

TOOLERN TIMES

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Resilience, Engagement, Acceptance, Cooperation, High Expectations

Term 4 Calendar

Monday 9th December

-Assembly

Tuesday 10th December

-Grade 6 Transition Day

-Foundation Transition Session

- Grade 6 Graduation

Thursday 12th December

-Grade 6 Day Out

Friday 13th December

- Grades 3-6 Swimming

Monday 16th December

- Grades 3-6 Swimming

-End of year concert

Tuesday 17th December

- Grades 3-6 Swimming

Wednesday 18th December

-School Reports go home

- Grades 3-6 Swimming

Thursday 19th December

- Grades 3-6 Swimming

- Last Day Students

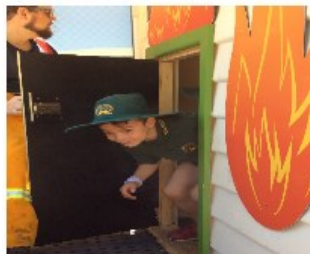
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Friday 20th December

-Curriculum Day

(No Students at School)

Kid Safe Program



On Wednesday 20th November, students attended a Fire Safe Kids Incursion Program. The students were taught fire safe strategies and had the opportunity to practice the drills and techniques learnt, “Stop, drop and roll” and “Get down low and go, go, go”. Students also learnt that in an emergency, all firefighters are trained in CPR and medical first aid and they may be the first responders if 000 is called. The CFA truck was on display and students were able to ask questions and were shown how various equipment operates. We would like to thank Mrs Carr for organising this incursion and the local Toolern Vale CFA.

"We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land, and pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging. We also acknowledge our gratitude that we share this land today, our sorrow for some of the costs of that sharing, and our hope and belief that we can move to place of equity, justice and partnership together."

My Favourite Memory...

My favourite memory would have to be going to Sovereign Hill Camp. -Rylee

Meeting my best friends and going to the creek. -Kate

My favourite memory of primary school has to be the ½ sleepover or Campaspe Downs Camp. -Abbi

I have enjoyed all the interschool sports including netball, volleyball, running, swimming, tennis and footy. - Shanel

My favourite thing about this school years have been my friends and being able to do art. - Aimee

My favourite memory is when Mr Shaw called me Summer. Every time he would call me Summer I would get his keys. -Rayne

Going to the creek to do our learning or as a brain break. - Madison

I love going to the creek with Mrs Stan. -Deegan

Mr Shaw's Dad jokes, going to the creek and Mrs Stan always being there for me. -Sharlett

I remember when me and my friends group were called Duke Ducks and played Tiggy around the school. -Blake

My favourite memory was, I hid Sienna's lunch order and the class couldn't go out until the lunch was found. -Skyla

favourite memory is lunchtime chats with Jack. -Cooper

My favourite camp was going on the 2016 city camp. At the Eureka I was too scared to go on the Sky deck. Mr Ransome took me to Crown to get an ice-cream. -Shaelan

My favourite memory was the 2016 camp. I loved going to China Town. -Mia



Kitchen News...



Apple and Blueberry Slice

Ingredients

1 ½ Cups Self Raising Flour
¾ Cup Desiccated Coconut
½ Cup Sugar
¾ Cup Greek Yoghurt
1 Egg
100ml Olive Oil
1 Large Apple, diced
½ Cup Blueberries



Method

Step 1: Place all the ingredients except the apple and blueberries into a large bowl and mix until just combined.

Step 2: Add the apple and blueberries and gently stir through. Spoon into a lined 20cm x 20cm baking pan. Place into a 180 degree Celsius oven and bake for 25 minutes or until lightly golden and it bounces back when touched.

Allow to cool before slicing into squares.

SunSmart

Reminder: In term 4 hats must be worn outside.

No hat, no play.

**Last Transition Day for 2020
Foundation Students:**

Tuesday 10th December 8:55am-12pm

As well as a Parent and Carers Information session
at 9am **Location: Foundation Classrooms**

We will be providing an information session for parents and carers of 2020 foundation students. This session will be an opportunity to learn more about our Foundation Program and will allow the opportunity for parents or carers to ask any questions they may have. After the information session, we will be holding a morning tea. This will provide an opportunity to meet other Foundation parents and members of the school community.

