



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



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| Thursday 12 th March | - | Out of uniform day (Bring an Easter treat) |
| Friday 13 th March | ` | Wear your spooky |
| Monday 9 th March | - | Labour Day Public Holiday |
| Friday 20 th March | - | Yr 4/5 MCG excursion |
| Tuesday 24 th March | - | Curriculum day (no students required at school) |

The Great Outdoor and 4x4
**12-15 March, 2020
Mornington
Racecourse**
Caravans & Campers,
Motorhomes, Boats, Fishing
Gear, 4x4, Camping Gear,
Food & Wine, Demos, Travel
& Adventure and more!

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Ready to ride: Bryson, teacher Madeline Boyd, Lola and Mahlia are gearing up for this month's national ride to school day. Picture: Yannl

On yer bike for healthy school fun

STUDENTS at Tootgarook Primary School are gearing for National Ride2School Day on Friday 13 March.

To celebrate and add some extra fun to the day, children are encouraged to dress up in spooky clothing – after all, it is Friday the 13th!

Physical education teacher Madeline Boyd is a keen supporter of the initiative which she says has many positive benefits for students.

She says it's a healthier way to get to school, avoids traffic congestion at the school gate and also helps students perform better in the classroom.

Statistics show that in the 1970s about 80 per cent of all school children rode or walked to school but now the figure is more like 30 per cent.

National Ride2School Day is a free event open to all primary and secondary schools in Australia. Schools who register receive posters, promotional material, stickers and a count sheet to tally up those who ride in.

The day helps break down barriers to active travel, with schools in the program reporting more than double the national average of students who ride, walk, scoot and skate to school, organisers say.

**FRIDAY 13TH MARCH STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR A SPOOKY
CONSUME TO CELEBRATE THE DAY**

Group ride from 8.20am- Truemans road playground

How can you help your child in Mathematics?

Building on success is important

Create the impression that being successful in mathematics is desirable. Reward effort and try not to criticise errors. Stay positive about mathematics your negativity can influence your child's thoughts about math's.

People learn, not so much by being told things but by working things out for themselves

Exploring and investigating can allow students to link new ideas to ideas they already have.

You can help by asking children questions, letting them work out answers for themselves, and then discussing their answers with them.

There is not one way to solve a problem, encourage different approaches.

Children need time to think and time to answer

When asking your children questions or talking to them about mathematics give them time. Be patient. Wait for them to answer. Also, explain to older children that they need to give younger children time to answer questions, rather than always answering for them.

Encourage children to talk

Talking about mathematics is an effective way of learning and the family is one of the best places to talk, especially when the mathematical situation arises naturally.

Use mathematical words when you describe things

Instead of saying "the big red bucket," you might say "the 10 liter bucket".

Instead of saying "the large packet of rice", you might say "the 2kg packet of rice".

In this way, children get to hear quantities being stated as an everyday way of describing things.



More information can be found at

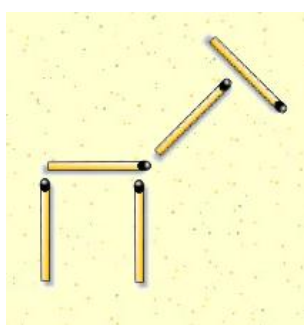
The Birth to Level 10 Numeracy Guide
(Numeracy at home tab)

<https://numeracyguidedet.global2.vic.edu.au/>

March Family Mathematics

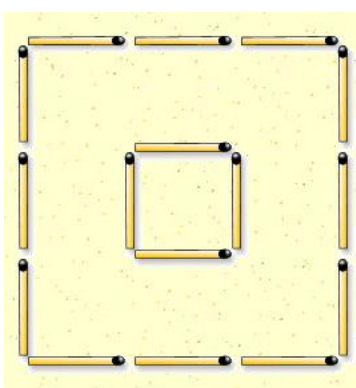
Give the following challenges a try at home, using some of the strategies above. Remember being challenged means we are all learning. If you are able to solve these puzzles, Miss Perkins would be very happy to see your work and reasoning. Solutions in an upcoming newsletter ☺

Turn the Donkey



Move only 1 matchstick to turn the direction of the donkey

2 squares to 3



Move 4 matches to make 3 squares

Big Boat Bonanza



Thank you once again to our school community for your support and engagement with our Big Boat Bonanza. The students had a wonderful time sailing their boats and exploring Science and Mathematics concepts.

