TOORA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome

Welcome to Term 2
Welcome back. We hope you all had an enjoyable, restful and safe break, and that you are energised and enthusiastic looking to the term ahead! There is a number of school and inter-school sporting events, SeaChange Festival workshops and a cultural performance along with NAPLAN testing for grades 3 and 5, so the Term 2 calendar as usual is quite full.

Mrs Barb Purvis will be on leave for all of next week, Mr Walter Birkenbeil (ex Principal of Tarwin Lower PS) will be her replacement.

Welcome to Deacon (Gr.1) and Charli Rees (Prep) and their family into our school community.

Thanks for keeping an eye on the newsletter each fortnight. This is how we communicate with families on a fortnightly basis. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email please contact Di in the Admin Office with your email address.

Current and past issues of the school newsletter can also be viewed online at www.tooraps.vic.edu.au

Your oldest child will still receive a hard copy to take home and look at with you.

Term Dates
Term1: 31 Jan - 28 Mar
Term2: 15 Apr - 28 Jun
Term3: 15 Jul - 20 Sept
Term4: 7 Oct - 20 Dec

School Office Hours
8.30am—4.00pm (Wednesdays unattended)

Absences - Phone the office or write in your Child’s communication book

EASTER RAFFLE
Congratulations to all winners in our Student Fundraising Easter Raffle at the end of Term 1.
We would like to thank all families who donated goods for the raffle. From the goods donated we managed to have approximately 20 prize draws. Students raised $137.20

FRIENDLY REMINDERS FOR ALL STUDENTS
Student Supervision: We have a staff member on duty from 8:40am until school starts and then again after school until 3:40pm (for last bus).
The school cannot supervise students who are in attendance outside these times. Our classrooms will not be opened before this time.
Before school is a very busy time for staff preparing for the day ahead and it would be appreciated, if any student discussions are required, that a meeting time is arranged via the Administration office or through your child’s Communication Book. After school there is generally more flexibility for staff. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

SOUTH GIPPSLAND PRIMARY SCHOOLS
‘STUDENT LEADERS’ CONFERENCE
Students from across our South Gippsland Network will be coming together for this Leadership opportunity on Tuesday, 23rd April at the Korumburra Showgrounds Amenities Complex. Our school will be represented at this event by our Student Leadership team: Jacob, Morgan, Mikayla, Stephanie and Seth.
Students will utilise the skills gained from this day to implement sound, strong leadership practices into their Leadership roles. Permission notes will be sent home tomorrow with these students.

REMEMBER:
● All visitors to the school MUST present at the Admin office and sign in.
● Bus travellers must have a note handed to either the office or Bus Duty teacher or a note in the communication book if they are not travelling home on the bus.
● Bus Students are Supervised from 8:15am until 3:40pm. All other students are supervised between 8:40am - 3:30pm.
THE GREAT SOUTHERN PORTRAIT PRIZE

The annual Great Southern Portrait Prize Exhibition opens on the 18th of April at Stockyard Gallery in Foster.

Some of our students have participated in workshops to create their own portraits with materials and teachers provided by Prom Coast Arts.

The show has always been well attended and this year some 200 student works from across the district will be on display.

The gallery will also be filled with portraits by adult artists. Making art out of our local identities is endlessly fascinating and occasionally controversial!

Winners will be announced at the gallery on Sunday the 28th April at 2:30pm.

PARENT SUPPORTED MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGE

This funding is extremely important to the school as it forms a part of our overall school operating budget and is used and relied on for:
- Cultural Performances
- Classroom materials

School Council has set the 2013 Parent Supported Materials and Services Charge (formerly known as school fees) at $120 per child.

The Parent supported materials and services charge is due now from all families and can be paid at the school office.

Direct Deposit details:
Toora Primary School BSB 633-000 Acc:124311424
Please use your “family name” as Reference.

Recipe to make playdough

Mix together the following ingredients in a large bowl
- 4 cups of flour
- 2 tablespoons of cream of tartar
- ½ a cup of table salt
- 1/3 a cup of oil

Ask an adult to add
- 2 ½ cups of boiling water (add food dye)
And stir the mixture until most of it is combined.

Put some flour on the table and put the playdough mixture on top. Ask the adult to knead the playdough until it feels cool enough for children’s hands. Knead until it feels like real playdough.

Hint: Add some more flour if it is too sticky.

Grade 3/4 students requested the recipe from Mrs Jansen.
The Pirates

The Pirates are entering their sixth season in the club's 1st 13s grade. The Pirates also have a girls Under 13 mixed grade and a girls Under 13s grade. The Pirates have entered the Victorian Knockout Cup this year.

The Pirates are also running a small sided skills session for 5-10 year olds which is non competitive and fun skills based training for younger boys and girls. This will be running on training days, Wednesdays, and an occasional home game.

Everyone welcome to come along and have a try or contact the club as above for more details.

We are participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program again this year.

It started on Monday 8th April and finishes on Sunday 9th June. Start collecting your stickers at the checkout, and place on point sheets (attached).

Place your completed sheets in the collection box in the foyer. Tell your friends, neighbours and relatives to collect stickers for Toora Primary School!