

Toodyay District High School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Community,

I would like to introduce myself as your Principal for seven weeks while Mr Ball has been asked to assist schools in Perth. I have been an administrator for 20 years in five District High Schools—Beverley, Wagin, Dumbleyung, Gnowangerup and recently in York.

Having been a Principal in rural and metro schools for 40 years I have a knowledge of the complexities of education and have been a member of the Toodyay District High School board for the last 2 years. I live in Toodyay and hope to provide a stable influence while Mr Ball is in Perth.

This is an exciting term for students with many extra curricular activities being held, including Athletics Carnivals, Country Week, Astronomy Night, Open Night, Excursions and Incursion to provide a broad depth in education.

Kind Regards

Kim Anderson
Principal





Term Dates for 2023

Semester 1 2023

Term 1	Wednesday 1st February - Thursday 6th April	
Term 2	Wednesday 26th April - Friday 30th June (Friday June 2nd will be a pupil free day making it a long June weekend)	

Semester 2

Term 3	Monday 17th July - Friday 22nd September	
Term 4	Tuesday 10th October - Thursday 14th December	

Labour Day	Good Friday	Easter Monday	ANZAC Day Public Holiday	Western Australia Day	Pupil Free Day	Kings Birthday
6th March	7 th April	10th April	25th April	5 th June	30th Jan 31st Jan 24th Apr 2nd June 9th Oct 15th Dec	25th September

Meet the Staff

TOODYAY STAFF PROFILES

Each Newsletter we will feature the profile of one of our lovely staff Members.

Lets get to know the wonderful Brandi Allan

What is your Job Title?

Acting Manager Corporate Services and School Officer

What do you like about working at Toodyay District High School?

Meeting new people every day and always learning new things.

How long have you worked at our school for?

11 Years

What are you interests and passions?

Horse Riding

What is your Favourite Animal?

Horses and Dogs



Toodyay District High School Facebook Page

We invite all parents and carers to please like our Facebook page "Toodyay District High School" to see all the wonderful things our students are getting up to during the school year.

Carpark

Could we all please be mindful to drive the correct way out of the carpark near the early childhood area to prevent any accidents.

The gravel carpark to the back of the school near the kiss and drop is for staff parking only. Parents are to use the kiss and drop or the carpark to the front of the school near the pine trees.



Secondary News

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate two fabulous Year 10 students, Jayden Hansord and Clive Millett. Jayden began the year undertaking the role of Deputy School Captain. Through his actions across this year, Jayden has demonstrated impressive leadership and maturity. In recognition of his exemplary example, Jayden was 'promoted' to School Captain, together with Michael Woodford. I have no doubt that Jayden will continue in the same vein as he has to this point in time.

Clive has been quietly and humbly demonstrating natural leadership in a number of aspects of school life across this year, living up to the adage that, to be a leader, you don't need to wear a badge. However, it is only right that credit is given where it is due, and it is with delight that I congratulate Clive Millett on now being appointed as Deputy School Captain for the remainder of this year.

Both boys pledged their oath to perform their duties and to uphold the values of the school at our assembly last week. They did so with the gravitas that goes with such positions, and with poise and confidence. I have no doubt that we are in safe hands and these boys will work together with Michael to ensure the student body are well represented.

Pathways for Secondary students

Our students are offered a wide range of opportunities to explore their future pathways. Our Year 10 recently completed their White Card training via SIDE, which is a registered training organisation. This was conducted 'face-to-face' at school across two days and I am pleased to say that all of our students were successful. This

qualification is for life and enables the holder to work on construction sites. Congratulations to our fabulous Year 10s who did themselves and us proud through their productivity and engagement.

Next Week we have a Career taster for a group of Year 9 students. Young people need the opportunity to explore and become curious about their future career options and this initiative enables this. On this occasion, students will learn what it takes to be a ranger. They will scan a dog for its microchip, learn how to handle and catch snakes safely (rubber one only!) and maybe even print an infringement notice! CRC TAFE personnel will conduct this taster at TDHS. There should be some good photos for the next newsletter!

