



TOOLANGI PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“Every Child by Name and Need”

Principal: Mrs Sally Herbert
Junior School: Mrs Tess Kesting

Dear Parents
Welcome to November and a busy remainder of term four..

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2021

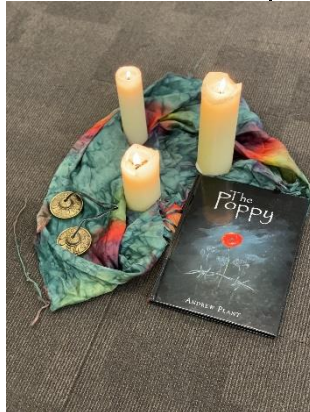
Every year at 11am on 11 November – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month – we pause to remember those men and women who have served and those who have died in all wars and peacekeeping operations.

This year, the Remembrance Day Service at the Shrine will reflect upon 21 years of service in the 21st century. The past 21 years have seen Australians serve all over the world in conflicts, peacekeeping and peacemaking missions. Here at home, the Australian Defence Force has supported our community through some of the most challenging experiences of our generation – from floods to bushfires and in the front lines of the current pandemic.

Lest we forget!

Staff and students stopped to remember and respect the service people who gave their lives during WW1 and all conflicts since.

A candle was lit while The Ode was read. We don't know the fallen but they live in our hearts and will always be remembered by us all in their actions, their bravery and their staunch desire to go to battle against odds uncouncted.



Happy November Birthday to:

5th – Jude
18th – Ola
22nd Olivia
28th - Emma



Year 6/7 Statewide Transition day

Each year there is scheduled a statewide transition day for Year 6 students to attend their selected secondary school. This day is Tuesday December 7th 2021. Emma and Otis, our 2 year 6 students, will be heading off to Healesville High school on this day to experience a day in the life of a secondary school student. We hope they have a great day!

Prep Transition

Our 2022 Preps will come to school Friday November 19th to practise being a prep child at Toolangi PS. That day we will have practicing grade ones...Olivia, practicing grade 2s...Jarvis, Bella and Olle AND oh, my goodness how time flies, practicing senior class grade 3s...Ronan and Darcy. What a morning!

School Photos

On Tuesday this week we held our annual school photo shoot. Adrienne Gilligan, our school photographer spent a busy morning photographing our children against the beautiful backdrop of our school ground.

If you have not yet paid for photos please pay Adrienne directly via direct deposit to:

Adrienne Gilligan Photography
BSB: 013344
Account: 478906864

Swimming

We are so grateful for the opportunity to be able to provide swimming for our children.

This week has been so busy, but the smiles, laughter and joy emanating from our children during their swimming lessons and on the car trips to and from the venue is pure delight.



Every day we trek off down the hill for an hour's swimming lesson at the Healesville High school indoor pool. The experienced instructors at the pool ensure that our children receive a high intensity lesson focusing on skill development, confidence and fun.

Thank you to Sherrin, Julia and Annie who have assisted us with transportation along with Sophie, Tess, Amanda and Sally.



OSHC

Wednesday and Thursday afternoons are the highlight of our week. After school care has now been operating for 2 weeks under the expert guidance of Annie. Until we have received final approval for the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) these sessions are free of charge.

If you wish to book your child in for after school care from 3.30 - 5.00pm please phone the school. These bookings must be made by 4.00pm on Tuesday of each week.

Annie's OSHC Update

With the blushing of spring sun warming our backs, we spent a glorious afternoon outside in OSHC last week exploring the wonder and joy of clay. Using the Diwali celebration as inspiration we rolled and we pushed and we pulled lumps of clay into little tear drop lanterns of light and joy. Once dried and painted, these little lanterns of wonder will hold a little light and hopefully spark a moment for pause and wonder at the light and beauty of our world.

In the next few weeks as the term quickly draws to a close, we will continue our "I wonder..." series and explore the traditions and stories that connect our families and communities.



Tennis with Anthony

We have received another Sporting schools grant thanks to the hard work of Andrew, our PE teacher. Commencing

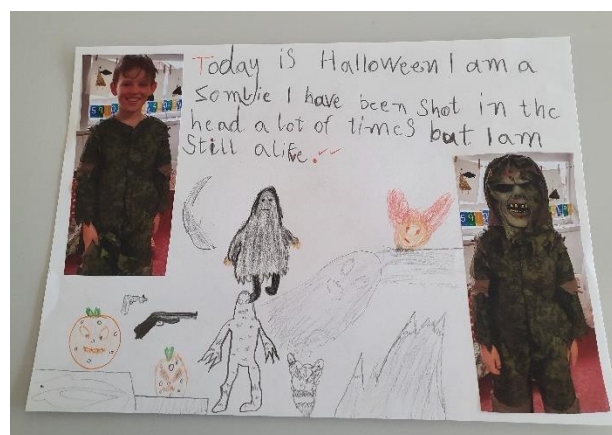


Monday 15th November our children will have tennis lessons at school with Anthony. This program will run for 3 consecutive weeks on a Monday. Anthony is a great instructor and the children will thoroughly enjoy refining their tennis skills.

Happy Halloween Take 2:

Last Friday we participated in Halloween day Take 2 due to the interruptions from power outages the week before.

Our children arrived as ghouls and skeletons, grim reapers and ghostbusting warriors. We had a lovely day sharing trick and treat stories, eating blood coated cupcakes and taking home fun bags full of lollies, spiders and other creepy things.



Snake sightings

It is that time of the year again when we need to be extra vigilant in our school grounds. On Tuesday, we did have a snake sighting and the students and staff responded immediately to ensure the safety of everyone. We will be conducting preliminary walks around the grounds before children go outside for recess and lunch. We will continue to talk to the children about snake safety to ensure they respond safely if there is a sighting.

Coming up:

- **Monday 15th – Tennis**
- **Wednesday 17th – OSHC available**
- **Thursday 18th – Breakfast Club**
 - - **OSHC available**
- **Friday 19th – Prep transition Day**
- **Thursday 25th – School Council**
- **Friday 26th – 2nd Prep transition Day**
- **Friday 3rd December – Final Prep transition**
- **Tuesday 7th December – Yr 7 transition**
- **Thursday 16th December – School Concert**

Welcome to our new Prep Students