



TELOPEA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

11th May 2016

Motto: "Success through Endeavour"

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

18	May	2016	School Photos
25	May	2016	School Cross Country
26	May	2016	Australian Red Cross 'Good Food' Presentation
13	June	2016	Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)
15	June	2016	Books in homes

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to Term 2, at time of writing we are in the middle of the Naplan tests and I appreciate the consideration being shown to all students undertaking these exams by parents and other students, who are being quiet in their movements around the School and treating these students with understanding during this stressful time.

This Term the School has grown considerable in size and in the last two weeks we have welcomed three new families to the School. A total of an additional five students have commenced in the last week.

This has resulted in an increase to class sizes in both K/1 and 2/3/4. Presently, the School numbers are at 63. The Department of Education requires an additional 15 enrolments before a fourth class is established so it is likely that class sizes may well continue to increase. If it becomes necessary to rearrange classes to spread students more equitably across the three classes all parents will be informed by writing. At this stage we still have a way to go before this occurs.

Regards

Alan McGowen

School Principal



Opportunity Class Placement

If you're thinking of Opportunity Class Placement in 2017 it's your last chance to apply. The closing date for parents to lodge an application is Friday 13th May 2016.

Late applications will not be accepted.

You must apply online at

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Anzac Day Service

On 5th April 2016, we sent our School Captains and members of the Student Representative Council from Telopea Public School to the remembrance ceremony in Hyde Park. The Students were privileged to be part of such a beautiful moving ceremony commemorating the ANZAC landing at Gallipoli.

The following day the whole school attended an ANZAC day assembly which was held here at our school. Thank you to all students, parents and teachers who brought along flowers for the ceremony and for taking the time to remember our fallen soldiers.



School Fees Workbooks

Thank you to all parents that have paid for the workbooks in full or paid their first instalment. Any further payments can be made to the Front Office Monday-Friday between 9.00am – 3.15pm.

Donations



Winter is fast approaching and the School is in need of your help. We would like to ask for donations of boxes of tissues so students can use in their classrooms. One box per student would greatly assist the School.

School Photos

The School Photo day will be held on Wednesday May 18th, 2016. Please ensure your child/children are wearing their full summer School Uniform on the day.

A reminder that payments for the photos are to be made prior to the day. A box for payments is located at the Front Office. If you require a new order form, please see the Front Office.

Library

We are currently in the process of implementing a new library system therefore there will be no borrowing of books until Week 6. Students are still able to use and have access to Library books during Library sessions.

Too Sick for School

As changeable weather hits, so does illness and sickness. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should keep them home from school and seek medical advice.



School Counsellor

Parents who wish for their child to be seen by the school counsellor are asked to contact their child's class teacher in the first instance. Children may then be referred to our school's learning support team. Our school counsellor is available every second Monday.



Uniform Shop

Winter is coming – start thinking about purchasing our School Winter uniform early. The School uniform shop is opened on **Wednesday mornings only** between (8:30am – 10:00am). Payment can be made by cash or cheque to Telopea Public School.



Notices

Contact Details

Are your contact details up-to-date? Please ensure that you inform staff in the school office if your contact and emergency details have changed.

Student absences

If your child is absent from school it is a requirement to send in to your child's teacher, an explanation note explaining the reason for their absence. This is a legal requirement by the government. All unexplained absences are held on record in our central attendance system.

School Safety

As you may be aware, there is an increase in vehicle movement around the school due to construction work. Care is to be taken when entering and exiting the school grounds. Parents should ensure that children enter and exit the school grounds using the **pedestrian entrance** only and not the vehicle entrance.

All parents and carers are asked not to park outside the school grounds in the 'NO STANDING' areas when waiting to pick up your child, this is essential for the safety of all students. Please note if you are booked this is a matter between you and Parramatta City Council. The school has no authority over parking restrictions and penalties.



Free

Triple P Program -Seminar.

The power of positive parenting!

A four week parenting course.

The three P's in 'Triple P' stand for 'Positive Parenting Program'.

The program aims to support parents with behaviour management strategies for their children birth to twelve years; more than half of its 17 strategies are focused on developing positive relationships, attitudes, skills and conduct. Triple P teaches parents broader principles that may be applied positively in most parenting situations.

