



TELOPEA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019

Motto: "Success through Endeavour"

Be Safe

Be a Learner

Be Responsible

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

22	May	2019	Story Factory Workshop Excursion for Years 5/6
5	June	2019	Cross Country Yrs 3-6
19	June	2019	Aboriginal Cultural Incursion
5	July	2019	SRC Fundraiser – Crazy Hat/Hair Day
5	July	2019	Last Day of Term 2

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The new playground equipment is now officially ready for students to use. For this week only, each class will have an opportunity to trial out the new equipment at allocated times. Thank you to all the students for their patience during the installation process. This play equipment is however more suitable for children in Yrs K-2, therefore we ask that only students in Kindergarten Koalas and 1/2 Bandicoots play here at recess and lunchtimes from next week.

All NAPLAN assessments for Year 3 and 5 are now complete. This year Telopea PS completed the assessments online. As with a number of other schools across the state there were a couple of minor unforeseen challenges and the school has communicated these to the relevant authorities. These are being addressed and a number of improvements have already been made. At no time was any student disadvantaged in completing the assessment.

Mr McGowen will be on leave from Week 4 until mid Week 10. I will be taking on his roll during this period, therefore some changes to the 5/6 Emus timetable will apply as well as to Library and RFF. Mr Bromhead and Mrs White will assist with 5/6 Emus and Miss Lum will be taking students for library and Creative Arts lessons.

Regards,

*Jenny Vasilareas*

Relieving Principal

## School Fees

Thank you to all who have made payment. Payments can still be made for any outstanding accounts.

We can now accept payments via EFTPOS on Wednesday and Friday mornings between 8.45-11.00am ONLY. Payments made via cash can be made on any day, the correct monies would be much appreciated as change is limited.

If you are unable to make payments in full, please speak to the Front Office staff to discuss payment plans.

## SUEZ Workshop



On **Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>** students attended a workshop 'Rubbish Today, Resource Tomorrow' presented by SUEZ. The students learnt about recycling, landfill, the operation of recycling and how energy is recovered from landfills.



## Library News

Library lessons for all classes will continue to be held on Thursdays. Please remember to return your library book in a library bag each week. Thank you to the families who have purchased from Book Club. Issue #3 will be distributed during library lessons this week. All orders and money will need to be returned **by 24<sup>th</sup> May**.

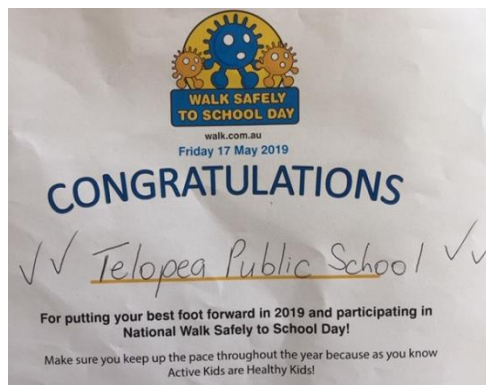
During the month of May all students are encouraged to participate in the Scholastic Read More In May Challenge to promote National Family Reading Month. Students were all given a Reading Log to complete and hand in at the end of the month. To enter the challenge you simply need to read for at least 10 minutes every day in May, and colour in the pages on the Reading Log to show your progress. Please see the advertisement for further information and details.

## Walk to School Safely Day



Thank you to all the students and parents who participated in the Annual Walk Safely to School Event held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May. It was wonderful to see so many Telopea PS students being safe and active whilst on their way to school.

Remember that active kids are healthy kids. The event aims to encourage parents, carers and their children to build regular walking to and from school into their daily routine. Children need a minimum of 60 minutes exercise per day. Encouraging less driving and more walking aims to decrease dangerous vehicle congestion around schools and reduce carbon emissions from idling cars. Lastly, it is just a nice way to be part of your community.



## Cross Country

On Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> students in Years 3-6 (and students in Yr 2, turning 8) will participate in the Cross Country. Students will compete in a timed race course on the school grounds. During sport each week classes are working hard to increase their fitness in preparation for the event. Students 8yrs – 10yrs will run a 2km course. Students 11yrs – 12/13yrs will run a 3km course. **Students in these years should wear their sports uniform including sneakers on this day.**

## SRC Fundraiser – Crazy Hat/Hair Day



On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July Telopea Public School's SRC will be holding a 'Crazy Hat or Hair' fundraising day. The cost will be \$1.00 per student and all money collected will go towards building our sporting equipment resources.



You can wear or make a funny looking hat or even spray your hair with lots of colours or tie it up in different styles.

Students will be allowed to wear mufti clothing on this day to coincide with the crazy hat and hair fundraiser.

