



TOOTGAROOK TELEGRAPH

Weekly newsletter of
TOOTGAROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL



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CALENDAR

Thursday 10th August - School Review
Wednesday 16th August - Victorian State Schools Spectacular Rehearsal
Friday 18th August - Book Week Parade and Musical
Monday 21st August 6.00pm – Tootgarook PS Co-Op AGM followed by School Council

Over the coming weeks there are exciting events are happening at Tootgarook:

THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

SPECTACULAR

2017 / ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

Next Wednesday 20 students together with Mrs Young and Mrs Beagley will travel in our school bus to the city for State School Spectacular rehearsals with other schools. There will also be 2 days of full rehearsal in September culminating with 2 shows @ Hisense Arena -1pm and 6.30pm on **Saturday 16th September** –To purchase tickets for a fun, family entertainment experience, and to cheer on our students from the audience visit www.ticketek.com.au/spectacular or phone Ticketek on 132 849.

Talented young skaters, puppeteers, musicians, dancers and singers will feature on stage, while many other students will work behind the scenes, gaining unique, on-the-job, professional experience.

This program – managed by the Department of Education and Training – helps to develop each student's performance skills, discipline, perseverance, cooperation and confidence under the training of industry professionals.



Friday 18th August - Students will be attending the performance 'Super Duper' which is based on the children's book week nominated books. This performance will occur in the multipurpose room at 9:45am. During the day, students will participate in multi-age literacy rotations through the whole school. Children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character - after lunch, there will be a book parade which you are welcome to join. Cost of this incursion is \$7.00 so please return the permission slip together with \$7.00 by Thursday 17th August.

Zoo Excursion –Foundation-Gr 2 Melbourne Zoo Excursion, has been planned for Thursday, 7th September 2017. As part of our Term Three topic students have explored what it means to live in a multicultural country. Visiting the zoo gives the students a chance to learn about animals that come from different parts of the world. Cost of this excursion is \$34.00 – permission slip and money is due by Monday 4th September – CSEF can be used for this excursion.





House Sports
Flinders
Bass
Cook
Tasman







Student of the Week

Students will be presented with certificates at next Thursday afternoon's assembly.



Prep P – Mrs Perkin – Trilby Carroll – *for listening with understanding and empathy. Trilby you always take the time to listen carefully and understand others. You are a respectful friend and classmate who offers help to others when needed. Well Done.*

Prep S – Mrs Read – Cooper Thomas – *for striving for accuracy. Cooper it is fantastic to see you checking your work for capital letters and full stops. Keep up the great work!*

1A – Miss Arnold – Gabriel Stagni – *For persisting with all classroom tasks this week. Even with a broken arm Gabriel has managed to complete all tasks and has asked for help when needing to use two hands!*

1P – Miss Perkins – Riley Leonard – *For taking risks within his learning in maths this week. Riley found a different way to solve a money problem and could explain how he did it to his peers. Well Done Riley.*

2MB– Miss Boyd – Billy Wyhoon – *You have had a fantastic term so far, and have been such a positive member in 2MB. Keep up the good work.*

3H – Mrs Houston – Harley Hanson – *For managing his impulsivity and for his persistence when completing a difficult mapping activity in Mathematics. Well done Harley.*

3WB – Ms Walton & Mrs Bos – Alivia McGrath – *for her achievement in our Athletics Day. Alivia had a smile on her face throughout the events.*

4H - Ms Hone – Amelia Reeve – *striving for accuracy and persistence! You put in a fantastic effort yesterday at Athletics and persisted with your mouth art this week! Great to have your smile back in our room this term!*

4P – Miss Pittard – Tiahna Wyhoon – *For thinking interdependently and working with others! At Athletics Day you embraced every opportunity and participated in each event! It was great to watch you encouraging your friends and supporting the Grade 3's. Congratulations Tiahna!*

5/6H – Miss Munn–


5/6 K – Ms Gibson / Mr Kitchin - Kayden Carver – *Congratulations on your stellar effort and perseverance during school athletics day. Your effort and enthusiasm on the day has been fantastic and you have truly given it 100%, well done Kayden!*

5/6M – Miss McGhee- Tristan Symons – *For his efforts and persisting in all of the events on the House Athletics day. You were in good spirits all day and should be proud of your achievements. Well done Tristan!*

Art / Craft – Miss Davey – Lacey Hanson – Prep P – *Congratulations Lacey. Your persistence and enthusiasm have helped you to create a beautiful papier mache bowl. I love your choice of patterns and colour combinations. Well Done!*

Music - Mrs Young –

P.E. – Mr Kitchin - Josh Sterling and Charli Kelly – *we are so lucky to have such fantastic school sports captains! You did such a great job setting up for our Athletics Day!*

Lunch For Everyone  on Wednesday 16th August will be Pasta Carbonara – order forms were sent home today and need to be returned with \$2 by 9.00am Monday 14th August. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.



Reminder to parents and students- There are NO shop lunch orders on Wednesdays!



