

TOOTGAROOK TELEGRAPH

Weekly newsletter of

TOOTGAROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL





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Vision: Achieving personal excellence, empowering students in a supportive community. Respect Integrity Celebration **Honesty**

CALENDAR

Swimming Continues for Grades 3 & 4 - 28th March

- There will be NO Lunch For Everyone
- SCHOOL PHOTO DAY Wednesday 28th March

Tuesday 27th March

Thursday 29th March Last Day Term One – 2.30pm dismissal.

Monday 16th April Term 2 Begins at 9am.

Working With Children Cards Cardholders who are required to renew their WWCC will no longer need to go to Australia Post to lodge a paper form and present their current card. Cardholders will go to the WWCC website to complete their renewal application online and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the fee using a credit card when using the online renewal process, cardholders will be notified by SMS, letter or email 28 days before their WWCC is due to expire. It is important for cardholders to keep their contact details up to date so that they receive this important reminder. After receiving a notification, individuals continuing to do childrelated work should go to MyCheck on the WWCC website and apply to renew their check. Cardholders will be asked to register with MyCheck if they have not already done so. Once logged in to MyCheck, cardholders will be prompted to confirm or update their personal contact and work details, complete the online form and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the non-refundable fee. More information: an FAQ guide to online renewals will be available in 'Publications' under 'Resources' on the WWC website, or contact the Customer Support Line on 1300 652 879 8.30am – 5.00pm weekdays except public holidays.

Tootgarook Primary School have positioned their Friendship Bench under a tree in full view of the large adventure playground and basketball courts. The position of the seat was chosen so if a child is sitting there for any length of time, they are still able to watch other children playing and may feel they can join in.

The Friendship Bench is an important addition to our playground and was generated around Kidsmatter and input from Junior School Council.

Quotes from students about the Friendship Bench aligning with the vision of empowering students-

"I think the friendship bench it is good for solving problems. Children who are sad and alone can sit there and wait for someone to invite them to play with them."

"If you sit on the friendship seat you are most likely to find a friend and you will not be alone with nothing to do at snack and lunch. I think if a student is lonely they will find someone to play with."

"The Tootgarook friendship bench gives students a good opportunity to meet new people and make new friends. I think the friendship bench builds confidence to talk to different people."

We'd like to thank Maddy Boyd, Junior School Council Co-Ordinator, Adele Read, Wellbeing Co-Ordinator, and Tootgarook Primary School Junior School Council for developing the concept of the Friendship Tree/Bench.

A special thank you to Colin Boyd and Ashley Scholes for designing and constructing the bench around the tree. Peninsula Timber & Hardware donated the materials for the bench and continues a great connection the school has with local business in working together for the benefit of students at Tootgarook.





Grade 3/4 Environment Week Excursion





5P Newsletter Article

This week we have been discussing the Tootgarook Primary School Vision and Mission Statement. We started off our session by understanding why we have one and why it is important for all of our school community to know what it means. We then spent a short lesson pulling apart the vocabulary and the key words to help with our understanding of the statements. We identified that there were three main sections to our vision statement. We closed our eyes and tried to recite the vision statement and decided that what Tootgarook Primary School is working towards fits our school perfectly. **Tootgarook Primary School Vision Statement**

'Achieving personal excellence, empowering students in a supportive community.'



We will be creating a classroom display next term.

Market this
Saturday 24th March
Prep P & Prep R rostered!!
More Helpers Required
Please leave name at School Office
if you are able to assist!

Our school photo day is Tuesday 27th March 2018



Photo envelopes with your child's name on it have been sent home today and need to be returned together with payment on <u>Tuesday 27th March</u>.

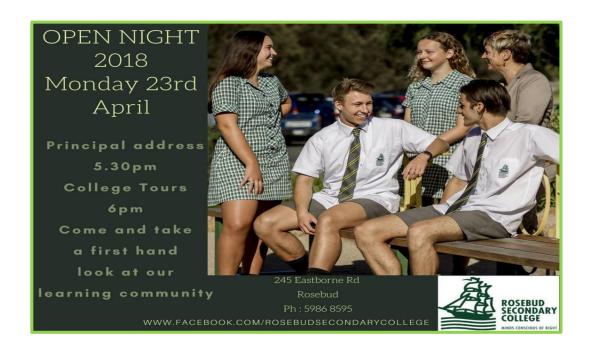
Family Photo envelopes are available from the School office.

Raffle tickets need to be returned by Wednesday 28th March – \$5.00 per book – raffle drawn on Thursday 29th – winners announced at last Assembly.





(WEDNESDAY CLOSED)
SATURDAY - CLOSED



Parents & Friends FREE Breakfast



Family Life & Rye Lions Club



Hey kids, come to school and have a sausage, sauce in bread with a parent, grandparent or adult friend

Where: Tootgarook Primary School,

Carmichael Street, Tootgarook

When: Thursday 29th March 2018 8:15am to 9am

Every student who **brings** a parent or friend with them for breakfast gets a free raffle ticket with a chance to win a \$30 meat voucher kindly donated by Cliffex Meats. McDowell St Rosebud



We would like to thank Rye Lions Club for their support

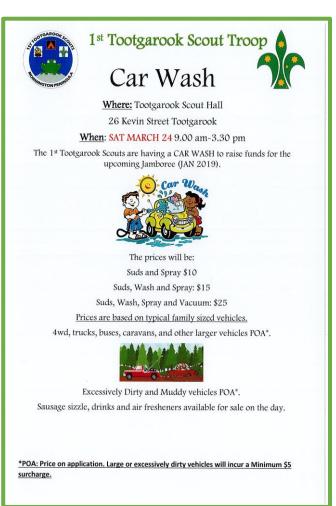
For further information please contact Adam B from Family Life on 9784 0650 or toogarook@familylife.com.au www.familylife.com.au

ATTENTION HEALTH CARE CARD OR PENSION CARD HOLDERS

The Department of Education + Training again this year offering the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund of \$125 per child which is to be used towards school camps, sports and excursions.

CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pension Card being eligible on **29th January** and successfully validated with Centrelink.





GRADE 4 CATHOLIC FAMILIES

St Mary's Star of the Sea Parish is offering classes to Catholic students in GRADE 4, 2018, FOR THE SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST (HOLY COMMUNION). Classes commence on Monday 23rd April at 3.45pm in St Joseph's School for First Holy Communion To register your child please ring 59844374 as soon as possible between 10and 4pm Tuesday-Friday and leave your name and phone number, or email re.eil@icloud.com with your details.