

Toongabbie West Public School

Building Educational Success Together

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We would like to show respect and acknowledge the Darug People, the Traditional Custodians of the Land.

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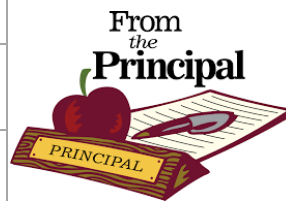
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CALENDAR

27 Sept	Fun day, last day of term
14 Oct	Term 4 School resumes
17 Oct	Regional Athletics
18 Oct	PSSA
26 Oct	Halloween Carnival
7 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation

From the Principal's Desk

DEAR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS



From
the
Principal

What an exciting and busy term! Our newsletter has some reports of just a few of the wonderful achievements of our students this term. Not only have our CAPA groups excelled, teachers have also

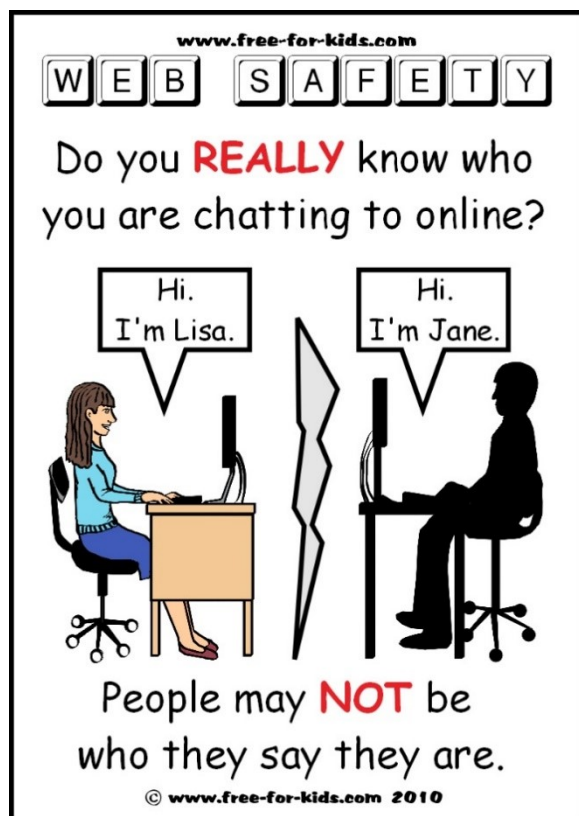
shared with me the great progress that students have made in literacy and numeracy. Please use the Spring holidays to rest, relax and to recharge ready for all the academic and extra-curricular activities planned for Term 4.

This is a good time to remind students about the rules we have to keep our students safe both at school and when at home or on outings. As the weather warms up it is time to think about safety around water and about being safe in the sun. Remind your children to come to the office if the person who normally picks them up has not arrived...the park is not a safe place to wait without adult supervision.

Safety has always been part of the school curriculum in NSW. I have always taught safety lessons; however, when I started my teaching career nobody had ever heard about cyber safety so that was not something that parents or teachers had to worry about. During the holidays, when children have less structured activities, they have more free time to be online so this is a good time to revise those cyber safety lessons.

Mrs Sant





WAKAKIRRI AWARDS

Oh What a Night!

On Wednesday 18th September the fabulous Wakakirri team were in high spirits to perform at Quaycentre Homebush. The wonderful performers and back stage crew were a dedicated enthusiastic group who danced and performed their hearts out and gave their best performance yet. All students gave 100% commitment throughout the whole Wakakirri experience and sold our emotional and heartfelt story to everyone who watched. They all should be so proud.

Once our performance was over we quickly went back to our dressing room to get packed up so we could go watch the awards ceremony. As we waited to hear our school's name get called, we heard we were awarded 'best use of signature item' and we were pretty impressed with that award. Then came the nominees for story of the year award. We all had our fingers and toes crossed hoping our school name would be called and it did. We all jumped up and cheered. We were so over whelmed and excited



that we were nominated for our Wakakirri story. There was so much positive energy in the air that night and it is still being felt throughout the Toongabbie West community.

We now have to wait until the 17th October to hear the results. Everyone at Toongabbie West is so proud of all the students' hard work and achievements so far this year. It has been an amazing Wakakirri experience filled with lots of laugh, sweat, tears and selfies.

We cannot wipe the smiles off our faces.

