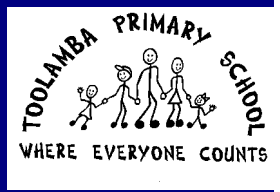


Toolamba PS

“Striving for Excellence”



Values: Respectful, Trustworthy and Inclusive

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents,

CONGRATULATIONS

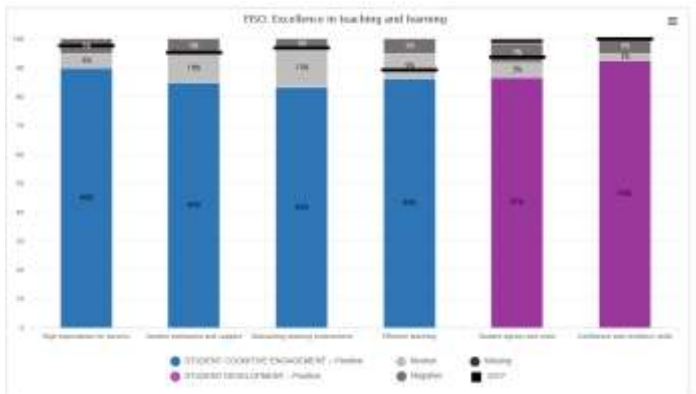
Last Friday several of our students participated in the Regional Athletics finals. We are very proud to announce that three of the students have progressed on to State Level. Reeve Evans will compete in the 100 and two hundred metres, Breeanna Bell in the hurdles and Ashleigh Bedwell in the discus.

PARENT SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you to those families who participated in the recent survey. Your feedback is valued, and will inform our strategic direction. One area that has dropped this year is the response around experience of bullying. Fifty five percent of children experienced no bullying and 30 percent were neutral. Last week the Policy Committee reviewed our Bullying Policy. I have included the draft copy in the newsletter for your feedback.

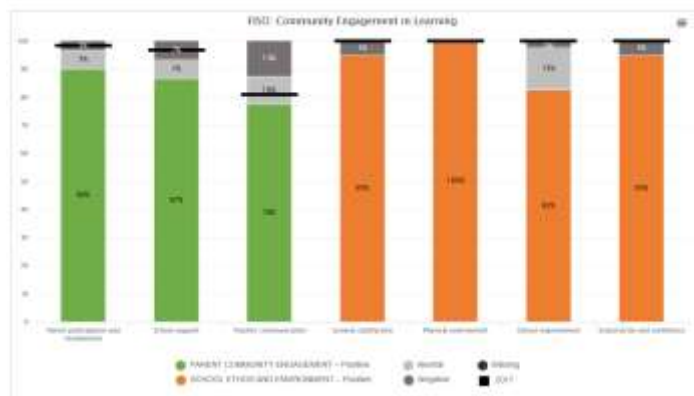
Summary Measures, FISO: Community Engagement in Learning

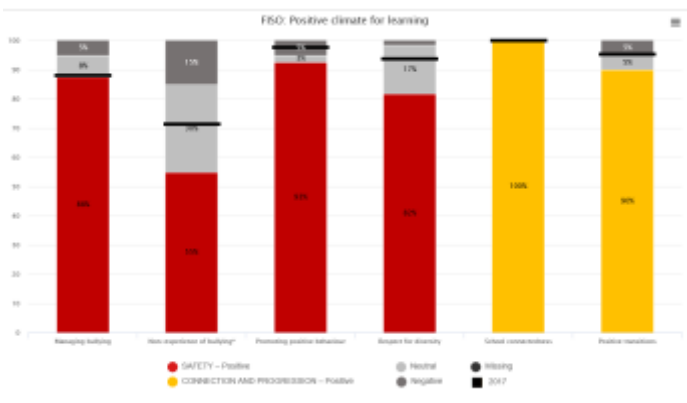
Framework Factor	Toolamba Primary School		
	% Positive	Result % Neutral	% Negative
Parent participation and involvement	92%	7%	0%
This school gives me opportunities to participate in my child's education	88%	5%	0%
I feel this school values parents' contributions	90%	10%	0%
This school has a strong relationship with the local community	50%	0%	5%
School support	87%	7%	7%
I am able to get the information I need through the school's regular communication channels	98%	0%	0%
I feel comfortable about approaching the school with any concerns I might have	99%	0%	10%
The school takes parents' concerns seriously	90%	10%	0%
Teacher communication	79%	10%	12%
There is effective two-way communication between the teachers and parents at the school	50%	5%	10%
Teachers communicate with me often enough about my child's progress	70%	10%	15%



