

Woodville MILO T20 Blast Program

Due to extreme heat last week and in the interests of the participating children, the **Woodville MILO T20 Blast FREE "COME AND TRY" SESSSION** has been rescheduled!

The updated details are as follows:

FREE "Come & Try": Wednesday 15th

February, 5:30pm – 7:00pm

Matheson Reserve, Findon

Designed for boys and girls aged 7 – 12 years old and of all abilities, MILO T20 Blast provides an opportunity for children to play modified games of cricket under the supervision of trained coaches in a safe, fun and inclusive environment. The FREE "Come and Try" session is the perfect way to see whether your child might be interested in registering for the full 8 week season without an upfront commitment.

By registering for MILO T20 Blast every participant will enjoy a full season of fun and excitement while also receiving a MILO T20 Blast Participant Pack including a playing shirt, Adelaide Strikers cap, bag and more!

MILO in2CRICKET Program

MILO in2CRICKET is the national grass root program for cricket in Australia, with the aim of introducing kids in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to the great Australian game. It provides children with an opportunity to develop fundamental movement skills, meet new friends and have fun with their whole family in a safe and interactive environment.

There are multiple programs running in your local community and by registering at one of them, not only will you enjoy some great cricket fun this term but every registered child receives a MILO in2CRICKET Participant Pack including bat, ball, t-shirt, bucket hat, backpack, drink bottle and other goodies! They will look just like their Aussie Cricket heroes!

To find out more details about your nearest Centre and to register for this term log on to www.playcricket.com.au and type your post code into the centre finder.

MILO T20 Blast Program

MILO T20 Blast is a fun, safe, action packed cricket program for boys and girls in Year 2-5. The program involves modified games of cricket, where each child gets an equal turn at batting, bowling and fielding.

There are many centres starting soon with the first session at each centre is always being a **FREE Come & Try Session**.

Your nearest MILO T20 Blast Centre will be run at:

Woodville Rechabite

Buccleuch Road, Findon

FREE Come & Try: **Wednesday 8th February, 5:30pm – 7:00pm - RESCHEDULED SEE ABOVE!!**

 VISIT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU TO FIND YOUR LOCAL PROGRAM



Sports Information

Beach Volleyball - Term 1

In Term 1 2017 we are offering students in years 4-7 the opportunity to participate in a Torrensville Primary School Volleyball Team as part of the Henley Spikezone Mini Volleyball Competition.

The competition will consist of 1 game per week played on a Monday after school. The games will run from 4pm until 5pm and will take place on the Henley foreshore, Henley Beach. The term 1 competition will commence on Monday 13th of February and run for 9 weeks.

Registration forms were distributed last week to those interested. Extra forms can be located in the front office for those wishing to participate.

School Soccer 2017

School soccer will once again be upon us and we are in the early stages of establishing our teams and helpers. School sport is heavily reliant on parental assistance and again will be looking for coaches to help work with each of our teams.

Torrensville Primary will continue as part of The North West Junior Soccer Association. The games are played on Saturday mornings at the same venue, beginning week 2 of term 2. Teams are structured from under 6 through to under 13/ seniors. Players are able to 'play up' over their age group by one year, yet are not permitted to 'play down'; therefore submitting teams in the older ages groups becomes difficult due to player numbers and interest.

We are also looking for somebody to take on the role of school delegate for 2017. The Delegate is responsible for the transfer of information between the school and the NWJSA and attend 4 delegates meeting during the season. Without a school delegate we will be unable to continue with our soccer program. Anyone interested in filling this role, please contact me as soon as possible.

Registration forms and further information will be distributed midway through this term. If you are able to assist in coaching a team this season or are able to take on the role of school delegate, please contact me at school as soon as possible.

Mark Pannenburg

Group Fitness Classes at Torrensville!

Adult group fitness classes \$10, 1 hr session

Boxing on Tuesday's at 6:30pm

HIIT Circuit on Friday's at 6:30pm

No need to book.

For more information call Lisa on 0402022641

Learn to play Tennis!

State Tennis West Lakes is now taking enrolments for Term 1. Motor skills program for 2-5 year old 'Jump Start' / ANZ Tennis Hot Shots lessons from Age 4+ / Adult lessons. State Tennis is also registered for the school Sports Vouchers program. So why not call State Tennis, grab your \$50 sports voucher from school and start or recommence tennis coaching. Parents may also be interested in our adult classes or 'Cardio Tennis' fitness sessions. Phone 8355 4466 or visit statetennis.com.au



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TPS TIMES

February 9, 2017 - Term 1 week 2

Welcome to our 2017 school year at Torrensville Primary!

A big welcome to the families of the 67 students who are new to TPS this year. We currently have 39 more students than term 3 last year. This is why we have an extra class this year.

