



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



Friday 28 th February	-	Beach program 9am -12pm 5/6B : 12-3pm 5/6P
Wednesday 4 th March	-	Lunch for everyone (Chicken wraps)
Friday 6 th March	-	Iron Person Event
Monday 9 th March	-	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 24 th March	-	Curriculum day (no students required at school)

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

I'm delighted to report that we have had sufficient nominations to fill all of the current vacancies. No election process will be required.

The members of School Council will be-

Parent Representatives-

Julie Woulfe

Gary Barrett

Belinda de Bruyn

Cindy Penzo

Scott Gathercole

Staff Representatives

Donna Johnstone

Alicia Perkins

Paul King

Parking Safely Around Schools

Many schools on the Mornington Peninsula face challenges in relation to the amount of available parking close to school entrances. This limited parking often leads to issues with traffic flow, which can cause a safety risk to the students during drop-off and pick-up times.

The School Traffic Safety Program's aim is to reduce traffic congestion and improve the safety of children during the reduced speed school zone times by ensuring drivers are aware of and comply with the road rules and signage in place.

Improving safety around schools and school crossings is a partnership between the Council, parents, and the school community.

Parents should be aware that many areas around schools have a range of parking restrictions to prevent vehicles from being parked or stopped illegally where they may impact the line of sight for both drivers and pedestrians. This can impact on the safety of our community especially our children.

Traffic Officers will be patrolling schools on a random basis throughout the school year issuing infringements to drivers if offences are detected.

These offences include;

- **Parking for longer than indicated** - in 'drop off bays' or timed parking areas. 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 and school crossings.
- **No stopping anytime areas** – these 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** – these 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.

Drivers should be aware that at times, Traffic Officers will take notes and photographs of drivers parking in contravention of the road rules. Any notes or photographs taken are used for the sole purpose of proving evidence that an offence has taken place. An infringement will not necessarily be issued on the spot but may be mailed to a driver.

The Shire works directly with many schools to improve the traffic flows and availability of parking however the reality is such that there will never be enough parking during the high demand periods.

Other options to reduce congestion may include walking to and from school, car pooling or arriving earlier or later to the peak period which often lasts only a short time.

Staff Training Days

Every year, Victorian Government schools are permitted to designate four pupil free days in order to undertake professional learning for teachers. As students are not to attend school on these days, we aim to provide families with plenty of advance notice so that alternative care arrangements can be made on these days. Our third staff training day for 2020 will be held on Tuesday 24th March. All teachers will be participating in a professional learning program on the topic of Guided Inquiry, facilitated by Kath Murdoch. The remaining staff training day for this year will be held on Monday 2nd November.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent you may be eligible for CSEF. The annual CSEF amount for a primary school student is \$125. HOW TO APPLY (by 20/06/2020) Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef. If you received CSEF from this school in 2019 you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your families circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred: * New student enrolments – if your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019. * Changed family circumstances – such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Student Safety

Please take the time to regularly remind your child/ren about safety, especially when going to and from school. • Do not to talk to strangers and never accept a ride, lollies or gifts from a stranger. • Immediately report any issue or problem you may have when going to or from school, to your mum and dad, or your teacher, the Principal, Assistant Principal or office staff. • Always get permission from mum or dad before going to play with a friend after school and always let mum and dad know where you will be and what time you will be home. We advise that wherever possible, children should travel to or from school with an adult or friends, rather than travel alone.

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 child related 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. <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

BEACH PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR GRADES 3-4-5-6-

List of things students will need to bring:

- WATER
- HAT
- SUNSCREEN (Ensure students have this on prior)
- Bathers (can bring a wetsuit if they choose)
- Towel
- Rash vest
- Thongs/sandals
- Recess



28Feb

9am-12pm 5/6B

12pm-3pm 5/6P

Lunch For Everyone ♥ Wednesday 4th March

ORDERS WILL BE ON COMPASS

**CLOSED MONDAY EVENING CONTACT THE OFFICE TUESDAY
MORNING
UNTIL 9.15AM**



LOCAL EXCURSION CONSENT IS ON COMPASS - At the start of each year we require parents to consent a Local Excursion and a Bus consent on Compass. The Internet Agreement and Photo Permission forms signed by parents last year will be carried over to this year however if circumstances have changed and you do not wish your child to be photographed for the newsletter or newspaper or you do not wish your child to go on the Internet please let the office know in writing.

Swimming

Our **swimming program** for Grades 1 and 2 begins on Week 6 **Wednesday 4th March** – children will travel via the Tootgarook Bus.