Summary Measures, FISO: Excellence in teaching and learning

Framework Factor	Toolamba Primary School		
	% Positive	Result % Neutral	% Negative
High expectation for success	98%	0%	0%
Teachers at this school expect my child to do better than	90%	0%	0%
This school celebrates student achievements in all areas	90%	10%	0%
Student motivation and support	88%	10%	0%
My child gets extra help with learning from teachers when needed	70%	20%	0%
My child feels motivated by his/her teachers to learn	90%	0%	0%
Stimulating learning environment	82%	12%	0%
This school provides diverse programs for my child's interests and abilities	70%	20%	0%
The academic standards at this school provide adequate challenge for my child	90%	0%	0%
The teachers are very good at making learning engaging	80%	10%	0%
Effective teaching	98%	0%	0%
Teachers are enthusiastic and positive about teaching	90%	0%	0%
Teachers provide useful feedback and respond to the learning needs of my child	90%	0%	0%
My child can explore their own interests when it is related to their class work	90%	0%	0%
I understand how my child is assessed	70%	0%	10%





DOMAIN: SCHOOL ETHOS AND ENVIRONMENT			
Framework Factor	Toolamba Primary School		
	% Positive	% Neutral	% Negative
General satisfaction	99%	0%	0%
Overall, I am satisfied with the education my child receives from this school	85%	0%	0%
Physical Environment	100%	0%	0%
This school has clean and well-maintained facilities and grounds	100%	0%	0%
School improvement	85%	15%	0%
This school always aims to improve the quality of education it provides	85%	0%	0%
This school has a clear understanding of its strengths and areas for improvement	75%	15%	0%
School pride and confidence	99%	0%	0%
I feel confident that this school provides a good standard of education for my child	95%	0%	0%

Summary Measures, FISO: Positive climate for learning

DOMAIN: SAFETY			
Framework Factor	Toolamba Primary School		
	% Positive	% Neutral	% Negative
Managing bullying	88%	8%	4%
My child feels safe at school	95%	5%	0%
My child feels confident about the skills and strategies teachers have learnt at school to address bullying behaviour	85%	10%	5%
Non-experience of bullying	55%	38%	15%
My child has been bullied recently at school	55%	30%	15%
Promoting positive behaviour	93%	3%	2%
This school has a consistent approach to promoting positive student behaviour	89%	5%	0%
Teachers at this school model positive behaviour	95%	3%	0%
Respect for diversity	82%	17%	2%
This school respects and values my family's beliefs and values	75%	20%	0%
This school communicates the importance of respecting all cultural beliefs and practices	82%	20%	0%
This school treats my child with respect	99%	10%	0%

DOMAIN: CONNECTION AND PROGRESSION			
Framework Factor	Toolamba Primary School		
	% Positive	% Neutral	% Negative
School connectedness	100%	0%	0%
My child feels accepted by other students at school	100%	0%	0%
My child enjoys the learning they do at school	100%	0%	0%
This school gives my child opportunities to participate in school activities	100%	0%	0%
Positive transitions	90%	5%	5%
My child has been supported this year to adjust to his/her new year level	90%	5%	5%
I feel confident that this school prepares students for the next phase of their life/schooling	90%	5%	5%

Survey Comments

1 I am pleased with the education and support my child is receiving from the school, however, I really wish there was a before school program.

2 I find the school end of term awards a little over the top when talking about dux, the best of the best you can see lots of little faces looking sad, some subjects are for the best another subject is for the one trying their best, all confusing, why not one for best one for trying to do their best in all subjects not just Math's and Literacy. Then there is the weekly awards, you would think that eventually all children should end up with an award, there should be something the teachers could award every individual through the year to make them feel worthy. I believe the school tries very hard in understanding their students, at times do miss the mark. The teachers are very dedicated to their work, and that is great to see.

