

Toolamba Primary School

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Values: Respectful, Trustworthy and Inclusive

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Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Families,

It is hard to believe that there is only one day left until the Easter break. This term has flown and both our staff and students are to be commended on the way they have worked to make their classrooms exciting learning communities. There are so many students who should be proud of their efforts as they reflect on their progress and individual achievements, no more so than our amazing bunch of Foundation students.

ROAD SAFETY

Concerned community members have notified me that cars are not stopping at the children's crossing and are exceeding the 40km speed limit. It is a legal requirement that a driver approaching or at a children's crossing must stop at the stop line at the crossing if:

a pedestrian is on or entering the crossing.

Please keep our children safe by following these rules.

FAREWELL

Sadly, we are farewelling the Martin family this term. Billie and Leo will certainly be missed, they have been a pleasure to have in the school. We wish Janelle, Rhys and the children all the very best for their move to Queensland.

ATHLETICS

How fortunate were we to have two beautiful days for our athletics events over the past week. Friday's sports day was a great success. Students participated in all events with enthusiasm. Congratulations to Goulburn, the winning house on the day. It was wonderful to see so many spectators in attendance. Both the coffee van and the food van were extremely popular, thanks to P & F.

Tatura Sports day, was also blessed with perfect weather. We were certainly very proud of Toolamba students who displayed great sportsmanship. Their performance on the day was commendable. The day culminated with some very exciting relays with Toolamba winning every age group. Congratulations to Tyson Webb who was boy champion on the day, an amazing effort!

HARMONY DAY

Today saw a splash of orange across the school in celebration of Harmony Day. Harmony Day is intended to show cohesion and inclusion in Australia and promote a tolerant and culturally diverse society. It is about community participation, inclusiveness, celebrating diversity, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Students participated in a range of activities.









FOOD SHARING

People will be happy to hear that the updated Operational Guidelines say "the sharing of food is not recommended. Where this occurs, individual portions should be encouraged alongside strict hand hygiene." As a consequence we will commence the Kitchen Garden Program in Term 2 ensuring that we comply with strict hand hygiene and individual portions. It will also mean that if you would like to send along food when it is your child's birthday you can as long as these guidelines are followed. Monica Kinnane is keen to commence Hot Dog Days again. We will keep you updated with this.



Each year our school purchases the Short Listed Books to add to our reading program.

Books are always a fantastic gift for children. The following link enables you to see this year's list.

END TERM ASSEMBLY

Assembly will commence at 1.30pm in the amphitheatre on Thursday 1st April. Awards for the Term will be presented and the Easter Raffle will be drawn. Students will be dismissed at 2pm.

All my best wishes for Easter and I hope everyone enjoys the next two weeks of holidays. I am certainly looking forward to catching up with family and friends.

Regards Heather



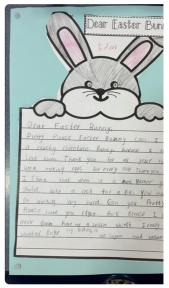
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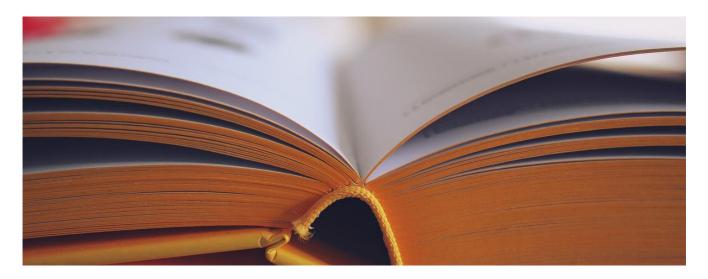
Grade 1/2 Learning

Students in Grade 1 and 2 have enjoyed incorporating Easter activities into their integrated learning. Students in Grade 1 designed wonderful, colourful Easter eggs. Students in Grade 2 wrote a letter to the Easter Bunny.









School Council

School Council Report

School council met on Monday night for the Annual General Meeting followed by a regular meeting.

We welcomed new members Mel Hall and Jo Jeffers. We thanked retiring councillors, Nathan Hanns and Ben Jeffers for their commitment to School Council.

We also congratulated the following councillors who have been reappointed: Simon Robinson, Kristy Thomas and Craig Thompson.

