

Toolamba PS

“Striving for Excellence”

Values: Respectful, Trustworthy and Inclusive



PARENTS & STUDENTS,

During an online session today, the comment was made that the extraordinary has become the normal. How true that is!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Adriana Varco who turned 7 today. Sounds like she received some lovely presents.



CURRICULUM DAY

On Monday 24th August there will be no onsite supervision for students as it is a Curriculum Day for staff.

ONSITE SUPERVISION

Student from Grade F-2 thoroughly enjoyed joining Mrs. Serra online for an art lesson today where they made cylinder people.





LEAVE

Jenny Davey is currently on leave for two weeks so the office will not be manned. Therefore, your phone call may go to message bank. I will endeavor to follow up on emails and phone calls by the end of the day.

VIRTUAL TOUR

Filippa and several of the students have created a virtual tour of our school. They have done an amazing job, check it out!

For those who haven't caught our virtual school tour you can check it out at <https://youtu.be/6LDEQejVypw>



[Toolamb a Primary School Virtual Tour](https://youtu.be/6LDEQejVypw)

and share it all with friends, family, and the world on YouTube.
[youtu.be](https://youtu.be/6LDEQejVypw)

UPDATED OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

The updated guidelines arrived on 8th August. There are no major changes. These are a few of the main points:

- We are expected to check the children's temperature on entrance to the school. If their temperature is 37.5 or above they are not to attend supervision.
- There is a new request form for onsite supervision, which is attached to the email

today. Signed requests are to be emailed to the school by **12 midday on Thursday** for the following week.

- To ensure the health and wellbeing of all students and staff during supervised study we request that if your child is unwell they stay home. If there is a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis in your family, please advise the school immediately via email or phone.
- Only students and staff are permitted to be in the buildings. Please ring if you need something brought out.
- There is no sharing of food.

Other points outlined in the Operational Guidelines.

Home and on-site learning programs

- The learning program delivered on-site will be the same as the learning program delivered to students undertaking remote learning.
- The following are the daily minimum guidelines schools are expected to meet for students in Prep to Year 10.
 - For students in Prep to Year 2, schools will provide learning programs that include the following:
 - literacy activities that take a total of about 45-60 minutes
 - numeracy activities of about 30-45 minutes
 - additional learning areas, play-based learning and physical activity of about 30-45 minutes.

- For students in Years 3 to 6 and Years 7 to 10, schools will provide learning programs allocated as follows:
 - Literacy: 45-60 minutes
 - Numeracy: 30-45 minutes
 - Physical activities: 30 minutes
 - Additional curriculum areas: 90 minutes

Camps, playgrounds and facilities

The following apply to all schools until further notice:

- school camps and excursions cannot take place
- playgrounds should not be made available for community use
- community groups are not permitted to use school facilities (indoor or outdoor).

Visitors to schools, interschool activities and school tours

- Visitors to school grounds must be limited to those delivering or supporting essential school services and operations (e.g. student health and wellbeing services, cleaning and maintenance workers).
- Additional staff, including parent volunteers, must not attend school at this time.
- Parent-teacher information sessions and interviews must be replaced with online and video alternatives.
- Activities that involve on-site attendance by students from different educational institutions (e.g. interschool sport or interschool debating) must not take place or be replaced, where possible, with virtual alternatives.

WEEK 7, 8 & 9 LEARNING PACKS

Packs will be available to be picked up from 1pm -3.30 on Thursday 20th and 8.30-3.30 on Friday 21st. This should then take us up until the holidays.

FOUNDATION REMOTE LEARNING

We have now experienced seven days of Remote Learning. It has been a real joy to receive many photos and videos of the children completing tasks in their packs. Please keep going with this as they put a big smile on my face. I hope this continues and I do love sharing them with Heather! And YES! Heather always has a big smile on her face when she views them too.

The CVC activities have been popular. CVC stands for Consonant, Vowel, Consonant. These tasks consolidate their phonic knowledge. Please encourage the children to write in lower case letters to write these words.

The Handwriting booklet has been an activity that they should be able to complete relatively independently. Completing one page each day will certainly contribute to their letter formation becoming fluent and legible. Ensure your child gives effort to place the letters on the line as this will put them in good stead for next year in Grade One.

The small scrapbooks titled, "I can Practice my Sight Words" and "I Can Practice my Counting" are flexible tasks. Spelling aloud and writing their sight words will encourage the children to take more notice of these. Remembering them in order on their charts will not assist retention. The children are very familiar with the counting patterns by 10s and 5s. There are also many supportive videos they can watch to assist with these. The 100 chart is laminated so you could also highlight these patterns with a whiteboard marker. Spray and wipe, or similar cleaning agent should refresh this chart.

I have received photos of entries in the Remote Learning Diary. Remember this can be an event that has/might happen, it can be words from a rhyme, song or a sentence from a story book they like. As long as they are writing... that's the most important thing!

I have also received an audio of one of a Foundation child singing the song "I am Australian". Now that's the way to a teacher's heart!!!

