Reconciliation Week - Friday 27th May - Friday 3 June

Principal’s News:

Reconciliation week: National Reconciliation Week is an annual celebration and is a time for all Australians to reflect on our shared histories, and on the contributions and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. At our assembly on Friday we will be recognising this special week with our indigenous community members. Our teachers have been acknowledging the significance and the importance of Reconciliation Week with their classes this week.

Science: Our students have being doing some fantastic projects, experiments and lessons on science topics during their inquiry learning this term. I am sure that your child would like to share their experiences and learning with you in a quiet time at home.

Close Shave: Torquay College now has over 150 students travelling by bus to school. In the past few days I have had three parents contact the school regarding students running from behind the school bus and almost being hit by cars. On one occasion the parent stopped and the boys concerned laughed, unaware that their lives were at risk. We have addressed this serious issue at a bus travellers meeting at school this week. Please help us by speaking to your children about the safe way to leave the bus stops.

Torquay College Social Night; You will be delighted to know that David Pace is returning to Torquay with his band ”The Swells” to entertain us on June 18th at Torquay Football Club. You are all invited to celebrate the shortest day of the year. Tickets are available on line for $20. It promises to be a happy occasion for Torquay College parents/carers.

Help for School Discos in Stadium– Disco for Preps at 1.15-2pm on Friday 10th June, Cost $1.00 to classroom teacher. Years 1/2 at 5-6pm & Years 3/4 at 6.30-8pm on Friday 17th June, Cost $2.00 at the door. We would like to have additional assistance to supervise the children and assist with drinks. P&C are taking responsibility and running the Disco’s. Please complete and return the form on page 6 if you are available to assist. There are great programs planned with a DJ and drinks provided.

Recycling: Many thanks to the wonderful families who have sent in shopping bags, mobile phones and batteries for us to recycle. Please keep recycling. Volunteers needed: The battery boxes are now quite heavy and we need a couple of volunteers to drop them off at Aldi in Grovedale. Please call in at the office any time and we can pack a box of batteries for you to deliver for us. The old mobile phones go to the zoo and the shopping bags are collected and redistributed at the local supermarkets.

Pam Kinsman, Principal
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Book Room
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By: Georgia 💜
National Reconciliation Week 2016
“Our History, Our Story, Our Future”
Friday 27 May – Friday 3 June 2016

2016 is a year of commemoration and celebration for reconciliation in Australia – it is a year to build a platform for understanding our nation’s history, story, and future.

The year marks a quarter of a century since the establishment of the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation, 15 years since the establishment of Reconciliation Australia, and 10 very successful years of Reconciliation Australia’s Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) program.

2016 is also a year to celebrate the future, with the launch of the inaugural State of Reconciliation in Australia report by Reconciliation Australia. The Report provides momentum to re-energise and re-mobilise the reconciliation movement into the next generation.

Throughout 2016 we ask all Australians to reflect on our national identity, and our relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and cultures, and to seek to understand and engage with reconciliation.
Professor Bunsen visits Year 4

PROFESSOR BUNSEN came to Torquay College on Monday 30th May to teach the Year 4 students about how science works. We went to the presentation room, our class got front row seats. Then Professor Bunsen came in he was wearing a white lab coat and some safety goggles. First he did a science experiment about how gas can push really hard and blow a tennis ball across the room. He showed us a foam snake, he mixed chemicals that came out of bottles, he made a girls hand look like she had blood coming out of it, but it was actually just a chemical and dishwashing liquid and when you mix it together they make the paper got red. I thought Professor Bunsen was really cool, he did amazing tricks that were science. By Aidan R R1.

DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the 26 Torquay College students who competed in the Bellarine Division Cross Country at the Eastern Gardens in Geelong. In true Torquay College Cross Country tradition, each of the students did an amazing job representing the school and should be very proud of their performances.

In a wonderful effort, the following students have now qualified for the Western Metropolitan Cross Country to be held on Wednesday 8th June.

IT'S DISCO TIME!!!

Our wonderful discos can not run without our wonderful helpers. We have 3 Discos coming up and would love if you could please help us to supervise.