Big Boat Bonanza By 1/2 LJ

We threw the boats in the water, my boat floated it was very exciting because the whole school was there, it was very loud. The hard wind blew my boat to shore and my boat chairs were broken. It was funny to watch my dad put sand onto my boat while it was in the water, he made it sink. My sister was pulling her boat up onto the sand. We got a balloon and a long straw with sticky tape on it and we blew through the straw it looked funny. Melody fell over in the water, it was very funny, she was soaking wet. Then my mum pushed me into the water- it was fun. I found two shells in the water, they were a perfect match. I gave one shell to Alexis, it was fun day but now it is time to go home.

By Emma

The whole school went down to the foreshore, it was very exciting people, were screaming and shouting. Some sank, others didn't sink. I had a wood one, a coke bottle one and another one that had a paddle. I only got a little wet, then I was so, so, so cold, then we went home.

By Chelsea

Everyone got wet, nearly everyone's boats sank, we don't know how come? Nobody knew beside the judges. Clara won the big boat bonanza. Everyone cheered for Clara.

By Ben

When the bell went our grade got our back packs on and then we went down the beach. The exciting part was that we put our boats in the water. And my dad was there to help put my boat in the water then it was the end and we went home.

By Clara

My Dad came to the beach, it made me happy. My boat had a sail, my boat fell over in the water, by the wind, I said oh well I tried.

By Jake

Yesterday the whole day did the Big Boat Bonanza. Everyone had to build a boat and it had to float. I made a boat out of Lego, it took a lot of time to build it. The place we brought our boat to was the beach. My boat didn't float that well but it still floated which was good. I probably had the second best boat in 1/2LJ

By Fletcher

Soaking wet children "paddling" down at the Tootgarook foreshore as boats galore were sailed. We'd made boats with our families to investigate Maths (but also to have fun!) We went to the beach to play with our boats.

Heavy water slashed all the boats, some boats even sank!

We all got wet and some of us got really wet! Once we had finished we, and our boats, were all soggy and heavy!

We have so many great ideas to investigate with our grades.

By Angus, Havanna, Alexis, Sonny and Darcy with help from 1/2LJ.

This following Thursday the 12th March is OUT OF UNIFORM DAY. Please bring an Easter item for the Easter Raffle. Raffle tickets will be sent home this week to each family!



Please return raffle tickets on the 23rd March – tickets w50c or \$5.00 per book of 10.



Lunch For Everyone Wednesday 11th March



Pasta Bake ORDERS WILL BE ON COMPASS

**ON 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.

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Swimming

*Our swimming program for Grades 1 and 2 begins on Week 6 **Wednesday and Thursday's in 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 Anaphylaxis, serious Allergic Reactions, Epilepsy etc, please make sure you supply the school with a copy of their Medical Action Plan.

Downloadable Forms

www.tootps.vic.edu.au

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/>

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.

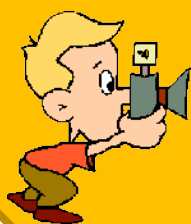
CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

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 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.

Next market will be 28th March that falls on the first Saturday of the school holidays 5/6B
nominated helpers



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



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.

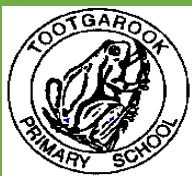
These offences include;

- **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.