## Notes Sent Home

Ensure you don't miss out on important notes. Remember to check your child's School bag each day as most notes are sent home via students.

## Safety

A reminder to all students and parents that entry to the School is via the Third Gate (on Chestnut Avenue near the Kindy classroom). This is for everyone's safety.

We have had a number of students entering via the first and second gates. These gates are not supervised by staff and often there are cars entering and exiting which may pose a risk to unsupervised students.

## Uniform Shop

Uniforms can be purchased from the Uniform Shop every Wednesday between 8.45-11.00am. We are pleased to advise we now have the option of Eftpos for purchases. Alternatively cash is still accepted, the correct change is much appreciated. A current price list is available from the front Office.



**Handy Hint:** Ensure that you label all items of clothing (including hats) for your child/ren, this makes it easier to return any lost items.

## Schools as a Community Centre



Hi TPS Community,

I would like to offer a message of gratitude to the Marshall Family for the recent donation of supplies for the School Garden.

The mulch, fertiliser, soil improvers, tools, stakes and wheelbarrow will be of great benefit to the school and ultimately our students.

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 Telopea SaCC Facilitator  
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### Telopea 'Schools as Community Centres' Project Term 2 2019



<b>MONDAY</b>	<p><b>Foodbank 'School Breakfast 4 Health' Breakfast Club</b> 8:30am to 9:00am Telopea SaCC Rooms.                      A healthy breakfast is provided free for Telopea Public School students in a friendly, inclusive environment.</p>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<p><b>Sing Rhyme and Story Time</b> 10:00am to 10:30am Telopea Public School, SaCC Rooms                      A weekly Early Literacy Program for parents/carers and children birth to 5 years. This program was developed and is facilitated by the Telopea SaCC Facilitator. The session will support parents to assist with their children's literacy development. The program was awarded Honoured Nominee in 2011 Kookaburra Awards.</p> <p><b>Early Years Garden Club</b> 10:30am to 12:00noon Telopea Public School Edible Garden &amp; Orchard.                      Seed Harvest Spoon early childhood environmental garden program for parents and children up to five years. <b>REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL</b></p> <p><b>Meet and Greet</b> 1:00pm to 2:30pm Telopea SaCC Rooms                      Information session for parents with baby birth to 12 weeks. Facilitated by Community Health</p>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<p><b>Preschool Playgroup</b> 10:00am to 12:00noon Telopea SaCC Rooms <b>REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL</b>                      Organised indoor and outdoor activities, story time, music and dancing for families with children eighteen months to 5 years. A friendly, inclusive and supportive playgroup where adult involvement is encouraged and supported.</p> <p><b>Circle of Security</b> 12:45pm-2:30pm Telopea SaCC Rooms <b>REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL</b>                      A seven week parent program facilitated by Parramatta Mission. Support your child's ability to manage their emotions, enhance the development of your child's self-esteem, and better understand your child's emotional world by learning to read their emotional needs. Full attendance is encouraged.                      Free child care available for participants. Afternoon tea provided.</p>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<p><b>Foodbank 'School Breakfast 4 Health' Breakfast Club</b> 8:30am to 9:00am Telopea SaCC Rooms.</p> <p><b>Jiggle'n'Jam Music Program.</b> Telopea SaCC Rooms                      Structured music classes for families with children birth to 3 years. Facilitated by 'Music In A Box' Music School in Telopea SaCC Rooms. Parents are encouraged to be actively involved to support their children.                      3x half hour baby classes (birth to 12mths@9:15am and 12mths to 18mths@10:00am)</p> <p>2x Toddler Music Classes 10:45am and 11:15am (18mths to 3years)  <b>TERM REGISTRATION is ESSENTIAL for the toddler classes.</b></p> <p><b>Baby Playgroup</b> 10:00 to 12:00noon Telopea 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 music class.</p>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<p><b>Preschool Playgroup</b> 10:00 to 12:00 Telopea SaCC Rooms <b>REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL</b></p>

### Telopea 'Schools as Community Centres' Project (SaCC)

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

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

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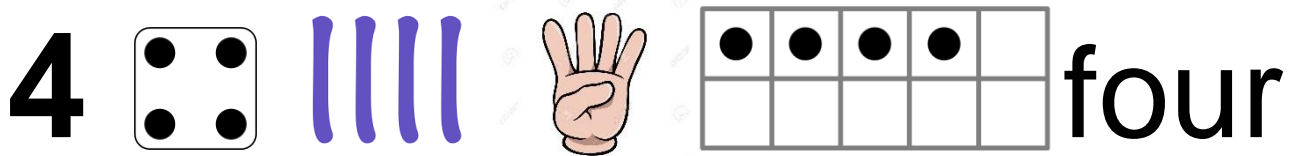
## Early Action for Success

### Early Action for Success: Parent Workshops

Thank you to the Kindergarten parents who came along to our Parent Information sessions for Literacy and Numeracy. It was lovely to see students and parents sharing books together. Information and resources from the Literacy session went home with Kindergarten students last week.