Well done!

FURTHER TIPS FOR BUILDING YOUR CHILD'S VOCABULARY

All parents want their child to do well in school. One way to help your child is to help them build their vocabulary. Beginning readers use knowledge about words to help them make sense of what they're reading. The more words a reader knows, the more they are able to comprehend what they're reading or listening to.

Find out more:

<https://www.readingrockets.org/article/building-your-childs-vocabulary>

BATTLE OF THE SCHOOLS

On Tuesday the 10th September the boys dance and drumming group performed at the wonderful Marsden High School for Battle of the Schools. We felt nervous to perform in front of people we didn't know but excited and happy to perform on stage. The crowd were cheering so much for us which made us dance and drum even harder. We had so much fun performing as it's one of our favourite things to do. Once we finished performing we were one of the magnificent 5 winners to receive an award. Our parents came running out and were amazed. They were jumping up and down, screaming and hugging us. It was such a great experience and a lot of fun.

Alex and Jaden 1/2A

This year it was our first time at Battle of the Schools 2019 at Marsden High School. Some of our experiences were amazing. When we were back stage we felt really nervous because all the other schools did very well. When we stepped on stage all we felt was excitement and we were overjoyed. We performed a jazz/hip hop dance which focused on the differences between people.

We would like to thank Ms Bala, Mrs Sant and Mr Hussain for helping out with our performance. A big thank you to Mr Lavercombe for choreographing our dance. Another big thank you to Miss Lohan and Miss Stanford for organising this event. Our experience was amazing at Battle of the Schools.

From this experience we learnt to work together and improve for the next time. Next year we hope to get invited to Battle of the Schools 2020.

Shyla, Georgia and Mary 3/4B

We performed at Marsden High School. We performed Bollywood and I felt really excited and really nervous at the same time. When we performed I thought they would not like us because it was a different style of dance but I was wrong they LOVED IT! They thought it was unique because we were so cute.

When the results were in we got fourth place, I was shocked really shocked and the boys group got an award too. I was proud of the boys group and Bollywood. It was a great experience.

Megan 1/2A

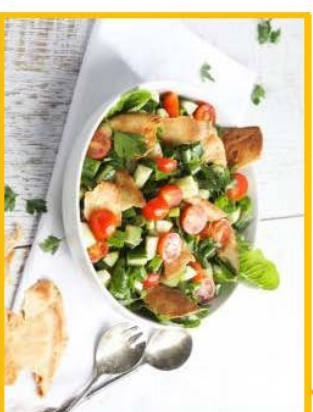


The simplest way

... to use spring vegetables.

Fruit and vegetables are tastiest and cheapest when they are in season.

During Spring, mandarins, pineapples, berries, asparagus, cucumber, green beans, zucchini, mushrooms and peas are all in season.



Here are some fruit and veg filled, spring ideas:

- [Green frittata](#)
- [Fattoush salad](#)
- [Moroccan lentil salad](#)
- [Tofu Korma](#)
- [Zucchini and turmeric salmon patties](#)
- [Healthy banana split pots](#)
- [Yoghurt rice pudding](#)
- [Frozen fruit puree](#)

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Toongabbie West Public School

Notification of Absence by Parent/Carer

Name of Student:

Class:

Date/s of Absence:

Reason for Absence:

☐ Sickness

☐ Family reasons

☐ Other reasons (Please State)

Signed/Notified by:

Date:

Enrolling Students for 2020

Please return to the school office if you are planning on enrolling a student in Kindergarten in 2020 and have not yet contacted the office.

OR please pass on this information if you know of someone who has a child of the appropriate age and is interested in enrolling them at this school.

Children must have turned 5 years old by 31 July 2020 in order to be eligible to commence school in January 2020.

Child's Name:

Date Of Birth:

Parent's Name:

Contact Phone Number:

Other Information:

Students not returning in 2020

Please return this slip if your child is **not returning at all** to Toongabbie West Public School (not including Year 6 students) 2020

My child

of class will not be returning to Toongabbie West Public School in 2020.

Because

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Signed: Parent/Guardian

Date:

Students returning late in 2020

Please return if your child is returning to Toongabbie West Public School **after the commencement of Term 1.**

My child

of class will be returning late to Toongabbie West Public School on (date):

Because

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Signed: Parent/Guardian

Date: