# TOOTGAROOK TELEGRAPH

Weekly newsletter of
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## CALENDAR

Beach Program – Thursday – Friday Tootgarook Ironman from 11.15am on Friday Gr 3-6

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### Specialist Programs for 2013

In 2013 we will be operating four specialist programs every week across the school. These include:

- **Visual Arts** – Amanda Lee (3-6) & Cobbitty Campbell (P-2), 60 minutes @ week per class
- **Music** – Christine Young, 60 minutes @ week per class
- **Physical Education** – Paul King, 60 minutes @ week per class (in addition to Level 3 and Level 4 Sport Blocks)
- **Language Other Than English-(LOTE)**
  - Indonesian – Gwen Clements, (TBA)

#### 201 Literacy and Maths Tips to Help Your Child

Families are the first and most enduring influence on a child’s development and play an important role in a child’s learning. Developing strong skills in reading, writing and maths is critical to ensure your child’s success in early learning and beyond.

You can make a difference by supporting what your child learns at school and helping them to learn at home.

The **201 literacy and maths tips to help your child** booklet provides handy hints and way you can help your child develop literacy and maths skills. It provides practical activities for you do with your child at home and questions you can ask your child to help them learn.

The booklet is divided into age groups

**Before School – Year 2 and Year 3 – Year 6.** Go to the sections appropriate to your child’s level and look at the tips and handy hints.

**Print a booklet**

To download a version of the document that you can print as a booklet, see

School Council Elections
Four Parent Vacancies on School Council 2013

School Council Election Timetable 2013
Call for Nominations
Monday 11th February
Close of Nominations
Monday 18th February
Voting Forms distributed (if required)
Monday 25th February
Voting Closes
Tuesday 4th March

School Council Meeting Election of Office Bearers
6pm Monday 18th March – School Library

Student of the Week
Students will be presented with certificates at Monday morning assembly.

Prep B – Mrs Bos – Samantha O’Leary – for the great start to school and settling into Prep so well. Keep up the great work!
Prep P – Mrs Prossor – Charli Vis – for her great start to Preps. She is friendly, helpful and a great listener.
2/3B – Mrs Baird – Bastian Roy – an excellent role model for others. Bastian starts work quickly and works to a high standard. He is a reliable helper.
1/2H – Mrs Hughes – Jack O’Brien – for settling back into our school routine so well, and completing all of his work. Keep it up Jack.
1/2P – Miss Perkins – Noah Davies – for being such a great helper and role model in the class. Noah answers questions and finishes his work at all times. Well done!
3/4T – Miss Withers – Jordan Walker – for showing courage and determination during the beach program.
3/W – Ms Walton – Harry Read – welcome back to Tootgarook Primary School. We are so pleased to have you in our class.
5/6B – Mrs Bruin – Olivia Barrett – for an outstanding start to the year. You have an outstanding work ethic and a willingness to help out in the classroom.
5/6Q – Miss Quintin – Daekota Corrin – well done – your recount about the beach program was fantastic. You listened well to instructions and edited your work accordingly – inserting great vocabulary!
Art/Craft (Miss Lee/Mrs Campbell) – Mackenzie Inglis – 1/2P – for being bright and sweet in the Art room. Lovely painting!
Bernie Walsh Art Award – 1/2P – for being such a fabulous grade in the first lesson. For cleaning so well, listening to instructions and for your fantastic creativity.
Music (Mrs Young) – Eloise Read – 1/2H – the first lesson back in the Music room at Tootgarook and you were confident, knowledgeable and relaxed as if you never left our school. Welcome back Eloise!
P.E. (Mr King)

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
Any parents who are eligible and hold a current (as of 29/01/2013) Health Care or Pension Card please call at the office and fill in an EMA form. Please bring your health care card with you to enable us to photocopy it. No applications will be accepted after Friday 22/02/2012.

The Iron Man/Lady – Friday 8th February

The children from Year 3-6 will all be going to the beach at 11am. The heats will start at 11:15 beginning with Year 6. All finals will be held after the heats. Snack and Lunch will be eaten at the beach. No lunch orders on Friday for Years 3-6. Spectators welcome.
Art News

It was lovely to see all the children again after the break, and some lovely new faces as well. And of course we welcome the talented Ms Lee back. Ms Lee will be teaching grades 3 to 6 and I will be teaching the younger ones.

This week Ms Lee was talking about Mirka Mora, a well known Melbourne artist. You may have seen her work at Flinders St station, or on a tram riding past. The grade 3/4s enjoyed making art with fingerprints, creating creatures and funny people.

I was so impressed with the new Preps, such good artists already! They listened so well to instruction, and tidied the artroom beautifully after themselves. If your child still hasn’t brought in an art smock, they must have it by next week.

