

Toongabbie Public School

Friday 17th May, 2019
Volume 8



Dates to Remember:

24th May—Year 6 Parent Meeting
27th May—Band Meeting 7pm
In staff room
29th May—Round 1 Debating
3rd June—Stage 2 Maritime
Museum Excursion
6th June— Calmsley Hill City
Farm
7th June—Public Holiday

PSSA
More information to follow.

NOTES

- * Calmsley Hill City Farm
- * Year 4 Camp
- * Year 6 Parent Committee
- * Winter PSSA Sport

PBL Focus

Being Thankful and Grateful

Gratitude is an experience that has four parts:

- What we **NOTICE** in our lives for which we are grateful
 - How we **THINK** about why we have been given these things
 - How we **FEEL** about the things we have been given
- What we **DO** to express appreciation in turn.
Gratitude is about how we receive things in the world as well as how we give to others.

Students will visit a 'Thanks Bank' or create a Classroom Gratitude Book, make a class video or share in circle time.

Principal's Report - Craig Brown

KINDY ENROLMENTS 2020

The school is now taking enrolment applications for 2020. If you have a child starting next year or are aware of a neighbour in our catchment area who is intending on sending their child to Toongabbie, please encourage them to come to the office and complete an application.

NAPLAN

The online testing started this week and will continue until May 24th. The children approached the testing with both enthusiasm and a positive attitude. Thank you to all involved and I wish the students well as they continue testing.

STAFFING

Last Friday the staff said farewell to Mrs Borys, a long time teacher at Toongabbie PS. Mrs Borys had been overseas and it was the first opportunity to present her with her retirement medal. I would like to wish her all the best in her retirement. I know she has more travel planned.

I welcome Mrs Otten to our school. She is our newest Assistant Principal and will be starting on Monday May 27th. Mrs Otten will teach 1C for the rest of the year as Mrs Catherine Clarke leaves us at the end of Week 4 to have her baby. I wish her all the best and look forward to keeping our school community up to date.



ZONE X-COUNTRY SUCCESS

Mr Howe, Mr Sanders and Mrs Bownds attended the x-country today and were impressed with the behaviour and performance of our students. We were delighted to get quite a few students to the regionals in June. Well done everyone. A report will be in the next newsletter.



WINTER UNIFORMS

We have had unusually warm weather this week. The mornings have been cold but the days have heated up. Thank you to our students who are now wearing winter uniform. Hopefully the days will be a little cooler next week. Please encourage your child to check lost property if they lose clothing. We have lots of jackets at the moment.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL

Today was "Walk Safely to School Day". Thanks to all those parents who were able to take the time to take part. Pedestrian safety is a major issue and days like this help to teach our children good practices. If one child learns to cross at the lights or use the crossing today, then today has been a huge success. Some of our students were on hand this morning to hand out stickers to those participating in the program. I was very pleased to see so many families take the option of walking.

ELECTION DAY

Don't forget to vote tomorrow and please vote at our school. Our Band Committee is running a BBQ and we would love your support.

SUN SAFETY

The P&C are supporting the school with a new initiative. We will be selling school sunglasses shortly. Keep an eye on the newsletter and our Facebook page to find out more.

Relieving Deputy Principal's Report - Sue Bownds

Another busy and exciting two weeks at TPS. We hope you like the newsletter on a fortnightly basis.

MOTHERS' DAY BREAKFAST: FRIDAY 10TH MAY

Our biggest breakfast – the Mothers' Day Breakfast was held on Friday 10th May from 7.30am in the hall. The staff served over 400 people and then joined in themselves. What a wonderful community we have at TPS as everyone had a great time. Thank you to the families who gave a donation for the Cancer Council which we will add to our Biggest Morning Tea donations. We are now planning for Fathers' Day so put that one on your calendar. If you have any suggestions or comments, please

email me sue.bownds@det.nsw.edu.au

Here are some photos from the morning taken by the very talented Mrs Matthews. Thank you to everyone who came along and a special thank you to our wonderful staff for coming to school so early on that day.



WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY: FRIDAY 17TH MAY

TPS participated in our first Walk to School Day today. This is an annual national event in Australia where primary school children are encouraged to walk or commute safely to school. It is always held in May and follows our healthy vegetable day, the Live Life Well program, Crunch and Sip program, Premier's Sporting Challenge, C.A.R.E.S. and Ride to School, all of which promote healthy eating and living. We hope you took advantage of this and parked a little further away today and next time you go shopping or to the park. The aims of this day were:

- To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.



We hope you will support us in this endeavour by teaching your child the necessary skills to cross the road. Thank you again, we hope you enjoyed the walk today.

PLAY GROUP FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND ARE 0-5 YEARS: EVERY THURSDAY 9-10.30AM

We held our first and second sessions of our new playgroup on Thursday 9th and 16th May with great success. Thanks to all the parents who came and a special thanks to Rachel Gregory who organised the singing yesterday. We also had story time this week plus painting and lots of other activities. I look forward to seeing you next week in the Before and After School Care building which is really well set up for our time there. It's a great chance for your children and family members to meet others and have a fun morning. Please feel free to bring your friends and neighbours and to spread the word. Cost is free.



Library News—Renata Redman TL

Premier's Reading Challenge

The PRC concludes on **Friday 30th August**. Children in K-2 complete the challenge with their class teacher. The challenge is optional for students in Years 3 to 6. For further information and to log student reading records, please visit: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

P&C and Parent Auxiliary

TOONGABBIE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

Please consider coming along to the next P&C General Meeting that will be held on Monday 10th June 7pm. Please also note the earlier start time for this meeting.

If you would like anything to be added to the agenda for this meeting, please email to toongabbiepub-licschoolpandc@gmail.com asap.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

2019/20 Entertainment books are still available to purchase either from the school office or on-line using the link below.

Books for Greater Western Sydney are \$70 with a small commission from each sale going to the school.

Follow this link to order now! <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2158c53>

TERM 2 DISCO

Please add the date for the Term 2 Disco to your calendar now. FRIDAY 28th JUNE.

The theme for this disco chosen by the SRC members is TPS – Dress as anything starting with a T, a P or S.

Tickets will be available on Flexischools from next week. (VIP Disco pass holders don't need to purchase another ticket).

P&C Canteen — Rhonda Fogg, Canteen Manager

We are still looking for volunteers who are able to assist in the canteen once a month for either a full day or part thereof. No experience is required to volunteer and we have a variety of tasks that you can help with. Please contact Rhonda in the canteen to enquire about days and times that you may be able to assist in the Canteen.

TERM 2 – MANAGER SPECIAL

WEEK 3 & 4

SWEET CURRY with Rice (made with beef mince) \$4.50

WEEK 5 & 6

Vegetarian Lasagne \$4.50

Next week we will be offering Pumpkin Soup at recess for \$2.50.

Please also keep an eye out on the skoolbag app for other specials that might be on offer.

TPS Band Report — Vanessa Wegener Band Convener

#Democracy Sausage Federal Election BBQ - Saturday 18th May.

This Saturday our Bands wonderful volunteer parents will be hosting the Federal Election #Democracy Sausage BBQ at Toongabbie Public School.

We'll be serving up a feast of sausages, bacon & egg sandwiches, corn on the cob, drinks, cakes and treats. We have sourced all our supplies from local businesses including Bungaree Butchery, Brenda's Bakery, IGA and our fresh produce is free-range and pest free direct from the farm via BoxDivvy -

Toongabbie. If you have to vote - you may as well vote at THE best school serving up THE best BBQ, home made cakes and produce in the electorate!

We are also incredibly excited to be launching our first ever **MEGA Raffle** with a whopping \$1,000 Travel Gift Card as 1st Prize in partnership with HelloWorld Travel at Winston Hills. Tickets are just \$2 each with 2 x \$50 Bunnings Gift Cards as consolation prizes. So don't forget to pick up a few tickets along with your breakfast or lunch on Saturday. If you can't get to us on the day, tickets will be available to purchase until 7th June. We'd love to see this fantastic prize won by one of our TPS Families. Email toongabbieps-band@gmail.com for more details or contact HelloWorld Travel Winston Hills for T&C's.

