DATES TO REMEMBER: Wednesday 29th February, 2012 No. 4

Thursday 1st March  Fete Meeting 8.30 am in Conference Room
Bellarine Divisional Swimming Championships
Friday 2nd March  Yr 5/6 Incursion: BioLab
     Clean Up Australia Day
Monday 5th March  AFL Football Clinic: Yr 5/6
     Yr 3/4 Soccer Competition
Tuesday 6th March  Parent Helper Training session 8.30-9.30am
     Yr 5/6 Soccer Competition
Wednesday 7th March  Parent Helper Training session 2.00-3.00pm
Thursday 8th March  Parent / Teacher Interviews
Monday 12th March  Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 14th March  School Council AGM - 7pm
Friday 16th March  Casual Dress Day - Bring a small toy for Easter Fete “Lucky Dip” donation
Friday 30th March  Last day Term 1. Early dismissal at 2.15pm
20-26th May  Education Week
Wednesday 15th Aug  Arthur Reed School Photos
Thursday 16th Aug  Arthur Reed School Photos

Principal’s News:

School Review: Every four years our school is required to complete a full review and develop a new Strategic Plan. Staff will commence this process this week and all other school community members will be provided with the opportunity to contribute. Next term we have a full diagnostic review with an external reviewer, Leslie Tulloch who has been appointed by the DEECD.

School Oval: Thanks to Mick Russell for his fantastic support in ensuring that our school oval remains in excellent condition for our students to use all year round. The oval was fertilised over the weekend and watered in the dry spell last week.

BULB orders: Please send your orders in by Friday to enable us to collate them and place the school order. This is our first fundraiser and could provide you with a wonderful flowering bulb that will last for weeks.

School Council Nominations: Nominations were received from Tracey Van Looy, Lisa Pierce, Renee Dewar, Colin Veitch and Matt Benson. Congratulations to the above parents who will join Torquay College School Council at our March meeting. As there were no additional nominations we will not have an election this year. I hope that our parents will enjoy working for you on the council. We will feature each of them in coming weeks to enable you to recognise them to approach with any issues that need to come to School Council.

CISV: We currently have places available in an interchange to Italy for 14 year old students. This involves travelling to Italy with a leader for a month to stay with a host family. The child matched to your child will return to stay with your family for a month in our summer. This is a wonderful program that enables families to share the experience. Please contact me by next week if you are interested or have a friend interested. Mini-camp is on again on March 23rd - 25th for all young people 9 -25 who are interested or have been involved in any CISV program. Village vacancies for 11yr olds are for Japan & USA in July. More info at Mini-camp.

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**Assistant Principal Team:**

**Student Leadership Positions**

At our assembly on Monday, our sports leaders for 2012 were announced. Once again, staff were most impressed with all nomination speeches presented. Further leadership opportunities such as Junior School Council and class captains will be available for our senior students.

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**House Captains:**

- Scammel: Judd Loader, Sienna Purcell
- Bancoora: Tully Wylie, Daisy Tobias
- Charlemont: Charlie Dent, Keeley Troop
- Inverlochie: Max Mathews, Paris Galbrath

Congratulations to these students and we look forward to their wonderful leadership throughout the year.

**Preps**

We welcomed our Preps to their first assembly on Monday. The students were excited to be involved in a whole school community event and it was encouraging to see so many parents supporting their child and school community.

**Yr 5/6 Sports Uniform**

Some parents have recently enquired about the Yr 5/6 Sports Uniform. Our Yr 5/6 sports uniform is the black Torquay College trackpants and the black and gold Torquay College polo top. This sports uniform can be worn for interschool sport days only. Limited stock of trackpants is available at the office.

Thank you for supporting our school and have a great week.

Kind Regards,

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**Congratulations to our Preps**

The Prep Team would like to say a big ‘congratulations’ to all of the Prep students who attended their first assembly this week on Monday the 27th February. We were so impressed with the manner in which the students sat and listened without distracting others around them. It is a reflection of the way in which the students have settled into Prep this year. Our next challenge - learning the national anthem!

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**Junior Choir**

Just a reminder that the Junior Choir is now running on Wednesdays from 1.15 until 1.45. The choir is for students in grade prep, one and two and students wishing to participate in grade three are also welcome. It was a great turnout last week and new members are always welcome.

Choir is singing for fun with no judgement and a great range of music and songs. If you like singing, come along and give it a go. Choir is held in C10 each Wednesday with Ms. Polwarth.

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**Easter Fete**

The Torquay College Easter Fete is a huge fundraiser for the school and an exciting event to be a part of. Please join us for a fete meeting on Thursday March 1st, straight after drop off at 8.30am in the conference room near the school office.

The fete will not run unless we have enthusiastic volunteers to help (children welcome). If you are away for Easter there is still plenty to do before hand so come and along and get involved.

If you cannot make it to the meeting please give me a ring and let me know what it is you can help with on 0422 208 776.