The following is the result of the election of office bearers;

President: Mark Turner

Vice President: Kristy Thomas

Treasurer: Simon Robinson Secretary: Craig Thompson

Parents & Friends Representative: Jo Jeffers

The annual report was presented and accepted.

The general meeting covered a number of items including;

- Tutor Learning Initiative
- Victorian High Ability Program
- New Newsletter Platform
- Annual Implementation Plan
- Some school yard OH&S activity
- · Approval of financial reports



School Sport

Toolamba Athletics Day

Congratulations to everyone across the school who participated in our annual Toolamba Athletics Day. Dewy grass had the teachers a little worried about the previous night's line marking efforts, but once the sunshine was out, the whites of the sprint track lines reappeared! Cheering, roars and screaming of House Colour songs began the day as students, led by their House Captains made their way over to the Community Oval.

Students are to be commended for their great sportsmanship and sportswoman-ship as cheers of encouragement and excited could be heard throughout the day. High Jump especially had many people holding their breath as some massive PBs were landed.

We finished off the day with House Relays, cheering frantically at our senior students while enjoying the fun and craziness of watching all our junior students complete their own version of a relay as well.

House Captains Nic Sorraghan and Lia Giles (Bayunga), Erin Calleja and Ethan Hodgkisson (Goulburn) and Ben Calvert and Lucy Kinnane (Hovell) showed tremendous leadership throughout the day.

For Individual Grade Level champions, please see the list and photos below.

On Saturday when checking through the scoring Heather discovered two errors in the scoring, one in the Grade 1 Boys and the other in Grade 2 girls champion tally. As a consequence we'd also like to congratulate Lexie Kelly and Olivia Webb on their outstanding performances and also award them Grade 2 Girl Champions and Jake Jeffers the Grade 1 Boy

champion. Jacob Robinson was the runner up with one less point. A fantastic effort by all concerned.

The overall House Championship was awarded to Goulburn for 2021. Congratulations!







Tatura District Sports

Toolamba students in Grades 3-6 joined schools from Tatura Primary and Sacred Heart Primary at Tatura's Frank Howley Oval for our District Sports. Again, we were blessed with amazing weather for the day.

Many of our Toolamba students could be seen proudly sporting clusters of ribbons on their tshirts throughout the day. It was also great to see such a high level of participation - with many students receiving ribbons for unexpected events!

Tyson Webb (if you caught a glimpse of him during the day! - so speedy) was awarded Boy Champion of the Tatura Sports Day. Well done Tyson, such a deserving win.

The highlight of the day, (as everyone who was there would surely agree), was seeing Yellow boys and girls, Green boys and girls, Red boys and girls AND Blue boys and girls take out first place for EVERY relay! It was breath-taking to watch all those successful baton changes! A true testament to the dedicated practise and teamwork of our school sporting students! Well done everyone, it was a fantastic day!









Health & Wellbeing

Health Reminder

It is important that we all continue to monitor our own and the health of our children daily during this time. If you or your child develops any symptoms such as a fever, cough, sore throat or

shortness of breath:

- Stay at home and do not attend school
- Seek medical advice
- Call the school to let us know of any important outcomes
- If you or your child has a health condition or complex health needs, please discuss this with your medical specialist.

• Information about coronavirus (COVID-19) is available on the DHHS website.

Our school is continuing to promote and implement on a daily basis both Covid-safe behaviours and practices across our school community.

Financial Assistance - CSEF

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or

sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF

visit: https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx



CSEF application form.pdf



Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.













camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or starting next year, attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner)*, have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*



your local Saver Plus Coordinator

GrSheppartonSP@ berrystreet.org.au

Find us on Facebook 😚

Phone 1300 610 355

Online averplus.org.au



Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with The Smith Familly, Berry Street and other The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services, Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

We have recently been reminding our school community every day counts. This also applies to being late to school. It is crucial that children and students develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

Poor patterns of attendance place students at risk of not achieving their educational, social and psychological potential and are disadvantaged in the quality of choices they are able to make in later life situations.

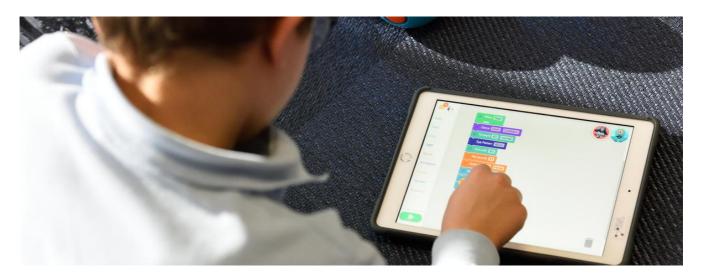
When students arrive late to school their learning can be affected.