Term 2 Parent Band Meeting

The Term 2 parent band meeting will be held on Monday 27th May at 7pm in the Teacher's staffroom. Matters for discussion will include Band Camp and the upcoming Engadine Festival for Concert Band. Please email the committee if you would like to add anything to the agenda.

Heartfelt thanks are extended to all of the parents, teachers and community members who support our Band Program and offer their time and expertise to help give our children the best musical experience they possibly can.

What's Happening at TPS

Stage 3:

My Father's favourite book (Interview)

By Sarim Nasir

Teacher: Mrs Church Class 6D

I used to see my father reading books before going to sleep every night. So I decided to ask him about his favourite book and ask some questions to learn something new and useful.

Q) What is your favourite book and why?

There are many books which are my favourites, but one of my favourite books that I have read recently is "Mindset" by Dr Carol S. Dweck. It's a million copy bestseller, and it's relevant for business people who want to cultivate talent and for parents who want to raise their kids to thrive on challenge. Not many books are good as this one.

Q) What's the subject of this book?

It discusses the power of Mindset and explains why it's not just our abilities and talent that bring us success but whether we approach our goals with a fixed or growth mindset. With the right mindset, we can motivate our children to raise their grades, as well as reaching our own goals, both personal and professional.

Q) What does the word "Mindset" mean and can you tell me about it.

There are two types of mindsets (how to handle the things) fixed and growth mindset. People with growth mindset don't just seek challenge, they thrive on it (which means they put all their efforts into accomplishing the goal). The bigger the challenge, the more they stretch (not physically but mentally!). On the other hand, people with fixed mindset don't thrive. When things are safely within their grasp, they are happy. If things are too challenging or when they are not feeling smart or talented, they lose interest.

Q) Are mindsets permanent or you can change them?

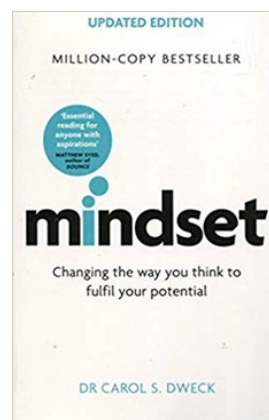
Mindsets are important part of your personality, but you can change it. Just by knowing about the two mindsets, you can start thinking and reacting in new ways. When people are in fixed mindset, they passing up a chance of learning, feeling labelled by a failure or getting discouraged when something requires a lot of effort. In the same situations, people with growth mindset making sure that they take a challenge, learn from failure, or continue their effort. Growth mindset is a starting point for change.

Q) Any advice for me or for my friends in terms of mindsets?

People are all born with a love of learning, but the fixed mindset can undo it. Think of a time you were enjoying something like doing a crossword puzzle, playing a sport, learning a new dance. Then it became hard and you wanted out. Maybe you suddenly felt tired, dizzy, bored or hungry. Next time this happens, don't fool yourself. It's a fixed mindset. Put yourself in a growth mindset. Picture your brain forming new connections as you meet the challenge and learn. Keep on going.

Thank you Dad, I'll try to put myself in a growth mindset and to learn new things and act more confidently.

I have learned a lot from this interview and hope it will also help you to understand your Mindset too.





Woolworths Earn and Learn is back.
Please collect your stickers and either drop them into the TPS box at Woolworths Winston Hills or Toongabbie or just pop them into the box in the office.

TPS appreciate your support.





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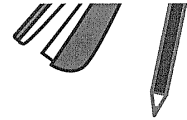
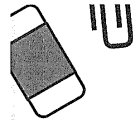
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The photo prices are:
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Any additional photographs are \$10.00 each. This discount is only available per family order.

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Name of Group	Name of Group
School Captains and Vice Captains	School Leaders
Year 6	Year 6 FUN
House Captains	Library Monitors



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