



# School News



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## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

The energy and enthusiasm that the students have brought back to school this term is a credit to all our parents and carers. As teachers we feel privileged to work with a group of young people who snap us out of the COVID drain every single day and remind us that life is to be lived no matter what may have changed. The playground is a hive of activity every single play time and we are so happy to have them all together.

### **Wednesday Gathering**

Last week we trialled our first virtual Wednesday Gathering. The students became very excited by this new format and we look forward to tinkering with it over the coming weeks before sharing it with our parents and school community.

### **Uniforms**

Just a reminder that our school policy on uniforms states that *'if your child needs to wear an item of clothing that is not school uniform then they will need to bring a note to school explaining the situation'*. Outer clothing such as jackets, beanies, scarves and gloves are an exception to this rule.

### **School Crossing**

You may have noticed some extra Crossing Supervisors working at our crossing last week? The reason for this is that our school crossing is seen as one of the safest and well organised crossing areas with excellent drop-off and pick up procedures in place. Crossing Supervisors in training come to our school to basically learn how it should be done. This is a great acknowledgement for Kathy as well as all the students and their families who use our crossing.

*Gene VanderZalm, Principal*

## **STUDENT CARPARK CHANGES**

Please note, that due to growing concerns, some lines have been marked around the road running down the side of the stadium carpark. We would appreciate anyone standing and waiting for their child after school, to wait outside this area (in front of the stadium is a safer area) for the following reasons.

1. For safety – the lines are in place to create a buffer between cars and pedestrians.
2. To ease congestion - this way cars will be able to exit the carpark by driving forwards and down the road beside the stadium.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and look forward to continuing our excellent record of safe drop offs and pick-ups at TVPS.

## **REMINDERS**

- With current COVID restrictions, parents are not to enter school grounds. If you do need to come on site, please phone the school office prior to arrival to make arrangements.
- If your child is away from school, please log in to Compass and explain their absence.

## **BOOK CLUB**

Issue 5 book club catalogues have been distributed today. Please place all orders via the LOOP app or online via the Scholastic website by COB Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Order forms and money should **not** be sent into school.

## **CALENDAR**

### **This week 21/7 – 28/7**

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>** – 2021 Prep Info session  
12pm & 6.30pm (bookings are essential)

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** – Student free day

**July 28<sup>th</sup>** – School Council, 7pm

### **Upcoming**

**Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>** - Book Club orders close COB

**Aug 25<sup>th</sup>** – School Council, 7pm

### **NEWSLETTER ITEMS**

The newsletter is compiled on Monday afternoons. All items need to be submitted by 1:50pm to be included.

## **JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**

I just wanted to say a big congratulations to all our students for participating in Jump Rope for Heart. Our school raised **\$2,617.24** for the Heart Foundation, which was a tremendous effort and something we all can be proud of. What I was most proud of was the progress that all students who gave skipping a go made and this showed on our Jump Off Day. We started with a dance warm up and then each grade had an opportunity to show their skills one at a time. We then moved on to some whole school long rope activities and finished with the chicken dance. It was fabulous day that I wished the parents could have been there to watch and I hope they can in the future. I have made a video of the day and posted to Compass. A big thank you to all the staff who took pictures/videos and helped turn ropes on the day.

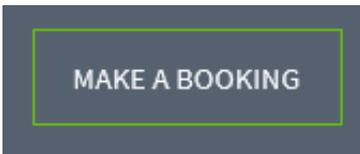
*Mrs Browne*

## **PST'S**

Parent Student Teacher Interviews will be running a little differently this term. Due to parents not being allowed on site, all interviews will be conducted over the phone. You can book your interview time via the usual School interviews website. PST Meetings will be held on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July between 11am and 5pm.

Bookings can be made at [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) after 8.30am tomorrow.

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3. Follow screen prompts



Interviews are strictly 15mins and spaces are limited. If these times do not suit, please email your child's teacher directly to make an alternative time.

Please be aware that teachers will possibly be calling from their private mobile which may show as an unknown caller phoning.

## **RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS**

One of my gorgeous running friends said to me once "You are my blanket, when I get to an event and I don't know where I fit, if I spot you I feel safe and like I have been wrapped in a blanket". It was a pretty nice thing to hear about myself and it got me thinking about who my blankets are at work, at a party or at the kids sporting events. I decided to talk to my kids about the people in their lives who are our blankets. The ones who we can find in a crowded room or a scary moment and just being near them can make us feel safe and at home. We talk about the qualities their 'blanket' person holds and we have conversations about how we can be that for others. I felt really pleased when the kids could tell me one or two special people at their school they could find as a 'blanket' and they knew they could be this for their friends too.

Talking to our kids about people who they feel safe around and the qualities these people hold helps them to find safe people or blankets later throughout their lives.

It is important to know that you are not alone in the world, there is a blanket for everyone and you are most likely (without even knowing it) a blanket for someone too.

Please if you are feeling alone please do not hesitate to reach out. You can email me on

[Donna.giliam@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Donna.giliam@education.vic.gov.au) or find me on messenger.

*Donna Giliam, Primary Welfare Officer*

## **POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM**

Families can now access free expert parenting advice through the online [Triple P – Positive Parenting Program](#).

The program is relevant to families with children between 2 and 16 years and provides strategies to deal with specific challenges, such as building children's resilience and dealing with conflict.

There are courses specifically for parents of toddlers to tweens, and for parents of pre-teens to teens.

It gives parents strategies to:

- raise happy, confident kids
- manage misbehaviour so everyone in the family enjoys life more
- set rules and routines that everyone respects and follows
- encourage positive behaviour
- take care of themselves as a parent
- feel confident they're doing the right thing.

[Sign up to the Triple P program via their website.](#)



Preps hard at work in the school garden.



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## CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS WHAT WE EXPECT AT TARWIN VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

- ❖ Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
- ❖ We have zero tolerance of any abuse of children.
- ❖ We have policies and procedures in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children.
- ❖ There are clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with our students.
- ❖ The new Child Safe Standards go further than child protection arrangements did in the past.
- ❖ The Child Safe Standards apply to school staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors and students' family members.
- ❖ Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility.
- ❖ We want to ensure you know how we are keeping your children safe at school, and how we would like you to support us.
- ❖ Unsupervised contractors will be asked about their child safety arrangements as a condition of working with us if they work with children enrolled in the school (or children can reasonably be expected to be present while they are at the school).

Please see further information on Child Safe Standards on our school website.  
Community members are encouraged to raise any concerns about child abuse with the Principal or report directly to Child Protection / Police.