Students who are late:

- miss out on organisation time, for getting their belongings from their tubs and out onto their tables
- miss out on roll marking, lunch order collection and taking monies or notices to the
 office and their notices and lunch orders often stay in their school bag
- miss out on learning time when they take their lunch orders, monies or notices to the office
- miss out on hearing what's happening and the learning intentions for the day
- are often unsure about what they have to do in the lesson
- can arrive at their classroom to find that their class has gone to a specialist lesson and they do not know where to go
- find learning becomes disjointed and difficult
- are failing to take responsibility for their learning
- tend not to see being late as a problem
- distract other students when they arrive.
- miss out on playing with other children before school
- develop the lifelong habit of being late bosses are less supportive than schools.

Parents are reminded that all students arriving late to school must be signed in at the school office by a parent or guardian. The late slips are then to be given to the class teacher.

If you are experiencing difficulty in getting your child to school on time, please discuss the matter with your child's teacher.



Resources & e-Learning

At Toolamba PS, we are very fortunate to have subscriptions to support our students in the area of Literacy and Numeracy, which are great engaging resources to utilize out of school hours.

Epic is a wonderful website containing hundreds of texts. Children can log in and read along to stories.

Epic: https://www.getepic.com/sign-in

Login details:

Foundation: jib4540

Grade 1: rlc7376

Grade 2: yht4344

Grade 3: gnm4155

Grade 4: zdb1035

and then complete associated interactive games and activities. Students enjoy using this website

Reading Eggs: www.readingeggs.com.au

Individual classes will send home the login details for your child.



Community Sport

Netball

TATURA NETBALL ASSOCIATION

The Tatura Netball Association Friday Night competition for Division 1 (grades 5 & 6) and Division 2 (grades 3 & 4) girls and boys commences on Friday 23rd April, 2021. We are excited to be back playing netball this year!

We encourage all parents/guardians/friends/family to get involved with netball this year as coach, assistant coach or team manager to ensure we can provide opportunities for ALL those who want to play netball.

Team registrations are to be submitted by 30th March.

NetSetGo: (Prep to Grade 2) are to complete their registration directly at www.netsetgo.asn.au

The first NetSetGo session will be on Friday 30th April, 2021 from 5pm – 6pm at Tatura.

TOOLAMBA NETBALL CLUB

We will be entering two teams in the Tatura Netball Association Friday Night competition, commencing 23rd April 2021. If your child is interested in playing for Toolamba, please contact one of coaches. Training will be at school on Tuesday from 4:30pm - 5:30pm.

Division 1 (Grades 5 & 6) coach is Carita Anderson 0409 561 407

Division 2 (Grades 3 & 4) coach is Bree Giles 0438 889 571.







Parents & Friends Committee

Many thanks to everyone for their support in donating Easter Chocolate and items for our raffle and for selling raffle tickets. Much appreciated. There will be some lucky winners by the time this is read. Congratulations!

A reminder that Mother's Day is not very far away and we look forward to having our much loved Mother's Day gift stall. Whilst on school holidays get crafty, put your thinking caps on and plan some items to donate in Term 2.

The students love being able to shop and it is exciting for them when we have a variety of items for them to purchase.

Book Club orders have arrived and gone home today with students. Some items are on back order and will be sent to us at a later date and given to students.

Thanks for your support for Issue 2 of Book Club.

On behalf of the P&F committee have a wonderful and safe Easter holidays.

Keira Birchmore

President P&F

Out of Hours School Care



FUN IN OSHC

The children are enjoying the variety of activities planned by Sharon and Toni-Marie.





BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE 2021

Toni-Marie Arnold has taken on the role as Before & After School Care Coordinator. We are also very fortunate to have Sharon O'Connell working with Toni-Marie as well.

Any bookings for either, Before School Care or After School Care can be made by calling Toni-Marie on **0448 585 568.** There will now be only one phone number to call to make a booking.

