

## BULLETIN



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#### 2018 ENROLMENTS

We are currently taking enrolments for 2018. If you have a sibling that will be attending next year can you please fill out enrolment forms and return to the office ASAP.

ALPHA SHOW
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May
Payments Are Now Due

## PLEASE RETURN WALKATHON MONEY BY FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE THANK YOU

Grade 5 & 6 Winter Sports Payments and Permission Forms Are Now Due Back

FORWARD DATES		
May		
Friday 26th	Alpha Show – Snow Queen – Whole School	
Monday 29th	Grade 5 Westernport Excursion – STEM Program	
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Choral Festival at Toorak College 6.30pm	
JUNE		
Thursday 1st	Round 2 Winter Sport Grades 5 & 6	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 5 Westernport Excursion – STEM Program	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Round 3 Winter Sport Grades 5 & 6	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Queen's Birthday Holiday	
Monday 19th	School Council Meeting	
Monday 19th	Grade 5 Westernport Excursion – STEM Program	
Wednesday 21st	2018 Prep Information Night 6.30pm	
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Winter Lightning Premiership Grade 5 & 6	
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 5 Westernport Excursion – STEM Program	
Thursday 29th	First Stomp Lesson – Whole School	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 2 – Dismissal time 2.30pm	
JULY		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 3	

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### WALKATHON

We were all grateful that the rain held off for our annual walkathon. Congratulations to all of the students who dressed up as their heroes to raise money to go towards building a new running track. This year's theme 'Heroes' was a big hit, with many students dressed as their favourite superhero. Thank you to the PFA for organising this event and to the parents who helped stamp the lap cards, give out icy poles, count money and keep us company on our walk. All money is due by Friday 9th June as we would like to announce our grand total by the end of this term. Thank you for your support everyone!













#### MOTHERS' DAY PAMPER

Our special mums and grandmas were treated to a pamper session in our prep classrooms the Friday before Mothers' Day. They received the full treatment – hair, makeup and a massage. The preps were very creative with their use of makeup and our mums were all made up ready for a night out !!!!! Well done! We hope that all of our mums and grandmas had a fabulous day.





#### **EDUCATION WEEK**

This week schools across the state celebrated Education Week with a focus on Healthy Mind, Healthy Body. At Tyabb Primary School we took this opportunity to have a two week whole school focus on health. Students throughout the school were involved in activities to promote healthy eating and an active lifestyle. This included keeping a daily tally of the 'nude' food brought to school in lunch boxes and our own attempt at creating the 'longest line of healthy food'. It was terrific to see so many families visiting classrooms and specialist areas. I know students always feel proud when they get the chance to show off their work and the school to their families. It was great to also see a number of kinder kids come along to visit their new school for 2018.

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#### SIBLING ENROLMENTS - WE NEED YOUR HELP

In an effort to gauge our numbers for 2018 we are really urging existing parents to enrol siblings as soon as possible. With large numbers of parents attending our prep tours we really need to know how many siblings will be attending in 2018 to estimate the places we will have available and the number of grade preps we will be able to offer. Enrolment Forms are now available at the office. All enrolments are due by the end of this term but earlier would be appreciated. There will also be a Prep Information Night this term on Wednesday 21st June at 6.30pm. Please contact the office if you would like further details.

#### A VISIT TO 6C

I visited 6C this week to see the introduction of a coding program called The Hour of Code.

What is coding? Coding (also called programming or developing) is telling a computer, app, phone or website what you want it to do. Computers are amazing, but they can't think for themselves. They require people to give them a set of instructions to do what you want them to do. Learning to code prepares children for the world we live in today. There are tons of jobs and occupations that use code directly, like web designers, software developers and robotics engineers, and even more where knowing how to code is a huge asset—jobs in manufacturing, nanotechnology or information sciences.

Reasons for learning to code run much deeper than career prep. When children learn to code, it helps them to develop essential skills such as problem solving, logic and critical thinking. Through coding, children can learn that there's often more than one way to solve a problem, and that simpler and more efficient solutions are often better. Learning to code encourages children to become creators, not just consumers, of the technology they use. At this stage coding is being taught in grade 6 but will be introduced to other year levels in the near future.



Carole Howden Principal

## Families requiring duplicate school reports.

We are updating our records with regards to families requiring a duplicate school report in both June and December. If your family requires a duplicate report (even if we previously have done this for you) please make contact with the office and supply an up-to-date address that this report can be sent.

Kris Grinsted



#### **SAD FAREWELL**

We are sad to announce that our fabulous science teacher Raelene Craig will be leaving us at the end of next week to explore a new career opportunity. Raelene has been an amazing science teacher. She has worked extremely hard at our school showing a genuine commitment and dedication to her role. Her hard work has resulted in a detailed, comprehensive, well-resourced and engaging science program for grade prep to 6.

More importantly she has developed our children's love for science and their thirst to investigate, explore and discover new things about the world around us. Our children have absolutely loved working with her in the science room or in the environment centre. We have all loved Raelene's enthusiasm, positive attitude and love for everything that she does. We will really miss her but understand that sometimes new opportunities are too good to miss. We thank her for everything that she has done for the staff, students and parents at Tyabb Primary School and wish her all the best in her new career. Thanks Rae!



## Curriculum



## Corner

## Attitude To Schools Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what you child thinks of Tyabb Primary School. The Attitudes to School survey is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist schools in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school.

In previous years, Tyabb PS have used this survey information to make some changes to both the curriculum and extra-curricula activities – we value our students opinions and welcome the completion of this survey. Some of the changes that have occurred in previous years have been the addition of the Electives program in grades 5 and 6, the inclusion of Science as a curriculum area of learning and some changes to our behaviour management procedures.

The Department has updated the survey for 2017 to include new measures that are known to influence student engagement and performance. Students from Year 4 to Year 6 at our school will participate in the survey. Your child will complete the survey online during school hours using a purpose built secure online survey tool. It is important to note that we are not in any way "testing" your child.

Your child will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey. The student login is an <u>assigned identifier</u> that may be used by the Department to combine data for research purposes only. Your child's privacy and the confidentiality of your child's survey responses will be protected at all times. No identifiable personal data is included in the survey response file.

The survey results will be reported back to the school in term 3. No student can be identified in the results reported to schools or in any other report of the data.

This year the Attitudes to School survey will be conducted at our school over the period of  $29^{th}$  May to  $19^{th}$  June. The survey only takes 20-30 minutes to complete and occurs during your child's class time. Each grade from Year 4-6 have been allocated a session in the computer lab for the delivery of this survey.

Please speak to the Attitude to Schools Survey co-ordinator (Kris Grinsted) if you would like more information or visit the Department of Education and Training website:

http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/management/Pages/performsurveyat.aspx

#### FROM THE AP'S DESK

Here at Tyabb Primary School we are supported by two psychologists. One is supplied on a fortnightly basis by the Department of Education and her name is Rachel Bush. The other attend on a fortnightly basis also and is provided by onPsych.

Both psychologists are excellent support people for our students and their families. Their roles differ so today I would like to outline the service onPsych provides to our school through psychologist Dr Pascale Paradis.

#### onPsych Information

#### Helping Students, Families and Teachers

onPsych provides psychological services to schools in Australia. We are a passionate team of fully qualified, registered psychologists and mental health social workers who specialise in child and adolescent services. We work in primary, secondary, and special schools, from both public and private sectors. We work in both individual and group sessions with students and parents. In most cases, services are performed at no cost to the school, student or parent.

onPsych services are provided on-site, at the school. We value working collaboratively with school welfare teams, teachers and parents to ensure the best possible outcomes for young people across Australia. A Health Care Plan, with clear outcomes, will be tailored for each individual. Through Medicare, individuals are eligible for 10 individual sessions each year, at no cost to the student or the school.