Mirka Mora’s tram

Market Helpers

Thankeyou to our January market helpers: Jenine Gorton, Christine Young, Leanne McLeod, Maria Samas, Lynne Baird, Lily + Donna Thomson, Simone Royle, Lisa Bateman, Gary Barrett, Anthea Williams, Darren Walker, Amanda Reeve, Dianne Beagley, Belinda German, Mandy Bos, Michael Giarrusso, Colin Moorhouse, Sandra Code, Matt Davies, Lynne Baird, Wayne Whitworth.

The winners of the shopping vouchers were: Gary Barrett and Colin Moorhouse.

Our next market will be Saturday 23rd February with Prep B rostered on.

The Beach Program by Billy-Jean

On Monday the 4th to the 8th of January the grade 3-6’s have been participating in the Water Safety Program at the Tootgarook Foreshore. We each were divided into four teams to do the activities- Kayaking, snorkelling, Nipper Boards and Beach Flags.

I enjoyed doing the Nipper boards because I learnt how to balance whilst paddling around the boats. The Snorkelling was also fantastic; I saw a flounder and plenty of sea stars.

It’s been a great week and we have learnt plenty about Water Safety... I’m looking forward to the Iron man and women challenge tomorrow.

Billy-Jean 5/6 Q
1st Tootgarook Cub Scouts

Do you like:
Camping, canoeing, cooking, hiking, games, fun, meeting new friends, learning about first aid and the environment?

THEN COME AND JOIN THE FUN AT CUB SCOUTS
First three visits are free...so come along and try it!

J O I E Y  S C O U T S
For kids aged 5 to 7½ years

C U B  S C O U T S
For kids aged 7½ to 11 years

W H E N

J o y e y s: W e d n e s d a y 4: 3 0 t o 5: 3 0
C u b s: W e d n e s d a y 6: 3 0 t o 8 : 0 0 p m
(Dates match school term dates)

W H E R E

S c o u t  H a l l, K e v i n  S t r e e t
Tootgarook

C O N T A C T

Scout Group Leader (Della Smith) 0438 338 506

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Padua College
School Tours
2013 – Terms 1 & 2

See the Rosebud Campus in action...
You're invited to bring your child for a guided tour of the Rosebud Campus. Tours begin at 9:15 am and conclude at approximately 10:15 am. Please book by telephoning Reception at Rosebud Campus on Ph. 9582 8000.

Rosebud Campus School Tour Dates

TERM 1
Monday 18 February
Tuesday 19 March

TERM 2
Wednesday 16 April
Monday 20 April
Monday 17 May

Exhibitions for Year 7 2013 (formal Grad) 5 students will take place from Monday 11 March – Friday 17 May 2013.
For more information, please see the ENROLMENT page on our website: www.padua.catholic.edu.au

Which campus will my child attend?
Please note that initially we were to send Padua College’s three campuses are allocated according to where you live. However, we are able to change these allocations. Contact our School Tour Coordinator to discuss this further.

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*Dates and venues are subject to change. Please telephone for latest details and to make a booking for a school tour.
Dear Principal,

Parking Awareness Program

This year our Ranger Team will again be involved in a Parking Awareness Program, the program aims to address illegal parking around schools during pick up and drop off times.

The main areas of concern as noted in the past are:

- **Parking overtime in the ‘drop off bays’,** these bays have been designed to allow parents to quickly drop off or collect their child and then move on, thereby allowing as many parents as possible a chance to use these desirable parking spots.
- **Parking on nature strips,** is prohibited as parking in this manner can impact on the ‘line of sight’ of vehicles or pedestrians, which is especially important in the vicinity of schools.
- **‘No stopping anytime’ areas** are areas where it is not appropriate to leave a vehicle stopped, for even a short time. These areas are not considered a safe nor appropriate place to stop, or for a child to enter or exit a vehicle.
- **Double parking,** can lead to traffic disruption and places the child who may be entering or exiting a double parked vehicle in a very dangerous position. Double parking even for a short time is not appropriate.
- **Stopped in a disabled parking bay,** these bays are for use of people who hold a disabled parking permit only and should not be used as ‘a drop off or pick up bay’.
- **Stopping in a bus zone,** bus zones are designated for buses only, using these bays even for a short time, can cause disruption to a bus, which in turn causes traffic congestion.
- **Stopping on a road with a yellow edge line,** these lines are placed where it is not appropriate to leave a vehicle stopped, for even a short time. These areas are not considered a safe nor appropriate place to stop, or for a child to enter or exit a vehicle.

The Rangers will be attending schools over the next few weeks and will be speaking to drivers that commit any of these offences, the purpose of this is to raise awareness and educate the school community. Once this awareness program has ceased the Rangers will then begin issuing infringements to offending drivers and the aim is to maintain a visible presence throughout the school year.

In order to achieve success it is important for the Shire to work with the school and hence it would be beneficial if an article could be included in any school newsletter informing driver of the risk they pose to children through failing to obey the road rules.

If there are particular traffic management or safety issues that need to be addressed you can contact the Traffic & Road Safety department on 5950 1030 to discuss particular concerns.

If you require further advice you may contact me at any time on 1300 850 600.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Bonnici
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