- OHSC Information Booklet.pdf
- OHSC Enrolment Form.pdf
- Appendix 1 from Transfer of Children Policy.pdf
- Bookings and Cancellations.pdf



Community News

Mobile Learning

The Mobile Library has resumed a full schedule, including visits to schools. We have made some adjustments to the schedule, which includes changing our visit to Toolamba to a Monday afternoon 2.00pm – 3.00pm.

Ladies Social Twilight Tennis

Join us for a hit and giggle in a relaxed and friendly environment. All abilities welcome.

When: Thursday nights, 6.30pm

Starts: 4th February

Cost : \$60 per person (2020/21)

Please contact Mel Calleja on 0488 004 004 if you have any queries.

Toolamba Lions Club

If you are new to town or just interested in becoming more involved in the community, Toolamba Lions Club is again running our monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at the Toolamba Junction Hotel at 7pm (COVID permitting). It is a great way to meet new people and serve our great town. If you would like to come and find out what Lions Club in Toolamba is all about, we would love to have you attend one of our meetings and shout

you a meal! Call Amanda Sibio (Membership Coordinator) on 0447 405 335 or email amandasibio@gmail.com



Advertisments

Activities in the Park



North Shepparton Community & Learning Centre

	entrelink Ph 136150		Ph : 0428 354 459			
ling, All abilities playgr	CHILDREN MUST BRING HATS & DRINK BOTTLES Assistance available Through Centrelink Ph 136150			Time: 8:00am to 6:00pm		
1 18	Extra's: Bowling, All abilities playground, Kidstown		Venue: 10-14 Parkside Drive Shepparton, 3630			
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MONDAY 5th APR	TUESDAY 6th APR	WEDNESDAY 7th APR	THURSDAY 8th APR	FRIDAY 9th APR		
CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY	Get to know each other	Drawing and Colouring	Charades	Board Games/ Puzzles		
	MORNING TEA	MORNING TEA	MORNING TEA	MORNING TEA		
	Cat and Mouse	SPLAT!!!	Bingo & Prizes	Outdoor Soccer (Weather Permitting)		
	LUNCH	LUNCH	Excursion: All Abilities Playground Extra: \$2.00 Please bring a hat, snacks, Lunch & drink bottle	LUNCH		
	CRAFT: Salt Dough and painting	COOKING: Biscuit Making		CRAFT: Make your own placemat		
	AFTERNOON TEA	AFTERNOON TEA		AFTERNOON TEA		
	Construction	Find A Word	Card Games	Loom Bands		
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For Sale - Rottweiler Puppies

\$2,200

Born 30/01/2021. Ready to go 27/03/2021. Wormed 2, 4, 6 and 8 weeks. Micro chipped and vaccinated on 16/03/2021.

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Source number MB135618

Contact Joel on 0418 857 356. Located in Toolamba.

Guitar Lessons

Beginner to advanced. All ages. Available Tuesday and Wednesday. Please contact Jarrod Stuart on 0417 758 992 if interested.



Manufacturing Jeweller and Watchmaker. All work done on the premises. 150 Hogan street Tatura, Victoria 3616 (03)5824 1100

GVSPORTS CARE

Physio & Podiatry

E: admin@gvsportscare.com.au

PH: 0417600532

W: 111.gvsportscare.com.au

Physiotherapist, Sophie Woodhouse enjoys treating a mix of sports and spinal injuries.

Tom Davey is a biomechanical and sports focused Podiatrist, who is also skilled in general nail and diabetic care.

Sophie and Tom are excited to move back to Shepparton and work in the Goulburn Valley!



Calendar

Term Dates

Term 1

Thursday January 28th to Thursday April 1st

Term 2

Monday April 19th to Friday June 25th

Term 3

Monday July 12th to Friday September 17th

Term 4

Monday October 4th to Friday December 17th

Important Dates

Thursday April 1st	Last day of Term 1
	Assembly - 1:30pm
	Dismissal - 2:00pm
Monday April 19th	First day of Term 2
Monday April 26th	Camp Quality visit
	Parents & Friends Meeting - 7:00pm

Monday May 3rd	Cross Country
Wednesday May 5th	Mother's Day Stall
Thursday May 6th	School Photos
Friday May 7th	Mother's Day Breakfast
Monday June 14th	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Thursday August 19th	School Concert
November 8th - 12th	Grade 5/6 Camp to Canberra
November 24th - 26th	Grade 3/4 Camp to Toolangi