

Toodyay District High School Newsletter

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Dear parents and caregivers

With the combination of attending a conference last week and then having Covid, I was looking forward to some normality on my return! However, normality hasn't been the case today as we had a visit from The Honourable Hannah Beazley, MLA, Minister for Local Government and Youth, and the Minister Assisting the Minister for Training and Workforce Development. As she is very interested in Cadets WA, Minister Beazley inspected our unit and spent time observing their activities today. We felt very honoured to be included in her busy schedule.

If your child misses	that equals	or	From Kindy-Yr12 that adds up to	Which is the equivalent of attending until:
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	1 month per year	nearly 1 ½ years	part-way through year 11
1 day per week	40 days per year	2 months per year	over 2 ½ years	part-way through year 10
2 days per week	80 days per year	4 months per year	over 5 years	the end of year 7
3 days per week	120 days per year	6 months per year	nearly 8 years	the end of year 4

Attendance continues to be our focus this term. Every missed day matters and non-attendance at school can result in ongoing disengagement from learning. Missing days creates gaps in learning which makes it harder to come to school. It's a vicious cycle! Long term, the impact of missing school can include unemployment, lower income, and riskier health behaviours. When you look at it like this, every day really does count!

Of course, if children are sick, they need to be kept home for their own wellbeing and that of others. In this case, staff will do everything they can to catch them up on missed work.

We care about your child's academic, social, and emotional progress and it is for this reason that we continue to promote regular attendance at school. Congratulations to the following students who had 100% attendance across Weeks 3-6 and who receive their 'icypole' surprise from me this week:

Jake Smith, Samuel Johnson, Mary Dalgleish, Nikora Southorn, Jack Murray, Myla Cottam, Abigail Brooks, Corbin Hansord, Braxton Fernihough, Fraser Wood and Antonio Fernandez.

1. Behaviour in Public Schools.

We all share a responsibility for providing a safe, supportive and productive environment: students, staff, parents and carers. With this in mind, you may have noticed our local police personnel around or onsite at school. As part of a joint initiative in building stronger communities together, we welcome Sergeant Jamie Boryczewski and his team who are also keen to build relationships with our young people. They will be popping in from time to time to spend time with the children in a relaxed and casual manner. A visit last week at recess saw a gaggle of students following them around and enjoying their company immensely.

This week secondary students also had a presentation by Police Officer Holly Cusack on positive behaviour. Key messages were:

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1. Upstanders are people who witness bullying behaviour and 'stand up' and do something about it.
2. Upstanders are powerful – 10 seconds is all it takes for them to intervene, in a constructive way, calling out poor behaviour, for it to have an enormously positive impact.
3. Bystanders, on the other hand, are people who see something happen but don't do anything about it. This may be for a number of very valid reasons but if just one bystander becomes an upstander, bullying behaviour can be stopped in its tracks.

We plan to continue to focus on positive behaviour by holding small group workshops which will be run by school staff and the police in a joint effort to continue to educate our students on this important issue.

Attached to this newsletter is an infographic that outlines our shared respectful expectations. We welcome the opportunity to listen respectfully and work together to support and guide our students towards positive citizenship.

Kind Regards

Sharon Anderson



Term Dates for 2024

Semester 1 2024		
Term 1	Wednesday 31st January - Thursday 28th March	
Term 2	Monday 15th April - Friday 28th June (Monday June 3rd will be a pupil free day making it a long June weekend)	
Semester 2 2024		
Term 3	Monday 15th July - Friday 20th September	
Term 4	Monday 7th October - Thursday 12th December	

Labour Day	Good Friday	Easter Monday	ANZAC Day Public Holiday	Western Australia Day	Pupil Free Day	Kings Birthday
4th March	29th March	1st April	25th April	3rd June	29th Jan 30th Jan 31st May 15th July 7th Oct 13th Dec	23rd September

