



TOOLANGI PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“Every Child by Name and Need”

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Good afternoon to our families.
 With only 1 week to go we are all reflecting on how rapidly this term has passed us by.

Please read on to keep up to date with the many exciting learning opportunities and events that we have celebrated this term and a few important reminders as we end the school term next week.

Education State Principal Conference

Recently I attended the Principal Conference at the Melbourne Convention Centre. The theme of this conference was ‘Stronger Together: Every Student, Every School’. The keynote speakers focused on inclusion, social and emotional learning, connection and belonging. During this conference I gained immense personal learning and was able to reflect on the wonderful programs, frameworks, staff, students, and families that we have at TPS. Many of the messages from this conference were already thriving in our school. We are stronger together with our students at the forefront of everything we do!

Student Support Group (SSG) Meetings:

We have just completed our Term 2 SSG meetings which included a conversation between parent, teacher, and student to discuss each child’s Individual Learning Plan (ILP) and monitor the progress of student learning goals. These meetings, held each term, are a wonderful opportunity to share student successes, identify areas for improvement and celebrate the significant learning that has occurred this term. Our senior students attended this meeting to share their voice regarding their academic progress, learning styles and discuss any challenges that may have arisen during this time. Thank you to all our parents and students for attending this meeting. Reports that include your child’s future learning goals will be sent out on Thursday 23rd June.

Aussie Sports Expo

The Senior students had a great day at the Aussie Sports Expo held earlier in the month. We were grouped with St Josephs, another small school. The day started with netball, where the children practised their throwing and catching skills, finishing off with a

minor game of keepings off. This was followed by lawn bowls, where they learned about the bias on the bowl and the challenge of how to use it to their advantage. Hula hooping came next and was a hit for all involved, including Amanda. We all learned a few tricks and got some tips on how to keep the hoop rotating around our waists. Roller skating was our final activity, and it was great to see everyone having a go. Some were very nervous to begin with, whilst others were confident and fearless. It was fantastic to have a variety of new experiences and see the children overcome their fears and inhibitions along the way.



Archery competition at Launching Place Archery Park.

Move over Robin Hood the Toolangi students are practising their skills to take over the forest. Over the last 4 weeks our Year 5 students have trekked down the hill to participate in an archery competition. They have thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity and their skills and confidence are improving each week. Well done, Saya, Harvie, Poppy and Ezi!

Thank you to our wonderful parents, Julia, and Dawn for driving our children to and from the venue each week and adopting the role of coach, driver, and caretaker.





Playgroup commences!

This week we were finally able to reopen the doors to our first playgroup for the year. It was delightful! Watching our little people interact with the environment and the activities planned, was inspiring.

We read the very clever work of Aaron Blabey and his famous piranha Brian, who likes to eat bananas and fruit platters before feet and knees. We made a collage of Brian, swept the sands away from our shells and practised making sea animals from clay. A busy, delightful afternoon indeed. Next week we will be investigating the different levels of our oceans and what lurks beneath the surface.

Playgroup opens its doors to the public every Thursday from 2pm- 3pm in the Forest Room at Toolangi Primary School. For further details, please contact the school on 5962 9255.

Annie Hopper



Kinglake Kindergarten visit Toolangi PS.

It was with great excitement that we welcomed the beautiful children from Kinglake kindergarten to our school on Thursday 26th July. As the kinder bus arrived and Linda and her children entered the school the response from our students was wonderful. This was particularly significant for Freya, our prep student who was delighted to be reunited with her kinder teacher from last year. We shared songs, stories, games, and activities including a session in our kitchen garden and tour of our school. Thank you Kinglake Kinder for visiting our school!

Working Bee reminder

Tomorrow (Saturday 18th June) we will be holding a Working Bee from 8.30 – 1.00pm. Our main objective is to clean out the sheds, tidy up the art room and work in the kitchen garden. If you have any free time tomorrow morning, please drop in and lend a hand. Thank you to those parents who have already responded.

If you are wanting any second-hand office furniture, please let me know by tomorrow.

End of Term arrangements:

On Friday 24th June our staff and students will be heading to the Yarra Centre for a Gala Day.

They will return in time for our early dismissal of 2.30pm. Students will need to be in school uniform for this event. On Thursday 23rd June we will have a Free Dress Day. Please note we are not having a special lunch on this day and students will need to bring their own food.

Have a wonderful term break! Please stay safe and well and we look forward to seeing you all on the first day of Term 3 (Monday 11th 2022).

Upcoming Events:

Archery (Year 5s) – Wednesday 22nd June

Free dress day – Thursday 23rd June

Gala Day @ Yarra Centre – Whole school Friday 24th June

Working Bee – Saturday 18th June (8.30 – 1.00pm)

End of Term – Friday 24th June 2.30pm dismissal

First day of Term 3 – Monday 11th July