Ways to get involved and make connections with your child's educators

Strong, respectful and ongoing relationships with your child's teachers or early childhood educators not only helps your child get the most out of their education but working together also supports their mental health and wellbeing. There are many different benefits for children when parents and carers are involved in the school and working together with educators, such as:

- regular school attendance and achievement
- settling into school and school programs
- improved child-parent relationships
- learning positive social interactions through observation
- improved mental health and wellbeing through coordinated support.

Parents, carers and staff can feel comfortable to raise concerns and strengths, work through issues together and take a coordinated approach to support children's mental health and wellbeing. Early childhood services and schools are also a good place to meet other families and make supportive connections to strengthen your parenting support network.

Making connections with education staff

Early childhood education service and school staff can offer a range of support and knowledge for parents and carers. They can help support children's mental health through assisting parents with seeking professional support for mental health difficulties, providing information on health and community services, arranging information sessions and implementing support strategies in the education setting. Parents and carers also have a lot to offer education staff as they are the most important person/relationship in children's lives and have a vast array of important information and knowledge that can be shared in supporting children's mental health. Therefore, children can get better support and outcomes for positive mental health through coordinated support at home and in the education setting once strong connections and relationships have been built.

There are many ways parents and carers can make connections and build relationships with education staff. Some parents don't have the opportunity to connect with education staff every day, so opportunities to engage in conversations, build the relationship and share information are important. Some of these opportunities include:

- transition periods (starting primary school, a new school year/teacher, a new term)
- parent/teacher interviews
- when there are changes at home to tell school about
- if you have worries or concerns about your child.
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There are also many opportunities throughout the year for parents and carers to make connections, have further conversations and strengthen relationships with education staff, such as:

- talking to education staff at school, including informal conversations during drop-off and pick-up times depending on what suits the staff member
- assisting with story time, show and tell or class excursions
- volunteering at working bees, barbeques, canteen duty, fundraisers, career days or school fairs
- working in school/early childhood centre governance – for example, school councils, parents and citizens committees, or building and maintenance sub-committees
- helping with school clubs, programs or coaching
- spending time watching your child at school or the early childhood service (e.g. at the start of the day) and see how they interact with students and staff
- going to concerts and other events
- going to school/early childhood centre council or parent association meetings.

You can keep yourself up to date with opportunities at your child's school or service by checking newsletters or emails, their website and noticeboard. All of these are opportunities for you to get involved, ask and respond to questions, provide information to education staff, and build your relationship. Once these connections and relationships have developed, it can make having discussions about children's mental health concerns easier.

It is also important to note that early childhood services and schools have different rules about how parents should approach teachers, and Codes of Conduct for appropriate parent behaviour and engaging in respectful relationships. Parents and carers need to be mindful of these and investigate what the appropriate ways of connecting are at their school or early childhood education service.

Making Choices Group



*Making Choices is a group for women who are living in,
or have lived in an abusive relationship.*

Family Life Tootgarook Community House

10 Carmichael St Tootgarook

24th July- 11th September 2017

(8 Mondays)

12:30-2:30pm

Gold Coin contribution, light refreshments provided.

For bookings and/or further information please contact:

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EASTBOURNE VACATION CARE PROGRAM Monday 25th September 2017 to Friday 6th October 2017

Eastbourne Primary School will conduct a Vacation Care Service during the next school holidays.

If you would like to enrol your children in the Holiday Program – please take note of the following:-

1. Bookings will be taken until **Friday 8th September 2017.**
2. **Cost is \$50.00 per child per day inclusive.** If you are eligible for a Centre-Link Child Care Rebate, this will continue to apply. As has been the case in the past, once the relevant calculations have been done taking your Centrelink rebate into account, you will only need to pay the balance owing. If you do not currently receive a Centrelink Childcare Rebate and are unsure as to your eligibility – please contact Centrelink direct on 136 150.
3. Eastbourne Primary School has an EFTPOS facility, phone payments or direct payment into the school's bank account for any parents who wish to use this method of payment.
4. **Activities include excursion to Eaglehawk Chairlift, Boneo Maze, Camping Day, Wheels Day and lots more.**

Forms are available from the school by phoning 5986 4884 or collecting them from the school office:-

Thankyou

**Earn & Learn
is on again**
Anyone can help schools
earn equipment



*From Wednesday 26 July to Tuesday 19 September 2017.
Excludes liquor, tobacco and gift cards. While stocks last or until Tuesday 19 September 2017.



Creating Capable Leaders



Tootgarook Community House



Would you like to.....

- Be supported to develop a community based project?
- Develop and discover leadership and community skills?
- Learn new skills that may help with further study or a job?

Then this **FREE** program is for you!

Where: Family Life Community House,
10 Carmichael Street, Tootgarook

Time: 9:30am to 12pm

Dates: **Tuesdays**

8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th August, 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th
September 2017

Cost: **FREE**

For further information or to register, please contact Margie on 5985 1297 or
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