



# TOOLANGI PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## “Every Child by Name and Need”

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Welcome back! It was great to see our students and families on Monday returning to school after a Winter break. The students have shared their adventures with each other and it seems many families engaged in some great activities during this cold and wintery break.

### COVID safety regulations

As a result of the recent updates the following rules apply:

- ALL parents and visitors MUST scan the QR code located at the front office upon entering the school
- Masks must be worn both inside and outside where physical distancing ov 1.5m cannot be maintained.
- Regularly apply hand sanitizer and maintain social distancing where possible.

At this stage we are still able to attend the ski trip on Monday. We will notify you as early as possible if this is to change.

### TPS Website

We are excited to launch our new school website!

Have you had a chance to check it out? If not, grab a cuppa and have a look.

<https://www.toolangips.vic.edu.au/>

This website has been created using the existing information on our old website with the addition of current information relating to policies, curriculum, school events and processes. A huge acknowledgement to our volunteer media expert (Hannah) and to staff and parents who assisted and provided feedback with this process. The website is not completed and requires some further additions and will always be a work in progress.



Last term our school community worked collaboratively to develop a school vision statement that captures the essence of our school. I am pleased to announce that this process is now complete and I can provide you with the finished product.

This statement will be proudly displayed on our school website, in promotional materials and in official documentation.

Thank you to our school community for this enthusiastic contribution to the development of this vision statement.

### Toolangi Primary School Vision Statement

*At Toolangi Primary School we cultivate curious and innovative young minds. We encourage a life-long passion for learning through the promotion of academic excellence, communication skills and creativity. We engage in individualised teaching and learning in a beautiful natural environment that enables us to maximise the academic achievement and wellbeing of every student.*



### Exciting events coming in Term 3 Senior School Snow Trip to Lake Mountain.

Our students are very excited about their ski trip to Lake Mountain, however due to inclement weather conditions and shortage of snow this excursion has been scheduled for Monday 19th July. The weather forecast is predicted to be more positive on this day. Students attending need to be at Healesville at 8.15 on Monday morning. A notice will be sent out on Friday with updated details.

### Kids Teaching Kids - Inspiring Future Environmental Leaders

The senior students have been working hard with Julia to research and investigate the topic of Cane Toads as an invasive species that is having a devastating impact on our environment. On August 31st we will be travelling to Yea to participate in a workshop where the 'kids teach the kids'. This is a great leadership opportunity for our young learners to become teachers and engage their peers to teach them about the invasive nature of Cane Toads.

For more information about the Kids Teaching Kids program run by the Murrindindi Shire please access the following website.

<https://www.kidsteachingkids.com.au/>



### Junior Class

The children have returned to school with eagerness and joy. When chooks go out for the day grazing and exploring, they like returning to their pen at night to swap stories and share the day. A gentle familiarity calls for comfortable clucking. This is our room!

Prep children received their blue and red writing pencils, a milestone in our class and are keenly writing about the people on Australian Bank Notes.

Years 1 and 2 are also writing about these noble, gallant people ( Mary Reiby, Banjo Patterson, John Flynn) to name a few. Some days they summarise information to write their own sentences.

Ronan was especially proud, as he brought his very own 20 dollar note to school for us to investigate.

Tess

### OSHC Update

We are still searching for a suitable applicant for the position of childhood educator to assist in the establishment and implementation of our Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) Program 15.5 hours per week to be negotiated.

If you or someone you know would like further information or wish to apply for the position please contact Sally at school.



**WHAT'S  
HAPPENING**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July**  
Senior School Ski Trip

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**  
School Council Meeting 7.00pm