

Dear Parents,

It's been a busy few weeks here at school with sport days, Parent/Teacher interviews, parent MAPPEN sessions, school BBQ and many other activities. The next couple of weeks leading to Easter is the same! This Friday we have a curriculum day with the rest of the Traralgon and district schools with approximately 380 teachers, Integration Aides and Business Managers attending a session in Traralgon. We also have Labour Day, District Sports day, school photos, an incursion, an Easter themed dress up day and an early finish on the Thursday 24th March to end Term 1. VERY VERY BUSY!

Head Lice

With the warm and humid weather we have endured over the last few weeks, it is a timely reminder for parents and families to be vigilant checking for head lice. We have had a few cases reported across the school, as the little critters love this type of weather and the warmer heads of students in particular. Could all families please make sure they continue to check for eggs and live lice and treat accordingly. Treatment needs to more than once to ensure all eggs are removed. Head lice are non-discriminatory but, like mosquitoes, seem to prefer some head and hair types more than others.

As a school we need to rebuild our team of volunteers who are accredited to check for lice so we can recommence school wide checks. If you are interested and available to do this training and assist the school please let us know. There is a fact sheet available at the office regarding checking and treating head lice if you are interested.

World's Greatest Shave

Tomorrow we have 3 brave souls either shaving or colouring their hair for the Leukaemia Foundation's 'World's Greatest Shave'. Lachy Mathews, Austin Morrall and Ester Miljons have all volunteered to do their bit for raising money for this worthy cause. There is a website you can donate to if you wish which is <http://worldsgreatestshave.com/> just search for the students name and donate from there. We will be having a special assembly TOMORROW at 2pm to do the shave.

School Photos

A reminder that our school photos will take place next Wednesday morning, 23rd March. Please ensure your child/children are in full school uniform. Order packs were sent home last week and students will need these on the day.

Achievements From Past Students

There has been some fabulous feedback over the last few weeks from secondary colleges and past students' results as they have left Traralgon South Primary School. A large amount of our graduating class of 2015 made it into

advanced programs such as Like Minds at Traralgon College, ALPS at Kurnai College and the SEAL academy program at Trafalgar High. Feedback from some of these programs has been very positive with our students currently performing much higher in the area of Maths and Writing than others in the program. This teamed with the fabulous news of past student Amelia Bolton achieving DUX of Year 7 in 2015, a distinction in the ICAS English tests and the music prize as well, shows that some of our programming here at Traralgon South is setting our students up well for their future. We love hearing what some of our past students are up to so please make sure you let us know!

Adam Downes – Principal

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

Hello everyone. My name is Lachy. I am doing the World's Greatest Shave. I am raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation. The Leukaemia Foundation supports people with blood cancer. It helps people get lots of support to help them when they are being diagnosed and getting treatment like chemotherapy, which can make them feel very sick and lose their hair. You can donate into the box at the office, or I can collect from classrooms before my shave on Thursday. You can also go to www.worldsgreatestshave.com.au and search for Lachy Matthews to donate online. My head is being shaved on Thursday 10th March at 2:00pm.

~ Lachy Matthews – Grade 4/5 ~

THE BONGO BROTHERS – SCHOOL INCURSION

We will be having a performance by The Bongo Brothers on Wednesday 23rd March in the afternoon. The cost for this incursion is \$6.00 per student which needs to be paid before the day. Details about the show are below:

A multicultural slapstick musical journey around the world with comic trio The Bongo Brothers, 'In Quest for the Ultimate Rhythm'. The Bongo Brothers are "Mongo", the music-maestro, "Drongo", a cartooning bass guitarist and their baby brother "Bongo", a complete idiot. Put them together, seeking "The Ultimate Rhythm" and you have a recipe for disaster.



Through the use of cartoons, imagination and music we travel from the jungles of Africa, meeting belly dancers in Egypt, to an outback road trip in Australia, a voyage on a pirate ship, sky dives into a 'Samba' filled South American soccer stadium and street beats from the birth place of jazz - New Orleans. An experience jam packed full of laughter, cartoons and a heart stopping finale.