Our current staff are:

John McCade _____ Principal
Silvia McMullen _____ Deputy Principal
Tracy Norris _____ Finance Officer
Jen Gibson-Smith _____ Administration Officer
Jill Annicchiarico* _____ Room 20 _____ RE/Year 1
Hazel Hayward**/ _____ Room 21 _____ RE
Bronwyn Matthews
Sue Carey _____ Room 22 _____ RE/Year 1
Carol Van Der Wijngaart _____ Room 4 _____ Year 1/2
Lynn Smart/ _____ Room 23 _____ Year 2/3
Sue Lang
Pat McCarthy _____ Room 3 _____ Year 2/3
/Jenny Ernst
David Peterson/ _____ Room 2 _____ Year 3/4
Mark Pannenburg
Susanna Makris _____ Room 1 _____ Year 4/5

*Helena Kyriacou Week2-5

**Alice Pannenburg returns Term 3

Torrensville Primary Acquaintance Night

Wednesday February 15th

You can visit your child's class teacher anytime during this hour, but for families that have children in multiple year levels, we have organised it that the best times to visit each section of the school are:

5:15-5:30 _____ Early Years

5:30 - 5:45 _____ Primary Years

5:45 - 6:00 _____ Middle School

6:00 - 6:15 _____ Greek/Arts/PE

This is a great opportunity to get to know your child's teacher and other specialist teachers. Later in the term we will hold parent teacher interviews to discuss your child's progress.

Jill Annicchiarico Room 20 will run an Acquaintance Session for her class parents on return from leave.

Jenny Robinson _____ Room 8 _____ Year 5/6
Maria Nasone _____ Room 10 _____ Year 6/7
Marina Karzis _____ Room 12 _____ Year 6/7
Anna Gobolos & _____ Room 9 _____ Year 3 - 7
Hazel Hayward

Library

Sue Keane _____ Teacher/Librarian
Janine Statmann _____ Library Support

Greek LOTE

Jenny Stravopoulos _____ Room 15

The Arts

Sandie Palamounain*** _____ Room 16

PE/Student Well-being

Mark Pannenburg

Support Staff

Laura Vinci, Donna Hall, Polia Jackson, Simone Donohoe

Heath Kerley _____ Well-being Facilitator

Elaine Magias _____ Aboriginal Support

Nicole Dal Piva _____ Pastoral Care Support

Don Woodhouse _____ ICT

Dom Albanese _____ Grounds

***Sarah Tuckfield returns Term 2

Annual General Meeting!

Following our Acquaintance Evening, we will be holding our **Governing Council Annual General Meeting, commencing at 6:15pm in the library.**

Our AGM is an important meeting, we squeeze a lot into 45 minutes, and we endeavour to finish before 7pm.

At the meeting our Annual Report is tabled, you get to hear of our 2016 achievements, our 2017 directions and the schools financial position.

Also there may be an opportunity to become a member of our Governing Council. This is a great way to know more about how our school is run and have a voice in our decision making processes.

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible.



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Have you got the Skoolbag App yet?

The Skoolbag App is free, and a great way for us to keep you informed. Many parents in the past have said they have not received a newsletter or didn't know about a school event. Well now you won't be dependent on your child delivering those notes to you, we will send them directly to your phone.

Skoolbag is available for iPad, iPhone and Android use.

Skoolbag allows you to inform us of changes of details, if your child will be absent and get forms for OHSC, plus much more. More importantly, if we have an emergency situation it will be the way we get an urgent message out to our community.

Please take some time to have a look at the app, it's a wonderful way to keep up to date while helping the environment. If you are unsure of how to install, come and ask us in the front office.

Fortnightly Newsletter

Today our newsletter is being sent home in a hard copy for everyone. This is not usually the case. After this edition parents will receive an electronic version via the Skoolbag App. The newsletter is also uploaded to the school website for easier viewing at www.torrensvps.sa.edu.au.

At Torrensville we are making every effort to be more sustainable. We ask that you view your newsletters online rather than taking a hard copy. If however you require a paper copy

Attendance and Lateness

Thank you to students and parents for really trying hard to get to school on time. Our school continues to have a major focus this year on achieving set goals for attendance and lateness. We are looking to further improve attendance and especially lateness, so that children are given maximum opportunity for learning. Remember lessons begin at 8.50 am.

Please let the school know when your child cannot be here because of illness or family matters.

Torrensville Primary is committed to working together with our school community of staff, students and families to provide a successful learning environment for all students through regular attendance and punctuality.

Children need an education to achieve their dreams and reach their goals.

Is regular school attendance important?

Yes. Attendance every day is important for children's progress at school. Children who don't go to school every day fall behind and don't feel good about themselves.

Must I notify the school if my child has been away?

Yes. You are also encouraged to contact the school between 8:00am-4:00pm if your child will be away either via phone, Skoolbag app or a note must be supplied to cover the days missed. All students have a diary or communication book where families can write this information.

If your child has seen a medical practitioner eg. doctor, dentist, a note, certificate or appointment card will help explain the absence.

complete the slip included in this newsletter and forward to the office.

Class newsletters will be twice a year instead of every term and will be available via the Skoolbag App.

Once again we are back on board with People's Choice



Community Lottery. Online ticket sales are now available, however only until the 31st March. All online ticket sales will go into the early bird prize draw **in addition** to their entry into the final prize draw.

