For more information, please email nsw.workexperienceprogram@defence.gov.au

Robyn West, Careers Adviser

In the Past



The Support Unit have been studying as a thematic unit 'In the Past'. As part of these studies a number of classes have been watching Further Back in Time for Dinner from the ABC. On Thursday, November 19th, The Sydney Living Museum had a live interactive virtual excursion, in conjunction with the ABC, televised throughout Australia with 600 schools and 1800 students involved. Students had a virtual walk through Vaucluse House in Sydney and saw how the kitchen functioned in the past. Two special guests from the TV show Further Back in Time for Dinner answered questions sent in by students. A very enjoyable activity.

Louise Evans, Support Teacher



Our **Final Awards Assemblies** will be held on Friday 11th December. We will be live streaming these presentations for parents and guests. Students will be sent the live link to their year group's private stream of the assembly to their school email addresses one week prior to the event.

9:10am - Year 11
10:00am - Year 10
11:20am - Year 9
12:10pm - Year 8
1:30pm - Year 7

We look forward to you joining our virtual assemblies.

Thanks

The English Faculty have been providing an alternative reading space at lunch time on Tuesdays while the library has been occupied by HSC students.



Year 7 students have received 'Expressions of Interest' notes for the rescheduling of the Forster Adventureland camp that they missed out on this year. If we get the numbers, it will now go ahead, on 31 May to the 2 June 2021. The notes will need to be returned to Mr Gale or Mrs Crough by December 7th.

DATES		
Mon	7/12 - 11/12	WEEK B
Wed	9/12	Support Unit Excursion Sawtell Pool
Wed	9/12 3:20 - 4:20pm	Staff Professional Learning
Thurs	10/12	Badging Ceremony Student Leadership Team
Fri	11/12	Major Awards Assembly
Mon	14/12 - 18/12	Week A
Wed	16/12	LAST DAY 2020 Students
Thurs	17/12	Staff Development Day Pupil Free
Fri	18/12	Staff Development Day Pupil Free
Tues	26/1/21	Australia Day Public Holiday
Wed	27/1/21	Staff Development Day Pupil Free
Thurs	28/1/21	Staff Development Day Pupil Free
Fri	29/1/21	Year 7, 11, 12 First day Term 1
Mon	1/2/21	Year 8, 9, 10 First day Term 1

Please check out the albums of photos on the Toormina High School Facebook page - sharing memories of THS, 1980 - 2020!

Love Bites



Our year 9 students are participating in Love Bites this term. This fantastic poster was designed by a THS student.

The Love Bites program is designed to equip young people with the knowledge needed to have respectful relationships, encourage and develop their skills in critical thinking and assist them in being able to problem solve and communicate effectively.



COFFS HARBOUR
TRY LEAGUE
BOYS AND GIRLS, AGED 10 - 14 YEARS



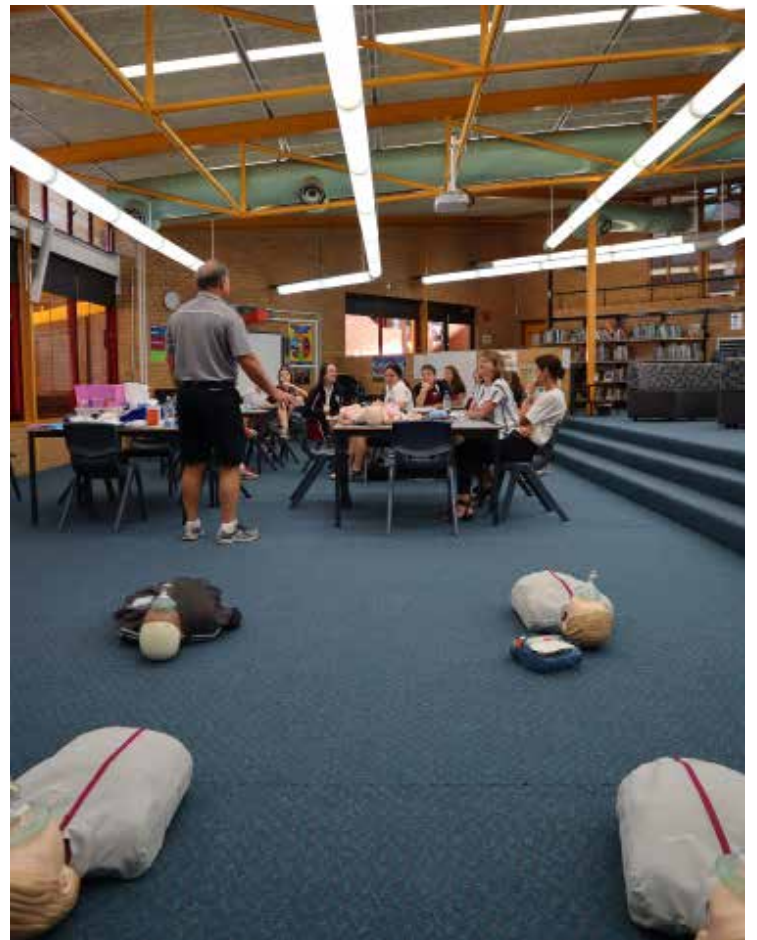
COME AND JOIN US

in an 8-week program learning Rugby League skills and a game of Monarch Blues Tag

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS
4.30PM - 5.30PM
10 February - 31 March
Reg Ryan Oval, Coffs Harbour
(next to the PCYC)



For more information or to register, please contact:
Zoe Hamilton 0424 430 424 or
zhamilton@nswrl.com.au
nswrl.com.au



First Aid Course

Last week Personal Development, Health and Physical Education and Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation students participated in a First Aid course.



