



## HAPPY EASTER!



Technology Mandatory classes have been making delicious hot cross buns! Maybe your student could make some for Easter!

### Chocolate Hot Cross Buns

- 2 teaspoons yeast
- 2 tablespoons caster sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{2}{3}$  cup warm water
- 2 cups bread flour
- 40 grams butter, melted
- 1 egg, beaten
- 40 grams milk powder
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chocolate chips
- 2 tablespoons cocoa
- 2 tablespoons flour, sifted
- 1 tablespoon water
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup apricot jam, heated

**METHOD** **1** Mix yeast with sugar and salt. **2** Add warm water, cover and allow to sit until mixture is frothy (about 10 minutes). **3** Sift the bread flour into a large bowl and make a well. When yeast mixture is ready, pour it into the well. **4** Add melted butter, egg and milk powder. Mix until you have a soft dough. **5** Lightly flour your bench and knead the dough until it is smooth and elastic. **6** Place in an oiled bowl and leave to prove until doubled in size (about 20 minutes). **7** Preheat your oven to 200°C. **8** Gently knead chocolate chips into your dough. Divide dough into 10 portions and shape each into a ball. **9** Place balls on a baking tray side by side. Cover and leave to prove for another 10 minutes. **10** To make the cross paste, mix cocoa, extra flour and water. **11** Pipe cross onto buns. **12** Bake for 10 minutes. **13** Reduce heat to 180°C and continue to bake for another 5 minutes or until bun is cooked and golden brown in colour. **14** Remove from oven and glaze with heated apricot jam.





DATES		
Fri	2/4	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Mon	19/4	PUPIL FREE School Development Day
Tues	20/4	First Day Term 2
Mon	20/4 - 23/4	WEEK A
Mon	3/5 - 14/5	<b>Examinations Year 7, 8, 9, 10</b>

The Easter Bunny visited the Support Unit today!

### Principal's Column

Term 1 2021 has seen a return for us to relatively normal activities for the most part since term 1 2020. Our sporting teams have been achieving great results on the field and we have been successful in other activities off the field. Several of our students have been successful in being selected for regional sporting teams. Recently I was informed about two students who have been doing some amazing things with Coffs Harbour Surf Lifesaving Club. Lily-Grace Herden (10) and Hayden O'Rouke (11) have been leading teams of junior lifesavers this year, putting these future life savers through training and preparing them for competitions. This takes a lot of skill and confidence for our young leaders to engage at this level. Well done. Yesterday I supervised the Aerobics Team led by Mrs Griffiths and Courtney Jacobson (12). This is our first foray into competitive aerobics and it was great to see the girls so enthusiastically engaged. I commissioned Skye Johnston (10) to complete an Aboriginal artwork for the school. She completed 2 amazing canvas artworks that have been praised by everyone who has seen them so far. The artworks will be used to develop a school card and will be hung proudly in our school office foyer. Great work Skye.

Last week and this week, teachers have been phoning home to speak with parents about student performance. We will also be offering the traditional parent/teacher evening in term 2 for feedback. We now offer a minimum of 4 opportunities a year for teachers and parents to engage in conversation about student performance, two via a telephone interview and two via parent/teacher events. If you missed an opportunity to speak with your child's teacher you can contact the school and ask for an appointment or a phone call to be returned. This change in how we operate our parent contacts is directly related to feedback from parents in 2020.

Our Strategic Improvement Plan has just been published to our school website. On our Staff Development Day on Monday 19 April, we will be starting to determine how we, as a school, will achieve the initiatives that we have identified in the plan. Any interested parents that may be able to attend are welcome. Please advise the school of your intention to attend via phone or using the school email address [toormina-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:toormina-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) for catering purposes. The session will also involve our student leaders and will commence at 9.00am and conclude at 11.00am. It is a great opportunity to work side by side with the staff and students of Toormina High School in shaping the next four years of our school journey.

As we head into Easter Holidays, I would like to wish all of our school community a happy and safe break.

**Paul Humphrey**