

Principal: Mrs Sally Herbert Junior School: Mrs Tess Kesting

Welcome to another edition of our school newsletter. There is much to report, celebrate and share with you.

Welcome!

It is with great pleasure that we welcome a new family to our school community.

Owen will be joining us in the Senior room next week. Owen is currently in Year 5 and will be officially commencing at TPS next week. Owen has a younger brother in Year 3 that may also be starting at TPS in the next month or so. We welcome Owen and his family to our school.

Working Bee

Our amazing community has done it again to conduct a very impressive working bee last Sunday. The rain clouds cleared and the sun shone (momentarily) to enable our very efficient families to lay soft fall on our playground areas. We also managed to mulch our gardens, gather rubbish for a skip collection, clean and sort indoor areas and thoroughly clean the front and back deck areas.

Special thanks to Mike Morant for organising the softfall and overseeing this operation. During the week, we also had a cleaning blitz with Julia and Sherrin working in the kitchen to prepare for our breakfast club program which commences this Thursday 20th May. Thank you to all our amazing and hard working parents. The community spirit at our school is simply wonderful!





Visit from Cranbourne South Primary School.

On Monday 17th May, we had the pleasure of a drop-in visit from the students of CSPS. This is the school from which I last taught and I was overjoyed to see my ex-students, staff members and parents from CSPS. Years 3 and 4 from CSPS are currently attending Camp Toolangi this week and dropped in to say hello. It was incredible to see our school grounds 'overloaded' with children and one of our beautiful TPS students remarked 'It is really loud with 91 students in our playgrounds'. It most certainly was! I was so proud of our students who took the CSPS staff on a school tour and it was impressive to see the pride our children have in our beautiful school.

Can you find the Toolangi PS students?



Outside School Hours Care Educator position

With the successful notification of our OSHC grant we are now looking for an educator to conduct the OSCH program. Recruitment for an educator is now in process, applications close Friday 4th June. It is anticipated that the successful candidate will commence at the beginning of Term 3.

If you or someone you know may be interested in the position please contact Sally or Robyn for a job description and selection criteria.

Please spread the word and help us find the ideal candidate.

Junior Class

The children were disappointed the photo trail was postponed. Andrew's message to the weather

fairies was confused along the way and we got rain and hail instead of sunshine and a still Autumn day.

In class the children have focussed on the sounds at the end of words and painted some beautiful trees with the preps learning the letter <t>. Number facts to ten are getting faster as they play learning games and write the number equations in creative ways.

Last week they were practicing tidying the classroom and putting things away as well as doing the best they can in all things. The result was terrific, with only small reminders needed at the weeks end. This week we are practicing putting clothing in bags and remembering to bring reading satchels every day.

As the days get cooler children may wear simple slippers in the classroom to keeps those little toes snug. If it is too cold to play outside, inside play is a welcome option. Sally and myself make this decision.

Tess

School Council date change

School council was due to meet on Tuesday 8th June at 7.00 pm

Due to a Principal conference date clash the next School Council meeting will be on Tuesday 15th June at 7.00pm.



NAPLAN

This assessment is now complete for 2021. Our Year 3 and 5 students demonstrated great persistence and effort in completing these online tasks. A huge thank you to Amanda for leading the implementation of these tests and supporting the students through this process.



EDUCATION WEEK

(Monday 24th - Friday 28th May)

Education week is rapidly approaching and this year the theme is **Building Connections**.

Our school builds connections with our community in many different ways, including Playgroup, whole school activities such as Harvest Festival and Mothers day luncheons. We will continue to strengthen these community connections by reaching out to our community groups and inviting them into the school throughout the remainder of this year. Watch this space!

However to celebrate Education week next week we will be hosting 2 events. A Physical Maths morning and our Thursday morning Breakfast Club.



A Physical Maths Morning hosted by Andrew Devisser (our talented Sports teacher)

When: Wednesday 26th May

from 9.30 - 11.00am Where: TPS rotunda

Parents and children will participate in some fun

Maths/PE related activities designed to challenge your curiosity, test your maths skills and improve your fitness (note - The children will be doing most of the running!)

At the end of the morning we will share a fruit platter together.

Please come along and join in the fun!

Cross Country

Saya, Poppy and Jude attended the cross country on Wednesday 19th May at the Don Rd sporting complex in Healesville. These 3 students represented our school with pride and ran their best race over a 2 km distance. Well done! Thank you to Annie and Annalise for driving and supporting our young athletes for this event.





TABLE TENNIS

Our Year 4, 5 and 6 students have now completed their table tennis rotations. Emma, Otis, Logan, Poppy, Harvie, Saya and Ezi have really enjoyed their Friday sessions at the Yarra Centre refining their table tennis skills. These events would not be possible without the incredible support from our parents and we thank Deb, Sherry, Annalise, Julia and our own Amanda for transporting and supporting our future ping pong champions.

