# Newsletter Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

TOOWONG STATE SCHOOL  Contact List		
Student absence (include reason/s)	absences@toowongss.eq.edu.au SMS: 0477 339 593	
Concerns with classroom/playground	To: Classroom Teachers (s)	
Student Health Plan for school	To: admin@toowongss.eq.edu.au CC: Classroom Teachers (s)	
Medication for student	To: admin@toowongss.eq.edu.au CC: Classroom Teachers (s)	
Letters for upcoming specialist appointments	To: kdjef0@eq.edu.au CC: Classroom Teachers (s)	
Copy of External specialist reports/letters	To: kdjef0@eq.edu.au CC: Classroom Teachers (s	
Returning "Consent to Share" Document	To: kdjef0@eq.edu.au CC: Classroom Teachers (s)	
Request for EQ Services (Speech & Language, OT, Physiotherapy)	To: kdjef0@eq.edu.au  CC: Classroom Teachers (s)	
Queries related to students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing	To: eflet18@eq.edu.au	
Invoice/Payment	To: admin@toowongss.eq.edu.au	
NDIS Access Request	To: admin@toowongss.eq.edu.au	
Toowong State School Communication Email	To: communications@toowongss.eq.edu.au	

Important Dates		
Thursdays	School Assembly 2:30PM Year 3-6	
Fridays	School Assembly 2:00PM Prep-2	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Premier's Reading Challenge commences	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Interschool Sports	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	2024 Prep Open Day	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Interschool Sports	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	National Simultaneous Storytime	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Scholastic Book Fair	
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Trivia Night (Adults Only)	

# From the Principal Brendon Madden

#### **Cold Weather Clothing**

The cold weather has finally arrived!

Students are starting to wear track pants and jumpers to around school.

Can parents please make sure that your child's clothing especially jumpers are named. When we find clothing with no name on it left around the school, this can make it difficult to return it back to its owner. I am sure this must be frustrating to parents.

#### **Gotcha Award**

Today students from Oxley House were rewarded for the Gotcha House Competition. It is a pleasure to acknowledge and celebrate the wonderful behaviour of our students. This term the competition has already begun and hopefully we will have all the students and their houses getting more Gotchas.

#### **Deaf Awareness Week**

Deaf Awareness Week is an annual event to Celebrate the Deaf Community. The Week occurs from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> May.

We wish all our Deaf students, families and Community members a wonderful celebration. Toowong State School is enriched through its connection to the Deaf community and its culture. The new Deaf Festival Date is the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of September at Mount Gravatt Show Grounds.

#### **School Cross Country**

Yesterday we finally held our School Cross Country. A big thanks to Mr Sanderson for organising this school event. Thank you to Randy, teachers and support staff for setting it up, managing students and events. The competition was a lot of fun, and it was great to see the students running their best for their Houses. We will announce the winning House at next weeks School Assembly.

### **Regional Cross Country**

Congratulations and well done to those students in Year 5 and 6 who competed at the Regional Cross Country.

They ran either 2 or 3 km to complete the race. Which is a big effort - Well Done!

A big Congratulations to Elena who has been selected to complete at the Met West Trials.

# From the Deputy Principal

Liz Fletcher

#### Creative Generation weekend rehearsal reminder for students who have signed up.

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May Toowong SS Top Hall 11:30am-4:00pm

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> May Coorparoo Secondary College Hall 9:00am - 1:30pm

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> June Coorparoo Secondary College Hall 9:00am-11:00am

Sun 18th June Coorparoo Secondary College Hall 9:00am - 2:30pm

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> June Kedron High School 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> June Kedron High School 9:00am - 5:00pm

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> July - Sat 15<sup>th</sup> July Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, various times TBC

#### **Creative Generation Dance Rehearsal**

Students will be told when the videos are uploaded and then staff will rehearse with students at school.

### **Creative Generation Signing Choir Rehearsal**

Wednesday 1:30pm Music Room

#### Save the Date

Deaf Festival 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> September at Mt Gravatt Showgrounds. Lots of activities and performances will be involved. Everybody welcome!

# **Library News**

Mary Anne McIntyre

The Premier's Reading Challenge starts next week. This year there is more preparation required that I still need to organise. This will all be ready for next Thursday's deadline. There are forms that are required, and these will need to be attachments.

# **Sports News** *Scott Anderson*

### **Cross Country**







#### **Interschool Sport**

Students in Year 5 and 6 have enjoyed two of the four weeks of their Semester 1 interschool sport competition, playing either netball, soccer or basketball. Toowong students have displayed great

sportsmanship as they have been learning new sports and competing against neighbouring schools.

