



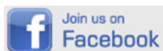
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Respect

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Dear Parents,

As we ride out another term of change, I am grateful for your ongoing support and commitment towards your child's learning. One lockdown may not seem to have a huge impact, however after five, it is vital that we continue to support student wellbeing and learning areas wherever possible.

School Review

Over the next 6 weeks our school will be undertaking a school review. These occur every four years and help to reflect on what has been, where we are and then where we need to go. The development of a new strategic plan will help to guide our future direction.

I have included a table with this newsletter where we would love you to share your reflections about your journey with our school so far – this can be returned with your child to school on Monday. Please note that a separate table has been emailed to School Council members. This data will be used to help tell the story of our school over the past four years, the good, the bad, the ugly and the amazing.

The current review dates are as follows:

Pre review discussion (3/8/21): Working out the structure of the review -

Validation Day (18/8/21): This will be a day to gather evidence, invite discussion with key stakeholders in the school community and to investigate practice.

Panel Day (30/8/21): This day will involve reflection and then the development of a new strategic plan to guide us through the next 4 years.

Security cameras

We are currently organising quotes to install security cameras around the school. The grounds are not public property and it is important that visitors treat our facilities with respect during outside hours.

Resource Smart

ResourceSmart is a program offered by Sustainability Victoria designed to support Victorian schools to embed sustainability actions and learning across the curriculum, school facilities, and community, while saving resources and money for our school. Simply speaking, schools take action to minimise waste, save energy and water, promote biodiversity and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Most importantly, ResourceSmart Schools provides students the opportunity to learn about sustainability in a real-world environment – our beautiful school grounds and community. The ResourceSmart program will complement other programs we use such as River Detectives.

ResourceSmart Schools program is one of the longest running environmental education programs in Australia and can boast long standing impacts and achievements over 15 years.

A key point of difference to other sustainability programs is the provision of an experienced and supportive facilitator who delivers staff professional development, provides extensive face to face contact to work through the program checklist, expert curriculum advice, sustainability resources, assessment advice and phone, email and newsletter updates. We also have access to an online portal (ResourceSmart Online), where we will capture all that we do in this field and access a suite of resources created by other ResourceSmart Schools. The Online Portal provides the framework for our actions.

The program covers the areas of operations (including capturing billing data), curriculum and community links. RSS can choose to work through 5 modules which cover the areas of 'setting a foundation' or core module, energy, waster, water and biodiversity. Certificates are provided for each module after successfully navigating through the checklist and meeting benchmarks. As modules are completed, the school can then apply for star certification.

As always, we will continue to provide our community with regular updates on our sustainability work through the school newsletter and our Facebook page.

150th Anniversary

School council has made a decision to postpone the 150th school celebration for 2021. Due to the current COVID restrictions and unpredictable environment, it would be irresponsible of us to hold an event that could potentially jeopardise the health of visitors (some from interstate) as well as members of our local community.

We are planning to hold the event in 2022 and will finalise a date as soon as we are able to.

Inglewood Primary School

Unfortunately, due to the current restrictions we will be unable to travel to Inglewood Primary School for our fortnightly program. Hopefully this will only be for a few weeks.

Kind regards,

Julie Ladd
Principal



Bridgewater Book Week 2021

Our dress up parade
and activities will be on

Thursday Sept 2nd

Come as your favourite
book character!



Torquay

30/7/21

I like to ^{Torquay}ke. It is fun.

We have fun.

We swim and ^{play with the} sand.

The ^{un} ~~pl~~ta good it
^{burnt} boot ^w down.

Fantastic
Emily!

Wow... 4 sentences.



Lunch Orders

A reminder that orders must be either handed in to school on a Thursday morning, or alternatively, dropped off at the bakery in person by close of business the day before.

Student Awards—Classroom Award

The classroom awards recognise students who are demonstrating skills that are in line with our school values, Respect, Excellence and Relationships.

Please note that this award will be presented at our next Assembly. Our current Award recipient will be held over to our first onsite Assembly.



Student	Reason
Jasper	For his leadership and curiosity towards learning.

Term 3 Week 4	Term 3 Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
Monday 2nd Breakfast Club Playgroup	Monday 9th Breakfast Club Playgroup	Monday 16th Breakfast Club Playgroup	Monday 23rd Breakfast Club Playgroup
Wednesday 4th Lunch Club	Wednesday 11th Lunch Club School Council 3.45	Wednesday 18th Validation Day for Review	Wednesday 25th Lunch Club
Thursday 5th MARC	Friday 13th Newsletter	Thursday 19th MARC Assembly	Thursday 26th Inglewood Extension
			Friday 27th Newsletter

No Birthdays this Newsletter



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IS INCLUDED AS THE
REFERENCE!