Parents will be required to give permission and pay \$65 via Compass.



NO Lunch Orders on Wednesdays

RUNNING CLUB

Running Club started this week on Tuesday and Thursday morning 8-8.45am Last year we had lots of children, younger siblings and parents attend. This valuable community service can only run with the assistance of parent helpers and volunteers. If you could assist on a Tuesday and/or Thursday morning from 8-9am Julie Woulfe will continue to keep track of laps and write certificates. Thankyou Julie.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is on Tuesday and Thursday morning. This program is open to all children who wish to have breakfast with their friends. This valuable community service can only run with the assistance of parent and grandparent helpers and volunteers.



Medical Conditions and Medication

If students need to have a medication during school hours, parents will need to leave the medication at the school office and complete an "Authorisation for Administering Medication form".

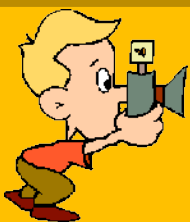
If your child has asthma puffer medication or severe allergies or Epi-Pens, please bring them to the office. These medications will be stored in our first aid room.

if your child suffers from a Medical Condition please make sure we are advised of this in writing. If they have a Medical action plan for conditions such as Asthma Analphylaxis, serious Allergic Reactions, Epilepsy etc, please make sure you supply the school with a copy of their Medical Action Plan.

<https://www.tootps.vic.edu.au/page/151/Downloadable-Forms>

[Downloadable Forms](#)

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**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY WILL BE
TERM 2
28TH APRIL 2020**





FEBRUARY / MARCH

TERM 1 2020

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Week 5	24 Beach Program 9am-12 3/4H 5/6 M 12-3	25	26 Lunch for everyone	27 Big Beach bonanza	28 Beach Program 5/6B 9-12 5/6P 12pm -3
Week 6	MARCH 2	3	4 Lunch for everyone	5	6 Iron Person
Week 7	9	10	11 Lunch for everyone	12	13
Week 8	16 Division Swim carnival	17	18 Lunch for everyone	19	20 Book fair
Week 9	23 Book Fair	24 Curriculum Day	25 Lunch for everyone Book fair	26 Book Fair	27 LAST DAY OF TERM 1



Ruth Underwood, Gary Barrett, Gail Isaac, Chelsea McGhee, Kelly Butler, Noah & Darcy Robertson, Phil Ross, Nathan & Kayla Opie, Eliza & Ellie McIntosh, Byron and Skye Andrews and Christine Young

Our next market will be Saturday March 8th Again this year each grade will be rostered on to one market each month. A roster will be published in a later newsletter.

A note will go home to each student in the grade prior to their allocated market – please endeavour to assist at your child's allocated market as funds raised benefits all students.

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. If your circumstances have changed you will need to call at the school office for a new form (ie: additional student attending school, Gr 6 student has left or you have become eligible for a Health Care Card)

Where? **Seawinds Community Hub**
11a Allambi Avenue, Capel Sound 3940

When? **Mondays – 1pm – 3pm**

What's Different? This Play Group is different from others. The program applies the ground-breaking Abecedarian approach benefiting children and their families. Child-centred, 'talk' is central to the approach. Participants will learn the techniques that have been proven to improve their children's intellectual development, academic success and socio-economic and health outcomes.

Enquiries and To Book? Seawinds Community Hub 03 5982 2204



*Why not
come and
give it a go?*



Seawinds
COMMUNITY HUB



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PRIMARY SCHOOL



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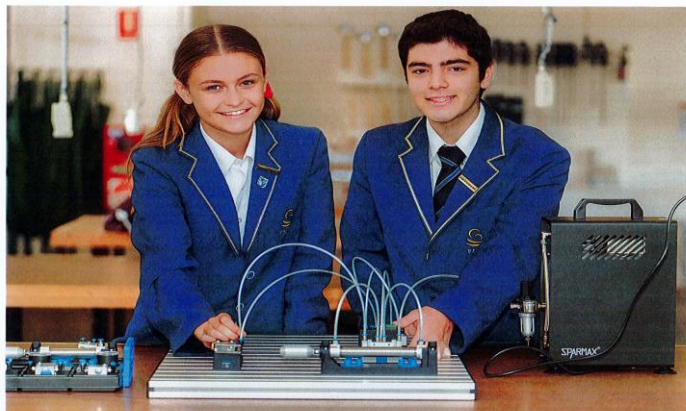


Collier Charitable Fund



MPE
MORNINGTON PENINSULA EDUCATION





TWILIGHT OPEN DAYS 2020

Rosebud 7-9 Campus

Wednesday 11 March from 4-7pm
Inglewood Crescent T: 5982 9500

Tyabb 7-9 Campus

Wednesday 11 March from 4-7pm
1585 Frankston-Flinders Road T: 5978 2700

Mornington 7-12 Campus

Thursday 12 March from 4-7pm
Oakbank Road T: 5976 0100

Our Twilight Open Days give you the perfect opportunity to experience a taste of the curriculum, sporting, cultural and spiritual life that Padua College can offer your child.