In the Numeracy session we discussed the importance of having a positive attitude towards Mathematics even if it's something we found tricky as a child. Maths is all around us and being numerate is just as important as being literate! Some of the things we talked about:

- Students need to build mental images of what numbers look like. In class we have been doing numbers talks where we try to show many representations of a number eg.



- It is essential that students develop **one to one correspondence** (being able to count with correct matching of numbers to objects) when counting.
- **Subitising** is the ability to recognise a group of dots quickly. This can be developed through games with dice eg snakes and ladders, trouble etc.
- **Counting on and back** when adding or subtracting in class students are taught to put the biggest number in their head and count on or back because this is efficient.

The school home partnership is very important to us at Telopea Public School. If you would like further assistance in relation to your child's social, emotional or academic progress please contact the teacher to discuss. It's important that we work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for your child/ren. Feel free to contact me by meeting with me at the school or emailing me on [sarah.spicer1@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:sarah.spicer1@det.nsw.edu.au)

Sarah Barratt  
Instructional Leader





Every year during National Family Reading Month, Scholastic holds an exciting reading challenge as part of the celebration.

Research shows that family reading time is one of the BEST ways to grow a child's interest in the wonderful world of books. Kids who read, succeed!

Have fun reading together and good luck in our prize draw!

**\$10,000 WORTH OF PRIZES TO BE WON!**

**TEACHERS:**

1. Get your students Reading More in May! Photocopy and distribute this Reading Log to your students (see right).

You could WIN \$100 in Scholastic Rewards!



**FAMILIES:**

Read every day in May and go into the draw to WIN 1 of 50 \$100 book vouchers!

2. Read for at least 10 minutes every day in May, and colour in the pages on the Reading Log to show your progress.
3. Sign up at [scholastic.com.au/nfrm](http://scholastic.com.au/nfrm) to enter you and your teacher into the draw. Entries close 7 June 2019.
4. Keep this Reading Log in a handy place as proof of participation in case you are drawn as a winner!

For terms and conditions visit: [scholastic.com.au/nfrm](http://scholastic.com.au/nfrm)

— READING LOG —

**JOIN OUR READ MORE IN MAY CHALLENGE!**



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

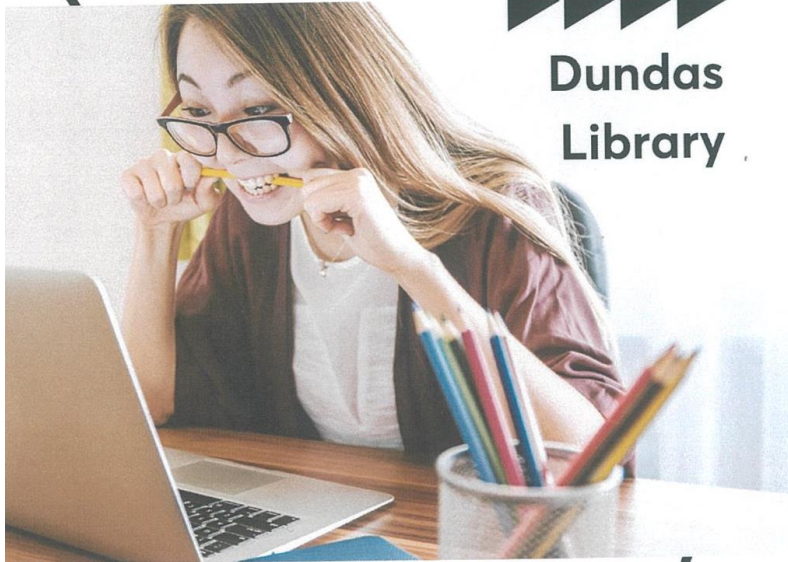
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## TIPS TO GET KIDS ACTIVE

For babies – encourage tummy time and crawling 	Encourage your toddler to walk instead of using the stroller 	Walk, ride or scooter to school 
Choose toys that encourage movement 	Set daily screen time limits and choose active play instead 	Encourage children to try a range of sports 
Look for easy ways to be active across the day 	Show your children you like being active 	Outdoor play is best, or get active indoors in hot or wet weather 

# HOMESCHOOL HELP



Dundas  
Library

**EVERY TUESDAY** *during school term*

**3.30pm - 5.00pm**



**K TO YEAR 10 STUDENTS**

In partnership with Dundas Area Neighbourhood Centre (DANC)



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