The Mobile Dental Van has arrived at our school, after a short delay in Orange. The children are very keen to have their turn and I expect to see some shiny new smiles next week with plenty of brushing with their new toothbrushes.

With such hot days ahead, please ensure that the students have a bottle that can filled with water and a school hat to shade their faces when outside.

Much of the bulk cleaning and repair work has finished at our school. The green wooden seats have had broken slats replaced and repainted. Lockable doors are being fitted to the new room opposite our classrooms. This room will serve as a designated Visual and Creative Arts room in 2015. The ceiling in the library has been repaired and the roof will have many broken tiles replaced to ensure there will be no more leaking through to our library. Old, broken furniture stacked under buildings and piles of sticks have been removed as they posed a fire hazard to the school. Ongoing work will continue as we repair and paint guttering.

**Community Meeting**
I would like to hold the next community meeting next Wednesday, 26th November 2014 in the Library at 3.00 pm.

**End of Year School Reports**
Teachers have completed their report writing and the School Reports will be sent home on Friday 5th December. With the report you will...
receive an invitation to a Parent/Teacher Interview. The Interview will be a 10 minute conversation about your child’s achievements, improvements and/or needs. The Interviews will be held on Wednesday 10th December from 3pm to 6pm. The interviews will be held in the library by all class teachers at that time, so that parents with students in two or more classes can organise appointment times close together.

Scripture
A combined Scripture Assembly will be provided to all students on Tuesday 9th December.

Year 6 Reward Day
Students have suggested that they would like to have an outing to Taronga Zoo as part of their conclusion to Year 6 at Toongabbie East. The date for the excursion will be Monday 15th December. The cost of the excursion will be funded by the school this year. A permission note will be provided to students closer to the date. Attendance at the Reward Day Excursion will be subject to student behaviour. I encourage all senior students to ensure that they follow the school rules and enjoy their final weeks at primary school.

Year 6 Farwell
It is time to consider the celebration to Farewell of senior students as they transition into high school next year. The Farewell will be held at The Hog’s Breath Café, Parramatta. The evening will begin at 5.30pm to 7pm and the P&C have generously offered to pay for the students meals. If students require transport to and from the restaurant, then the school will require written parental consent.

Presentation Day
Students have been working hard in their learning and we recognise that effort through our Annual School presentation day. This year Presentation Day will be held on Thursday 11th December, 2014. Following the ceremony we invite families and Community members to stay to share in a Thank you Morning tea with the staff at Toongabbie East Public School.

Class party Day
All classes will hold their class parties on Friday 12th December. Each class will have a specific note from their teacher about the goodies that the students may like to share. The students are invited to wear their appropriate mufti clothes, including closed in shoes to school for the day. To add to the fun, the students will be invited to a Disco at lunchtime in the Hall followed by a well-earned ice block.

We look forward to a fun time together.

Congratulations Kristy
Kristy was the school’s Highest Fundraiser for the Fun Run that was held recently. As our highest fundraiser, Kristy received a medallion and a certificate for her achievements.

Ms Colleen Potter
Principal
NSW public school terms and holidays
Here’s a snapshot of NSW public school terms and holidays for 2015 - 2016.
Find out more:

Comprehension help for teens
Some kids will read perfectly in primary school and then suddenly struggle with comprehension in high school. Here’s why.
Comprehension help:

What’s amazing is, if young people understood how doing well in school makes the rest of their life so much interesting, they would be more motivated. It’s so far away in time that they can’t appreciate what it means for their whole life:

Bill Gates

Planning for the future
Throughout your child’s school life you’ll need to make choices about aspects of their education and future. Here’s a selection of tips to help you plan for parent-teacher talks, subject selection, careers advice and back-to-school.
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2015 Kindergarten Enrolment
Enrolments are still being taken for Kindergarten 2015 for children, who will be turning 5 years old on or before 31st July, 2015. Please pass this information on to friends or neighbours who do not receive this newsletter. Enrolment forms are available from the school office.
Kids, homework and lies
Do you think your child is lying about their homework? Listen to psychologist Anne Hollonds chat with James O’Loghlin on what to do when the dog eats the homework.
Homework tips:

Maths at home
Kids’ early experiences with measurement are often based on watching their parents. Seeing mum or dad measure and pour ingredients for a recipe or weigh items at the fruit shop will often become part of their play.
Maths at home: