

Toolamba PS

“Striving for Excellence”

Values: Respect, Trustworthy and Inclusive



PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dear Parents,

2019 has been another action packed year, filled with numerous exciting activities such as camps, excursions, sports days, Colour Fun Run, the Kitchen Garden Program, our concert, multi-age days and with time in there for some focused teaching and learning.

It was also our Review year, which was a major piece of work. It was very rewarding to reflect on our progress over the past 4 years and receive feedback from the Panel. Our school has much to be proud of. One of the key highlights that the panel identified was our strong sense of community.

FARWELL STAFF

Sadly this year we farewell two of our popular staff members.

Patrice is retiring after many years of dedication to her profession. She will leave an enormous gap in our school and hearts. She has been loved by students, parents and her colleagues. At all times Patrice has put the children in her care at the centre of everything that she does.

Whilst she is retiring Patrice has let us know she is still available for CRT work which is fantastic.

Ryan has only been with us for a short period of time. We thank him for his commitment to our school and his eagerness to help with any task. We wish him well for his future studies and we are sure he will make a great teacher in the years to come.



JSC CHRISTMAS BREAKUP

JSC members were treated to a lovely morning tea on Wednesday, last week, thanks to Mrs Lardner. A special guest was Monica Kinnane who has supported the JSC fundraising by running the Hot Dog Days. We also appreciate the support of Lindy McIntosh who has filled in on several occasions.





GRADUATION

Tonight, is the big night for our Grade 6 students! They will arrive at 5.45pm for dinner with the teachers and then families will join us for the ceremony at 7pm. Once again, Juanita has been behind the scenes organising. We certainly appreciate all the effort she puts into making the night so special for the students. Thank you to all those families who assisted with the catering.

FAREWELL

Tonight we will have the opportunity to formally farewell our Grade 6 students. They have been a fantastic group whom we have grown very fond of. We are certainly going to miss them!

Sadly we are also farewelling Lexi Anderson, Stella Pogue, Ruby McClelland, Lincoln Ralph, Sari Rutherford, Edward and Nellie Trevaskis-Deane and Harry Walta. Our best wishes go with them to their new schools.

We are also very sad to be farewelling the following families: Jaimie & Justin Bell, Fiona & Darren Butler, Estelle & Brett Jackson, Caroline & Scott James-Wilson, Narelle & David McGrath, Fiona & Bailey Pogue, Jacinta & Peter Trevaskis-Deanne, Carolyn & Grant Young, Jess Bluet & Nick McClelland, Kristy-Lee & Burt Ralph and finally Bim & Clarke Rutherford.

Many families have had a long association with our school. We thank you for your tireless efforts and your commitment to our school. It certainly has been

greatly appreciated. These positive home school partnerships play such a vital role in your children's education.

DATES FOR 2020

Tues 28 th Jan	Teachers Return Grade 6 T-Shirts available for pickup
Wed 29 th Jan	Students Return
Thurs 30 th Jan	Foundation Students Begin Grade 3 - 6 Information Session. 5.00pm
Thurs 6 th Feb	Welcome BBQ. 5pm-7.30pm
Thurs 13 th Feb	F – 2 Information Session 5.00pm
Thurs 5 th Mar	Parent/Teacher Interviews

END YEAR ASSEMBLY

START TIME 12.30PM

Our assembly will commence earlier this year to allow time for some additional items on the agenda.

Our assembly is an opportunity to:

- Present Awards & Scholarships
- Farewell students, families and staff
- School Captain Speeches
- Announcement of Leadership positions
- P & F Report
- Raffle
- Christmas Carols
- Meet Santa

FUN SPORTS

Once again, the Fun Sports were a huge success. Children competed in their Houses in a range of enjoyable activities, the water relay being the favourite. Team work and fun was the theme of the day. Many thanks to Jayne for her organisation.





CLASS PARTIES & KKS

Tables were laden with goodies and students were very excited guessing who their KK could be.







THANK YOU

Many thanks to all those parents who have helped our school by attending working bees, hearing reading, helping around the classrooms, doing Book Club, Hot Dog Days, and the Kitchen Garden Program. Your assistance has been wonderful. I also appreciate the fantastic support given by School Council to our school.