Swimming Carnival 2024

Our Annual Swimming Carnival took place on Friday the 23 of February and what a magnificent day it was! The radiating heat saw a great turn out of students eager to make a splash. Wearing their passion on their sleeve they were able to show their swimming prowess in the individual, relay and novelty events. Team spirit was high with each faction cheering and encouraging their entrants from the bays. Maximum effort and sportsmanship were on display all day. The P&C provided a delicious selection of tasty treats in their cake stall and delivered a fantastic lunch for the students. The Pool staff were extremely supportive throughout the lead up to our event and during the day. Our parents & volunteers helped to adjudicate each race and our school staff were all hands-on deck making sure the carnival ran smoothly. I would like to acknowledge the parent supporters who came to watch this year the attendance was the biggest in my time at the school. Without parent support these days are very hard to run and it makes it much more worthwhile for the students when they have a cheer squad in the background. Thank you to all involved! The day culminated in an epic Parent, Teacher, Student relay that was won by the Parents - closely followed by the teachers! ... There's always next year! The overall winner of the Swimming Carnival was Drummond. A big congratulations to all involved!

Kind Regards

Mr James Holmes



SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2024



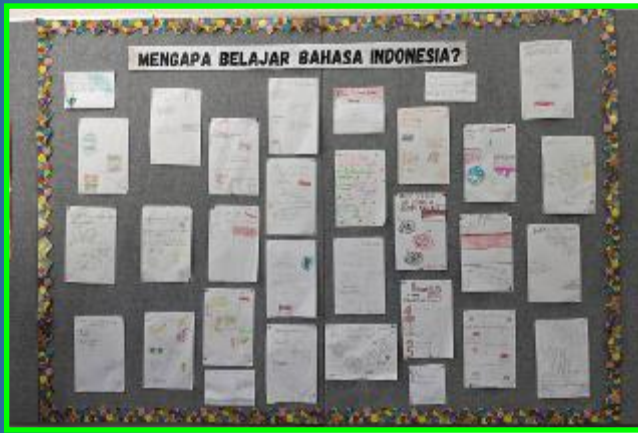
Champion Swimmers

Year	Boy	Girl
3	Rex Warner	Mia Whelan
4	James Cameron	Mary-Kay Morey
5	Lucas O'Doherty	Torah Pearce
6	Valen Saunders	Kirra Cottam
7	Nathan McGuire	Mikayla Young
8	Tyson Corbett	Latisha Ahearn
9	Oliver Rogers	Ryleigh Munday
10	Todd Gavlik	Savana Young

Runner Up Swimmers

Year	Boy	Girl
3	Mason Lucas	Ivy Street
4	Canaan Councillor	Lola Brockliss & Myla Cottam
5	Austin Xuereb	Bailee Murray
6	Baden Cameron	Abigail Munday & Isabelle Hearn
7	Manu Hoterene Shortland	Abigail Harling
8	Noah Street	Isobel Davis
9	Seth Bolger	Kira McConnell
10	Samuel Johnson	Taimana Southorn





Indonesian at Toodyay DHS

The year has commenced with great enthusiasm as our students embark on their Indonesian language learning journey—a key component of our curriculum.

This year, we are privileged to have our designated Indonesian classroom, providing students with an immersive learning environment.

In recent weeks, our students have engaged in various Indonesian language activities, including self-introductions, question formations, and exploration of basic grammar and pronunciation.

Looking ahead, each year level will delve into distinct themes: Year 3 students will continue with greetings and self-introductions, Year 4 students will explore family, while Years 5 and Year 6 students will expand their vocabulary and refine grammar skills. Year 7 students will focus on positional language, while Year 8 students will enjoy AFL-themed learning activities to enhance their language skills.

To complement classroom learning, we encourage students to explore free self-directed Indonesian language resources available online, such as Duolingo and YouTube Indonesian channels.

Exciting Opportunities Ahead

We are thrilled to announce an Indonesian incursion planned for Term 2, offering students a deeper understanding of the rich culture of Indonesia, the largest archipelago in the world to form a single state.

Additionally, to honour our students' hard work and achievements, the Consulate General of The Republic of Indonesia has instituted the Bahasa Indonesia Award. Deserving students will be selected to attend a celebratory ceremony in Perth.

We look forward to witnessing the continued growth and success of our students in their Indonesian language journey.

Warm regards,

Mrs Shuang Aliaga



Year 2/3 News

The year 2/3s have been working hard in class. Every so often a 'brain break' is needed to have a rest from their learning. This gets students up and out of their chair, using music and movement to reset their brains and body for the next lesson. Here the year 2/3s are joining in with 'Cardio Desk Drumming', using wooden chopsticks to drum on their desks! Students have fun singing along to the popular songs and trying their best to copy the drumming patterns with the beat of the song.