Overall, I am very pleased with the school, and my children are happy to go to school and I cannot ask for any more than that. The only thing my child complains about is that they feel the same children get asked to talk for the school or get asked to do activities. lead groups and so forth

3 Toolamba is a great school.

4 Toolamba Primary School is a high quality learning facility; we need to credit our brilliant principal Heather, for guiding her teachers and creating such a positive learning environment for our children. Toolamba Primary School is a credit to our community.

5 Our children really enjoy attending school because of the wonderful teachers, peers and school environment in which they learn. The teachers are easy to talk to and have spent time during recess or lunch to assist my children when they have asked for additional help in understanding their schoolwork. The only challenge we face is that one of our children is being bullied because of his/her weight. We would only wish that the teachers taught the children the potential long-term impact of picking on others appearances.

6 Awards and Junior School council roles seemed to be determined by popularity, not the most deserving.

Students are not always placed in classes with their friends as the school promotes. This has happened several times.

7 I appreciate the effort of the school to introduce programs such as kitchen/garden, music and cool calm kids as well as providing access to free after school sports and activities. I fear that the pressure placed on staff to achieve high results in data collection testing is resulting in exhausted staff and stressed children. I would prefer it if the school did not use testing to judge teachers and individual children but as an opportunity to see where extra funding and resource programs may be needed. My children would also respond well to more hands on or play based learning. Perhaps more emphasis could be placed on times tables too. Overall, however, Toolamba is a wonderful school and we are fortunate to have such a fine facility in our community.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Yesterday I attended the Principal Forum in Shepparton and today Filippa and I are attending a planning session. This session will provide us with support to develop our 2019 Annual Implementation Plan.

DITTO'S KEEP SAFE ADVENTURE! EDUCATION PROGRAM



On Tuesday the students in Grades Prep, 1, 2 had the opportunity to experience our Personal Safety Education Program- "The Ditto Show".

WORDS FROM BRAVEHEARTS STAFF- "We at Bravehearts are extremely proud of this program and believe that providing children with the basic principles of personal safety, we are providing them with the tools to stay safe.

Just as teaching children the road rules cannot guarantee our children's safety on the roads, no program can guarantee to "abuse-proof" our children. But, by teaching them the principles of personal safety, we are giving them the knowledge they need to keep safe and know what to do if anything does happen. It is important to bear in mind that this program is not sex education. We do not use the word 'sex' or 'sexual assault'. Its teachings are transferable to prevention of bullying, violence and sexual assault.

The performance itself consists of:

- Your body's warning signs.
- Yes and No feelings.
- Private parts (*general discussion, mouth, chest, between legs & bottom: includes song*)
- Scared and yucky feelings.
- What to do if someone tells you a bad secret (*Run & Tell song*)
- It is Ok to say NO if you feel unsafe.
- Good and Bad secrets.

- When it might be Ok for a grownup to touch our private parts.

We have been able to provide this show to schools for **FREE** due to the amazing partnership and support offered by CASA: Centre Against Sexual Assault"

Enjoy your weekend.

Regards Heather

ASSEMBLY AWARDS



CONCERT DVDS

Concert DVDs are now available at the office.

These are great keepsakes for the future.

Name.....

I would like to order DVDS @ \$20each.

Money enclosed \$..... (Eftpos available)

SPORTING IN SCHOOLS

TERM 4 2018

Another Sporting in Schools program is running this term. The program is Cricket.

1	Tuesday	30 Oct, 2018	03:30 PM
2	Tuesday	13 Nov, 2018	03:30 PM
3	Tuesday	20 Nov, 2018	03:30 PM

The first session commences next **Tuesday** (October, 30th) at **3.30pm-4.30pm**.

Each session is **60 minutes** and will be held at Toolamba Primary School.

There will be a total of 3 sessions.

There is a limited amount of spots available for this program. If your child/ren are interested, please complete and hand in the Parent/Guardian Consent Form (attached to the newsletter) by **Monday, 29th of October**.

For more information please see Sarah Maskell or phone the school.

GRADE 5 / 6 CAMP – ANGLESEA RECREATION CAMP

Dates: Mon 26th Nov - Fri 30th Nov 2018

Cost: \$522.00

Where: Cnr Great Ocean Rd & Inverloch St, Anglesea

Costs have now been finalised for the 5/6 camp. Parents are able to make payments towards the camp via BPAY or EFTPOS at the office.

Full payment is required prior to camp unless otherwise arranged with the school.