Book List

Booklists have been sent home for 2020. New Foundation students received theirs at the last foundation transition session. To order, you must go online to OfficeMaxSchools.com.au and use the code 8QW9U

Payments can be made by Visa, Zip Pay, Paypal or Mastercard.

Bookpacks will be delivered to your home, so you can label the items prior to school starting. There is **Free delivery** if the order is placed **BEFORE Dec 16th**.

Emergency Procedures

Last week we ran a surprise fire drill/ evacuation. The students and staff did a fantastic job getting. The whole school evacuated in 2 minutes and 42 seconds.

Assemblies

Assemblies are held every second Monday morning at 8:55am. The next assembly will be held on Monday 9th December

School Uniform

We would like to remind parents of our Uniform Policy. False nails, SNS and acrylic nails etc, are NOT permitted at school.

Library Books

Library is now closed

All books need to be **returned ASAP**

Graduation

**Tuesday 10th December
6pm Taylors Lakes Hotel**

End of year concert

Monday 16th December 6pm

Families are welcome to bring along chairs and picnic blankets to watch the concert.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Staffing 2020

We would like to welcome Mr Brian Slatter as our substantive Assistant Principal for the next three years. Mr Slatter comes to us from Wedge Park Primary School. He has over 15 years of experience in high level leadership and we look forward to working with him.

Mrs Stevenson has accepted a position at Pakenham Springs Primary School.

Ms Serra has accepted a position at Bacchus Marsh Primary School and

Mr Owen is leaving us and heading to Arnold's Creek Primary, as their new full time PE teacher.

Ms Stephanie Ransome has accepted a position as a Teacher at Bacchus Marsh Primary School .

We wish all of these teachers the best, their contribution to our school has been greatly appreciated. We will announce new staff in our class placement announcements on December 18th.

End of Year Concert.

Our end of year concert is on December 16th starting at 6pm sharp.
Please bring camp chairs or a blanket to sit on.

If the weather is against us, we will make a decision about cancelling by 3pm.
This will be communicated via Flexibuzz and Facebook.
If it is drizzling the concert will still go ahead.

Parent and Community Helpers – Thank You

We would like to thank all of our parent and community helpers who have spent time assisting at our school. It was a big year for the 150th committee, CEC and School Council. We also had some wonderful classroom, working bee and kitchen helpers.
Thank you to everyone.

We will be running a fundraising committee next year, and would love to get some new faces involved.

Garden

We would like to thank Rodney for his time working in our school gardening program. Rodney is not continuing in the role. We would like to welcome Ray, who does our garden maintenance, to the Garden program role in 2020. Ray has experience with the program at another school, and already has some great ideas.
We would also like to thank Shelley, she has been volunteering in the garden and getting it ready for summer.

Book Packs

Thanks to the parents who have given us feedback on the new book pack ordering. We hope it has been easy to order, and helpful that parents have the option to choose the items or shop around.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who have received awards this fortnight. These awards are given to students in recognition of achievement and will be presented at assembly on Monday 9th December.

Class	Name	Reason for Award
5/6A	Peter N	<u>Engagement</u> For always giving his best and striving to improve in every area of his learning.
5/6B	Jack O	<u>Engagement</u> For obtaining 3 years growth in your Essential Assessment on Money and Financial Mathematics. Congratulations, what a wonderful effort.
3/4A	Aeryn S	<u>Resilience</u> For trying so hard during the 3/4A Voice Auditions.
3/4B	Ella R	<u>High Expectations</u> For always displaying our R.E.A.C.H values and working hard to achieve her best.
3/4C	Dylan M	<u>High Expectations</u> Showing great listening skills and always doing his best.
1/2A	Ashlee R	<u>Engagement</u> For working well in all areas and being a great role model.
1/2B	Phoebe P	<u>High Expectations</u> For always working quietly and doing the right thing all the time. Well done Phoebe
Fnd A	Annie M	<u>Resilience</u> For working hard when reading and not giving up. Well done Annie!
Fnd B	Emmanuella D	<u>High Expectations</u> For working hard during all lessons and trying her best all year.



