

**1st September, 2020****IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3 (subject to change)**

7th September	Pupil Free Day - Staff PD – No onsite supervision and No Google Meets today as all staff will be involved in PD
16th September	School Council 7.00pm via Google Meet
18 th September	Last day of term 3
5 th October	First day of term 4

ONLINE BANKING - Account Name -Toorloo Arm Primary School Council
BSB 063 832 Acc No 1002 2188 Please include details - Surname and description eg. Fees, uniform, camp etc.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our teachers are very grateful to all our parents who are managing home learning 2.0. It is great to see so many children logging onto their morning learning sessions and touching base again in the afternoons. Teachers are happier being able to deliver lessons online and provide feedback on students work more regularly but of course there's nothing like having kids face to face. Let's hope we get an announcement about returning to school soon.

At our August school council meeting our parents reflected on their experiences of home learning 2.0, maybe other parents can relate to these comments.

Michelle – I am happier this time, it's self-paced not the big work load. I was up late researching how to explain to the kids their work last time– not this time. Small protests this time with better contribution. The kids and myself enjoy 2:00pm meets. It's running smoothly with the help of the laptops. Having specialist in one day works.

Sarah – It's going really well. I work 3 days so Kayden is at school as well. We get more done but still have down times with siblings in the afternoons. Afternoons are set aside for P.E

Katie – It's been heaps better, more connected with 2 session a day so it's not as isolating last time. We are not overwhelmed with all the paperwork this time. I only have to monitor logins in at right time but heaps better.

Clara –. Having a morning session for learning and an afternoon session for social is good but it is still a struggle to be there on time. Works better and not feeling under pressure and there is less conflict. Beau can help Coen with work and login in.

Megan – It's better this time. Face to face is nice seeing the teacher and classmates. Having a specialist day is more relaxed. Not as much pressure to be done on handover day

Kellie – I'm only home one day so going at her own pace is good. Ginger was nervous to be on the screen for the google meet but is on listening. Work load is so much better, last time we were working from 9-3 and the content was confusing. Easier this time, Ginger is enjoying it more.

Supporting your child's reading development whilst at home



By now all students should have received their **Wushka** login and passwords. The Wushka site is a great way for students to be practising their reading at home.

Teachers have allocated books to students at their reading level so please encourage your child to access this material and if possible **read aloud** to you just like a take home book.

To continue to practising their comprehension skills there is a little quiz at the end of each book for children to have a go at. Happy reading!

Keep up the great work everyone.
Kerry Hughes

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2021 Prep Enrolments

2021 prep enrolment forms can be returned to TAPS anytime.

We would like to reassure families that even if your child has had an indifferent kinder year because of COVID 19, we will be ready for them to begin school in 2021.

If parents know of anyone who is intending to enrol with us, please get them to give the office a call or direct them to our website www.taps.vic.edu.au where they can download our enrolment form.

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We have a learning culture that is focussed on high expectations and where individual growth is celebrated.

Our programs foster students' academic, social, emotional and physical development.

We build respectful relationships through a range of wellbeing programs, creating an environment where you and your family will feel welcomed, included and respected.



Please refer to our website or contact us anytime
as you are always welcome at TAPS

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep – Miss Cock

Ryder Edge - For attending every Google Meet session and attempting to hand work in on a regular basis.

Maddy Angel - listening and taking on suggestions about her learning.

Abel Mc Kerrell - for practicing his bridging to ten skill to help him with quick addition problems.



1/2 S- Mr Stevens

Haylee Law: for showing great resilience to overcome technical problems and joining in our daily meets. Well done Haylee

Kayden Smith: for asking wonderful questions during our mini lessons and having a great attitude towards his remote learning.

1/2 O – Mrs Olle

Balin Tuck for his interesting choices when answering the daily question - an uncommon thinker:

Chloe Taylor for trying everything we have included in our remote learning program - Google Docs and Forms, videos, daily questions, wushka, two Meet sessions every day - as well as completing every task and responding to feedback.

3/4 C – Miss Cunningham

Zeppelin Allan for his consistent encouragement of others when playing a game in our 2pm meet on Tuesday. After every student had their turn, he turned his mic on and gave them a little bit of encouragement.

Peppah Evans-Bommer for her persistence towards her maths - in particular, understanding multiplication throughout her mathematics workbook.

3/4 M – Mrs Murray

Lilli Mallen, Mitchell Naylor and **Cody Nairn** for all continuing to work on and improve their narrative stories. Can't wait to see the published results.

4 /5 H – Miss Haldane

Jae Smits, for being an active and engaged contributor and attendee of our 4/5H and specialist Google Meets, thanks for your enthusiasm!

Chloe Whelan, for your diligence and commitment to getting work done, uploading it daily and attending our Google Meets! A shout out to Michelle for being a supportive super mum!

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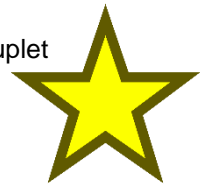


5/6 M – Mrs Mackie

Indianna Toomey and **Bailey Whelan** both received awards this week for their great rhyming couplet poems.

Indy's poem about a dingo was excellent and very creative. She put great thought into her choice of words and created a great rhyming poem.

Bailey's poem about life on the farm was excellent and gave me a wonderful insight into what he values. He created great images and accurately followed the format of a rhyming couplet poem. Well done to both of you.



5/6 D – Ms Downe

This week I have a few students of the week: **Christa Ridgwell, Marissa Warfe, Clare Myers, Joshua Cheesley** and **Rhiannon Johnstone**. All these students overcame nerves and shyness to present a video of their chosen international dish. So many delicious recipes were cooked from many countries; including Holland, Vietnam and France. All students were nervous about presenting a video and showed resilience and bravery to speak clearly and offer lots of interesting information about their dish. It is also terrific to see their ICT skills developing in their final clip. A special commendation to Marissa for including music in her video. The students and I really enjoy watching these presentations and congratulate these students for their work.

PE – Mrs Plant

Arlington Nguyen-TOM creating and posting of "how to" videos for her team. Fantastic digital literacy skills, I love the way she "finds a way" then helps everyone else so succinctly.

Alissah Edwards-TOM for using her initiative so well and always having positive vibes 😊

Clare Myers-I love seeing her gymnastics videos she has been sending to me, such an activity seeker. Amazing skills too.

Ryder Edge - for his video of practising his catching and counting in French at the same time! Madam Samson will be impressed when I tell her.



ART – Mr Laybourne

My artist of the week is **Nikki Carstairs** for her incredible effort with her remote learning and for always uploading her art works.

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