

TOOTGAROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL'S NEWSLETTER



Term 4



Thursday 17th December,

NEWSLETTER



Principal's Report

Dear Tootgarook Families,



Mrs Johnstone is heading into semi-retirement in 2021.

On behalf of the Tootgarook community we wish her all the best in the new challenges and experiences that come her way in the future. Over many years Mrs Johnstone has been highly valued member of the Tootgarook team. Mrs J as she is affectionately known by students, families and colleagues over three decades leaves us with mixed emotions. On the one hand, there is the excitement of an unknown future mixed with leisure time. Then leaving our wonderful community is on both sides a sense of mixed emotions. When the Covid-19 restrictions are relaxed in 2021, we will invite Mrs J back to the school for a full on Tootgarook assembly goodbye.

In the meantime we only wish Mrs J the best with her future aspirations.

As we wrap up the 2020 academic year, Covid-19 certainly led to modifications during the year. As we finish up on Friday 18th December it will also be a different finale to the year as indicated below:

-All students spent 30 minutes in their classes for 2021 last Wednesday. The classes for 2021 have been finalised.

The Grade Structures for 2021 are as follows:

Grade 5/6	Gr 1/2	<u>Specialist Programs</u>
Grade 5/6	Gr 1/2	Music
Grade 4/5	Gr 1/2	Physical Education
Grade 3/4	Foundation	Art
Grade 3/4		Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM)

-Foundation-Year 2 (F-2) students and their siblings will be dismissed at 1.15pm due to the early start time to facilitate drop off and pick up restrictions. -Years 3-6 (3-6) will be dismissed at 1.30pm

-There will be no final assembly this year.

-Student Leadership roles will be held over to 2021 in the anticipation of a full school assembly with full attendance by parents/carers.

-Roadworks in Carmichael St is complete with the final road reseal to take place in 2021.

-Major roadworks in Wilkinson St will commence in 2021. School Council has decided to keep the start and finishing times for next year to promote traffic flow around the school and car parks. F-2 will start at 8.45 and 3-6 at 9.00pm. The finish times remain the same, 3.15pm for F-2 plus siblings and 3.30pm for 3-6.

On behalf of our staff, we would like to extend a big thank you to parents/carers who very kindly provided messages to all teachers and education support staff as thanks for their extraordinary collective efforts over the course of this year. The heartfelt thanks expressed in the cards were indeed very touching and gratefully received by all. We are so very lucky to be part of such a wonderfully supportive community at Tootgarook!



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Throughout 2020, I have continued to be supported by a fantastic office team, who all help to keep me focused in my role. My sincere thanks to Jan Costelow (Business Manager), Judy Stephens, Kristie Greer, Justine Beagley and Melisa Peterson (Admin support), who have continued to ensure that all administrative aspects of the school have been managed so professionally. I would also like to thank members of the School Leadership Team, School Improvement Team, Professional Learning Team and Year Coordinators for their unequivocal support throughout the year. I can't thank our leaders enough for the countless hours they have put into supporting the strategic direction of the school.

Wayne Whitworth
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS – Riley Leonard & Charlotte Humble for receiving the Yr 4 Music Scholarship from Rotary Rosebud-Rye. Well done .



**End of Term 4 f-2-1.15pm finish
3-6- 1.30 dismissal**

No LUNCH ORDERS on the last day of school.

Bookselling day 28th January 2021

A LITTLE MESSAGE FROM SONIA - FAMILY SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT WORKER

I would like to say a big thank you to all the families and staff from Tootgarook Primary School for making me feel welcome to the local school community. It has been a pleasure meeting many of you. I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year 2021.

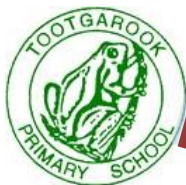
I will be on Annual leave from Tuesday the 23rd December returning from Wednesday 19h January. I will be available to contact from those dates. My work number is 0499 078 770.

Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Sonia



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Foundation celebration



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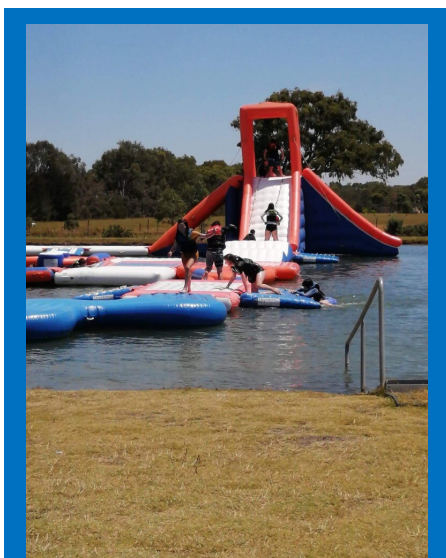
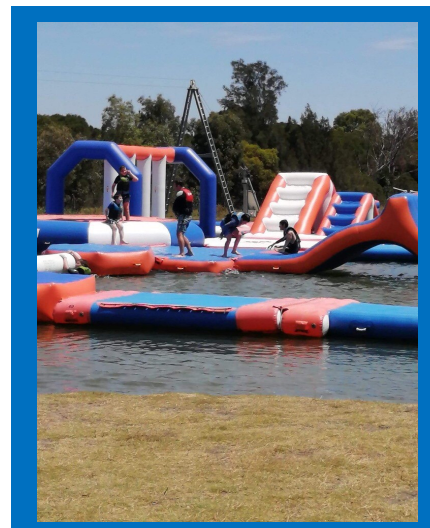
Yr 6 Celebrations



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2/12/2020



Dear School Community,

Holiday Season Store Closures

We would like to inform you of our upcoming holiday period closures, as we come to the end of 2020!

The last trading day for your local Beleza store will be **Friday the 18th of December**. Please note that the store will be **closing at 2pm** that day.

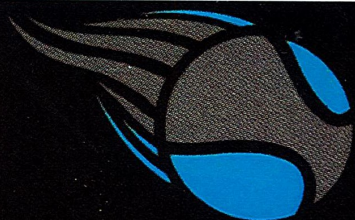
All of our retail stores will be closed from **Saturday the 19th of December to Friday 1st of January**. We'll reopen our stores on **Saturday the 2nd of January**, to allow plenty of time to prepare for the upcoming school year.

Please note that our warehouse will be closed during this period as well. As a result, we will not be processing online orders during the holiday period.

From the team at Beleza, we'd like to congratulate all students and families for reaching the end of what has been an extremely unusual year for schools! We hope that you all have a safe and enjoyable holiday, and look forward to seeing you in January as we prepare for 2021!

All the best,

Beleza School Uniforms



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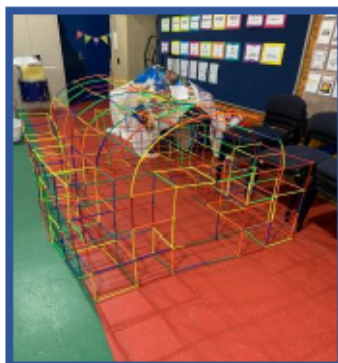
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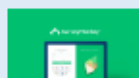
Before School Care Expressions of Interest

At Camp Australia, we know that the time spent at OSHC is a time for **possibilities**. Every session is guided by the **childrens interests** and reflects their dreams and imagination with opportunity and space to **explore** their own interests – whether that be sports, craft, construction, or cooking.

This year we have had many families express interest in the possibility of us running a **Before School Care Program** in conjunction with our afternoon program. To understand how we can best support you and your family, please complete the below **survey**, it'll take only a moment to complete, but will provide us with valuable information as to the needs of the school community.

Our Before School Care programs provides convenience for families and helps to prepare students for the day ahead. A **healthy breakfast** is offered every morning, with fruit, cereals and the occasional special item (pancakes, for example) to ensure children have the energy and nutrition needed for their busy day.

Tootgarook Primary School - Before School Care Expression of Interest



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We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

Laura and Emma,
Camp Australia – Tootgarook OSHC

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