SPORTING SCHOOLS GRANT

Gymnastics at the CJ Dennis Hall.

We have been successful again for a Sporting schools grant enabling us to provide a whole school gymnastics program over the next 4

weeks. This grant is the result of the expertise of Andrew Devisser. Thank you Andrew!

Over the next 4 weeks, our students will walk to the CJ Dennis Hall on Monday mornings to participate in a



session of gymnastics led by qualified instructors. If you have any questions regarding this program please contact us at school.

Session details are as follows. Monday 24th May 9:30 to 11:30 (2 x 1hr sessions) Monday 31th May 9:30 to 11:30 (2 x 1hr sessions) Monday 7th June 9:30 to 11:30 (2 x 1hr sessions) Monday 21th June 9:30 to 11:30 (2 x 1hr sessions)

Senior School Poetry

The CJ Dennis Poetry competition is an annual event and provides an opportunity for our children to submit poetry for possible publication. The senior school have been practising their poetry and have included some wonderful Autumn poems for you to read at your leisure. We will continue to work on our poetry with the aim of submitting some poems to the CJ Dennis society by the end of this Term.

I love Autumn
The colorful leaves fly fly fly
High in the blue sky sky sky
The leaves fall down down down
And the leaves fall more more more
I see the flowers on the floor floor

Magpies come and swoop swoop While we all share some soup soup Its feels quite cold to me me me I'll light a fire from a fallen tree tree

In the hidden leaves of the park park park The dogs run, jump and go bark bark bark Spring is on its way way way When the sun comes out we play play play! **By Poppy**

Floating in the breeze
Autumn leaves are falling from trees
High up there floating in the breeze.
It's winter time so furry creatures beware
Collect your berries to take to share
Autumn colours are bright like lights
Let's take a magic Autumn flight
It's Winter time snowflakes are falling
I'm in my room and Mum is calling

By Waratsaya

Autumn

Orangey leaves on the trees
Try and catch them from the breeze
Colourful mushrooms all around
Just look closer to the ground.
Spider webs shine in the sun
Watch them sparkle 'oh what fun'
Have hot chocolate when it's cold
Sit by the fire where stories are told
By Otis

Autumn colours dark and bright
Shapes and colours sparkle in the light
Sadly now Winter will come
Snow will say bye bye to the sun
We put on our beanies, jackets and pants
We make snowballs and we dance and prance
By Harvie

Seasons

Crunch crunch beneath my feet
The beautiful leaves have fallen from the trees
Now Autumn is gone and we are ready for
Winter

The animals will hibernate under the ground In Spring the Bonsai tree is ready to trim Summer is coming and the flowers will bloom Seasons are special because they make up our year

By Ezi

Autumn is a season where the leaves fall from the trees

The leaves are blowing around in the breeze Summer is when we eat ice cream Melting them all with the sun's hot beam Winter is time for a snowball fight But the snow will all melt when the sun is bright Spring is when the flowers bloom Baby animals will be born very soon By Rafe

Seasons

Spring is when the blossoms bloom And I see possums playing at noon Winter is when the animals sleep They dig their burrows nice and deep Autumn is when the leaves start to fall And I see oaks trees nice and tall Summer is when the bushfires spread So sadly all the trees are dead By Jude

Seasons

Summer, hot warm sun in the sky As the day got hotter and I say hi sometimes is so hot I need a fan In my room I sometimes start a band

Autumn, the cold breeze in the trees
All the working bees buzzing around my knees
Leaves are soft landing on the ground
I smile with glee at coloured leaves I've found

Winter, snow don't you now The cold snow will not wait to go Winter wonderland is here to stay So play until the snow will go away

Spring is such a delight
It is a time when animals fight
Flowers bloom on all the plants
The wind blows the petals and makes them dance
Emma

Autumn colours make me smile red, yellow, brown and orange too.

The trees sway from side to side making the leaves fall into a shower of colour.

The Autumn breeze blows on my face which makes my fingers go numb until late Autumn afternoon.

I'm not cold any more, I'm warm.

Winter makes me chilly and all the different shades of blue in the night sky. In the morning it's so cold I can see my own breath.

As soon as I get home from school I put on my pyjamas and have a hot milo. Dew drops sparkle on trees. I watch them drip from the leaves, such a beautiful sight.

Summer makes me really hot.

The season where you suck on zooper doopers and not slurp soup.

Splashing in pools playing in the oceans snakes slither and skinks waddle

Summer is not everybody's favourite because the heat can become unbearable

Spring makes me excited watching all the new baby animals become happy little rays of sunshine. The flowers bloom into cheerful colours, trees explode with colour, the animals trot with pride Baby deer leap, puppies wobble and foxes prance.

By Logan





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Wednesday 28th May Family Maths Morning 9.00 – 11.00

Thursday 27th May Breakfast Club 8.45-9.15 **Thursday 3rd June** Breakfast Club 8.45-9.15