Dear parents, caregivers and friends,

Welcome to Terara Public School, 2013. I’m very excited about the year ahead and appreciative that you have joined us for the journey. It was lovely to see all our students again today and I trust they had a great holiday.

Tomorrow our new kindergarten students begin their first day of big school after a very successful orientation program. I know they will quickly settle into our beautiful school. I take this opportunity to welcome our new families as well as those who are returning to us after an absence. I’m sure you will enjoy your time with us and find Terara School an idyllic learning environment for your child.

I encourage all families to become involved in school life as much as your busy schedules allow as the benefits to your child and the school as a whole are significant. Parents are all invited to attend P&C meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (7pm) or volunteer at school in areas such as the tuckshop. We’d love to have you involved.

Finally if you have any questions or concerns, or you would just like to touch base with myself or a teacher regarding your child’s progress at school, please do not hesitate to do so at any point throughout the year.

Many thanks,
Rod White
Principal.
Class Structure
Class structure for 2013 remains similar to last year and is outlined below:
K/1: Bu Ferry. Mrs Walker on Thursday afternoon and library with Mrs Walker on Mondays.
1/2: Mrs Moogan. Library with Mrs Walker on Tuesdays.
3/4: Mrs Buckingham. Mr White each Wednesday and library with Mr White on Mondays.
5/6: Mrs Jamieson. Library with Mr White on Fridays.

Textbooks
Teachers are awaiting the arrival of textbooks which will be used in each class to support student learning. A pricelist will be attached to next Monday’s bulletin for parent payment. Thank you.

Changes to Afternoon Routine
Child wellbeing is a priority at our school. If you have any changes to your child’s usual afternoon routine please let Ruth know in the office so it can be written in the bus book and children can be informed.

Uniform
Students looked beautiful in their uniforms today. Please ensure students wear black shoes with black shoelaces Monday - Thursday.

Home Reading
We had outstanding success with our home reading program last year thanks to the dedication and commitment of both students and their parents. Today primary students received a homereading card to be signed for each night they read. Infants students will be documenting their home reading in their reading journal which will arrive with textbooks. Please keep a record of your infants child’s reading until the journal arrives. Students receive a certificate for reading 25 nights this term and are invited to the Principal’s morning tea if they read 50 nights this term.

Nowra Show
Show time is nearly here! K/1 needs everyone’s help. We need you to send in any supermarket (food) ‘junk mail.’ If any students (all classes) wish to enter an item (made or created at school in 2012) I am happy to take it and fill in the entry forms.

Tuckshop
In recent years Nat Speechley has done a fantastic job as our tuckshop coordinator and with Skye moving onto high school we’re delighted that Mrs McMahon will be taking over the role in 2013.

Mrs Mac has coordinated the tuckshop for many years in the past and we thank her for taking on this time consuming voluntary role.