Awards Winners 2024

Abby Munday

Elix McConnell

Jace Cook

Baden Cameron

Ruby Candeloro

Antonio Fernandez

Archer Lee-Steere

Jaxon Walker

Isobel Davis

Benjamin Thompson

Owen Warde

Sophie Punton

Jesse McIntosh

Year 4 Class

Lucas O'Doherty

Tauri Miles

Ivy Street

Finn Street

Eden Coleman

Tatsuya Wagenaar

Reid Higgins

Halen Jones

Emily Good

Sadie Williams

Abigail Harling

Ryleigh Munday

Aubrie Coe

Isla-Rose Roberts

Mikayla Young

Torah Pearce

Congratulations



Toodyay Soccer Club



Have a Go Day!



Saturday 13th April @ 10:00am
@ the Toodyay Recreation Centre
(Sausage sizzle provided)



Season starts 22nd April.

Training on Mondays, 4:30pm-5:30pm

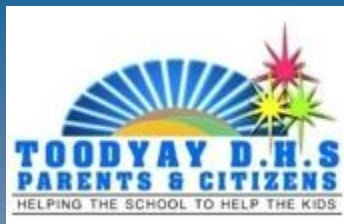
Open to 5-16 year olds.

To register, head to www.playfootball.com.au and click on 'Find a place to play'.

Registration enquiries to toodyaysoccer@gmail.com

Early bird discount runs until 25th April.

Kid sport vouchers available.



Toodyay DHS Parents & Citizens Association

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President - Kelly-Anne Murray on 0406 585 716



Swimming Carnival Stall – Friday 23 February

Swimming, sunshine, sausage sizzles and sweet treats awaited students, staff and families fired up for the school's swim carnival. Thank you to everyone that baked or donated goods or helped at the stall. We raised \$402.50 for the school, which is the largest stall fundraiser ever held. Thank you for your contribution.

Term 1 members meeting and AGM

Save the date – Tuesday 12 March from 5.30 pm in the school library for the term 1 members meeting and 2023 annual general meeting. Everyone is welcome, including the kids, so if you've been meaning to get along to a meeting for the first time, make it the 12th February.

Easter Raffle – eggilicious!



Tickets for the Easter raffle will be sent home via each class and also available to purchase from the front office. The raffle will be drawn in the last week of term. Good luck!

Thank you – it's been a privilege

After almost four years as President, it's time for me to step aside. Let's take a moment to reflect on what the P&C has achieved with the support of the school and generous business and community donations.

It started with a concrete bike path in the early childhood area playground so the kids could ride their bikes and scooters safely. Next it was the installation of shade sails over each of the school's playgrounds, to improve safety in the sun.

We started Containers for Change collections to provide an ongoing source of income for the school and held the first of four hugely successful Halloween Discos.

The P&C funded new furniture for classrooms and the library, lockers for senior students, and contributed to a new cubby house for early childhood and a school trailer.

Funds were raised annually through Mother's Day and Father's Day gift stalls, raffles, sausage sizzles and cake stalls at the school's athletics carnivals and other special events.

The P&C hosted a fun filled back to school quiz night that raised \$11,000 for the school and grew a 30 hectare wheat crop as a share farming initiative with Blink Bonny Farm.

Volunteers have provided a canteen food service for students two days per week and raised more than \$10,000 each year for the school.

Major infrastructure investments included the fabulous nature playground, basketball court resurfacing and landscaping of the surrounds for students to enjoy.

More recently there was the upgrade to the school's undercover area which created a welcoming environment for students, staff and parents to gather for school events.

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In addition to major investments in the school, the P&C has donated to school activities to fund learning resources, incursions, excursions, camps, sporting events, graduations, and the list goes on.

With the support of business and community organisations, the P&C has invested more than \$180,000 into the school since 2020.

I'm sure you'll agree that's an achievement worth celebrating.

Thank you to all present and past P&C members, parents, staff and the school administration for your support and working partnerships.

The most rewarding aspect of my time with the P&C has been witnessing the positive impact that every dollar raised has made for students now and into the future.

