WELCOME TO TERM 4!
A warm welcome back is extended to all Tarro families as we embark on the final term of 2015. This term we will see our 2016 kindergarten students begin their learning journey. The students will visit our school over five mornings in the next few weeks. Experiencing BIG SCHOOL is such an important event and it is one that our wonderful teachers manage so well. Good luck kids and parents during the orientation process!

Activities to look forward to this term include the Swimming School, the election of our school leaders for 2016, a Magic Show excursion for Years 2 and 4, School Leader elections, high school orientation visits, our end of year Presentation Day and the Year 6 Farewell.

A busy term ahead with many opportunities for our students, parents and wider community.

A term 4 calendar has been included with this newsletter.

Have a wonderful week everyone,

Debbie Healey 😊
Principal

MERIT AWARDS
Dylan Farrelly
Bella Walsh
Hunter Murphy
Porscha Buchanan
Claire Price

Photos from Hexham Bowlina Club Market Day
FOR YOUR CALENDAR

TERM 4

OCTOBER
Tuesday 13 – P&C Meeting – 3.30pm
Wed 14 – Thurs 15 – Healthy Sports Day @ Maitland Park
Mon 19 – Tue 20 – Y3/4 Zoo Excursion
Mon 19 – Fri 23 – Kinder Orientation Week
Thurs 29 – Oz Tag Day
Fri 30 – Soccer Gala Day

NOVEMBER
Wed 4 – School Disco
Mon 9 – Fri 20 – Swim School (2 weeks)
Tue 10 – P&C Meeting – 3.30pm
Tue 24 – Y5 Speeches
Wed 25 – Y6 FGHS Disco 5.15-7.30pm
Wed 25 Y5 Speeches
Thurs 26 – Voting for captains

DECEMBER
Thurs 3 – Y6 Orientation Day @ FGHS
Wed 9 – Christmas Capers
Fri 11 – Presentation Day
Mon 14 – Y6 Farewell
Tue 15 – Water Party Day
Wed 16 – LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS & STAFF

TERM 4 finishes Wed 16th December
TERM 1 2016 for staff begins Wed 27th January
Kinder starts Mon 1st February / Yrs 1-6 start Thurs 28th January

SCHOOL INFORMATION

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION
Kindergarten Orientation will take place Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 19th to 23rd October. Please refer to your information sheets for times and more detailed information. Please remember to bring your child’s completed enrolment form if you haven’t already done so, along with your child’s birth certificate or proof of birth documents and immunisation certificate if completed.

HEALTHY SPORTS GALA DAYS
Wed 14th October & Thurs 15th October
Students from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be participating in a Healthy Sports Gala Day in conjunction with Hunter Academy of Sport on both Wednesday and Thursday this week at Maitland Park. The theme this year is "Positive Bodies, Positive Minds”.

These enjoyable days aim at providing students from small schools the opportunity to participate and develop skills in a wide variety of sports. Qualified coaches from several sports will be in attendance, including Golf, Hockey, Rugby League, Australian Rules, Football, Lawn Bowls, Tennis, Cricket, Boot Camp, and Indigenous Games.

There will be a visit from the ‘One Community’ Rugby League Association, and will include a special high profile guest (at this stage, Dan Hunt from St George Illawarra Dragons). We may also have representatives from the Newcastle Jets, Sydney Kings and Cricket Australia. Students from Maitland High School will act as mentors helping to direct the groups from one activity to the next.

It’s going to be a very active, healthy and exciting two days!!

YEAR 7 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL 2017
If parents are seeking enrolment for their year 5 child in a selective high school in 2017, the enrolment forms, online, will be available soon. Please keep an eye on the website www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. Applications will open on 13 October 2015 and will close on 16 November 2015. Applications can only be made online through this website at that time. Read the application information and the parents' overview.

SWIMMING SCHOOL
Swimming school notes were sent home last week. They are on orange paper – nice and bright!! Be quick – there are only 60 spots available and there are over 100 students in Years 1 – 5! If there are any places available, they will be offered to any eligible Year 6 students.
EXCURSIONS

YEARS 3 & 4 ZOOSNOOZ
Final payment/instalment is now due. This wonderful experience will take place on 19th & 20th October.

All the very best to our Year 3 and 4 students who are heading to Taronga Zoo next week. The teachers are certainly looking forward to it, as are the students.
Have fun and we look forward to seeing some photos next week.