Year 7 2022 Enrolments
open Monday 2 March 2020 and
close Friday 15 May 2020

Visit our website to enrol online or to book for the Twilight Open Day:

www.padua.vic.edu.au

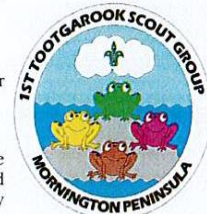
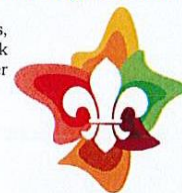
1st TOOTGAROOK SCOUT GROUP

26 Kevin Street Tootgarook, Contact: 0411 067 627

Hop over to try 3 free sessions as a Joey Scout!

Children aged 5 to 7 are eligible to become Joey Scouts, where they can join a group and get together once a week for some fun and adventures, but there are so many other benefits to Scouting:

- Building social skills and increasing self confidence
- Developing a sense of belonging
- Enhancing emotional wellbeing
- Fine and gross motor development through crafts and games
- Character building
- Learning team work and decision making skills
- Caring for the environment, our community and our nations heritage
- Having fun, fun, FUN!



Leaders are fantastic role models, who encourage participation, problem solving, commitment and inclusion, and help build confidence, a sense of duty and respect.

Joey Scouts meet: Wednesdays 4:30-5:30.

Children are eligible to attend 3 free sessions to 'give it a go'. This allows parents to witness the benefits of Scouting before making a commitment. Children can commence with us at any time during a term, and enquiries can be made to our Assistant Joey Scout Leader Noel (Puggie) on 0411 067 627.



Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

- laptops & tablets
- lessons & activities
- uniforms & shoes
- books & supplies
- sports fees & gear
- camp & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or starting next year, or attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner), have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*

Brotherhood of St Laurence
Working for an Australia free of poverty

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Coordinator
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FrankstonSP@bsl.org.au
Online
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Saturday
29th
February
2020-2021

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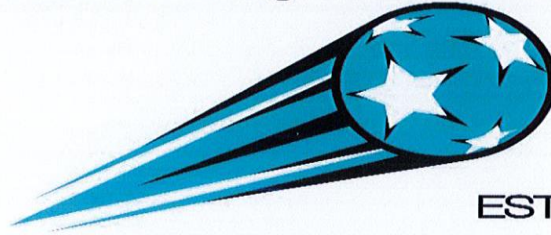
- * Carnival Activities
- * Market Stalls
- * Food Vendors
- * Plants & Flowers
- * Face Painting
- * Sorrento's Got Talent



KERFERD RD + CONSTITUTION HILL RD | SORRENTO

We are extremely
proud to be
giving children in
our community
the opportunity to
play netball
locally in
TOOTGAROOK

Capel Sound Tootgarook Community Netball Club



EST 2019

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING NETBALL??

**Having fun, getting fit &
making new friends**

REGISTRATION DAY & BBQ

**THURSDAY 27TH OF
FEBRUARY 4 - 6**

TRAINING STARTS

FIRST WEEK IN MARCH

GAMES START

SATURDAY 14TH OF MARCH

*** REGISTRATION DAY
TRAINING & GAMES WILL**

**ALL BE HELD AT
TRUEMANS RD RESERVE IN
TOOTGAROOK**

Available teams

NetSetGO for 5-10 year olds

*** Under 9's**

11's

13's & 15's

Boys & girls welcome

For more details e-mail Sarah - secretaryctcnc@gmail.com

Adele - presidentctcnc@gmail.com

Reading Matters!

HERE'S THE IMPACT OF
READING 10
MINUTES PER DAY!

A student who reads

10:00

minutes per day

A student who reads

5:00

minutes per day

A student who reads

1:00

minute per day

will be exposed to
600,000
words per year

will be exposed to
282,000
words per year

will be exposed to
8,000
words per year

Source: Cunningham and Stanovich (1998)