Follow the 'Toodyay District High School P&C' Facebook page for information about upcoming fundraising activities and events. If you'd like more information please contact pandctoodyaydhs@gmail.com.



WORKPLACE LEARNING

- Real life work experience for Year 10s
- Builds confidence
- Can lead into school based apprenticeships



Toodyay is proud to launch our new Workplace Learning program for all of our Year 10 students commencing Term 2 2024.



For more information contact Shelly Maes, Pathways Coordinator
via shelly.maes@education.wa.edu.au

Connect and Respect

Every student, staff member, parent or carer has the right to feel safe and be safe in our schools.

We all share a responsibility for providing a safe, supportive and productive environment, free from bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence.

What we can all expect:



mutual respect



good behaviour



open communication



respect for each other's time

We will not tolerate:



offensive, insulting or aggressive language



malicious or judgemental gossip



using social media disrespectfully



any form of violence

Shared and respectful expectations and values will enable us to work together in the best interests of our children.



Sad, Cranky, Scared, Stressed

Guiding children through their big emotions

This FREE parenting presentation equips parents with a five-step 'emotion coaching' process that brings together the very best in emotional intelligence research to build children's resilience, increase wellbeing for the whole family, and develop healthier humans.

For all parents, especially of middle primary to early high school children.

LIVE STREAM

Tuesday, 12 March 2024
6:30pm - 8:30pm (For 6:45pm start)
Livestream for WA regional parents

TO BOOK

<https://bit.ly/PCWAJCFLYER>

About Dr Justin Coulson

Justin is the co-host and parenting expert on Channel 9's Parental Guidance, the founder of happyfamilies.com.au, and one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts. He holds a PhD in Positive Psychology.

Over the past decade he has helped innumerable families with his 9 books about raising children, his hundreds of media appearances including all of Australia's major news outlets, and even the Washington Post and the New York Times, and two viral videos that have been viewed a combined 80 million times!

Justin and his wife Kylie have been married since the late 1990s and are the parents of 6 daughters.



Free online parent workshops Term 1, 2024 calendar

Facilitated through the Triple P and Child and Parent Centre teams

The Triple P and Child and Parent Centre teams are excited to offer a series of free online workshops for families. The Triple P - Positive Parenting Program gives parents and carers ideas and strategies to help their child develop the skills and behaviours they need for a healthy childhood. To learn more about Triple P, visit the [Education in WA](#) website.

Pre-registration is not required for these online workshops. If you would like to register for other Triple P workshops, please visit the [Triple P in WA](#) website and search for upcoming sessions by location. Parents can also access a range of [Triple P Online](#) programs for free.

Instructions for joining online workshops

To join an online workshop, scan the QR code and download the [Webex app](#) on your device when prompted. Once the app has finished downloading, scan the QR code again and you will be directed to a Webex sign in page. Please provide your name and email address and then click 'join as guest'. You will enter a waiting room until the host opens the workshop. Alternatively, you can join from a computer browser without downloading the app.

Parents are advised to check audio and visual settings before the scheduled meeting time. There is an option to test and modify settings in the app. Please note that the facilitators will be unable to assist with any technical issues during the workshop.

Workshop	Date and time	Link to join
Doing well in high school A major challenge for parents of teenagers is knowing how to encourage them to make the most of their time at school. Learn how to help your teen develop these skills as they transition into high school.	Thursday 7 th March 7pm – 9pm	 Link to join
Now you have started school (primary school focus) We will cover common challenges that may have arisen in your home such as big emotions, independent dressing, eating, toileting, and	Tuesday 5 th March 8pm – 10pm	 Link to join

separation. We discuss family routines, being part of the school community and parent self-care.	Thursday 7 th March 9.30am - 11.30am (repeat session)	 Link to join
Learning to use the toilet Teaching children to use the toilet independently can be challenging for parents. This workshop will provide tips on when your child may be ready, the skills needed to use the toilet, and some common behavioural issues related to using the toilet. This workshop is suitable for parents of children with neurotypical development and does not address any medical problems related to using the toilet.	Monday 11 th March 8pm – 10pm Tuesday 12 th March 9.30am - 11.30am (repeat session)	 Link to join  Link to join
Learning to separate This session will focus on helping your child learn to calmly separate from you, into the care of another trusted adult/caregiver.	Tuesday 19 th March 8pm – 10pm Wednesday 20 th March 9.30am - 11.30am (repeat session)	 Link to join  Link to join

NORTHAM HOCKEY CLUB

The Northam Hockey Club is part of the Avon Hockey Association. We have a synthetic playing turf located at the Bert Hawke Reserve, Suburban Road Northam. Games are played on Friday Nights or Saturdays in Northam, York, Beverley and Wangan Hills.

