

TOWRADGI Public School

NEWSLETTER

Term 3

Week 1

21 July, 2017



Welcome to term three!

What a fabulous start to the term it has been. Thank you to all of the students, families and staff who have warmly welcomed me into Towradgi P.S. I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting you all and have been most impressed with the hard work and effort taking place in each of the classrooms. What an amazing group of children, staff and school community this is!

I do hope that you all enjoyed the school holidays and some of the lovely winter days we were fortunate to have during this time.

On Monday the teachers spent a considerable amount of time reflecting on the impact of the three year school plan and the three school strategic directions. The teachers also focused on setting new goals and initiatives for the creation of the 2018-2021 school plan. Although it was a busy day, all teachers were enthusiastic about preparing their classrooms and teaching programs during the afternoon session for the term ahead.

We are keen to hear parent's and carer's feedback on the many initiatives that have been implemented throughout the year. One of the many ways this will happen will be through online and hard copy surveys made available for completion on Open Day, Tuesday, 1st August. We look forward to hearing your feedback and suggestions.

I am looking forward to meeting more of you as the days continue and in particular seeing as many families joining us in celebrating Public Education on Tuesday, 1st August.

Kind Regards,
Anissa Rajendra
(Relieving Principal)

Stage 3 Canberra Camp

On Wednesday morning on the 28th June, in the dark of the night, 43 Year 5 and 6 students joined Mrs Lieschke, Mr Pritchard and Mrs Ferguson to board the bus for camp. We thought it was cold until we reached Canberra!

We started our three day adventure with a trip to the mint (because it made cents). Following this we had lunch at Mount Ainslie Lookout before heading to Parliament House. Here the students participated in a Senate role-play, debating the merits of building wave-pools in every town. We also took a tour of the Senate and House of Representatives before boarding the bus to go to our accommodation.

Day two dawned foggy and cold but we rugged up warmly for a day of fun. We started by learning about the election process at the Electoral Education Centre then had a great time with iPads and QR codes at the CSIRO Discovery Centre – a top favourite

Important Dates To Remember

Monday 24 July

Southern Stars Dance Rehearsal

Tuesday 25 July

SRC Mufti Day - Dress as a Teacher

Friday 28 July

Assembly from 12:30pm
6 Onyx Item

Tuesday 1 August

Education Week Open Day
Book Fair

Thursday 3 August

Southern Stars Choir Rehearsal



Assembly Award Congratulations

K-1 Diamond

Ivy K, Lucy R, Lachlan S

K-1 Emerald

Aiden H, Maddison S, Nived U

2 Opal

Preston V, Joe S, Mason G

3-4 Sapphire

Maddy H, Eve R, Joel S

K-6 Amber

Leith H

K-6 Pearl

Finn Woods

Bronze Level 1 Awards

Aliah S, Ivy K, Ahmed O

Bronze Level 2 Awards

Eva S, Emma-Rose B, Regan C, Harrison T,
Scarlett M, Emily H, Emma C, Lachlan S,
Toby B, Lacey S, Saxon K

Silver Level 1 Awards

Carter T

Silver Level 2 Awards

Oscar N, Toby M, Zane L, Madison H,
Liam V, Yasmine P

Gold Level 1 Awards

Matthew H

Gold Level Level 2 Awards

Taylor W

Positive Behaviour For Learning (PBL) Prize Draw

Jamison B, Leith H

Class of the Week

2 Opal



for all the students. Learning about the construction of Canberra at the National Capital Exhibition Centre was followed by a tour of the Australian War Memorial where Max and Jameika represented the school with pride during the wreath-laying ceremony.

After dinner, we all climbed back onto the bus for a trip to the Mount Stromlo Observatory where students were able to view the moon, Jupiter and Saturn through telescopes as well as hearing from PhD students who are exploring black holes and galaxies.

Friday morning began with a trip to the Australian Institute of Sport and was followed up by another highlight – a visit to Questacon. A number of students showed their dare-devil personalities by having a go at the Big Drop.

All the students were wonderfully well behaved and it was a true pleasure to spend this time with them. They even slept well! All in all it was a very educational trip with some good fun thrown in as well.

