



Congratulations Corey!



Former Toormina High School student, Corey Warn, is a finalist in the 2020 NSW Trainee of the Year!

Corey has completed the Certificate III Early Childhood Education as part of an ETC program and is a staff member of the Goodstart Early Learning team.

Corey said he loves teaching and supporting young children and, as he has a hearing impairment, hopes to teach them to sign and communicate in alternative ways.

The ETC Training team, his family, and the Toormina High School community all feel very proud of Corey. He is great representative of his family, our school, public education and a role model for students with a disability. Good luck and congratulations Corey!

Corey Warn in the photo above with his grandparents, Chris and Bill, receiving the 2018 Youth Award from Coffs Harbour City Council during NAIDOC Week.

We like to introduce staff members to our school community via a small questionnaire...



Name...**Bronte Warskitt**

THS Position...School Learning Support Officer

The high school I attended was...Jetty High School

On weekends I enjoy ...spending time with my family.

I love...animals.

I don't like... dishonesty.

When I was a teenager I wish someone had told me...don't be pressured to make a decision, make the decision that is right for you.



Name...**Mark Scholten**

THS Position...School Learning Support Officer

The high school I attended was...Woolgoolga High School

On weekends I enjoy ...surfing.

I love...surfing.

I don't like...Melbourne Storm!

When I was a teenager I wish someone had told me... to travel the world.



Name...**Danette Maxwell**

THS Position...Casual Teacher

The high school I attended was...Sunnybank High School

On weekends I enjoy ...going to the beach with my husband and four boys.

I love... chocolate, chocolate and chocolate.

I don't like...rude people.

When I was a teenager I wish someone had told me...that most worries never come true, so...go and do.

Toormina High School **UNIFORM SHOP** Manager Jess o468 436 217

Open every MONDAY, 8am - 12

every THURSDAY, 12 - 4pm

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Principal's Column

Last week we made a massive move to improve teaching and learning outcomes for all students through the introduction of Yondr. I am sure that your child has shown you their Yondr pouch which is designed to secure their mobile phone for the school day. Already the staff are seeing massive improvements in the classroom and playground. The staff have reported that they have less interrupted time, less challenges with students about mobile phones and that students are completing more work. In the playground, teachers have noticed more noise as students are now talking to each other instead of playing with their mobile device.

It is essential that all students with a mobile phone place their phone in the pouch at the start of the day as this will lead to improved learning outcomes for our students. In the most part, our students have been very compliant, however, we will continue to have some students who challenge school rules and they will be managed according to school and NSW Education Department procedures around disobedience. Students who continue to not follow the school's mobile devices policy risk having the device confiscated and returned to the parent at the end of the day.

While standing at the front gate over the past few days, I have noticed a large number of vehicles dropping students off in the bus bay area between 8.00am and 9.30am and then picking children up after 2.30pm. This area is a designated bus zone and drivers caught by the council rangers or NSW Police are liable for a fine of over \$268 and 4 demerit points.

School uniform continues to be a challenge for our many of our students. I need parents to support our school in ensuring each child, including students in the Distance Education program are in full uniform each day. Our Parents and Citizens Committee, comprised of interested parents who represent our community, determine that Toormina High School is a uniform school and as such our staff try to enforce this. Students wearing only the school shirt and non-uniform pants and jacket are not in uniform.

If you are not already aware, 2020 is Toormina High School's 40th Anniversary. Marcia O'Sullivan (our communications officer) has been busy posting old photos on our social media and inviting comments. We are in the process of developing a 40th Anniversary Year Book and would love any stories or photos that you would like to share about our history of the past 40 years. If you have something, please email it through to the school. We can hopefully use this to assist in celebrating this milestone.

Paul Humphrey, Principal

Mobile Phones YONDR Pouch - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What if I want to reach my child during the school day?

We want our students to be engaged in their learning. Please refrain from contacting your student during the school day unless it is an emergency. Contact the office, 66 533 077, to reach your child.

What if there is an emergency?

In case of an emergency, we direct our students to safety first. School staff will be able to unlock a Yondr pouch in a matter of seconds for students once they are in a safe and secure location.

What if the pouch gets damaged?

The Yondr pouch belongs to Toormina High School. If a student damages a Yondr pouch, he/she will be held responsible. Replacement pouches will cost US\$12 (approximately AUD\$18 at current exchange rates). The student's phone will be confiscated and a parent/carer must come to school to retrieve it.

What if my child refuses to put their phone into the Yondr pouch?

The child will be asked by the teacher/head teacher/deputy principal to comply with the request. If the child continues to refuse, the phone will be confiscated or parents contacted. Continued refusal to follow instructions may lead to further disciplinary action or withdrawal of the child's permission to bring a phone to school.

Go Kaitlan!

Kaitlan Carmady, year 11 student, is riding for autism to help create a world where no-one on the autism spectrum is left behind.

Kaitlan will be riding from Sunday 5th - 12th July while raising much needed funds to support people on the autism spectrum.

An estimated 1 in every 70 people is on the spectrum. Along with their family members, this means autism is a part of daily life for over a million Australians.

People on the spectrum see, hear, feel and experience the world differently. For many, simply coping with the everyday can lead to confusion, anxiety and isolation.

By coming together and taking action, we can help provide opportunities for people on the autism spectrum to participate, engage and thrive in the world around them.

Help make Kaitlan's ride count and show your support by donating today!

<https://www.rideforautism.org.au/.../kaitlanc.../ride-for-autism>



From the Careers Desk

1. **Whitecard course** - Thursday 23rd July (all day)

Forms are available from the Careers Office, or see Mr Francis.

\$60 to be paid to the front office by 1st July. Limited places available.

2. **Year 10 Work Experience** - Term 3, Week 2 (27th - 31st July)

All paperwork must be completed and handed to Mrs West or Mr Francis by the end of Term 2.

3. **Year 10 Subject Selection Information**

The link below takes you to the UAC site for students who are thinking about going to university once they complete year 12.

<https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/year-10-students>

4. **My Big Tomorrow**

Use the link below to explore career options and find out which subjects you may want to choose if you are considering a certain career pathway.

<https://mybigtomorrow.com.au>

5. **Toormina High School Disability Expo**

Wednesday 2nd September 9am - 12pm

Toormina High School has its own CAREERS WEBSITE <https://www.toorminahighcareers.com>

This is a "One Stop Shop" for information relating to Careers, such as;

Work Experience, Resumes, Higher School Certificate, Record of School Achievement, University Admissions Centre, career videos and pathways, gap year options,

Defence Force information and much more.

Wow!

This week year 12 participated in a competency assessment for the following units:

- SITHCCC002 Prepare and present simple dishes,
- SITHCCC001 Use food preparation equipment,
- SITHCCC006 Prepare appetisers and salads
- BSBWOR203 Work effectively with others



Students worked as part of a catering team (3-4 per team) and were observed for their ability to work with colleagues in the preparation of a range of dishes following standard recipes. The teams had to demonstrate safe and hygienic food handling and work practices throughout the assessment, working to acceptable industry time-frames relevant to the job role of a catering assistant.

Greg Woods. Head Teacher TAS



- Caesar salad
- Wagyu Beef sliders with caramelized onion
- Roasted beetroot and kumera salad with red onion, feta and raspberry dressing
- Butter milk chicken sliders with basil aioli



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Work and fun!

Students from Room 21, above, have been exploring 'Space' and made alien hats during art.

The Work Skills students below gain 'real life' work skills at THS with Ms Lawrence. Students collect the recycling and wash the teatowels from each faculty, pump up the sports balls, organise the dishwasher in the Commonroom, collect food scraps from each staffroom for the compost and have learnt to make tea. They have decorated their own mugs to enjoy a cuppa at the end of the Workskills day.



Become a foster carer

Foster carers are needed in the Mid North Coast region more than ever before.

Whether you are giving a child a long-term home, or stepping in to help in a crisis, being a foster carer is a hugely, rewarding experience.

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Call Kymberly Pushong on, **0439 845 960** or email

kymberly.pushong@challengecommunity.org.au



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DENIM DONATIONS

The TAS faculty are looking for any old denim jeans, jackets, overalls or skirts that your family may no longer need. Our year 7 and 8 classes will be working on upcycling denim projects in Term 3 and we would love some donations. Could jeans etc please be washed before donating, thank you for your support of our designers.

Mel Sharkey, TAS Teacher



Year 8 student Akirah, shows Year Adviser Cherie O'Brien her personalised Yondr pouch.



2020 is the 40th birthday year of Toormina High School!

We are posting archived photographs on our school Facebook page and will publish a digital book of these later in the year. We also hope to hold an afternoon for former pupils to tour the school. The photo above shows the original staff members from 1980!

How to report cyberbullying material

| 1

Report
the cyberbullying
material to the
social media service



| 2

Collect evidence
copy URLs or take
screenshots of the material



If the content is not removed within 48 hours apply steps 3 and 4

| 3

Report it
esafety.gov.au/report



| 4

Block
the person and
talk to someone
you trust



If you are in immediate danger, call **000** (triple zero)
If you need to talk to someone, visit kidshelpline.com.au or call them on
1800 55 1800, 24 hours a day 7 days a week