Season:	Hockey is an outdoor sport played during winter, usually starting the first weekend in May and finishing with finals in September. (actual dates TBA)
Divisions:	Minkey: is our learn-to-play coaching for school years 3 and under. Juniors: 3 mixed divisions: 5/6s (school year 6 and under) 7/9s (school year 7 to 9) 10/12s (school year 10 to 12) Seniors: Men and Women.
Registration:	Early registrations open 16 th March 2024 online at https://www.revolutionise.com.au/northamhockeyclub/
Fees:	Hockey Australia Levy: Payable online at registration: Minkey (\$45.31) Juniors (\$45.31) Senior (\$67.30)
Club fees:	Minkey - \$25 per player. Juniors - \$120 + \$10 no-refundable shirt bond per player. Seniors - \$3300 per team

KIDSPORT We are a Kidsport eligible club. Eligible children can use their \$150 kidsport voucher towards all registration fees.

Events: The club joins the Avon Association to participate in Club championships in Perth and/or any eligible competition.

Equipment required: All players require their own hockey stick, shin pads, and mouth guards. Socks and bottoms usually are in common football colours. Team shirts are supplied by the club.

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TDHS P&C Food Service – Open Monday and Friday



Recess		Monday and Friday Menu	
Hashbrown	\$1.50	Pie	\$3.00
Pizza Cheese	\$1.50	Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Raisin Toast (2)	\$1.50	Party Pie	\$1.00
Tst Banana Bread	\$1.50	Hotdog	\$3.00
Assorted Cakes	50c	Nuggets	\$3.00
Jellycup	50c	Vegemite Sandwich	\$2.50
Fruit Cup	\$1.00	Cheese Sandwich	\$2.50
Pikelets	50c	Ham Sandwich	\$2.50
Potato Chips	50c	Chicken Sandwich	\$2.50
Pop Corn	50c	Tst Cheese Sandwich	\$3.00
Choc Mousse	50c	Tst Ham & Cheese	\$3.50
		Tst Chicken & Cheese	\$3.50
		Ham & Cheese Croissant	\$3.50

Icy-poles 50c but only available at lunch time (not for recess)

Mon boxes – Juice boxes – Water \$2.00

Sauce 30c

Friday Lunch Meal Deal – Meal and Drink \$6.00

Friday 2 nd February	Hot Chicken & Mayo Roll
Friday 9 th February	Fried Rice & Spring Rolls
Friday 16 th February	Sausage & Pasta Bake
Friday 23 rd February	Chicken & Cheese Wrap
Friday 1 st March	Lasagna & Garlic Bread
Friday 8 th March	Super Hotdog
Friday 15 th March	Mac N Cheese
Friday 22 nd March	Yumbo Roll (Ham, Cheese & Pineapple)



TERM 1 PLANNER 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jan 29 SDD	Jan 30 SDD	January 31 Students Return to School	Feb 1	2 Assembly— Student Leader Induction
5	6	7	8	9
12 Swimming Lessons P - 6	13 Assembly at 8.50am	14	15	16
19 Swimming Lessons P-6	20	21 Pre-Primary Parent Information Meeting at 3.10	22 Secondary Parent Teacher Night	23 Swimming Carnival 9am - 3pm
26	27	28	29 Cadet Camp	March 1
4 Labour Day Public Holiday	5 Assembly at 8.50am	6	7	8
11 Year 6 Camp	12 P & C Meeting at 5.30pm	13 NAPLAN 3, 5, 7, 9 begins	14	15
18	19	20 School Council Meeting at 9am	21 Harmony Day	22 Interschool Swim Carnival
25 NAPLAN 3,5,7,9 Concludes	26 Assembly at 8.50am	27	28 Last Day of Term for Students	29 Good Friday Public Holiday
April 1st Easter Monday				