#### Benefits to our clients (students and their families)

We want to assist young people to:

- Become more self-confident and feel in control of their world
- Shift from feeling overwhelmed, stressed and vulnerable
- Take more positive initiatives
- Become more personally resourceful
- Increase self awareness and promote emotional intelligence
- Improve social skills and clearer communication,
- I Foster more rational thinking and increase coping mechanisms
- Promote more positive attitudes and self-assurance
- Improve quality of relationships
- Decrease school truancy
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{I}}$  Create a clearer sense of life ambitions and long term goals

#### FAQ's about onPsych:

#### What qualifications do onPsych psychologists have?

All psychologists working in onPsych are fully registered with the Psychology Board of Australia and also satisfy the requirements of Medicare to become a provider under the Better Access and Pervasive Developmental Disorder Program. They are qualified to provide psychological services in schools targeting specific behavioural and emotional problems.

It is a requirement of registration that psychologists have comprehensive insurance, which satisfies PBA guidelines. onPsych psychologists have

current police checks, which are provided to schools and "working with children" permits appropriate to each state.

#### What are the costs associated with onPsych services?

There are no costs for our service. Virtually all onPsych services are billed to Medicare, so the parent or school has no financial obligation for the psychological services provided. Only very occasionally schools and parents request extra services, not covered by Medicare and these services are billed by arrangement. This usually involves comprehensive cognitive (IQ) assessments.

### What happens if a student needs further sessions when the Better Access Care Plan runs out?

If a student needs additional sessions, parents can obtain an extension to their Better Access Care Plan from their GP and the student would then continue to be seen by onPsych at the school. Students are eligible for a maximum of 10 individual sessions per year under the Better access Care Plan.

#### What if the onPsych psychologist needs to see the parent?

The onPsych model assumes that working with a family is an important part of understanding and supporting the student. onPsych endeavours to engage parents and family members wherever possible and appropriate. This work is performed under the referral, and there is no additional cost or charge. In many instances, parents request individual support for themselves. In these cases we request parents seek their own referral.

## Who is the OnPsych staff member attending Tyabb Primary?

Dr Pascale Paradis holds a Doctorate in Educational, Child and Adolescent Psychology. She completed her undergraduate studies in Canada and postgraduate studies in the UK. She worked in the UK as a qualified psychologist and now has full registration as psychologist in Australia. She is a passionate provisional psychologist who works with both children and adolescents who are experiencing a range of psychological issues such as anxiety and mood disorders, Autism Spectrum Disorders, interpersonal, learning and behavioural disorders, exam stress, self harming and adjustment difficulties (social & situational). Pascale also has specific interests in global migration, bilingualism, resilience, risk and protective factors. Pascale employs psychological techniques such as Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, client-centred and solution-focused therapy with psycho-educational tools. Pascale firmly believes that a collaborative approach will produce the most successful outcomes for a child. She also believes in the importance of eliciting children's strengths and talents as part of her work.

If you would like to access this service please contact Assistant Principal Mikaela Earl in the office and speak with her about gaining a mental health plan.

#### Let's Celebrate!!



Congratulations to our Student of the Week award recipients for the week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> May.

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GRADE	NAME
PREP A	Ethan
PREP B	n/a
PREP	Riley
/1 <b>A</b>	
1A	Harriet
1B	Milla
2A	Byron
2B	Kade
2/3A	Immy
3A	Amelia
3B	Mitchell
4A	Brodie
4B	n/a
5A	Ashton
5B	Riley
6A	James
6B	Charlotte
6C	Brianna

#### **Choral Festival Reminder:**

To all Choir members who are going to the Choral Festival at Toorak College next Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>. Please be there by 6:30 for a 7:00 start. We are the first choir for the night so please be prompt. Remember to be tidy and in uniform. Thanks to Kirsten Lindsay for helping on the night. Cost is \$10 for Adults, Pensioners \$7:50 and children free. Also please note only cash on the night as there are no credit card facilities. We are looking forward to a great night.

Thank you Merran Wyatt.