REMINDER FAMILY ACCOUNTS

Just a reminder to parents that 2018 fees are due to be paid and finalised by the end of Term 4.

Statements for school family accounts are sent out on a monthly basis.

Instalments can be made by using the BPAY details on your statement. EFTPOS is also available at the office.

TOOLAMBA OUT OF HOURS SCHOOL CARE.

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 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, this has to be done prior to 12 midday

by ringing 0457847970 and speaking to 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

TOOLAMBA TENNIS CLUB NEWS

JUNIOR COACHING

When : Tuesday nights, from 6.45pm

Limited places available. Please contact Mark Mills on 0429 307 373

ANZ HOT SHOTS COMMUNITY PLAY – Coming soon!

We are delighted to announce we have been approved to run this program at our club. ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Community Play is a program designed to be delivered by volunteers. It aims to give an excellent first tennis experience in a fun, friendly and welcoming environment, for young players. We will be offering this program on a Friday afternoon and will require parent's participation. More details to come. To register your interest, please contact Mel Calleja on: toolambatennisclub@gmail.com or 0488 004 004.

LADIES SOCIAL TWILIGHT TENNIS

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

When : Tuesday nights, 6.30pm

Starts : 16 October 2018

Where : Toolamba Tennis Club, Wren St

Cost : \$60 per person (2018/19)

For more information contact: Mel Calleja 0488 004 004.



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

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Rhonda White 0417315171

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Make a modern quilt

All equipment supplied, including sewing machines.

Fabric requirements will be discussed on booking.

Limited to 4 students per class.

In 6 lessons you will make a quilt that will impress your friends.

Classes will be held in the Simply Quilts Studio at 36 Wren Street Toolamba.

Cost is \$200 to be paid in advance please.

Class times: Thursday evenings, 6:30pm-8:30pm,

If you would like to know more or to book for the classes please call or text Rhonda at Simply Quilts on 0417315171.

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GUITAR AND KEYBOARD LESSONS

Cliff Doornkamp conducts 20-minute lessons for both guitar and keyboard every Thursday. The cost is \$18.00 per lesson (payable at time of lesson).

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

TOOLAMBA PRIMARY SCHOOL LUNCH ORDER MENU

PIES: \$4.50

PLAIN MEAT

STEAK & ONION

CHICKEN

QUICHE

SAUSAGE ROLL \$3.50

PARTY SIZE: \$2.00

PIES

SAUSAGE ROLLS

CHEESE & BACON ROLL \$2.50

(TOMATO SAUCE .20c)

LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE WEDNESDAYS

**ALL ORDERS TO BE HANDED TO TEACHER BY THE
END OF MONDAY**

HOT DOG ORDER FORM.

Hot Dog are now only available in bread.

The next Junior School Council Hot Dog Day will be held on **Friday 2nd November**. Orders must be in at 9.00am, on **Thursday 1st November**.

Hot dog orders are due in by 9.00am on Thursday.

Orders are collated, money is counted and rolls are

ordered on Thursday. **PLEASE NO LATE HOTDOG**

ORDERS. We would appreciate your support with this.

Name.....

Teacher.....

Hot dog in bread @ \$2.50

Total enclosed \$..... Change require \$.....

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Teacher.....

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2018 MOBILE LIBRARY

The Library will visit Toolamba on alternate Mondays
at 3.00pm-4.15pm

October 29

November 12 26

December 10 24

CALENDAR

Tues 30th Oct Junior School Council Fete

Wed 31st Oct Sporting In School

Thurs 1st Nov Questicon Science Day

Fri 2nd Nov Hot Dog Day

**Mon 5th Nov Curriculum Day
No Students**

Tues 6th Nov Melbourne Cup Holiday

Wed 7th Nov Sporting In School

Wed 14th Nov Grade 6 Yachting

Fri 16th Nov Hot Dog Day

Wed 21st Nov Sporting In School

Thurs 22nd Nov School Council Meeting

Sat 24th Nov Lion's Twilight Festival

**Mon 26th Nov] Grade 5/ 6 Camp
To Fri 30th Nov] Anglesea. Cost \$522**

Wed 28th Nov Sporting In School

Fri 30th Nov Hot Dog Day

Fri 14th Dec Hot Dog Day

Thu 20th Dec Grade 6 Graduation

Fri 21st Dec Last Day Term 4

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