FEBRUARY / MARCH TERM 1 2020

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 6	MARCH 2	3	4 Lunch for everyone	5	6
Week 7	9 LABOUR DAY	10	11 Lunch for everyone 1/2 Swimming Teddy Bear Picnic	12 Out of uniform day 1/2 Swimming	13 Ride to school day, wear your spooky clothes.
Week 8	16 Division Swim carnival	17	18 Lunch for everyone	19	20 Book fair Yr 4/5 MCG Excursion
Week 9	23 Book Fair	24 Curriculum Day	25 Lunch for everyone Book fair	26 Book Fair	27 LAST DAY OF TERM 1

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. 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)

CAPEL SOUND CHILDREN'S PROJECT

FREE PLAYGROUP

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

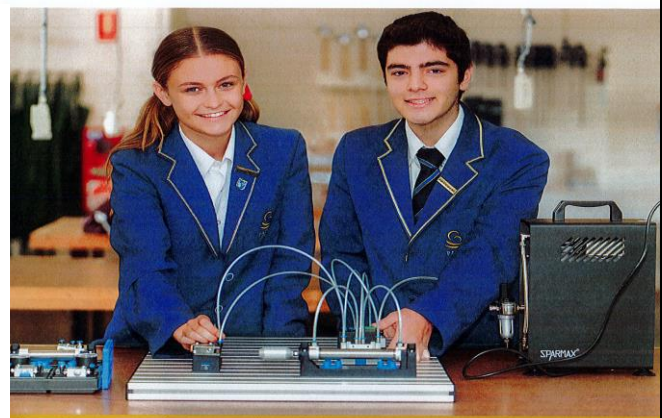
When? **Mondays – 1pm – 3pm**

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?





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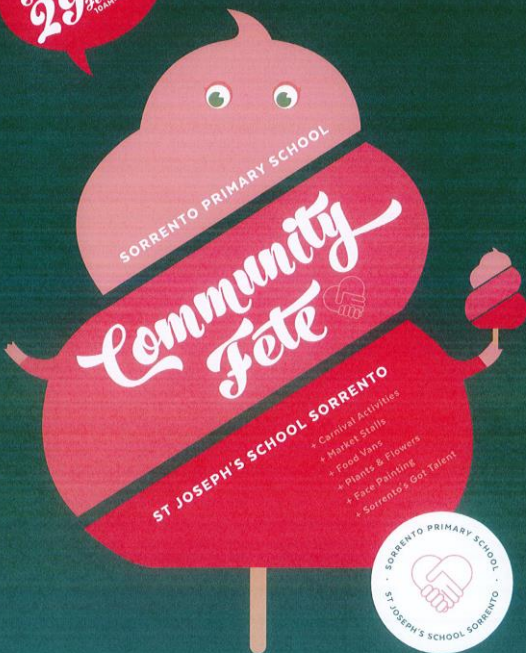
To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or starting next year, or attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner), have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth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

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Saturday 29th February



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Reading Matters!

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

A student who reads A student who reads A student who reads

10:00

minutes per day

will be exposed to
600,000
words per year

5:00

minutes per day

will be exposed to
282,000
words per year

1:00

minute per day

will be exposed to
8,000
words per year

Source: Cunningham and Stanovich (1998)

1ST TOOTGAROOK SCOUT GROUP

26 Kevin Street Tootgarook, Contact: 0411 067 627

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

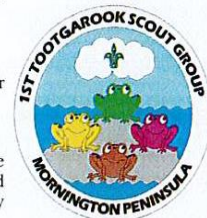
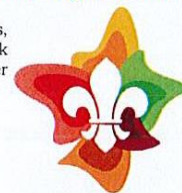
Children aged 5 to 7 are eligible to become Joey Scouts, where they can join a group and get together once a week for some fun and adventures, but there are so many other benefits to Scouting:

- 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.

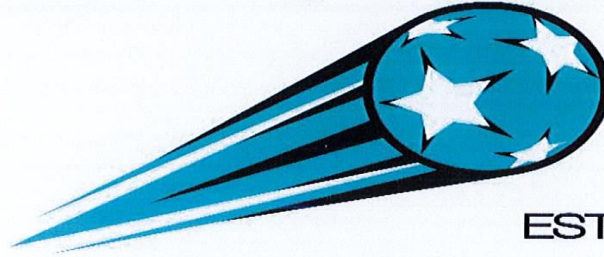
Joey Scouts meet: Wednesdays 4:30-5:30.

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 (Puggle) on 0411 067 627.



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Available teams

NetSetGO for 5-10 year olds

*** Under 9's**

11's

13's & 15's

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

Boys & girls welcome

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