Once again, our wonderful Parents and Friends Club have worked tirelessly for our school providing many additional resources for our students. Your efforts go a long way to making Toolamba PS the great school that it is!

HOLIDAY SECURITY

As you have done in the past I encourage you to keep an eye on our school over the holidays. Please notify the police if you see anything suspicious.

Enjoy your holiday with your family,
Regards Heather

LUNCH ORDERS

There will be no Wednesday lunch orders for Term 1 in 2020.

REMINDER – PERSONAL INFORMATION

A reminder to parents to notify the school of any changes to their phone numbers or address details. It is most important that all personal information is kept up to date in the event of an emergency i.e.: CODE RED DAYS.
Thank you.

NEWSLETTER EMAILED

If you would like to receive the weekly newsletter by email, as well as a hard copy, please email the school with your request. toolamba.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

TOOLAMBA BEFORE SCHOOL CARE:

Mobile No. 0448585568

Please contact Toni-Maria Arnold to make a booking. The service will run 5 days per week, during the school term, between 7.45am-9.00am. The cost is \$16.00 per Student, per session. Forms are available at the office.

TOOLAMBA AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Mobile No. 0457847970

Out of School Hours Care is available at Toolamba Primary School; after school Monday to Friday from 3.15pm to 6pm during school terms. The price is \$16.00 per student, per session. Bookings can be made by ringing the After Hours Care number which is **0457 847 970**. Please ring this number rather than book through the office.

Enrolment Forms are available from Fiona or the office. To make a booking for Mon, Tue, Wed or Thurs you need to ring before **12pm on that day**. Bookings for Friday need to be made before **5.30pm on Thursday**.

If you have booked your child/children into care and wish to cancel it, to avoid being charged for the session, one weeks' notice is required by phoning Fiona or leaving a message. **If the cancellation is made after this time, you will be charged regardless of whether you use the service or not.**

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

OCCASIONAL CARE

Occasional Care is available at Toolamba Kinder, on **Tuesdays and Fridays from 9am-3pm**. If you would like to book a place for your child, please call the Kinder on 5826 5320.



ENVISION PROJECT

Exciting news! Toolamba Lions are on board with the Envision Project collecting bottle tops for Helping hands. YouTube video <https://youtu.be/NP0VcknTjJg> tells all you need to know.

Such an amazing project that not only helps create hands but is doing great things for our environment

too. At this stage there are collection buckets at Toolamba General Store and Toolamba Primary School. We need bottle tops and caps with the number 2 or 4 displayed. Start collecting and do your bit for the environment too.

For more information, please contact Jody Merritt 0428998848

COMMUNITY NEWS

ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK

Story Time In The Park

Colaura Gardens, Toolamba

Thursday 30/02 /2020.

10.00 am- 11.30am



Mixed Games

Toolamba Recreation Reserve

Monday 30/03/ 2020.

10.00am-10.45am

TOOLAMBA LION'S CLUB Inc.

Meets 1st Tuesday of each month.

For more information, contact:

Heather Mulcahy 0447 332 833

Amanda Sibio 0447 405 335

Keira Birchmore 0417 252 874

ADVERTISING

GUITAR AND KEYBOARD LESSONS

Cliff Doornkamp conducts 20-minute lessons for both guitar and keyboard every Tuesday. The cost is \$20.00 per lesson (payable at time of lesson).

For more information, please contact Cliff Doornkamp on 0474 769 963.

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF TAE KWON DO

Learn fitness, confidence, discipline and self-defence!

First session free.

Monday and Wednesday 7pm to 8pm

In the Toolamba Hall (next to the school)

All ages are welcome!

Contact: Stephen – 0428 021 169



Watches & Diamonds

Manufacturing Jeweller and Watchmaker.

All work done on the premises.

150 Hogan street Tatura, Victoria 3616

(03)5824 1100



Fleur Ferguson

PHOTOGRAPHY

Family Portraits - Newborn Babies - Debutante - Weddings



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Bovine Inseminations

HERD IMPROVEMENT SERVICES

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CALENDAR

Thurs 19th Dec

Grade 6 Graduation

Fri 20th Dec

Last Day 2019

Assembly 12.30pm

School Finishes 2.00pm

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**Labour Day
(No School)**

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