

### From John and Silvia .....

#### Volunteers Week

This week, May 17th to 23rd is National Volunteer Week. As we can't invite you in for morning tea to thank you for all you do, we'd like to take this opportunity to let you know how much we appreciate the many ways you contribute to our school.

These are some of the ways in which our community makes a difference: excursions, swimming program, camp, school sports, sewing/sustainability group, Parents & Friends, Governing Council, rostered in class support. Our heartfelt thanks.

#### Student Voice Think Tank

Sam Carter (our acting Student Well-being Leader) and Loretta Robertson (our Future Focused Learning Coordinator) ran a Student Voice presentation at our last Governing Council meeting. For those new to our school, Student Voice is what we call our student representative group. We have decided to run a 'think tank' to hear ideas on improving our Student Voice structures. We are inviting parents to attend a meeting to share ideas on the following:

- Structure of Student Voice meetings
- Selection of Rep and Tenure
- Anything else that can enhance our processes

**The meeting will be held in the library this Thursday, May 20th, from 2:45pm to 3:15pm. Please come to the office to check in and sign in.**

Sam will collate the information and discuss with our current student voice reps at our next meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can share your thoughts by emailing [dl.1285.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.1285.info@schools.sa.edu.au). We look forward to hearing from you.

#### Pupil Free Day this Friday 21st May

A reminder that school is closed this Friday, May 21st for staff to be trained in the new LEAP (Learning English: Achievement and Proficiency) processes, which we use to look at student writing progress. OSHC is available for bookings, but get in quick to avoid disappointment.

#### Whole school Peter Combe performance!

On the Tuesday 1st June we are lucky enough to have Peter Combe coming to Torrensville Primary to perform for us all! The cost per student is \$8 which is due by the 28th May. Payments can be made directly into our bank account: Torrensville Primary School  
BSB - 105 074 Account no. - 290754240  
Please add your child's name as the reference.



Thank you to our Parents and Friends Group who organised our Mother's Day Stall last week. It was lovely to be able to offer this to the children after missing out last year. We hope the mum's and special people in our children's lives enjoyed the day and their gifts.

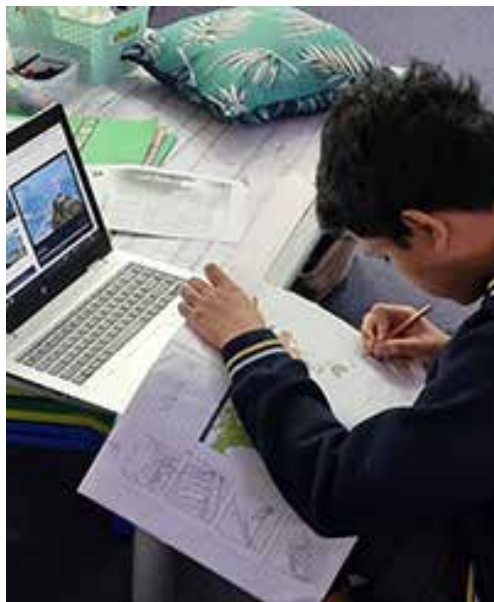


## MOTHER'S DAY STALL

## Room 10 'Out of this World'

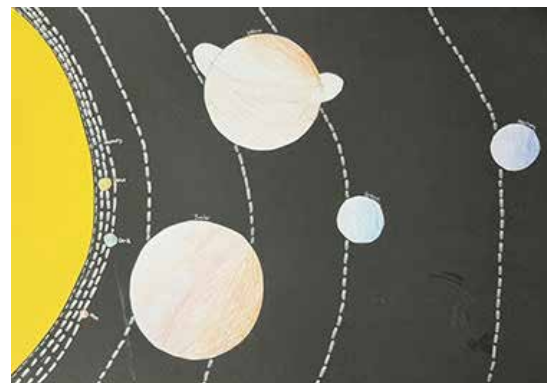
Over the first few weeks of Term 2, Room 10 have been very busy, digging deep into our inquiry - "One Earth, One Universe!" the children are challenged to investigate what their own place in the universe is and what role they play as a citizen of the universe. We've had major discussions on what makes us curious about our Universe and how all the elements of our inquiry Connect to what we already know and to what we want to find out. What are the big mysteries of the universe that we want to unpack!

Keeping within the context of our broad inquiry, we have focused heavily on writing a range of genres including, Information Reports, Persuasive Texts and building our



formality and expertise with the creative writing of narratives. We used the Wonders of the World to focus our report writing and try to persuade each other which of the wonders should be included in a top 7!

The children have embraced the writing of Sizzling Starts and are most certainly Tightening Tension in their story writing and have had the opportunity through the collaborative creation of Bump it up Walls to more closely analyse all aspects of narrative writing and to justify their evaluation of a number of year 7 standard texts. Thank you to Leona Lazar, who bravely, (with some coaxing), offered up her Historical Narrative for evaluation; great language specific discussion and arguments with this learning task!



In Math, we have focused on building our number skills and developing an understanding of relative size and distance within the context of the Solar System. The students are in the process of creating proportionately accurate 2d models of the Solar system with some beautiful art works in process!! At present, they are having a go at giving their height in relation

to my height, to 2 decimal places. We will see just how close they get!

It's been lovely to see just how much the children want to discover and how much awe and wonder they are showing around the study of Space and the Universe. They have so, so many questions, that we are exploring together!

Over the next week or so, as we head into National Reconciliation week we hope to explore the Indigenous perspectives and understandings of the Universe, space and the intrigue and stories that have been shared through many, many generations.

Oh yeah, we also managed to fit in NAPLAN testing last week!



THIS MAP BELONGS TO:

## Our Big Backyard!

Our Big Back Yard project was launched in the April school holidays. Look out for activity packs being sent home with the oldest children in the family soon!

Check out the link below for more information, or follow on facebook.

<https://www.westtorrens.sa.gov.au/Community/Children-youth-and-families/Our-Big-Back-Yard>



### Term 2 Assembly Schedule

Week 6 (Monday 31st May) - Presented by Room 6

Week 10 (Monday 28th June) - Presented by Room 22

### Pupil Free Days this Term

- This Friday 21st May, OSCH will be open for care.
- Friday 2nd July. Term will end on Thursday 1st July, at the normal time of 3:10pm

### Scholastic Book Fair

Monday 21st June to Wednesday 23rd June.

### Collecting Children Early

In the event that you need to pick your child up early from school, please endeavour to call ahead to arrange. This gives classroom teachers time to organise children to be packed up.

TORRENSVILLE PRIMARY PARENTS & FRIENDS  
PRESENTS

# Quiz Night

FRIDAY 18 JUNE 2021  
6.30 PM  
SCHOOL GYM

*Our annual night of fun, games and great prizes*

Wine for sale, or BYO

Tickets \$12, tables of 10  
Call the school on 8443 7355 to book