~ Yvonne Game ~

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL BUNNY EARS/CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

On Friday 18th March, the Junior School Council will have an Easter themed dress up/casual clothes day. As in past years, we are asking for donations of Easter eggs and/or other Easter chocolate treats for prizes in our end of term Easter raffle. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Raffle ticket books were sent home with the eldest in the family last Tuesday. More books are available from the office.

TRARALGON SOUTH PRESCHOOL HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE

If you would like to support the Traralgon South Preschool's Hot Cross Bun Drive please collect an order form from the school office or from the preschool. Easter Buns are from Bakers Delight and the cost will be \$7.00 per pack of 6 for Traditional, Choc Chip, Mocha or Fruitless buns. Orders and forms need to be in by 15th March and orders will be able to be collected on 22nd March.

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District Sports Next Wednesday 16th March At Harold Preston Park, Davidson Street, Traralgon

Just some reminders about the District Sports next week. All permission forms, which were sent home last week, together with \$2 per student must be returned to teachers by this Thursday please. Even children being driven by their parents need a permission note stating that they are not travelling on the bus as we need the emergency information that is on the sheet. If you are taking your child at the conclusion of the event remember they must be signed off their class checklist prior to leaving the event – Karyn will have these.

Children are to wear their school uniform including their hats to the District Sports as our school is identified by our blue polo shirts. You will need to provide lots of drinks, sunscreen and lunch. There will be a canteen operating on the day but be aware the lines for the van may be very long!

We will leave school at 9:10am and arrive at the venue at 9:30am. We will leave the ground as close to 2:45pm as possible and arrive at school just after 3:00pm.

We look forward to a great day and hope lots of parents can come along and support their children and our school. Anyone able to help on the day please contact me. Please don't hesitate to contact the school with any queries or concerns.

~ Kristine Travers ~

YOU CAN DO IT STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS For Week Ending 2016



P/1	Seth Perry	For always trying his best in class activities.
1/2	Abby Riddell	For contributing well to class discuss and sharing lots of great ideas with class peers.
3	Evan Pass	For consistently putting maximum effort into homework tasks.
4/5	Leila Hare	For her cheery nature and excellent manners at all times.
5/6	Jackson Skurrie	For a great effort in your persuasive writing assessment piece.

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Congratulations Hume House (Green) for winning the House Athletics Sports. Pictured are the House Captains – Blake Jenkins and Hannah Meyer.



House Sports Reports by Grade 3

Last Wednesday our school and Gormandale Primary School caught the bus to Harold Preston Park for our house sports. People were split up into their House colours. There were 7 sports: discus, shotput, throw, triple/kanga jump, long jump, sprint and long distance. On Monday we had a relay. Then we had presentation. These were the scores, blue came 4th with a score of 1285.19%, red came 3rd with a score of 1300.00%, yellow came 2nd with a score of 1340.74% and green won with a total score of 1350.00%. There was also an ice-cream van there. It was really fun.

By Chloe Mayes

On the second of March we had House Sports. The events were discus, shot put, throw, long distance, sprint, long jump, triple jump, kanga jump. The teams were yellow, red, green and blue. If you were in the age group 8 or under you did kanga jump if you were in 9 or up you would be in triple jump. It was a very hot day so we had ice poles lots of water and sponges and buckets of water. Thanks to all of the parents and friends for helping with the icy poles and the events and supporting the kids. The children had lots of fun!

By Jessica Pettifer & Belle Gissara

DATES TO REMEMBER		
10 th Mar	Thu	World's Greatest Shave – 2:00pm
11 th Mar	Fri	Student Free Day
14 th Mar	Mon	Labour Day – Public Holiday
16 th Mar	Wed	District Sports - \$2.00 per student for bus
18 th Mar	Fri	JSC Easter Themed Dress Up/Casual Clothes Day
23 rd Mar	Wed	School Photos
		Bongo Brothers Incursion - \$6.00 per student
24 th Mar	Thu	End of Term 1 – Early Dismissal 1:30pm