Rewards Day - Red Faces

We were highly entertained by the students who took part in this year's Rewards Day, Red Faces, which was held at the end of term 2 on Monday 26 June. There were many dancing and singing acts as well as a few comedy duos with their favourite jokes. Many thanks to Mrs Warner, Mrs Brsakovski and Miss Speed who were this year's judging panel and to Mr Santos and Mr Ratcliffe who organised the event.



SRC & Gold Level Luncheon

On Tuesday 27 June, all Gold Award recipients and semester one SRC members were invited to a special luncheon with the Principal. There was lots of yummy food for all of the lucky students with a golden ticket to enjoy. This was just a small way to say thank you to the students for their outstanding behaviour and service to the school.



SRC Mufti Day - Dress as a Teacher

On Tuesday 25th July students can come to school Dressed Like A Teacher. If they do dress up, students must bring a gold coin donation. All money raised for this SRC fundraiser will go towards the new Friendship Corner and will help to buy outdoor furniture and paint to decorate this new space.

Southern Stars in Full Swing

Rehearsals for the 2017 Southern Stars concert 'Postcards' have officially begun with students from our support classes attending their first rehearsal yesterday. On Monday 24th of July the dance group and Mrs Warner will be having their first rehearsal, and on Thursday 3rd of August Mr Santos and the choir students will be attending their first rehearsal. A reminder that tickets to see the show are on sale now and can be purchased from www.ticketmaster.com.au

Education Week Open Day 'I Learn, We Learn'

To celebrate Education Week, we are inviting parents/carers to an Open Day on Tuesday 1 August. Classrooms will be open from 9:15 to have a look at some of the inspirational things students are doing in class. At 10:25am there will be an information session in the library launching our new 'ToPs Talks'. Parents/carers are welcome to stay for a free Sausage Sizzle Lunch from 10:55-11:40. For catering purposes, please RSVP by returning the tear off section of the note that went home with the students. <http://www.towradgi-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/permission-notes>

Book Fair

Towradgi PS Annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the hall during Education Week on Open Classrooms day. Please come and support our school by buying some books for your child or other children you know. A percentage of all sales go back to our school to purchase more wonderful books for our library. The sale will continue at lunch time on Wednesday 2nd August for those who forget their money on the day.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Lily B, Emily H, Mischa L and Misha S, who have recently completed the Premier's Reading Challenge! The challenge ends at the end of August, so there is still some time left to complete it and be eligible to attend the Premier's Reading Challenge Party in Term 4.



The Learning Journal
Check out what's happening
in your child's class.



PARENT



See your class teacher for
login details.

What's Due & When

Activity Payment	Amount	Due Date
P&C Resource Fees	\$30 per child \$50 per family	ASAP

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Towradgi Public School PARENTS & CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Next P&C Meeting:

Our next meeting will be Tuesday 8th August at 7pm in the School Library, due to the School Holiday break. If you have anything you would like to discuss please send through to mark.c.mccarthy@gmail.com so we can add it to the agenda.

Website Update:

The school is updating their website and have a page for the P&C. Check back soon to view the past meeting minutes and future agendas:

<http://www.towradgi-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/p-c-news>

Save the Date:

The P&C have secured a date at the Foragers Market at Bulli to look after the front gate. It's an opportunity to "rattle the tin" and collect a few dollars as people enter the markets. We'll send out a reminder as the date draws closer for helpers.

Entertainment Book:

The Entertainment Book fundraiser is still available. Simply go to www.entbook.com.au/280m849 Support Towradgi Public School - Order your NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment™ Membership now! 20% of every membership sold contributes to Towradgi Public School. Help us achieve our goal by sharing this link with your friends and family. Thanks for your support!



Next P&C Meeting

Tuesday 8 August

7pm

In the Library

facebook



The Towradgi Public School P&C now have a presence on Facebook. Simply search for "Towradgi Public School P&C" in the Facebook search bar or visit

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TOPSPC/>

We have been using the site to organise, discuss and ask questions and it's a great way to get answers.

Contribution Fees

P&C Resource Contribution Fees, \$30 per student, \$50 per family, due now

P&C Direct Deposit Details:

Account Name: Towradgi Public School P&C Association

BSB: 062 537 Account: 00900067

Reference: Your Surname

The P&C thank you in advance for this contribution to your children's education.