If you are free and have a “Working with Children Check”, please return the slip below to the Office by Friday 3rd June, or please email karen@brownink.com.au

Thank you, The Parents & Carers Committee.

DISCO HELPER REPLY SLIP — Please return to office

Name: ........................................................................................................................................ Phone Number: ....................................................................................................................

I can help with the following (please circle);

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Pumpkin Gnocchi

Fresh from the garden: potatoes, pumpkin, sage
Recipe source: Teresa Oates (mangiamangia.com.au)

This dish is a sweeter, more colourful version of the traditional potato gnocchi and is a great way to use any excess pumpkin throughout autumn.

**Equipment:**
- metric measuring scales
- cups and spoons
- peeler
- clean tea towel
- chopping board
- cook’s knife
- grater
- large heavy-based stockpot with lid
- colander
- 2 baking trays
- aluminium foil
- large bowl
- potato masher or ricer
- butter knife
- frying pan
- wooden spoon
- slotted spoon

**Ingredients:**
- 800 g potatoes
- 400 g pumpkin, peeled, seeds removed and cut into 5-cm cubes
- 1 tsp olive oil
- 1 tsp water
- 300 g plain 00 flour, plus extra for kneading and dusting
- ¼ tsp freshly grated nutmeg
- 125 g butter
- 10 sage leaves, torn
- 1 tbsp salt
- freshly ground black pepper
- 125 g parmesan cheese, grated

**What to do:**
1. Preheat the oven to 200°C.
2. Prepare all of the ingredients based on the instructions in the ingredients list.
3. *Boil the potatoes in their skins for 35 minutes until cooked and soft. Drain and set aside to cool slightly before peeling.*
4. Place the pumpkin on a baking tray and sprinkle over the olive oil and water. Cover with aluminium foil and bake for 35 minutes until cooked and soft.
5. In the large bowl, mash the potato and pumpkin until smooth. Alternatively, pass the pumpkin and potato through a potato ricer, which will result in a more even texture. Do not over-mash, or the potato will become too gluey and your gnocchi will not be light.
6. Place the flour on a clean surface and empty the mashed potato and pumpkin over the flour. Add the nutmeg.
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Update

We are starting a new menu this week. The students will be cooking Pumpkin Gnocchi with a Butter & Sage sauce, Tabbouleh salad, Pumpkin Damper & Apple and Pear crumble, which is always a favourite. We have lots of projects happening at the moment and are fortunate to have a mosaic artist joining our wonderful team of volunteers. If you have any old tiles that you no longer require please donate to SAKG, you can drop them off to the kitchen or in front of the garden shed.

Don’t forget to come and volunteer if you have some spare time, we have lots of fun with the students and you may get some new ideas for meals at home. Its also a great opportunity to meet other people and you can come help whenever suits you, all you need is a Working with Children’s Check which if FREE and you can apply online. If your interested in helping in anyway, please contact Terri 5261 0906.
A PARENTS PERSPECTIVE

As a recently separated parent, I found myself in un-charted (turbulent) waters. I have done the Building connections seminar and cannot recommend it highly enough! The speakers were understanding and not judgemental. They did not side with one parent. They gave me tools to take away and try. It helped me personally and importantly it has helped my children. This path is really difficult so reaching out for help was necessary. I will attend the night again so I can touch base again with trying to successfully communicate with my ex-partner.
Bellbrae Disco
Years 5/6
Proudly Sponsored By: Quiksilver

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 14th June 2016.
First come...First Served—Limit 2.
Just bring your ticket to the hall and pay $5 at the Door on the night
Time 7:00pm—9:30pm
When: Friday 17th June, 2016
Where: Bellbrae Hall
Free Drinks - No BYO Soft drinks/Energy Drinks allowed
Lucky Spot Prizes

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The Surf Coast Shire’s Youth Team are keen to ensure the services they provide the young people of the Surf Coast are relevant. To support this, the opinions of parents and carers of young people - and indeed all adults - are sought. Parents and Carers are asked to follow the link [http://goo.gl/forms/DldjttjiUYyEp1JW5] to fill in a short survey about young people on the Surf Coast.

Feedback generated by this survey and accompanying youth surveys will go toward creating a safety response for young people on the Surf Coast and to ensure youth services are meeting the needs of young people.

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