#### Let's Celebrate!!



Congratulations to our Student of the Week award recipients for the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

GRADE	NAME
PREP A	Lilly
PREP B	Peyton
PREP	Milla
/1A	
1A	Huon
1B	Charli
2A	Tarkyn
2B	Aylah
2/3A	Charli
3A	Xander
3B	Isla
4A	Tilly
4B	Travis
5A	Ava
5B	Jye
6A	Jacob
6B	Riley
6C	Zaira

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

We have plenty of second hand uniforms in the office if you would like to come and have a look.

#### FROM THE ART ROOM



It has been a busy and productive term so far in the art room. We have been making art with a space focus; learning about the planets, the galaxy and beyond, space travel, alien life and everything in between. We have drawn

and printed, painted and created, used our knowledge and our imaginations. I'm sure the children will have enjoyed showing you and talking about their work during your visit to the art room during Education Week.

A huge note of thanks to all those children who are nagging their parents to provide them with a named art smock. Most children now have one but a few are still to bring one along.

Another thankyou to Nicole Craigen, mum of Kenzie and Tarkyn, for the donation of many, many, many meat trays! As a consequence of this awesome donation please stop saving and sending along your meat trays as we have oodles to go on with.

I would still like donations of balls of wool if you have any ( or would like to buy a ball to donate- I saw some at the reject shop for \$2!)

As always, if you would like to come and get messy and creative with your child you are more than welcome to come along to their art session.

Sharon Wright.

#### **GRADE 5 AND 6 ELECTIVES**

We are excited to be offering a broad range of electives for the grade 5 and 6 children again this year. All allocations have been made based on preferences handed in last week.

Hopefully your child has brought home their notification of their chosen elective. Some elective's require payment and this has been indicated on their notice. It would be appreciated if you could ensure your payment is made by Friday June 16th. Monies can be sent with your child to the classroom or you can make payment through the office in the usual ways.

Many Thanks, Sharon Wright on behalf of the specialist team.



## June

PREP

Henry

Tate

Grace

Peyton

Balin Mia

#### GRADE ONE

Milla

Charli

Olivia

Charlie

Khai

#### GRADE TWO

Aylah

Max

Charlotte

#### GRADE THREE

Rori

Jackson

#### GRADE FOUR

Heath

Chloe

F.mma

Nykhita

#### GRADE FIVE

Brock

Tessa

Maddison

#### GRADE SIX

Luca

James

Corey

## PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (PFA)

"Working together to better our school for the benefit of our children"

#### Walkathon

What a great turn out for the Walkathon and so good that the rain held off. Everyone looked great and did well in completing their laps. Thank you Bron Cox and Yasra Sebode for handing out lcy poles to the kids as they finished. Now is the time to follow up with family and friends with regard to their sponsorship support as there are some great prizes on offer and every little bit counts. Funds raised will be going towards redeveloping our running track and the oval. All forms and sponsorship are due back by Friday 9th June, the class who returns all sponsorship and forms back first wins a classroom party!!

Mother's Day Stall and Breakfast - Funds Raised \$1199.57!!

Coles BBQ Hastings - Funds Raised \$252.90

Thank you to Bec Ogden, Rohan Beckett and Bron Cox for cooking and serving on the last Saturday in April for a few hours.

Total funds raised so far is \$3457, remember any time you shop at Richie's IGA, community benefit dollars come back to our school, If you shop at Amart Sport and mention Tyabb Primary School we also get credits and our school's 2nd hand uniforms also helps our schools fundraising efforts so ask at the office if you wish to make a purchase or check what's available.

Jenny Johnson
On Behalf of the PFA Committee

Just a reminder that
TIQBIZ has changed to
FLEXIBUZZ. Be aware
that the icon on your app
will be different but
everything else remains
the same.



#### CANTEEN

Please ensure lunch orders are placed in class tubs on Tuesday mornings to be served on Wednesdays. There is a lot of orders being put in late on Wednesday mornings which makes it hard to ensure there is enough stock for the lunches.





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