OLNA prequalification and Year 9 2023 NAPLAN

Year 9 parents will be aware that there have been changes to the way that NAPLAN is reported. Instead of Bands, it is now communication in four proficiency levels – Exceeding, Strong, Developing and Needs Additional Support. This has a flow on effect to the prequalification for OLN. In the past, students were required to have reached Band 8 to prequalify for OLN. Now, however, the point for prequalification is found within the 'Strong' proficiency level. Schools do not yet have access to the fine-grained data that will enable us to determine who needs to sit OLN. As soon as this becomes available, students and parents will be notified. I have attached the link to an information flyer that provides a little more detail about these changes. https://k10outline.scsa.wa.edu.au/__data/assets/

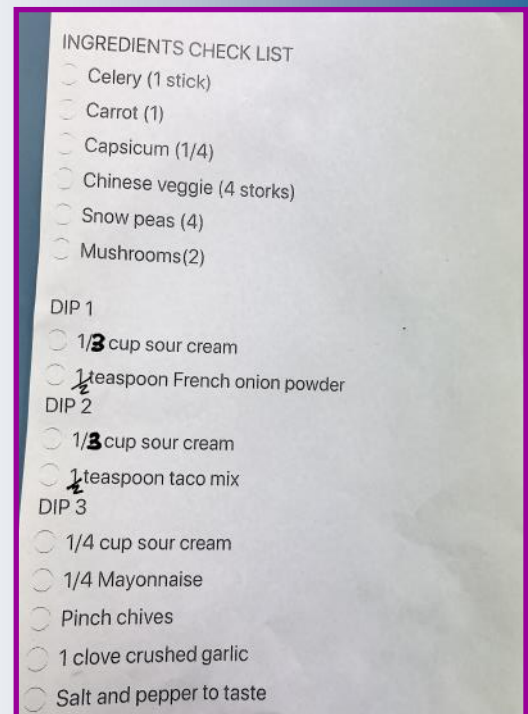
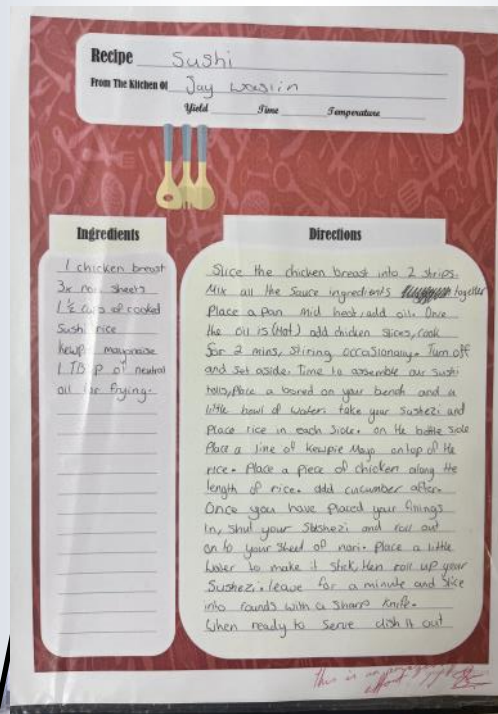




YEAR NINE COOKING

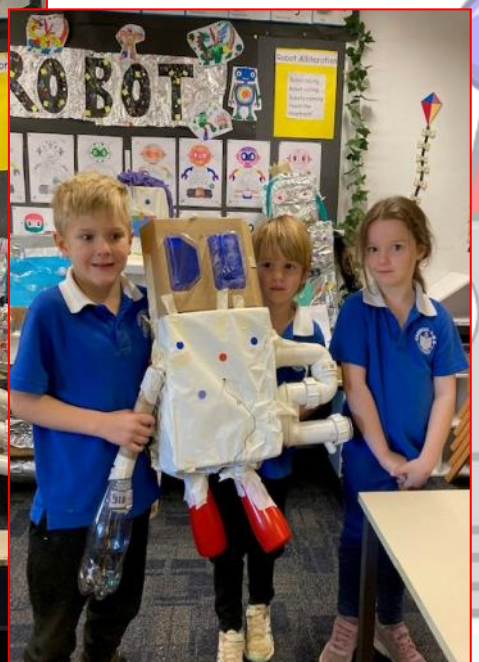
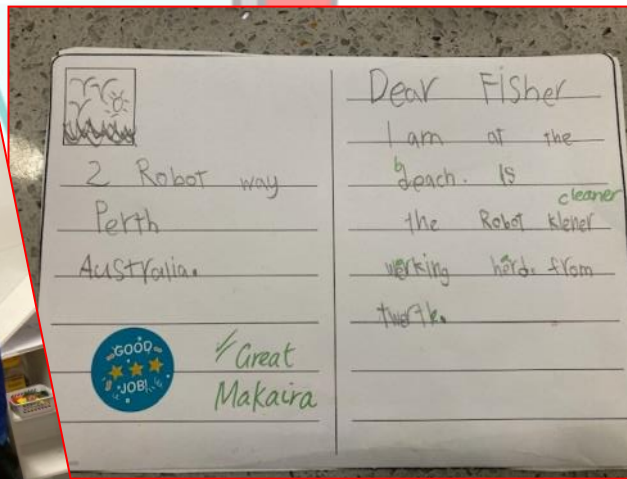
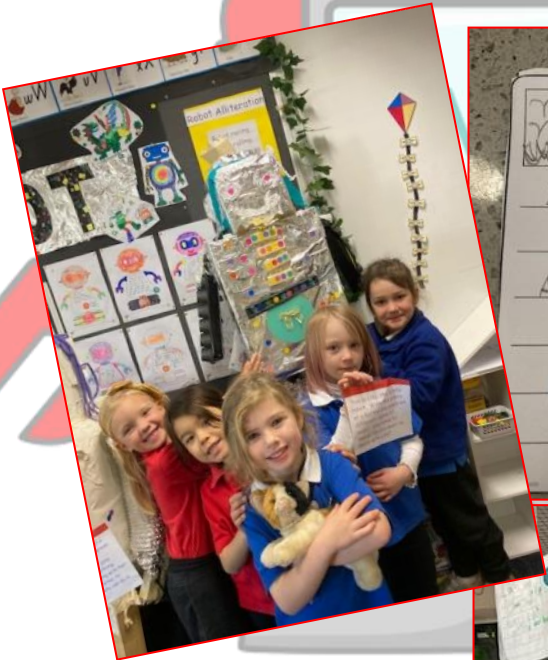