P & C INFORMATION

We are conducting a Billy G’s Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser as a major fundraiser for this term so we do ask for your support.

Funds raised will provide additional resources for the students such as new playground equipment. It’s all for the kids!

Students will receive a Billy’s Gourmet Cookie Dough order form. There are 8 scrumptious flavours to choose including Choc Chunk & White Choc Macadamia, Doggie Dough and Gluten Free Choc Chunk. The tubs sell from $13 per 1kg tub – that’s only 33 cents per cookie! You can re-freeze the cookie dough making it very economical and kids will love baking these delicious cookies.

Each student that sells one or more tubs can also choose from an exciting prize program on offer. The more tubs you sell the better the prize! There is a selection of over 40 prizes to choose from such as Wahu, Disney Frozen, Remington, Razor and much, much, more.

WIN A BALI FAMILY HOLIDAY! - You also have the chance to win a 7 night Bali Family Holiday for 2 adults and 3 children, staying at the Holiday Inn Bali Benoa Beach including a $2000 Virgin Australia airfare voucher and $1,000 spending money. So don’t forget to enter! For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view the inside of the order form.

Order forms will be sent home this week. Please detach the order form with your orders, money and don’t forget to select a prize! Please return the order form along with your monies to the school Office. We will advise a date of when the cookie dough and prizes will be delivered to the school.
Happy fundraising! Tarro P & C

OTHER ACTIVITIES

HEXHAM BOWLING CLUB MARKET DAY
A very big thank you to the families and friends who supported the Hexham Bowling Club Market Day. The day raised $4003 for our school! This money will go towards our new playground equipment.
Well done and thank you everyone

175th ANNIVERSARY WEEK CELEBRATIONS for Parish of Hexham
25th October Parish service at St Michael’s Thornton at 9.30am
26 – 30th October ‘On the River’ Art Show at St Paul’s Church and Hall, Beresfield
28th October 175th Anniversary Service with the Bishop of Newcastle presiding at Tarro Public School at 6pm
31st October Family worship followed by a BBQ at 5.30pm.
1st November All Saints Parish Service at St Pauls at 9.30am
November All Soul’s Memorial Eucharist at Old Tarro Cemetery, Quarter Sessions Rd at 7pm.
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MENTAL HEALTH MONTH COMMUNITY EVENTS  
FRIDAYS IN OCTOBER

**OCT 9**
FREE MOVIE UNDER THE STARS  
“Home” (2015) Bennett Park, Dungog  
Gates open 5:00pm for 7:00pm start—BYO chair, picnic rug & food*

**OCT 16**
FREE MOVIE UNDER THE STARS  
“Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day” (2014) Baddeley Park, Cessnock  
Gates open 5:00pm for 7:00pm start—BYO chair, picnic rug & food*

**OCT 23**
FREE MOVIE UNDER THE STARS  
“Paper Planes” (2014) Maitland Park, near rotunda  
Gates open 5:00pm for 7:00pm start—BYO chair, picnic rug & food*

**OCT 30**
FREE EVENT- VALUE YOUR MIND  
Maitland Regional Art Gallery  
Mental Health Information, art workshops, sport and social activities from 10:00am—3:00pm. All ages & walks of life welcome.

*Some food available for purchase. All events are glass, drug, alcohol & smoke free. For more info phone Bron - 0249311006

Mental Health Month Activities are brought to you by the following local Hunter organisations and businesses:
Anglican Parish of Beresfield-Thornton

‘On the River’ Art Show

at St Paul’s Anglican Church and Hall, Beresfield

As part of our 175th Anniversary and celebrating the role the Hunter River played in our creation as a parish (we were originally called the Parish of Hexham!) we are holding an art show with the theme ‘On the River’.

We are looking for your submissions of paintings, photos, textiles or sculptures. This art show will also include poetry and stories. Entries in one of three age categories: Primary, Secondary and Open. Prizes awarded. All artwork, poetry and stories to be submitted by Friday, 23 October. Please contact our priest, Doug, on 0478 050 012 for further information.

The show will be open

Monday, 26 October, to Friday, 30 October, 1–4pm each day

and on the Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30–9pm

Opens on Monday night with Evensong at 6:30pm followed by cheese and wine supper with storytelling and poetry.