In the past few weeks you will have noticed office staff and executive teachers have sometimes not been present at school as we move into the final rollout of the 229 NSW Public Local Schools Local Decisions pilot program. Ms Talbot and Miss Slingsby have stepped into the executive roles when necessary. I thank them very much for relieving in those roles and publicly acknowledge the fine job that they have done.

We have had staff in Sydney, Coffs Harbour and Lismore to complete the modules for the move from a cash management to accrual accounting financial system and the new software and budgeting electronic tools which support financial management. Staff have also been trained in the new Student Administration Learning Management system and new software. There will be further training in the Resource Allocation Model (RAM) as well as a range of in-house training for teaching staff using the new Management Plan E-tool.

As you know the school has held a very privileged position in the last 18 months receiving outstanding professional learning from our State Office and DEC field staff in the area of self-governing schools with autonomy around making local decisions, resourcing, staffing, cutting red tape and ensuring quality teaching and learning. As the year draws to a close Teven-Tintenbar is one of only 229 in the

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**Year 6 Bucket lists**

Hannelle, Hannah, Scarlett, Kaleeta and Kallista have fulfilled one of the items on their bucket lists.

“A day in the life of One Direction” saw them signing autographs and performing in front of a very excited and wild crowd at assembly.
state who have been involved in implementing Local Schools Local Decisions. All other public schools in NSW begin the journey next year.

All this year the staff has been involved in weekly professional learning activities and reading, developing lesson plans and resourcing to implement the new National English Curriculum. As you are no doubt aware NSW has its English, Mathematics, History and Science and Technology Syllabi already in schools and English will be implemented in 2014. We will be enhancing this with all staff participating in Focus on Reading in 2014 as part of their professional learning. There will be more information about Focus on Reading in a future newsletter. Following a year of training the new Mathematics Syllabus will be implemented in 2015.

Recently I received an email from Mr David Lees, the principal of Mullumbimby PS. It reads, in part… “Our numbers are looking solid and I'd like to hold Craig in the current position for next year. This will mean you can maintain your casual”. The response received from Mr Lindsay, when I gave my approval was… “Thanks for working things out with David for 2014, if you need me to do anything please just let me know. You were right, it has been a great learning experience and it’s good to see another school and district in action.”

As you can see, Mr Lindsay is still substantively attached to our school. He has not left the school, nor was he dismissed by me. I don’t have the authority to hire or fire permanent staff. He has simply requested to work closer to home for a while and, as he has only ever worked at our school, has taken the opportunity to see how another school operates.

As Mrs Sawras is the temporary teacher replacing Mr Lindsay, we plan to maintain her position with us in 2014. We will be welcoming Mrs Knight back from Long Service Leave. As you know, Mrs Knight will be retiring late in 2014. We will keep you posted as to the dates once Mrs Knight has confirmed them.

We also hope to maintain our other temporary employees - Mrs Macdonald and Ms Talbot (for the days she is not here as a permanent teacher). Under DEC guidelines, no temporary teacher can be offered work for the following year. But all our teachers are not accepting work for 2014 at other schools. Mrs Toscan will be on maternity leave and re-joining us later in 2014.

I have another temporary teacher lined up ready for 2014 if our numbers hold above 160. His appointment will be confirmed at the start of 2014.

Teachers will be attached to 2014 classes later this year once we have confirmed our kindergarten numbers for 2014.

L.S.T.T. News
Thank you to Eva, Erin, Sasha, Kate and Sam who gave up their time to perform at the Teven Tintenbar Country Fair on Saturday. Don’t forget, our next Band Rehearsal will be on Monday November 11.

GUITAR STUDENTS
Don’t forget tuition fees for this Term are due next week (week 6, term 4). There are also a few fees outstanding from term 3, reminder notes have now been mailed home.
A big THANK YOU!

Well what a great day last Saturday turned out to be...

A special mention must go to Rachel Doyle who took the reins, she did a fabulous job of pulling the Country Fair together under such a limited timeframe. Also to those who worked tirelessly leading up to the fair getting their stalls ready to go... it takes a lot of effort and time so congratulations, the stalls looked amazing and you did yourselves, the school and your children proud.

Overall the Country Fair was a big success and I would just like to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who assisted in any capacity, whether it was in the preparation, donations, entertainment, stall holders, volunteers on the day, set up/ pack up, everyone pulled together and did a fabulous job, well done!

Thank you,
Sara Remfrey,
P&C President

Fundraising News

SCHOOL RECIPE BOOK

Sound the trumpets......our Teven-Tintenbar School recipe book is now DONE. The first 50 copies of the book made their debut at the Country Fair, and we are expecting the balance of copies in the next 10 days or so. This resource, which was the brainchild of Sue McLachlan, was made possible through the hard work of your dedicated Fundraising Committee, the efforts of those many parents and staff who contributed their delicious recipes, parents who helped out by typing up recipes, and those 12 local businesses who advertised with us.

Please show your support for these businesses and mention you saw their advert in the recipe book if and when you use them.

Huge thanks are extended to Tony Partridge for his beautiful photos – you check out his other work at tonypartridge.com ; and the talented Kat Walters for her layout and design of the book – find out more at kokographics.com.au. Thank you also to the many students who volunteered to have their photo taken for the book – their enthusiasm really shines in every shot. And lastly a thank you to Fruitos who donated fruit and veg for the photo shoot without us even asking!

To get your hands on a recipe book, please fill in the enclosed order form and return it with payment (cheques payable to Teven-Tintenbar P&C Association). Remember that they will make awesome Christmas presents! We will commence distributing them in the next 10 days or so.

Regards, Michelle Mahon
TEVEN TINTENBAR SCHOOL - 2013 RECIPE BOOK ORDER FORM

This resource has been put together by a Fundraising Committee and contains an interesting and diverse collection of people’s favourite recipes that can now become your favourite recipes too. The recipe book has a limited print run so order now to avoid disappointment, remembering too that that they will make great Christmas presents. The balance of the recipe books should become available mid-November, and once we receive them, we can organize for the book(s) to either be sent home with your child or for you to collect them at the school office. **The cost of each recipe book is $18.**

NAME: __________________________  CONTACT NUMBER:  ________________

QUANTITY REQUIRED:  ________________

PAID?:  

☐ YES. AMOUNT: ______ (cheques should be payable to Teven Tintenbar P&C Association)

☐ NO. AMOUNT OWING: ______ (please note that books must be paid for prior to collection)

PREFERRED DISTRIBUTION METHOD:

☐ EITHER:  SEND HOME WITH SCHOOL STUDENT _____________________ (please indicate name and class)

☐ OR

☐ COLLECT IN PERSON FROM SCHOOL OFFICE

**Last chance!!**

Due to lack of interest we are looking at cancelling the shopping trip to Harbourtown at the Gold Coast. If you were thinking of coming but had responded yet please do so by the end of this week.

The date of the planned trip was Sunday 1st December.

If you can’t come please let us know why so we may plan a better day in the future.

Yes /NO

Comments____________________________________________

Regards, The Fundraising Team