On Friday the 28th of July Mr Ball and Miss Martin were lucky enough to be invited to taste test the freshly made dips prepared by our year 9 students in Home Economics. Dip 1 was French Onion, dip 2 Mexican Taco and Dip 3 Garlic and Chives. Mr B taught the students how to correctly chop food to the right size and shape to make them usable for dipping. The dips were so tasty we decided to share the recipe with you all! We have also attached a Sushi Recipe from another one of our year 9 students Jay.



Year One News

Our year one students have been working in groups to create robots, postcards from robots and imaginative writing about robots. They sourced their own materials, discussed the best way to manipulate objects to keep the robot together and then created their masterpieces. Well done guys, you should be very proud of your finished products!



World Pyjama Day

On Friday the 21st of July our students were able to wear their pyjamas to school for World Pyjama Day. Here are a few of our gorgeous pre-primary student in their pyjamas.



What's better than wearing your PJ's to school? Making fresh orange juice! Thank you to Kate Pearce for making it with our year one students and providing the yummy oranges.



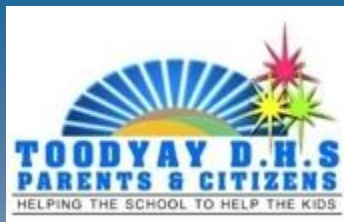
Music and Choir: Our School's Serenade Has Begun!

Semester 2 is set to be a very busy and exciting time for our Primary students, as Music is now being offered to all primary students from Year 1 to Year 6. Our youngest musicians in junior primary are already immersed in composing 8-bars rhythms and performing to their classmates. In the coming weeks, middle and upper primary students will be playing the recorders, adding even more musical flair to our school. Our Year 6 students have taken up the art of cup drumming, bringing rhythm and exuberance to our music room.

And the icing on the musical cake? The school choir is now in full swing! Every Friday, from 11.50 am to 12.45 pm, our talented singers come together to create melodic wonders with support from the remarkable Ms. Emma Pettemerides. We had a fantastic first session with Emma last Friday, and the students were truly engaged and inspired. We can't wait for more wonderful sessions to come, as our choir prepares to dazzle you during our upcoming Open Night.

Mrs Shuang Aliaga





Toodyay DHS Parents & Citizens Association

email pandctoodyaydhs@gmail.com, Facebook "Toodyay DHS P&C"

President - Kelly-Anne Murray on 0406 585 716

Thank you to our Community Bank!

Thanks to the generous donation of \$45,000 from the Community Bank Toodyay and Northam, Toodyay District High School students, staff and families started term three with a dry, warm and welcoming undercover area.



During the school holidays local trades and services were hard at work replacing roof tiles, refurbishing the bench seating and installing sky lights, outdoor carpet and new LED lighting.

Our fabulous P&C volunteers painted the canteen wall in shades of the school's colour blue and installed new menu boards. A special thanks to Heather McGlasson, Danni Cottam, Rose Murfit and Dani Xuereb for their efforts.

Already, the space is more comfortable and welcoming for students to play and for the school to gather for assemblies and events. But we're not finished yet. Next up is the installation of a

new public address and audiovisual projection system. What an incredible difference this refurbishment will bring for the school.

New early childhood cubby house

Thanks to the Toodyay Op Shop's donation of \$2,000 and another \$2,500 from the P&C, the school has purchased a new cubby house for early childhood students. The cubby has been delivered to the school and the Moondyne Men's group of volunteers may be helping to assemble the cubby soon.

Term 3 members meeting - Tuesday 15 August at 5.30pm

Please join the P&C committee, volunteers and staff at the term 3 meeting, held in the staff room from 5.30 pm. Everyone is welcome and you can bring the kids too. All members receive an agenda for the meeting and you can follow the TDHS P&C Facebook page for updates.

Term 3 activities

The school's calendar is jam packed with activities, events and opportunities for students.

- Athletics carnival on Friday 18 August
- School's open night on Thursday 24 August
- P&C Father's Day stall on Friday 1 September

If you would like to know more about how you can support the P&C and the school, please contact Kelly-Anne Murray on 0406 585 716 or email pandctoodyaydhs@gmail.com.

You may also message via the facebook page – search 'Toodyay DHS P&C', or write to Toodyay District High School P&C at PO Box 1624, Toodyay WA 6566.

Awards Winners 2023

Braxton Fernihough

Nolan Hughes

Mikayla Young

Max Brockliss

Elanor Lowe

Olivia Gonclaves

Corbin Hansord

Eli Murfit

Aurora Oliver

Torah Pearce

Hallie-Hoterene Short-
land

Ruby Dowley

Jordan Harrison

William Haydon

Mitchell Ferrie

Koen White

Marley Smajdor-Burns

Lucian Walton

Congratulations

School Chaplain

Toodyay YouthCARE is responsible for funding of the School Chaplain, Doug, for four days per week this year. Unfortunately, we only receive partial funding from the Government, and need to locally fund the balance. Not only do we need to raise funds, but we, as Friends, seek to lend support to, and interest in, the work of the Chaplain, creating an added bridge between the community and our own local school.

We ask that you consider supporting this very worthwhile service and maybe even encourage a friend or neighbour to join the ranks of "The Friends of Chaplaincy". If you are interested in supporting this worthwhile cause, please email: johnwhite1@westnet.com.au

Yours sincerely

John White (Secretary)



TDHS P&C - Open Monday and Friday



Recess

Hashbrown	\$1.50
Pizza Cheesie	\$1.50
Mini Croissant	\$1.50
Assorted Cakes	50c
Potato Chips	50c
Jellycup	50c
Pikelets	50c
Pop Corn	50c
Choc Mousse	50c

Monday and Friday

Pie	\$3.00
Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Party Pie/Saus Roll	\$1.00
Hotdog	\$3.00
Nuggets	\$3.00
Quiche	\$3.00
Tst Chicken/Cheese	\$3.50
Tst Ham/Cheese	\$3.50
Ham/Cheese Croissant	\$3.50

Icy-poles 50c, Moo Box, Juice Box or Water \$2.00. Sauce 30c

Friday Lunch – Meal and Drink \$6.00

Friday 21 July	Beef Burger
Friday 28 July	Mac N Cheese
Friday 4 Aug	Super Hotdog
Friday 11 Aug	Chicken Stir Fry & Rice
Friday 18 Aug	Sausage Sizzle
Friday 25 Aug	Savoury Mince & Pasta
Friday 1 Sept	Hot Chicken & Mayo roll
Friday 8 Sept	Fish & Chips
Friday 15 Sept	Meatball Sub
Friday 22 Sept	Chicken/Cheese Wrap

Information for parents

Apply for KidSport funding and help your children experience the benefits of club sport.

Connect children with community sport with up to \$150 from KidSport.

Did you know children between 5 and 18 years who are named on a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card may be eligible to receive up to \$150 per calendar year towards club fees for approved KidSport Clubs?

The KidSport online application process is quick and easy and our promotional toolkit makes it even easier to share the good news with your community.

Access templates for your newsletters, website, social media or parent communications so more children can experience the physical, social and emotional benefits of joining a club and participating in community sport.

KidSport is delivered by the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries in partnership with local governments throughout Western Australia. Visit www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/kidsport or call us on 08 9492 9911 for more information.



TOODYAY PLAYGROUP

Bizzy Bees: Pre-Kindy Program

Does your child turn FOUR years old between
July 1st 2023 and June 30th 2024?

If yes, **Toodyay Playgroup** invites you to join **Bizzy Bees**;
Our pre-kindy program designed to help your child be ready for school,
to learn skills and help them succeed in kindergarten and beyond.

When: Terms 3 & 4, Mondays 9am-11am

Commencing: Monday 24th July 2023

Where: Toodyay District High School

What makes Bizzy Bees special?

