

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.

Newsletter: 25th August 2020 Term 3 Week 6

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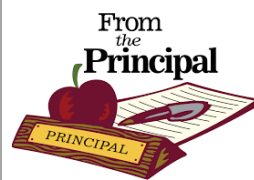
If you would like to receive a newsletter electronically,
please email toongabwst-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and include your child's name and class.

CALENDAR

1st September	School Photos Day
28th August	PSSA CANCELLED
5th November	Kindergarten 2021 Orientation day To be advised
12th November	Kindergarten 2021 Orientation day To be advised
19th November	Kindergarten 2021 Orientation day To be advised
26th November	Kindergarten 2021 Orientation day To be advised
3rd December	Kindergarten 2021 Parent Orientation night To be advised

From the Principal's Desk

DEAR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS



Every day seems to bring new information and changes to school operating procedures, illness and CoVid19, staying home if sick and not coming to school ill. Students and staff do not want to catch these ailments, it is especially difficult for staff, where a replacement teacher has to be obtained. At this time the class will be completing appropriate curriculum school work left by their normal teacher, not as they might say, " yeah we coloured in and watched movies all day ! ". Please feel free to make a phone appointment to discuss this with either Mrs Sant, if you have any concerns.

Any child or staff who is unwell is being advised by the NSW Health Department to:

- seek a CoVid19 test and provide to school **A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT FOR COVID19 BEFORE RETURNING TO SCHOOL**
- any child who is sent home from school suffering any of the flu like symptoms must get tested for CoVid19 and provide to school **A**

NEGATIVE TEST RESULT FOR COVID19 BEFORE RETURNING TO SCHOOL.

It is important to advise the school of a test, the location of testing, time and date. The department has tracing strategies to follow up with any tests, however they do need to know who has been tested.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT TEST

As a result of the most recent advice from NSW Health, the Opportunity Class Placement Test has been rescheduled to 18th November 2020. Tests will be administered in the students' own schools and high schools won't be used as test centres this year. We will contact you with further details as soon as they are available.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

As a school we are trying to keep life as normal for our students as we can, although many things are on hold or cancelled, we will be having our Father's Day stall. The stall will held be on the 3rd September. **All gifts cost \$5.** Students are requested to bring in the money and give it to **their teacher**, as they go into the hall they will hand the envelope in, then purchase their present. Any student who would like to purchase an extra present may do so. Unfortunately, this year we were unable to run a Mother's Day celebration but there will be some presents suitable for any parent and possibly some for a Mothers gift. Please make sure

your child knows who they are buying for. There will be staff available to help with any confusion.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

It is wonderful that one of the most cherished memories of school, **School Photographs are happening on the 1st September.** Please try and get your child to brush their hair, have clean, appropriate (up to date) uniform and above all else bring their smile with them.

SRC SILVER COIN DRIVE

Start searching behind the backs of your lounges, on the floor of



your parent's car and inside your drawer for any spare silver coins. This Semester the SRC are doing a silver coin fundraiser to help raise money for Year 6. This will help them pay for the gift to the school or their farewell.

If your parents have any silver coins, please ask them politely if you can add them to your class collection.

Kind Regards,

Mr Tasker, Miss Elbaz and the SRC

STUDENT REPORTS

Student reports will be sent

home this week. Semester 1 reports are an indication of your child's achievements during the past 6 months. Our teachers have been assessing students according to the Board of Studies outcomes which generally allow 2 years for students to progress through each stage. Learning is continuous and children learn at different rates. All children need encouragement and praise to be confident, happy learners. Some children try very hard and find learning difficult. They deserve your praise and encouragement. Some children find learning easy and often don't try as hard as they could. Your encouragement here is critical as well. For those students who have no difficulty learning and put a lot of effort into their work, they need continued acknowledgement and praise to keep this level of enthusiasm and commitment. For those students whose effort is minimal and their reports reflect this, closer home/school partnerships are the key to improvement. **If you have any issues please make a telephone / zoom appointment to speak to their class teacher to discuss the results.**

ENROLLING FOR 2021

This is a very unusual year and many things would be being distributed in the usual way, however one of the things which has been delayed is the information regarding enrolments for 2021.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Kindergarten enrolments are increasing as parents remember this vital role they have to perform before the end of the year, hopefully as soon as possible. There are now restrictions on enrolments, with caps on numbers and rules on out of area enrolments.

If you are enrolling a child in 2021 at Toongabbie West then please contact the office as soon as you can to start the enrolment process. Children must have turned 5 years old by 31st July 2021 in order to be eligible to commence school in January 2021.

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

We are carefully watching school enrolment numbers as we begin preparations and organisation for 2021. If you know that your current Kindergarten to Year 5 child will NOT be returning to Toongabbie West Public School next year, it would be very much appreciated if you could inform me in writing as soon as possible if you have not already done so.

SCHOOL DROP OFF

A reminder to everyone that pedestrian access through the staff carpark is not permitted at any time, especially in the mornings and afternoons. Please use the walkway to access the school. For your child's safety please use the crossing to cross the road in Ballandella Road. **Mrs Ellis and I are often seeing very dangerous**

behaviour in the mornings - teaching children how to not cross the road safely.



Below is a scrunched up note sent home by another school, the content is relevant anywhere in the world. Please feel free to contact Mr Firth to discuss how to teach any of the items below.

Nutrition Snippet




Let the kids choose and cook (or help cook) a healthy recipe. They will be sure to eat their own creations.

Check out the website for lots of quick and easy recipes.

healthylunchbox.com.au



 Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region 02
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SANTIAGO CITY

DEAR PARENTS

- We would like to remind you that magic words such as **hello, please, you're welcome, I'm sorry, and thank you**, all begin to be learned at home.
- It's also at home that children learn to be honest, to be on time, diligent, show friends their sympathy, as well as show utmost respect for their elders and all teachers.
- Home is also where they learn to be clean, not talk with their mouths full, and how/where to properly dispose of garbage.
- Home is also where they learn to be organized, to take good care of their belongings, and that it's not OK to touch others.
- Here at school, on the other hand, we teach language, math, history, geography, physics, sciences, and physical education. We only reinforce the education that children receive at home from their parents.
- With this, we appeal from you to help us instill discipline at all times to your children.

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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 2021

Please return to the school office if you are planning on enrolling a student in Kindergarten in 2021 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 2021 in order to be eligible to commence school in January 2021.

Child's Name:

Date of Birth:

Parent's Name:

Contact Phone Number:

Other Information:

Students not returning in 2021

Please return this slip if your child is **not returning at all** to Toongabbie West Public School (not including Year 6 students) 2021

My child

of class will not be returning to Toongabbie West Public School in 2021.

Because

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Signed: Parent/Guardian

Date:

Students returning late in 2021

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: