



TOOLANGI PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“Every Child by Name and Need”

Principal: Mrs Sally Herbert
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2021 - what a remarkable year it has been!

A year that has required us to be patient, flexible, versatile, resilient and positive. Our students have demonstrated an incredible ability to adapt in unprecedented times and have continued to work hard, stay positive and find joy in their learning, either remotely or at school.

Our school community has demonstrated our school values of Understanding, Integrity,

Happy December Birthday to:
28th - Willow



Responsibility and Respect and I acknowledge staff, students and parents for their extraordinary efforts throughout 2021.

This will be our final official school newsletter for the year, however we will be sending home some last minute information and celebratory photos from our school events over the next 2 weeks. December has finally arrived and we are preparing for many exciting celebratory events over the next 2 weeks. These include:

Event	Date/s	Additional information
Junior school Sports day	Friday December 3rd	Permission note has been sent out. Please return ASAP.
2022 Prep Transition	Final day Friday December 3rd	New preps will join the junior school for the Junior school sports day
Bollygum afternoon fun	Monday 6th December 12.30 - 3.00pm	Lunch to be provided Permission note and RSVP to be returned by Friday 3rd December Families are welcome to join us!
Year 6/7 statewide transition day	Tuesday 7th December	Year 6 students to attend Healesville High School Have fun Otis and Emma!
Senior school camp at Alexandra Adventure Resort Years 3 - 6	Wednesday 8th December to Friday 10th December	Note to families to be sent home yesterday
Christmas Concert and Yr. 6 Graduation	Thursday 16th December	See information from Tess below
Last day of Term Pupil free day	Friday 17th December	Students not required at school on this day.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

OSHC

With the term quickly ending in a flurry of activity and Christmas merriment, the OSHC program for this year will be finishing on Thursday 2nd December. We will be back in full swing in the new year with a new season of exciting programs and activities.

Thank you, families, for your wonderful support and encouragement throughout this new journey. May the holiday season be kind and generous in all things.

Until next year!

Annie.



Reports and Assessment portfolios

Report writing and assessment tasks are well underway. End of year reports and assessment portfolios will be sent home on Thursday 16th December.

Compass

COMPASS (School Management System)

We have finally completed our Compass training and are commencing the rollout process to parents. Attached to this newsletter is your Compass login details to enable you access to the parent component of this management system. At this late stage in the year, we are asking parents to simply sign in using their personal login details and download the app onto their phone.

We will provide training for parents early in 2022 to ensure the full use of this management system. If you have any difficulties in logging in to Compass, please contact myself or Robyn at the school.



CJ Dennis Poetry writing competition

As we announced in our last edition of the newsletter we have 2 students who received awards for their poetry writing in the CJ Dennis poetry writing competition. Rafe (Grade 3) has been awarded second prize and Saya (Grade 4) has been awarded third prize in the student section of the competition.

On Sunday 21st November Saya read out her poem to the other winning recipients who were listening online. Congratulations to Rafe and Saya and to the other senior students. We are all very proud of you!



Junior Sport

Tomorrow, Friday we are heading off in the big bus, with our practising preps, to Yarra Junction to join 10 other schools playing tunnel ball, relay

racers and other fun activities. Andrew has organised this day for us, it will be fantastic.

Foundation Transition program

Our 2022 Preps have been to school twice now to practice being Preps. They did some delightful sewing last week and listened to stories the week before with great concentration. Our practicing grade ones, practicing grade 2s and practicing seniors have been a great help.



Cushions

Juniors sewed and sewed to make beautiful cushions that went home last week. They did a beautiful job and commented each session on the joy they were having.

Christmas Concert

December 16 at 6 30pm. Children to arrive by 6 15pm in school uniform please.

Our concert will celebrate the year and see our grade 6 children, Otis and Emma graduate primary school.

Children have been rehearsing enthusiastically even in the heat wave and are very excited about performing.

Santa is preparing his best Ho HO HO and very much looking forward to visiting us again...he loves the CFA truck sleigh, it gives his reindeers a rest, especially Dasher and Vixen as they have antler problems this year.

Rachael is co ordinating supper and Sherrin the performing space, please help them out with this. Mums, if you can stay around after drop off Monday and/or Tuesday we can run through your star studded appearance.