



# TRAWALLA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **DATES**

Wed July 21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Network Meeting – Kate away</i>	Wed Aug 18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Network Meeting – Kate away</i>
Mon July 26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Cluster Prin Meeting – Kate away</i>	Thur Aug 19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Art Gallery excursion</i>
Fri July 30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Curriculum Day - no students attend on the day. (TBC)</i>	Mon Aug 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Cluster choir perform @ South Street</i>
Mon Aug 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Prin Conference in Melb – Kate away Peta CRT</i>	Tue Aug 24 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lal Lal PS review – Kate away</i>
Tue Aug 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Prin Conference in Melb – Kate away</i>	Fri Aug 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>MARC Van with Kathy</i>
Fri Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>	<i>MARC Van with Kathy</i>	Mon Aug 30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Full STEAM Ahead @ Navarre</i>
Tue Aug 10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Emergency Management Webex – Kate – 3.30-5.00pm</i>	Mon Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lal Lal PS review – Kate away</i>
Fri Aug 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>MARC Van with Kathy</i>	Tue Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Cluster - Halls Gap Zoo excursion</i>
Mon Aug 16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Full STEAM Ahead @ Navarre</i>	Fri Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>MARC Van with Kathy</i>
Aug 16-20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Book Week</i>	Mon Sept 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Full STEAM Ahead @ Navarre</i>
Tue Aug 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>School Council</i>	Fri Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>MARC Van with Kathy</i>
		Fri Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Last day of Term 3 – 2.30pm dismissal</i>

## **COVID Latest**

Lockdown with continue for a further 7 days.

All students are to return to face-to-face learning on Wednesday July 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **Outside School Hours Care**

The team from OSHClub are excited to be able to provide our school and community with this service. We met last Tuesday to discuss final details and lock in the starting date. Bookings open on August 9<sup>th</sup> for before and after school care with the service looking to open on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.



L-R – Kate, Nicole & Sheryl (OSHClub), Lachlan Carlyle (Beaufort PS Principal), Sarah (OSHClub)

## Full STEAM Ahead

This term the Pyrenees Cluster Full STEAM Ahead days at Navarre school.

These days will recommence when COVID permits.

The dates are:

- ~~Monday July 19th~~
- Monday August 16th
- Monday August 30th
- Monday September 13th

## Parenting Ideas

Today's article is attached - Riding the COVID waves

## Student Learning Goal certificates

Each of the students has a set of learning goals related to reading, writing, spelling, maths and personal learning. The students use these goals to monitor and focus their daily tasks. Today we have developed and introduced certificates to be issued when a goal is reached.

Keep an eye out for these in your child's reader pocket!



## The 2021 Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst all parents/caregivers/guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from Monday 19th July to Sunday 22nd August.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Parents who wish to complete this survey on a school computer can do so by contacting Kate once the current COVID lockdown concludes.

Attached is the login and pin number for accessing the survey.

## Bookclub

Issue 5 was sent home last week. This does have the wrong date of 2020 on it. Please be assured that it is for 2021. Orders are due back at school by Friday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021.



## Terry Floyd Foundation

Terry Floyd Foundation ribbons for \$2.00 each.

Please send your money to school and we will send home your ribbon.

## COVID-19 update

### QR Codes

The Victorian Government has announced new arrangements for schools in Victoria from and including Friday 9 July.

QR codes will be required to be used by:

1. all parents who enter buildings when on the school site
2. all visitors, including contractors, external Department staff and building and maintenance staff

QR code check ins will not be required for staff or students.

### Face Masks

School staff (primary) are not required to wear a face mask while at school when interacting exclusively with staff and students from their school. School staff (primary) must carry a face mask at all times, unless a lawful exception applies. School staff (primary) should wear a face mask indoors at school when interacting with external visitors, including parents/carers and staff/students from other schools. Children under 12 years of age and students at primary school are not required to wear face masks when at school,

School staff and students must also abide by face mask requirements when attending public venues.

Visitors and parents must observe indoor face mask requirements.

Thank you for your support and understanding of this important health direction. Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

### Absences

Parents/carers are required to ensure their child attends school every day and have an obligation to contact the school to notify the school of their child's absence. Parents/carers should inform the school in advance of known upcoming absences, or on the day of absence as soon as practicable. A late arrival or a day off here and there may not seem much at the time but when they are added up over the child's schooling life they can have an impact.

Here are a couple of graphics from the NSW Education Department to support this fact.



## **Epic app**

I received an email indicating that the unlimited use of Epic! is about to come to an end. Please read the following letter.

We wanted to let you know that **Epic Free**—which offers students up to 2 hours of after-school reading a week—**will be ending on July 22**. At that time, those with Epic Free accounts will transition to Epic Basic accounts, which gives them access to 1 book a day, every day. This change **will not impact students' access to Epic School during regular school hours**.

When the pandemic closed schools last year, we introduced Epic Free to make our library available to students at home for free. It's been a privilege to help inspire reading, discovery and connection during an unprecedented time.

Thank you for being part of our Epic educator community and for all you do to inspire a love of reading in and out of the classroom!

— Your friends at Epic

## **Good to Grow Fundraiser**

Our Parents and Friends Association have commenced the Good to Grow fundraiser. The Good to Grow fundraiser involves selling different seed packs and sustainable planting items including a bug bed and breakfast!

There are two ways of selling the items:

1. Via our online webshop - Attached to the newsletter is a flyer with a QR code that will send you to our online webshop where family and friends can make online purchases. Feel free to share around or display on a noticeboard at your workplace.
2. Via our order form – Also attached to the newsletter is an order form where family and friends can complete and return your money in a clearly marked envelope with your child's name to school by Friday 20 August.

Once we receive the Good to Grow items at school (early September), we will contact customers and let them know they can collect from School or Popp's Place (23 Neil St, Beaufort).

Please remember to inform potential customers that the fundraising profits from this drive go directly to Trawalla Primary School. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your support!