Principal’s News:

**Fundraising:** There is no Easter Fete this year and our Easter Egg raffle is the only fundraising event for our school this term. Many thanks for selling tickets and please return the named ticket butt to school with the money collected by Wednesday 24th March. We sincerely thank Mr Andrew Katos for his kind donation of an Easter Hamper for this raffle.

**Curriculum day:** Students are not required to attend school on Friday as teachers will be attending professional development with presenters from Melbourne to further strengthen the work we commenced last year on the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning. This is the first of the three DET allocated Curriculum days for our school. We hope all families enjoy a happy and safe long weekend.

**School Council Annual General meeting:** Next Wednesday all families are invited to attend our annual general meeting at 7 pm when we welcome new school councillors and hear the annual report. Copies of the report will be available online or you may like to borrow a hard copy from the office. Many thanks to all families for voting for your new representatives. Please ensure that your envelopes are returned by 4 pm this Thursday 10th March and that each person has voted only once. Names are checked off on our election roll.

**Use of roads and crossings:** I have had a report that many of our students are not using the school or shire crossings and have chosen to ride, skate or scooter across the main roads. They must walk until they are past the SES. One child was almost hit by a car last week. Please model good practice and remind your children to use the pedestrian crossings at all times.

**Student Attendance:** It is important that students attend school every day unless they are ill. They also need to arrive at school before 8.30 am to be ready for the commencement of class. New concepts are introduced every day and each session missed by your child will have to be made up at some time to avoid gaps in their learning. The first ten minutes is usually the instruction time for the first two hour session and vital for your child to be fully engaged in their learning. Classroom doors are open to welcome students at 8.15 am and to change readers or leave bags in lockers before connecting with friends outside until the bell rings.

**School Choir:** This term we have seen the start of Torquay College F-6 Choir. We have a few places still available if your child would like to come along on Tuesday at 1.15 pm in C5. It was certainly lots of fun for the singers in our choir last year when they performed at various events. A full list of our lunchtime clubs is also attached.

Pam Kinsman, Principal
**Dates To Remember**

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**FRIDAY 11th MARCH - CURRICULUM DAY**

**MONDAY 14th MARCH - LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

A reminder that Friday 11th March is a Curriculum Day and Monday the 14th of March is a Public Holiday.

Students are not required to attend school on these days.

**School Council Election**

As the number of nominees for School Council is more than the number of vacancies, an election is to be held. Ballot papers will be sent home tomorrow to be returned by Thursday 10th March, 2016 at 4pm. Each parent/guardian is entitled to a vote.

Please ensure your details are filled out on the white exterior envelope. Once checked off, these details will be shredded and your voting information will remain confidential.
Congratulations
Pupils of the Week

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RELAY FOR LIFE BAND PERFORMANCE

Dear Parents,

On Saturday 19th of March the school bands have been invited to perform at ‘Relay for Life’. It will be held at Spring Creek Reserve [the Football Oval] and runs for 24 hours. The Torquay College School Bands have been booked to perform from 9am-10am.

All band members need to be at the stage area no later than 8:45am. This is a ‘Walk Against Cancer’ fundraiser and a great way our school is involved in the community. If you have any queries email me at reid.ben.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

Relay for Life band performance

Who: All School Bands
When: 19th March
Time: 9am-10am [be there by 8:45am]
Where: Spring Creek Reserve, Torquay

Many thanks
Ben Reid and Anika Helene.
KATE SMYTH YEAR 4 VISIT

“I CAN!” and “BELIEVE!!” were the catch phrases from former Olympic and Commonwealth marathon runner Kate Smyth when she visited Torquay College to speak to the Year 4 students about “Challenges” as part of their Term 1 Inquiry topic. The Year 4 students were inspired by Kate’s amazing story of determination, overcoming all kinds of challenges to achieve her ultimate goal of running in the Beijing Olympics at the age of 35. Kate proved that with passion and belief anything is possible.

As part of our New Pedagogies of Deeper Learning, each year 4 student has identified a personal challenge in their own lives and using Kate’s inspiring story for motivation, will be coming up with strategies to overcome these challenges. They have adopted the ‘I CAN’ mantra and the positivity is spreading like wildfire! – The Year 4 team.

Year 5/6 Cyber Safety

This Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th March the Year 5/6 students will be engaged in a presentation by Leading Senior Constable Robbie Noggler who is the Youth Resource Officer for Western Region Victorian Police. Robbie will be discussing all aspects of cyber safety including cyber responsibility and an awareness of what a digital footprint is. This will support our Term 1 Inquiry Unit.

Session times:
POD 1 Wednesday 9:30am - 10:30am
POD 2 Wednesday 11:00am - 12:00pm
POD 3 Thursday 8:30am - 9:30am
Bellarine Division Swimming

Congratulations to the students listed below, who did a wonderful job representing Torquay College at the Bellarine Division Swimming Carnival. Each of the students should be very proud of their efforts.

**Notable Results:**

- Alex W - 1st 9/10 years Butterfly and 2nd Freestyle
- Teal S - 1st 9/10 years Backstroke
- Ash D - 2nd 9/10 years Backstroke
- Jack E - 3rd 11 years Breastroke
- 9/10 Boys Freestyle relay 2nd place
- 11 Boys Freestyle relay 2nd place

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**Torquay College Easter Hamper Raffle**

*Your chance to win ...*

**Jurassic Creatures—Family Pass Interactive Event & Easter Chocolate Basket**

**Tickets $1.00 ea.** Drawn on Thursday 24th March. Please write name & phone on ticket and return to office.

Jurassic Creatures, featuring Prehistoric Creatures of the Ice is an interactive walk through event that will captivate young and old alike. Explore an ancient world full of moving dinosaurs and prehistoric creatures of the ice. Get ready to be amazed and thrilled as the greatest creatures ever to walk the earth return and come alive before your eyes.

Marvel at the story of their 165 million year domination of life on earth. Watch them move. Hear them roar! Get up close with the most infamous prehistoric animals including colossal Mammoths, fearsome Saber Tooth Tigers and everyone’s favourite the Tyrannosaurus Rex.

Become a Paleontologist for the day. Children will be provided with an expert digger outfit before chipping away to unearth their very own fossil.

Meet Buddy & Tiny from Dinosaur Train and see them live in their very own stage show!

Plus there will be many more activities to take part in, including; dinosaur art and craft, fossil displays and amusement activities.

Open at Harbour Town Melbourne from 12 March to 17 April, Jurassic Creatures is an interactive event like no other that will capture the imagination of children & parents everywhere.

Melbourne get ready to feel the Dino-Roar!
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Update

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program is a spectacular program that offers the best food. I love going to the SAKG program because it teaches real life skills while you’re having fun with friends in a safe environment.

Zayle W

I love the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Program because we get to learn to make a wide range of delicious dishes and we learn how to look after our garden while having fun with friends. I always love when it’s my classes turn to go to SAKG.

Holly H

Thank you Shakespeare Family

Thank you to the Shakespeare family for their kind donating of apple and pears for our kitchen, I’m sure the students will appreciate eating them in a delicious crumble or pie.
KEYBOARD AND GUITAR LESSONS

Weekly keyboard and guitar lessons will be commencing from next week at Torquay P-6 College. The lessons are held on school premises AFTER school hours on Thursdays. The cost is $14.00 per lesson. (Private lessons are also available at a cost of $24.00 per lesson.)

Music is a wonderful activity in itself but research also indicates that participation in music activities improves educational outcomes in other areas of the curriculum.

To enroll your child, please collect an enrolment form from the school office.

If you require more information about the program, please contact Excel Music on 9801 8991 or visit their website, www.excelmusic.com.au.

ELITE TAEKWONDO AUSTRALIA

In light of recent local events, we are running a FREE 3 week ‘Stranger Danger’ course to educate children on the dangers of strangers and ways to avoid potentially harmful situations. We will also be going through self defence and what can be done should the situation occur. A must for all children to raise their awareness and stay safe.

Course: 3 weeks
Where: TIA Hall, Price Street, Torquay
Start Date: Friday 4th March 2016 @ 4pm
Cost: FREE to all, limited places.

Contact: Alistair - 0422 353 723
Bellbrae Disco
Years 5/6

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No tickets at the door!
Limited number of tickets available for
Torquay PS (Year 5 & 6 Only) students
from Bellbrae P.S. Office on
Tuesday 15th March, 2016.
First come...First Served - Limit 2.

Just bring your ticket to the hall and pay
$5:00 at the door on the night
Time: 7.00pm -9:30pm
When: Friday, 18th March, 2016.
Where: Bellbrae Hall

Free drinks - (No BYO Soft Drinks or Energy Drinks allowed)

Lucky Spot Prizes
Body Esteem Education Workshop

Please note, this is not a clinical training about eating disorders

Locally supported by Surf Coast Shire’s Youth Development Team:

What: A professional development workshop focused on awareness and prevention, incorporating Butterfly Foundation resources and Dove Self Esteem Project tools, in the areas of body esteem, media literacy and communication.

Suitable for: Teachers, youth workers and community professionals working with young males and females.

Please join us to explore:

- Latest research and evidence based approaches to prevention
- How the issue is changing and evolving
- A selection of activities and resources to support body esteem education
- How to develop a positive body esteem environment and whole organisation policy
- Peer-led models as agents for change
- What to do if you suspect a young person is at-risk

Includes:

- Free to Be – A Body Esteem Resource (Years 3-12) (usually $65)
- Details for obtaining Dove’s Self Esteem materials

Date: Thursday, 12th May
Time: 9am – 1pm includes morning tea
Venue: Surf Coast Shire Council - 1 Merrijig Drive, Torquay, VIC.
Cost: $170 (incl GST)

To book online/request an invoice:
thebutterflyfoundation.org.au > Education > For Professionals
For more information:
helen.bird@thebutterflyfoundation.org.au 02 8456 3908

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