Our school iPads are doing an amazing job to supporting the children's learning. What a blessing the app EPIC is. It has it all... I cannot praise its glory enough! I love the Read-To-Me as it models the reading. Such an important stage of learning in order to become an independent reader. Please ensure your child is reading his/her just right books. Rereading these promotes confidence and fluency. Recently I have discovered ABC IView for Numberblocks and of course, who doesn't love Bluey!

Please check that your child can access Google Classroom. Whilst your child does not need to access this to commence/complete their daily tasks, the specialist teachers place posts and there is also others that you can view. Please let me know if your child is not logged in for easy access ASAP.

This week I am currently collecting, organising and giving much thought to our next three weeks of Remote Learning Packs. Don't hesitate to get in touch with me. I love hearing all about your time at home with your packs. Email address is jennifer.bathman@education.vic.gov.au. Look forward to hearing from you! ☺



Kurt's Art Work



Jude's Counting

GRADE 3 / 4

Grade 3 and 4 students have shown excellent enthusiasm in their return to remote learning.

We have seen an increase in the work being submitted online which has allowed us to give immediate feedback to students.

We are expecting the students to find time to read independently for at least 20 minutes for Reading each day. This will allow them to continue to practice that reading strategies that we were focussing on at school.

For Integrated Studies over this week and next week, we have given students open ended tasks. One of the tasks available to students was to create or design a place that is special to your family. Sienna in Grade 4 created this...



Arkadia's CVC Words



Week 6 learning packs are available to pick up. If you have not already picked this up, please make arrangements to do so before Monday.

GRADE 5 / 6 LEARNING

This week our focus has been on Non-Fiction texts, including biographies. We have read about pirates in an information text, a Kids News article about COVID sniffer dogs and biographies about Peter Roget, who wrote the first Thesaurus and Pablo Picasso, the famous artist. Students were asked to answer questions about the text as well as find information in the text.

In writing the Grade 5/6 students have been focusing on biographies. Students have been working on their 'Biography Project' where they were given the choice to pick someone famous they would like to write about. Here are some wonderful examples



The Right Word is a true story about Peter Roget, who first wrote a Thesaurus.

Answer the following questions about your thinking whilst reading this book.

- 1. When did Peter Roget first publish his thesaurus?**
Peter Roget first published his thesaurus 1852
- 2. What did Peter do when he moved to Edinburgh, Scotland?**
When Peter moved to Edinburgh, Scotland he attended medical school.
- 3. How did the illustrations support your understanding of the text? Give examples**
Throughout the text there were speech bubbles and detailed pictures that supported the text which helped me to visualise what was happening in the text.
- 4. What did you notice about the presentation of the text?**
The text is presented in a **collage form.**
- 5. What was the author's purpose for writing the story?**
The author's purpose of this text is to inform the reader who created the thesaurus and what a thesaurus is.
- 6. List 3 new things you learnt after reading this book?**
When Peter said a word he created a new list.
Every year Peter added a new list.
Peters family moved often so that meant it was hard for peter to make friends
- 7. What does the word 'Thesaurus' mean?**
Thesaurus means a list of challenging words and their synonyms.
- 8. List 3 principal events that happened in Peter Roget's life - including the dates.**
Peter went to medical school in 1793.
Peter first publish his thesaurus in 1852
In 1805 Peter finished his big book of word list.

Elise V





University of Adelaide to lead project training Australian COVID-19 sniffer dogs

Clare Peddie, July 30, 2020 9:00AM The Advertiser

Print Article



Covid Sniffer Dogs

 <p>Galleons</p> <p>Pirates loved to capture ships that were carrying valuable cargo like treasure. These ships were known as galleons. They were slow to get moving, but once they were going, they were hard to stop or turn around.</p>	
 <p>Pirate Ships</p> <p>Pirates liked to use small, narrow vessels such as a ketch to capture the galleons. These ships were easy to manoeuvre into a good position so the pirates could board the galleons. Though, most pirates used whatever ship they could steal.</p>	

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The illustrations helped not only to give colour and meaning to the book But to make it exciting and lively and give heart to Peter Roget Ideas and life. Exp: How much better is this to this



In 1852 Roget published his first thesaurus it was a success

- What did you notice about the presentation of the text?**
Colourful with lots of pictures and drawings.
- What was the author's purpose for writing the story?**
His purpose was to inform people about Peter Roget.
- List 3 new things you learnt after reading this book?**
 - Peter Roget existed
 - Peter liked to right lists
 - If you were 19 you weren't taken seriously as a doctor.
- What does the word 'Thesaurus' mean?**
Treasure House in greek

Hamish G

The BASICS

FULL NAME: Adam Treloar

DATE OF BIRTH: 9 March 1993

BIRTHPLACE: Aspendale

(1993) - (?)

FAMOUS FOR...

Australian Rules Footballer

Let me tell you more about...