Spectators are welcome at the various venues. Netball is at Faulkner Park, Graceville. Basketball is at UQ, St Lucia. Soccer is at Dunlop Park, Corinda.

Next week (12/5), the netballers will be staying at school to compete in an intra-school competition as the interschool sport courts were unavailable.

Thank you to the Year 5 and 6 teachers who have been training our students.

#### **Students News**

#### **House Points**

#### **Head of House**s:

Oxley:Emma Dixon and Cameron Miller(Admin - Liz Fletcher)Cook:Penny O'Dwyer and Kim Wright(Admin - Ari Anna Cansdell)Flinders:Tash Burnett and Jennifer Aitchison(Admin - Kimberley Jefferd)

#### **Current House Point Totals:**



Congratulations to the following students:

- Himank 2RW, Charlotte 2RW, Cayden 2RW
- Joshua 6D, Alizae 6D, Raheem 3/4S

#### **P&C News**

SMS: 0415 167 615 Email: president@toowongpandc.org.au

#### Call for Ideas!

Our wonderful School community has great ideas for different themed days and events. Unfortunately, the P&C executive is at capacity. The events coordinator's role is still vacant, so please put your hand up if you want this position! If you would like to run a specific event, please get in touch and we can support you to arrange it. Some cool ideas we have so far are drinks at the Regatta, family picnic days and themed dress up days.

We are currently looking for a **Trivia Host** and a **Sideshow Alley Convenor** for the fair. Many of the attractions for the Sideshow Alley have been imagined/purchased already and need a willing organiser to bring them to life. Email <a href="mailto:president@toowongpandc.org.au">president@toowongpandc.org.au</a> for more information about these roles.

#### **Term 2 Working Bee**

On Saturday we had this term's working bee. A small but very strong and determined group of parents and kids removed bushes and rubbish from the sunken garden in preparation for making this an additional play space. There's still a lot of work to be done until the space is usable, but it's a good start! Thanks again to everyone who joined in.





#### Mother's Day Stall

Next Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of May, the P&C will run the Mother's Day Stall. This year, we ask parents to send up to **\$10 per child**, as there will be only a few different presents from which to choose. We're also calling on all bakers to contribute **individually-packed** baked goods (for example: individually-packaged cupcakes; 2 to 3 biscuits per bag). Please email events@toowongpandc.org.au if you can contribute. Packaging supplies will be at the office for collection.

Would you like to run the bake stall? We are looking for a 'bake stall convenor' to own this task throughout the year. Generally, we have a bake stall at the book fair which will occur in June as well.

#### **Tuck Shop – Mondays Trial!**

The Tuck Shop will be open Mondays starting next week, 8 May 2023! This full-week service will run as a trial for the remainder of Term 2. At that point, the P&C will assess the Monday offering for its usefulness to the students and overall sustainability and determine if Mondays will continue to be available permanently.

#### **TOSHC**

#### **Vacancies**

Before School Care spots are available now on every day of the week. You can drop your child/ren off for breakfast, dance parties and fun and get to work early or treat yourself to a coffee...alone! Don't tell the kids You can book one-off or regular spots in the app or email director@toshc.com.au

#### **New Sports Equipment**

A big thank you to the Brown family for their donation of tennis, football, netball and basketball balls! The kids will love playing with them! Families interested in donating specific products can speak to Marcia directly.



# **Community News**





## **Regular After School Activities**

Toowong State School provides some after school activities run by outside providers. Many of these are great for healthy activity or artistic and mental stimulation. Please be aware, however, that after school activities ae managed by the people/companies who run them. It is your responsibility to pick your child up at the end of the session.

Piano Lessons	Held in our Music Room: contact: admin@keyboardkidz.com.au
Jinen Karate	Held in the Top Hall on Mon, Wed & Sat: www.facebook.com/BrisbaneJinenKarate

Chess	Held in the library on Friday: contact: info@chessmates.com.au
Junior Engineers	Held in Library on Tuesday: contact: www.jnrengineers.com.au
Tennis	Serves Up Tennis Academy: contact: servesuptennisacademy@gmail.com or phone 0466 021 852
Bazil Grumble Drama Class	Held in Music Room on Monday & Thursday: www.drama.bazilgrumble.com.au
Soccer-X	Held on Lower Oval on Thursday: www.soccer-xcom