



TOOGOOLAWAH STATE SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Parents & Citizens Association:
2nd Monday of the month at 7pm

30th January 2019

Upcoming Events

January

31 Library borrowing commences (Library bag required)

February

11 P & C AGM @ 6pm in the school staffroom

22 Lockyer Zone Swimming Carnival

March

April

1 School Photo Day

5 Last day Term 1 Easter Holidays

22 Easter Monday Public Holiday

23 First day Term 2

25 ANZAC Day Public Holiday

May

6 Labour Day Public Holiday



Great state. Great opportunity.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Welcome back to 2019.

I hope you all had a great break and like me, are looking forward to a positive and full 2019.

An especially big welcome to our new students and new parents. I am looking forward to sharing the educational journey with you and feel confident that Toogoolawah State School will offer your student(s), every opportunity to be successful.

Staff returned from vacation on the 22nd of January allowing us the opportunity to set up for success in 2019. During this time, we worked together on our Curriculum Framework, Pedagogical Framework, Accelerated Reader, PBL and Personal Resilience. I also made sure staff had ample classroom preparation time to be ready for day one.

During this time we welcomed new staff members.

Mrs Nicole Bennett. Nicole will teach PE and health and assist with extension activities across the Campus.

Ms Jacqui Cooper. Jacqui is in our 5/6 composite class and comes to us from Springwood SS.

Ms Michelle Irving. Michelle will be teaching HAAS and Art on Monday and Fridays in Mr Wong and Mrs Wolff's class, as well as intervention classes for reading on Thursdays.

Catharina Kusay is our new School Chaplin and is with us fortnightly on Monday and Tuesday.

In 2019, we will be continuing our intervention classes. There are two models of intervention. Our PLD model where students are given small group specific Phonics support. This proved successful in 2018 and will once again be implemented. The other intervention model is for our students whose reading level is below NMS (National Minimum Standard). These students, with parental permission, are exempt from LOTE and undertake focussed reading support.

Last year our reading improved by 9% across the Campus, the above intervention strategies allow our students needing reading support the opportunity to make significant progress.

Along with our intervention program, we are looking to incorporate extension activities as well. The extension classes are still in the planning stage but are likely to involve Literacy, Numeracy and STEM extension classes. You will hear more about these opportunities moving forward.

The addition to our staff of a PE and Health Teacher will enable a range of zone sports to become available for our students. Mrs Bennett will have a regular article in the newsletter informing of upcoming trials and events. This will be another great opportunity for our students to participate in a range of activities.

Toward the end of 2018, I indicated the possibility of an additional class, should our numbers continue to improve. If this occurs, I will communicate to the staff, students and school community what the class mix will be. I thank you for your patience and understanding regarding this. The addition of another class is a real positive for us and indicates the confidence our community has in our teaching and support staff.

Have a great week.

Sincerely, Garry Hutchinson

Library News

Welcome to the Toogoolawah State School Library for 2019.

Class borrowing for all classes will be held every Thursday. The first borrowing day for this year will be tomorrow, Thursday 31st January 2019.

A library bag is required for Prep to Year 3 students with Year 4 to 6 students also encouraged to use a waterproof library bag when borrowing to help protect the books from their lunches, drinks, etc.

Prep students can borrow 1 book. Year 1 and Year 2 students may borrow 2 books. Years 3 to 6 students may borrow up to 5 books which includes 2 Accelerated Reader books.

All books may be borrowed for up to two weeks. Overdue notices and reminders will be issued fortnightly.

The library is open before school and during second break. All students are actively encouraged to independently use the library facilities for both research and leisure purposes.

Students in 4 – 6 are able to access computers during second break.

Parents are welcome to drop in and say hello to the library staff, Hilary and Jenness. We would love to see you.



SPORT NEWS

2019 is already looking to be a great year for sport at Toogoolawah State School. Firstly, I'd like to introduce myself to you. My name is Nicole Bennett and I am the new HPE teacher here at TSS. I will be working with your students in Health and Physical Education, as well as in the classroom each week. I will also be working at Harlin State School every Wednesday. I am very much looking forward to meeting you all in the coming weeks and bringing a range of sporting opportunities to the school. Please say hi to me if you see me around the grounds.

Term 1 is already looking nice and busy with a range of Lockyer Zone trials being held. If your child would like to nominate for a Zone trial, they can come and see me at school or feel free to send me an email with the details. All students must nominate through the school, complete the required paperwork, and in some instances, pay a nomination fee to attend these trials. Detailed trial information will then be sent home with the students. Please be aware that there are age restrictions on some of these trials and nomination due dates apply. These will be advertised as soon as they are received from Lockyer Zone administration.

Term 1 Lockyer Zone Trials

SPORT	TRIAL DATE
Zone Aust Rules Trials	Thurs 14 th February
Zone Basketball Trials	Tues 19 th February
Zone Touch Trials	Wed 20 th February
Zone Swimming Carnival	Fri 22 nd February
Zone Softball Trials	Thur 28 th February
Zone Netball	Thur 7 th & Mon 11 th March
Zone Rugby League trials	Mon 11 th March
Zone Cricket Trials	Wed 13 th March

***Please note that these dates are subject to change

Zone Swimming Carnival

The Zone Swimming Carnival is fast approaching on Friday 22nd February and we will be joining forces with Esk State School and Toogoolawah SHS to make a combined Brisbane Valley team to attend this carnival. Students 9 years and over will be selected in this team from the 3 schools based on times. Please note there are qualifying times to meet in order to be selected. If your child is successful in gaining selection in our Brisbane Valley Swim Team, you will be notified and given all relevant information in the coming weeks.

If you would like any more information about Sport at TSS, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in sport,

Nicole Bennett
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Community Notices

Brisbane Valley Rattlers Junior AFL Club

Registrations are now open for The Brisbane Valley Rattlers Junior Australian Football Club.

We would appreciate if you could please circulate the information below around your school.

If you have requests for more information (including costs), please direct parents and students to the contact details below.

Brisbane Valley Rattlers are seeking:

- Boys & Girls
- Ages under 8's,9's,10's Mixed. Under 11's Girls. Youth under 12's and 14's Mixed and Under 13's and 15's Girls
- Register for a one off fee or with no extra to pay throughout the season

For the 2019 Season

Upcoming Dates not to be missed!

Information & Sign On Days

- Friday 1 February, Lowood Drake's Supermarket, 3pm - 5pm
- Saturday 2 February, Fernvale Sports Park, 9am - 12.30pm
- Sunday 3 February, Fernvale Sports Park, 9am - midday

Come and Try AFL Day - ALL WELCOME!

- Saturday 23 February, from 3.30pm, Fernvale Sports Park
- Followed by sausage sizzle and soft drink

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- Friday 1 March, 4-5pm, Fernvale Sports Park for 8 weeks


For More Information

web: brisbanevalleyrattlers.sportingpulse.net or

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