December School Council Report

In our last meeting for the year thanks were given to all school council members who have done a fantastic job throughout the year.

Discussions were held on ideas to recoup some unpaid levies. If you are not sure if you owe anything feel free to speak to our office staff and they will help you.

Discussions were also held around the budget for next year, which is dependant on what DET give us. In an attempt to increase our financial capabilities, we agreed to re-vamp the Fundraising committee in 2020. This will be overseen by School Council.

We are looking for volunteers to run small, one off fundraising events.


Myself and Dawn Vassallo are also in talks with our local MP Mary Anne Thomas about a proposal to acquire the land to the rear of the school, to the creek and to the left, to the creek.

On behalf of School Council we wish every one a happy Christmas and a safe new year, See you in 2020.

Ben Outten

School Council President

TOOLERN VALE & DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY EXPECTATION MATRIX

	R	E	A	C	H
We ALWAYS model the expected behaviours according to the Statement of Values for the School Community	RESILIENCE	ENGAGEMENT	ACCEPTANCE	COOPERATION	HIGH EXPECTATIONS
	NEVER GIVE UP	RED HOT GO	APPRECIATE EVERYONE	WORK AS A TEAM	AIM FOR SUCCESS
TO SUPPORT ALL STUDENTS WE...	Show and encourage kindness and empathy	Encourage and speak positively about learning	Maintain the confidentiality of others	Speak politely and use appropriate language	Role model positive interactions with others
	Stay calm and positive when interacting with all students	Encourage positive attitudes, understand and support their feelings toward attending school	Listen to and value the views and opinions of others	Act respectfully at all times	Practice healthy habits (personal hygiene, exercise and nutrition)
	Encourage all to be <i>upstanders</i> and report incidents to the school	Acknowledge and celebrate all efforts and successes	Value diversity and are inclusive to all students needs	Are always reliable and deliver on stated expectations	Report any incidents of concerns to staff members
TO SUPPORT TEACHING & LEARNING WE...	Maintain a team approach to building self confidence and growth for students	Establish routines for getting to school daily and completing learning tasks at home	Value every staff member's role in achieving our shared goal of student outcomes	Provide assessments and relevant information to the principal and classroom teachers	Contact the school to inform of absence and sign in/out students of lateness/early departure
	Instil a love for learning, encourage curiosity and inquiry	Listen and respond to views and ideas about their education	Understand staff are dedicated and will respond to learning needs in a timely manner	Be present and positive when speaking about school and learning	Hand in notices, payments and permission forms in a timely manner
	Understand that mistakes are part of the learning process	Attend information sessions, meeting and interviews to discuss student learning	Understand that we are all (students, staff and community members) different and have individual strengths	Acknowledge and respond respectfully to communication in a timely manner (emails, phone calls, dojo messages)	Be proactive and ask questions when you need clarification
TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY WE...	Follow school policies and guidance from staff	Build positive, approachable and respectful relationships	Uphold the school's vision, values and culture	Support and contribute to whole school events	Consistently and actively support whole school policies and initiatives
	Remain calm and embrace a solution-based mindset in relation to conflict	Read and respond to communication regarding programs, meetings and events in a timely manner	Recognise and respect the diversity of our community members	Provide feedback and have a voice in school programs and surveys	Ensure safety in learning environments, school grounds, car park and school zone

Thank you parents and community members for sharing your 'VOICE' in our recent Community Matrix survey. The survey is now closed.

Please read YOUR Community Matrix

Here is the first look at our draft Community Matrix. As we value your opinion, we still need your feedback.

Please read and review the Community Matrix and if you have suggestions or improvements, please give us feedback.

A new survey link, <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/25655DX>, is for you to share your VOICE once again on our draft Community Matrix. The Community Matrix and survey link can also be accessed on our school website, at the bottom of the home page.

Your feedback is important.