Thanks, Merrin Wake

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**Health Update:**

There has been an outbreak of suspected chicken pox in one of the classes. Please be vigilant and check your child regularly. **Students are excluded from school for about one week, until all the blisters have dried and formed scabs.**

We have also had a case of suspected hand, foot and mouth disease in one class. Hand foot and mouth disease is caused by a virus. It is generally only a mild disease that lasts seven to ten days. The most common signs and symptoms are:

- a high temperature (fever)
- a sore throat
- small, blister-like lesions that may occur on the inside of the mouth, sides of the tongue, palms of the hands, fingers, soles of the feet and ‘nappy’ area.

**Students are excluded from school until all the blisters have dried. If you have any concerns, please consult your family Doctor.**
**Community News**

**Netball Players Needed** - New players needed for Wannabies Netball Team. (Grade 4 - 6) Games played on Tuesdays at Surfcost Sport & Recreation Centre from 4.10 onwards. Please contact Rosemary on 0438 117 520 if interested.

**2012 Good Friday Appeal - Schools for the Kids**

Any families wishing to make a donation to the 2012 Good Friday Appeal can do so via the link below:

**Interested in Basketball?** - Grade 6 boy or girl wanted to play in an Under 14 Basketball Team on Wednesday nights at Torquay College Stadium. Please call Sharleen on 5261 5597

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**Weekly Ways to learn your Spelling:**

1. Put your lists into alphabetical order.
2. Use Word Art on the computer or letters from the paper or magazines to make the word and glue into your book.
3. Write 3 words that start with the same sound. (strap - street, strain, straight)
4. Write what the word means in a sentence. (Remember to include who, where, when and what in your sentence.)

Victoria Long
Teaching & Learning Coach

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**OSHC News**

To new parents wanting to use OSHC in the future:

- Parents are to complete an enrolment form and attend orientation.
- Orientation occurs on a Friday afternoon.
- A new child can not attend the service until this is done.
- Please be mindful that it can take a few days to process the information on the computer.

Thank you,
Anna Fryar

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**Canteen Roster**

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**RED CROSS**

Red Cross is an International organisation which provides humanitarian assistance and relief to people whose lives have been touched by tragedy. Here at school, primary and secondary students have the opportunity to be involved with and learn about the Red Cross. Please encourage your child to ask Lis Fawcett-Smith about this.

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**RED CROSS CALLING**

March is Red Cross Calling month. In this month, funds are raised to support the Red Cross and the work it does. Last year many Torquay College students and parents helping out and we raised over $1500! If any students are interested, please fill in this note and give it to Ms Garcia or Lis Fawcett-Smith at recess on Thursday in D14. Thankyou.

Lis Fawcett-Smith

I am interested in being involved with RED CROSS CALLING this year. My parents are willing to supervise me whilst doing this.

Name: ___________________________ Phone no.: ___________________________

Parents/guardians signature: _________________________________________
**Staff member of the week:**

*Introducing new teacher, David Kiss Grade 5/6*

*How did you get to Torquay College?*
I was a grade five teacher at Northern Bay College last year and I found out there were some positions coming up in Torquay. I had heard some great things about Torquay school: that it was a really positive place with a strong community involvement, and I was lucky enough to be chosen for this grade five/six role.

*How do you find the school community?*
It's such a caring, fantastic, respectful community. The kids really look after each other in the playground and in the classroom. I am really impressed with my grade six buddies and the job they are doing. The thing that stands out to me is the 'have a go' culture here. The kids are confident, comfortable and keen to have a go. You don't get that everywhere.

*Where do you live?*
I live in Belmont, and I am just in the process of buying a house there.

*What do you like to do in your spare time?*
I play a lot of sport. I play football for East Geelong. I am into cricket, netball, indoor soccer. When I can, I spend time enjoying the outdoors, camping and fishing.

Marianne Messer
Moby - Now open til 5pm for coffee, cake & conversation

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DANCE AT TORQUAY COLLEGE
Classes now on in the new Dance Studio
- 3.15pm: Monday - Prep - Gr 3: Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary
- 3.15pm: Wednesday - Gr 3 - Gr 6: Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary
- 4.15pm: Wednesday - Intermediate Dance
- 3.15pm: Friday - Boys Hip Hop

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MARKET STALLS

Saturday, 7th April 2012
9:00am till 3:00pm
Torquay College
45—55 Grossmans Road, Torquay

Cost is $50.00 per site plus a donation.
Limited Sites Available for 2012 Fete.

To register your interest please complete the attached form and send to
Torquay College, 45-55 Grossmans Road, Torquay, 3228
or email tcfete2012@gmail.com

*No sites available for purchase on Fete day.*

If you have any queries call Danielle Walker, Market Stall Co-ordinator on ph 0402 247 017

Sites will be pre-allocated before the day of the fete. Gates will open approximately 7.00am.
Gates close promptly at 8.00am. Stallholders are asked to be fully set up by 8.30am.

*Please no take-away food, soft drinks, baked cakes, pastries, scones, biscuits, slices or second-hand goods stalls. Also STRICTLY no selling of toy cap, rubber band or metal guns, string in a can, stink bombs, pirated goods (DVD, Video) or pets to children without adult consent (e.g. goldfish).

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TORQUAY COLLEGE EASTER FETE 2012
MARKET STALL APPLICATION FORM

Name: ______________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Contact No: (Home)_______________________ (Mobile) ________________________

Type of Stall: ______________________________

Number of sites required: ____________