



TOONGABBIE
PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Principal's Report

Welcome

Welcome to all our Toongabbie families who are returning for another great year. I would particularly like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families and students who are starting with us. We are expecting our kindergarten students on Monday. Students from Years 1-6 have been placed in classes, however, these will not be confirmed until the end of next week at the earliest. The information provided by parents at the end of 2019 has helped us to get off to a very smooth start.

I have included some information regarding the Department's response to the coronavirus. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I also ask that you let the school know if your child was affected in any way by the bushfire crisis. I am aware that just because our students do not live in an area impacted by this crisis does not mean that they may not have been involved or had a family member impacted.

We are here to help and provide a safe and happy environment for your child to learn. I look forward to the year ahead.

Coronavirus

The NSW Ministry of Health and NSW Department of Education have recommended that any student who was travelling in China (including Hong Kong) over the past 14 days should not return to school or child care services this week, as the coronavirus' incubation period can be as long as two weeks.

Students who returned to Australia more than 14 days ago and have shown no symptoms are able to return to school this week.

There has been a small number of cases of confirmed Novel Coronavirus in New South Wales.

In accordance with national public health guidelines, exclusions only apply for those who are a:

Confirmed case of Novel Coronavirus – exclude until medically cleared.

Close contact of a confirmed case of Novel Coronavirus – exclude for 14 days since last contact with the confirmed case

Close contact is defined as living in the same household, 15 minutes face-to-face contact with a person with confirmed coronavirus in any setting, or sharing a closed space with a person with confirmed coronavirus for more than 2 hours.

The Ministry of Health has processes in place to identify any close contacts of cases confirmed in Australia. Advice about not attending school would be provided to these close contacts by the Ministry of Health.

Consistent with current guidelines, staff and students who are unwell with respiratory illness should remain at home until symptoms resolve. In accordance with our current practice if any child becomes unwell we will implement our infection control guidelines and follow the advice provided by the Ministry of Health as appropriate.

Meet The Teacher Information Sessions

Our information sessions for parents will be held in Week 4 on Tuesday February 18. The specific times will be made available shortly. These sessions are not to inform you of student progress but to give you an overview of what is in store for your child in 2020 and answer any questions.

Classes for 2020 (Pending)

KO Mrs Otten, KS Mrs Sim, KJ Miss Jenkins, 1C Miss Cox, 1B Mrs Bazouni, 1S Mrs Stone, 2J Mrs Mehmet, 2K Mrs Kumaran, 2M Mrs Metcalfe, 2P Mrs Paton, 3O Mrs Osland & Mr Tucker(Monday), 3H Miss Hiron, 3/4S Mrs Starzynski & Mrs Bownds (Friday), 4A Mrs Arico, 4D Mr Duraisamy, 4H Mr Howe, 5S Mr Sanders & Mrs Ranieri (Monday & Tuesday), 5C Miss Costello, 5M Miss McGoogan, 6S Miss Starling, 6T Mx Tuck, 6M Mrs Matthews and 6T Mr Carruthers, K/6B Mrs Burnett, K/6L Miss Lamas, K/6P Miss Park

Swimming Carnival

Please note that the TPS Swimming carnival will be held on Monday 3rd February. The carnival will take place at Merrylands Memorial Pools. The carnival is for students in Years 3-6 and any **Year 2 students who are turning 8 and can capably and confidently swim 50 metres.**

Craig Brown
Principal

Upcoming Events

Monday 3 February	Swimming Carnival Years 3-6 (year 2s turning 8 this year). Merrylands Pool
Monday 3 February	Kindy 2020 start school
Tuesday 4 February	NRL Eels players visit 3-6
Monday 10-Friday 21 February	Swim Scheme Year 2 students
Tuesday 11 February	Learn to be Safe with Emmy – Child Protection Year 1 only <i>Details to come.</i>
Friday 14 February	Zone PSSA trials
Friday 14 February	Police Band Incursion
Tuesday 18 February	Meet the Teacher – <i>details to come</i>
Friday 21 February	Week 4 Buzz Assembly
Wednesday 4 March	Stage 3 CPR – <i>details to come</i>
Wednesday 4 March	Stage 3 CPR
Tuesday 10 March	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews – <i>details to come</i>
Thursday 12 March	Support Unit Swimming Carnival
Thursday 12 March	Selective High School Placement Test
Friday 13 March	Ride 2 School Day – <i>details to come</i>
Friday 14 March	P&C Movie Night – <i>details to come</i>
Friday 20 March	Week 8 Buzz Assembly
Monday 30 March	School Photos
Thursday 2 April	Pedlars Parade – <i>details to come</i>

Tuesday 7 April	Brainstorm Productions – Antibullying incursion – <i>details to come</i>
Tuesday 7 April	Buzz Morning Tea
Wednesday 8 April	3-6 Cross Country – <i>details to come</i>
Thursday 9 April	K-2 Cross Country – <i>details to come</i>
Thursday 9 April	Last Day Term 1

Canteen

Welcome back everyone.

Our Manager's Special which will start on Monday 3 February and run for two weeks until Friday 14 February it will be CHICKEN SAN CHOY BOW, it will come in two lettuce cups and it will be available at lunch time for \$5.00.

If there are any parents, grandparents, or carers who would like to come and help out at the canteen once a month please call in and see Rhonda.

The Canteen will be starting a few **gluten free** items on the menu, for our students who are gluten intolerant, we hope to start this next week.

Due to a price increase in milk, prices will increase on Monday by 50c.

If you would like to know anything about our canteen please call in and see us and say hi.

Rhonda Fogg
Canteen Manager

P&C

Please be advised that the 2020 AGM for the Toongabbie Public School P&C will be held on Monday 10 February, 2020 at 7.00pm in the School Staffroom.

All Executive positions will be declared vacant at this meeting and open for re-election. Nominations for these positions can be emailed to toongabbiepublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

Positions to be filled include President, 2 x Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer. Office bearers for all sub-committees will also be filled at the AGM.

A General Meeting will be held at the conclusion of the AGM. P&C membership renewal of \$1.00 is now due and payable at these meetings. All members of the school community are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Brooke Arslan
Secretary

Toongabbie Public School has a new app!

SZapp is a great way to keep up to date with our latest news and information. Using SZapp will give you easy access to information such as:

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- Event Bookings
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