Sofie Clarice Dossi



Sofie dossi is a 155cm American Dancer, Gymnast, contortionist and hand balancer

Sofie appeared on 'America's Got Talent' as a contestant and quickly won the approvals of both the judges and the audience with her routine. Dossi eventually finished the competition as one of the finalists of the season. Since then, she has emerged as a popular internet personality. She has over 2.7 million subscribers and about 305 million views on her YouTube channel.

Hannah T



TOP 10

Things You Should Know About

Cristiano Ronaldo

1. That he has 2 daughters and a son.

6. He has 460 million dollars
2. He has kicked 767 official goals so far

7. He makes 31 million dollars per year.
3. He has been married twice

8. He was born in 1985
4. Ronaldo has recorded he fastest top speed at the world cup in Russia


9. He is 35 years old
5. He is an ambassador for three major charities

10. Ronaldo is number 7 and he plays forward

Spencer W

In our Measurement & Geometry lesson, the students investigated the capacity of their bathtubs by looking at the length, width and depth in centimetres (between 300 and 400 litres). They were then able to compare this capacity with the flow rate of a shower (between 7 and 10 litres per minute). The students discovered that you could either have a 30 to 60 minute shower to use the same amount of water as used to fill a bath.

In the Statistics & Probability lesson last week we looked at Frequency Distribution tables. We had a look at the ages of the players from our favourite AFL teams. We were able to find our oldest and youngest listed player and get an idea of the age that most players are. It was interesting to see Collingwood's youngest player, Trey Ruscoe, make the news over the weekend due to his mother embarrassing him before his first match. Meanwhile, their oldest player, Lynden Dunn made a comeback after not playing for two years! The table shown is the work of passionate Collingwood fan, Lilly Durward.



TOP 10

Things You Should Know About

Ryan Reynolds

1. After filming Green Lantern he got over his fears of heights.

6. He once had to gain 25 pounds for a movie.
2. His most successful movie was deadpool.

7. The deadpool comics mention Ryan Reynolds name.
3. He met his wife Blake Lively in the green lantern set.

8. Filming made him suffer from claustrophobia.
4. Ryan Reynolds once failed a drama class.

9. He started off as a soap opera star.
5. Ryan Reynolds has wanted to play kid flash for many years.

10. At one point he decided to quit acting.

Gabe G

Frequency Distribution Table of Your AFL Team

<https://www.craftguru.com.au/lists/2020>

Activity:
 1. Select a team list of their favourite team. It must have their ages listed (could be birth date - but that would make it more challenging) - can be any team sport.
 2. Look through the data to find the range of ages - youngest through to oldest - 18 to 36???
 3. Find all the 18 year olds, 19, 23, etc... You can speed this up by clicking the heading AGE and it will sort the players for you from oldest to youngest.

Age	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
Frequency	2	3	5	5	2	3	4	1	7	3	1	4	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0

14. What age has the most people?

15. Who is your team's oldest player?

16. Who is your team's youngest player?

DAILY GUIDELINES FOR ONSITE SUPERVISION

- Students are required to bring all of their learning materials for the day including netbooks, iPads, and hard copies of learning tasks.
- All students require their own headphones at school each day.
- Please ensure that their devices are fully charged.
- They are required to wear their full school uniform.
- Supervision is from 8-45am until 3.15pm.
- Students enter through the multi-purpose room and wash their hands on entry.
- Parents and caregivers are to drop the children at the gate.
- Entry to the school grounds is restricted to staff and students.
- Please call ahead if you need to pick up your child early, we will sign them out.

EXCURSION LEVIES & BUS FARES FOR TERM 3

Due to Covid-19 restrictions and excursions unable to go ahead, the Excursion Levy charges have been reversed from family accounts for this year. One exception being the cost of the Hip Hop activity of \$4, which took place earlier in the year.

Bus Fare charges for Fare Paying students has also been reversed for Term 3.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Subject: Toolamba Lions Twilight Festival

Due to the ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic, unfortunately the Toolamba Twilight Festival for 2020 has been cancelled.

We would like to thank you for your valued support over the past several years. It is unfortunate but we hope to be back, bigger and better in 2021 with yet another very successful Twilight Festival in Toolamba.

Regards
 Heather Mulcahy
 President.

Every child is different. So is every foster carer.

BERRY STREET

A little of your time can change an entire life.

In Victoria, the number of children who cannot live safely at home has risen every year over the last 10 years. Children in care have experienced trauma – they need a safe, nurturing home environment to help them recover.

If you are over 21 and have a spare bedroom, we would love to hear from you. As a foster carer, you could make a huge difference to a child or young person in need.

For more information please contact Janene
 T: (03) 5822 8100 or E: humefostercare@berrystreet.org.au

CALENDAR

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| Mon 24th Aug | Curriculum Day |
| Fri 18th Sept | Last Day Term 3 |
| Mon 5th Oct | First Day Term 4 |
| Wed 11th Nov-
Fri 13 Nov | 3 /4 Camp |
| Mon 30th Nov
Fri 4th Dec | 5 /6 Camp Wyuna |

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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!