Year 10 Ice Skating

**TOORMINA HIGH SCHOOL
UNIFORM SHOP
OPEN**

every Monday 8am - 12pm,
every Thursday 12pm - 4pm

For more information
Jess 0468 436 217

**JANUARY
TRADING HOURS
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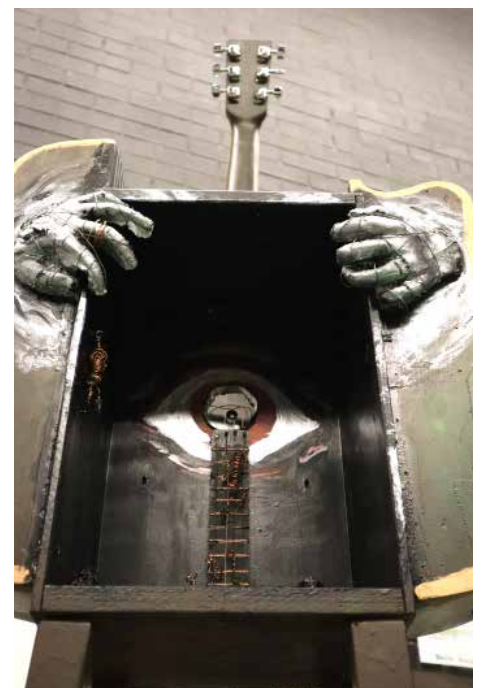
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Just SOME of the amazing art works from our HSC students, congratulations to our talented students and staff!



Spartan Game of Life

Students in Year 11 Ancient History have been learning about Spartan Society to the Battle of Leuctra. As part of their study, they engaged in a Spartan version of the old classic 'Game of Life'. Students were given different lollies to represent different aspects of life: their allotments of land, their children and their currency of iron bars. Students applied their knowledge to



political, social and economic issues that would have occurred in ancient times, to examine how these would have influenced the distribution of wealth in Spartan society. The discussion that occurred throughout the game allowed students to look at how wealth was distributed via laws, marriage and inheritance, and also challenge the Spartan mirage of an equal militaristic society. The students of course enjoyed getting to consume any 'wealth' they lost during of the game.

Cheryl Cutter, HSIE Teacher

P&C

I would like to thank all the students, staff and parents on what has been a unique and challenging year. I would also like to thank everybody who helped and supported our pie drive fundraiser this year. On behalf of the P&C we wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

Regards, Sandra Jeffery, P&C President

Support Unit students have been working on their edible garden this term.



League Tag



Toormina High School participated in the Values Shield League Tag Gala Day for 14 and 16s boys and girls. Ten schools from our local community participated in the event which was a successful day for school sport in the local area.

This was the first opportunity for many this year to participate in a structured School Gala Day. Our students behaviour was exemplary and enjoyment was had by all.

I had the pleasure of coaching the 14 girls and 16 boys who gave their best as always. The 16s Boys won their first 2 matches against JPC and South Grafton High School before losing, in the last minute, to Coffs Harbour High School in the penultimate match. The boys went on to draw their final match against Nambucca High School, the hot day taking its toll on our boys. Despite missing out on the gold they should be proud of how they represented our school.

In the 14s girls division, our juniors blitzed their opposition. The team was victorious in all four matches defeating Nambucca Heads, Bellingen, South Grafton and JPC. The final match with JPC was an incredibly close contest with Lilly Davies-Jamieson starring for the girls, leading them to victory. The skill level from our girls was second to none and they are to be commended on their performance.

Adam Berrada, Team Coach

Last Friday ended a long hiatus from school sports for a lot of students. I was fortunate enough to coach a junior boys and senior girls side.

The U14's side demonstrated immense skill and excellent teamwork on the field. The behaviour these young chaps displayed on the day was unbelievable. During their last match of the day they faced a red hot South Grafton side and instead of putting their heads down when chasing points, captain Kobe Saxby led the boys with some freakish backyard footy style plays. I couldn't be more proud of the effort and respect these boys demonstrated. They finished the day with a 3 -1 record. I'm looking forward to working closely with a lot of these boys in the next few years during their school rugby league careers.

The U16's Girls team have played together outside of school and it showed. The girls defeated every team in their pool with matches against JPC, Grafton and Orara pushing the girls to a couple of close calls.

The captain of the side, Casey Cowgill, delivered both on and off the field. Immense ability with the ball in hand, Casey was able to captain her teammates, pointing out any mistakes and rectifying for future games.

Coaching this side was made easy by the amount of talent and the ultimate professionalism these girls displayed. In between matches, they were able to organise their warm ups and run through their plays with minimal assistance.

Thank you for a wonderful day legends.

Brad Herman, Team Coach





Toormina High School

Uniform Shop Special Opening Hours

Uniform Shop is located within the school

January 2021

Wednesday	20th. January	9:00AM - 2:00PM
Thursday	21st. January	9:00AM - 2:00PM
Friday	22nd. January	9:00AM - 2:00PM
Monday	25th. January	9:00AM - 3:00PM
Tuesday	26th. January	CLOSED
Wednesday	27th. January	8:30AM - 2:30PM
Thursday	28th. January	8:30AM - 2:30PM
Friday	29th. January	8:30AM - 2:30PM

NORMAL HOURS MONDAY:

8:00am - 12:00pm

THURSDAY:

12:00pm - 4:00pm

Uniform enquires please call Jess Bishop: 0468 436 217

Purchase Online: daylightsportswear.com/toormina

Please Pick-up all orders at the school uniform shop