Triple P helps parents:

- Create a stable, supportive, harmonious family environment.
- Teach their children how to get along with others.
- To deal positively, consistently and decisively with challenging behaviours.
- Encourage appropriate behaviours.
- Develop realistic expectations of their children and themselves. Take care of themselves as parents.

Date: Commencing on 31st May for four consecutive Tuesday.

(31st May, 7th, 14th and 21st June)

Time: 10:00 to 11:30am.

Venue: Telopea 'Schools as Community Centres Project'. (SaCC)

Childcare: **FREE** childcare is available for participants.

Register: **Sharlene Pasqual** (Family and Community Worker) Parramatta Mission

phone: 0439978721

Or **Pip Martins** Telopea SaCC Facilitator

phone: 9898 3448

email: phillipa.martins@det.nsw.edu.au

Bookings are essential for this FREE course.

Afternoon Tea will be provided.





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Teloepa 'Schools as Community Centres' Project

Term 2 2016

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MONDAY	Australian Red Cross 'Good Start Breakfast Club' 8:30am-9:00am Teloepa SaCC Rooms. A healthy breakfast is provided free for Teloepa Public School students in a friendly, inclusive environment.
TUESDAY	Sing Rhyme and Story Time 10:00-10:30 Bunnings Warehouse Rydalmere A weekly Early Literacy Program for parents/carers and children birth to 5 years. This program was developed and is facilitated by the Teloepa SaCC Facilitator. The program was awarded Honoured Nominee in 2011 Kookaburra Awards. The session will support parents to assist with their children's literacy development. Meet and Greet 1:00pm-2:30pm Teloepa SaCC Rooms Information sharing session for families with baby birth to 12 weeks. Facilitated by Community Health 'Triple P' Parenting Program 10:00am-11:30am Teloepa SaCC Rooms REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL A four week parenting support program facilitated by Parramatta Mission. Free child care available. Garden Club 8:30am-9:00am Teloepa Public School Edible Garden and Orchard Teloepa Public School students enjoy utilising the school garden space through this leadership program.
WEDNESDAY	Supported Playgroup 10:00am-12:00noon Teloepa SaCC Rooms REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL Organised indoor and outdoor activities, story time, music and dancing for families with children birth to 5 years. A friendly, inclusive and supportive playgroup where adult involvement is encouraged and supported. Australian Red Cross 'Good Start Breakfast Club' 8:30am-9:00am Teloepa SaCC Rooms. Description as above.
THURSDAY	Jiggle'n' Jam Music Program. 2x half hour baby classes (birth to 12mths @9:30am and 12 to 18mths @10:00am) 2x Toddler Music Classes (1.5 to 2.5yrs @10:45am and 2.5 to 3.5yrs @11:15) TERM REGISTRATION is ESSENTIAL for the toddler classes. Structured music classes for families with children birth to 2.5 years. Facilitated by 'Accent On Music' Music School in Teloepa SaCC Rooms Baby Playgroup 10:00-12:00noon Teloepa SaCC Rooms Social gathering for families with children birth to 18 months in safe, air conditioned environment with toys. Enjoy spending time with friends after the Jiggle'n'Jam music class. Supported Playgroup. 9:30am-11:30am Teloepa SaCC Rooms Description as above. REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL
FRIDAY	

Teloepa 'Schools as Community Centres' Project (SaCC)

Based in the grounds of Teloepa Public School, Chestnut Ave., Teloepa N.S.W. 2117

Please direct all enquiries to SaCC Facilitator **Pip Martins**

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The Heart of **Teloopa**

Interested in sharing your story of
Teloopa, your favourite recipe and
having a photograph taken?

We Need Your Help!

We want this project to show how
unique you all are and what it is
that makes this such a
fantastic community.

For more information please contact
Dundas Area Neighbourhood Centre on

(02) 9684 4250 or student@danc.org.au



TELOPEA PUBLIC SCHOOL
PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION



Meeting Notice

Meeting Details are as follows:

Date and Time: Thursday 12th of May 2016, 5:30pm

Location: Telopea School Library

Business arising:

- Apologies
- Previous Meeting Minutes
- Reports:
 - Treasurer
 - Principal
 - Presidents
- General Business
 - Easter Parade Results
 - Create a Facebook account
 - Auditor
 - Bunnings BBQ 12th of June
 - Election 2nd July
 - Farwell Gifts
 - Grants
- Correspondence