This year's online-exclusive early bird prize is a **Toyota Yaris Ascent 1.3L Petrol Auto 5 Door Hatch valued at \$20,337** supplied by our brand new Platinum Lottery Partner, CMI Toyota, and we'll draw one lucky winner on 5 April.

Follow the link to our unique page for your online ticket sales: www.peopleschoicecu.com.au/torrensville-primary-school

Good luck!

Morning bell times:	
8:30 am	Students able to enter the school
8:50 am	Lessons begin
After 8:50am	Students marked as being late and need to present at the office to sign in.

If we go away on holidays during the school term do I need to notify the school?

Yes, even if it is only for one day. If you have arranged to go on holidays that can not be arranged in school vacation then you need to fill in a school exemption form. This form can be collected from the office or class teacher and needs to be filled in and signed by the Principal prior to the holiday.

Should I notify the school if my child refuses to go to school?

Yes. You should contact the class teacher or one of the school Leaders to seek assistance.

Under the Education Act, parents and guardians are responsible for the regular attendance of all children in their care. There are legal consequences for parents if it can be shown that they are not meeting this responsibility.

Make Every Day Count!

We can work together to help your child go to school everyday and be successful with their learning and development.

Καλοσωρίσατε! Welcome! (ka-lo-so-ri-sa-te)

Welcome back and a special welcome to all our new families that have joined our school community this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that reached out to assist and offer their kind donations, well wishes and kindness, during the house fire that I experienced at the end of last year. The school community support and kindness was very generous and overwhelming, and is something I will always treasure and never forget. I am very fortunate to be able to work with such wonderful & caring, leaders, colleagues, staff, students and families, and it certainly reinforces for me that our Torrensville Primary School community is "awesome".

For those of you who don't know me yet, my name is Jenny Stavropoulos (referred to as «κυρία» ki-ri-a (mrs / teacher) by students) and my role is to deliver the Languages Other Than English (GREEK) program **LOTE R-7** at Torrensville Primary. The "Greek Room" is located in **room 15** (next to the Music Suite). Greek lessons will be held Monday- Thursday.

The **LOTE program** will cover the Australian Curriculum learning area of languages: Modern Greek

- 1) Communication Strand - using language for communicating in interpreting, creating, and exchanging meaning
- 2) Understanding Strand - analysing and understanding language and culture as resources for interpreting and shaping meaning in intercultural exchange

Within the strands are the General Capabilities (Literacy, Numeracy, ICT, Critical and Creative Thinking, Personal and Social, Ethical Understanding, and Intercultural Understanding) and will be assessed

along with the Achievement Standard Criteria from the Australian Curriculum.

As well as the LOTE program, my role is also to deliver the First Language Maintenance and Development Program (F.L.M. & D.P.) for eligible students of Greek background (formerly known as Mother Tongue) on Mondays. Eligible students will participate in one extra lesson of Greek per week. I will be sending letters to families in week 1 for students who are of Greek background and wish to participate.

I look forward to another year of working with your children and hope to get the opportunity to meet our new families.

Καλή Χρονιά σε όλους

ka-li hro-nia se o-lous (a good year to all)

Jenny Stavropoulos



Parking at Torrensville

We would like to thank everyone for their patience while the road works are being completed. It was scheduled to be completed during the holiday break, however with hold-ups due to the weather etc it has taken longer than expected.

We would like to remind families that the staff carpark is for staff and taxis only. It is not a drop off or pick up place. Also in the interests of your child's safety, please ensure that your children do not walk or ride through the carpark.

Spare clothes for little ones

It is not uncommon for our new little children to have an occasional accident. They get busy and leave it too late to ask the teacher if they can go to the toilet. We ask that you pack a change of clothes in their bag in the event of any mishaps. Remember to include socks, as they often get quite wet too!

Finance News

Thank you to those families whom have already paid their school fees, or completed a 2017 School Card form. School fees are now due and can be paid via eftpos, cash or with a credit card over the phone. If you think you may be eligible for School Card please come and see us for a form. If you have previously been approved for School Card, remember you need to reapply each year.

Payments to the school for excursions etc can be placed in an envelope, clearly labelled, and handed straight to the teacher who sends a bag to the office daily.

Thank you, Tracy Norris
Finance Officer

Torrensville's Parents & Friends Group needs YOU!

Did you know that the Parents and Friends group is our school fundraising group? Or that over the past three years they have raised more than \$30,000? This money has been spent to provide the shade over the new playground, new sports tops and environmentally friendly, energy efficient lighting!

Fundraising activities in recent years have included:

The People's Choice Community Lottery, Mother's Day and Father's Day stall, Discos, Quiz Night, Walkathon, Sports Day Catering. You might have some great fundraising ideas yourself.

For this to continue we need a dedicated band of parent volunteers. Our next P & F meeting is set for Tuesday, February 21st at 9am in the staffroom.

The number of volunteers attending will determine which of these activities we run again this year.

If you are interested in assisting in fundraising events this year, please attend this meeting on the 21st. If you are unable to attend but would like to be involved, please let Jen in the front office know.