Bizzy Bees is run by parents/carers for their children. The program includes playtime, stories, rhymes, music, and art activities; helping your child to develop their early learning skills in fun ways.

To register please
scan the QR Code and
follow the prompts



For more information please contact playgrouptooday@gmail.com
Toodyay Playgroup Term Fees & Playgroup WA Insurance apply



Coordinated by Toodyay Playgroup
Supported by Toodyay District High School
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Uniform Policy

Last updated 2021

The purpose of the school uniform is to create a sense of community that engenders the feeling of belonging in all individuals.

The uniform represents a commitment to our values which underpin the teaching and learning at Toodyay District High School. Our aim is to have a learning environment that is supportive, positive, non-discriminatory, equitable and safe.

The wearing of the school uniform proudly identifies our students at all times and can assist teachers with duty of care in the school yard and on excursions. The school's solid blue with white trimming colour, is highly recognisable from a distance. It also avoids the issues of competition and purchasing expensive clothing, providing functional and cost effective clothing for children.

Any changes to the school uniform will involve consultation with the wider school community. The final authority for any changes to the School Dress Code rests with the Governing School Council.

Awareness of, and sensitivity to students in financially disadvantaged situations has been taken into consideration in relation to the School Dress Code. Our uniform offers affordable clothing for all students. It is flexible, based around the school's colours of blue and white.

Procedure: Toodyay District High School Dress Code

Clothing

Shirts are to be royal blue polo shirts with a white collar and school emblem. A commemorative Year 6/Year 10 or other curriculum designed shirt may be worn. Wind-cheaters and school jackets are royal blue with school emblem. Shorts, Pants, Skirts or Skorts must be black with no noticeable stripes, logos or motifs. School shorts must be at an appropriate length. *

If leggings or tights are worn, then appropriate black school shorts are to be worn over the top.

Hats must be worn outdoors at all times. School faction brimmed hats are strongly recommended. Sports Uniform to be worn at interschool sports will be black skirts, skorts or shorts with a blue school uniform polo shirt with a school logo

School uniforms are available from Cadds Fashion Surf and Sport in Northam, open on Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 5.00pm and Saturday, 8.30am to 12 noon.

School Excursions require full school uniform being black shorts, pants, skirts or skorts and royal blue school uniform shirts and jumpers or jackets with school logo.

Footwear must be appropriate and comfortable. For safety reasons, thongs are not permitted.

Any clothes made of denim are not permitted.

The following items are **not permitted**: Hoodies, tank tops, singlets, see through garments, midriff tops, thongs, high heels. Shorts, dresses, skirts must be mid-thigh length **not too revealing**. (Short- shorts are NOT permitted*) There is to be no visible labelling except for the school logo on any part of the uniform.

This is defined as acceptable if, when standing straight with hands by your side, the finger tips do not reach past the bottom of the shorts or skirt.

Jewellery

Fashion type jewellery is not permitted. Children may have a single stud or sleeper earring in each ear only. No facial or visible body piercings are allowed.

Sun Policy - In accordance with the school Sun Policy, the wearing of hats is essential throughout the year. Toodyay DHS School bucket hats are strongly encouraged, as they offer the best protection. Hats are not to have visible graffiti. Students who choose not to wear a hat will be required to remain in the shaded veranda areas.

Footwear

Sensible, comfortable closed footwear is to be worn at all times. Preferably on days of PE children wear sports shoes.

Makeup & Hair

Make up and brightly coloured nail polish are not considered appropriate for children at school. Students with hair longer than shoulder length will have it tied back.

Casual Days, Camps and Sports Days

On Casual Days, camps and Sports Days, Sun Safe and jewellery dress code applies. Appropriate footwear is to be worn. Bathing suits are to be consistent with the sporting activity.

*Consequences of Inappropriate dress

Students who arrive in attire that does not meet the dress code will be asked to wear a school polo shirt as their outer garment. Secondary form teachers will ensure compliance during morning form. Primary teachers will do uniform check first thing in the morning. If needed, the student will be sent to the Administration where they will be offered a borrowed uniform and expected to swap their incorrect item of clothing for the day. The student item will then be swapped back at the end of the day. A student who refuses to comply with the Uniform policy will be managed using the Toodyay Managing Behaviour policy.

Responsibility

Parents: Acceptance of enrolment at Toodyay DHS assumes an agreement between the school, parent/carer and the enrolling student to follow the dress code. Parents will be expected to supply suitable clothing for the child's use in school activities. Issues of financial hardship can be discussed with the Principal or Manager of Corporate Services. Parents will be notified either by phone, letter or diary if their child is not wearing appropriate clothing. Parents are expected to notify the school either personally or in writing if their child is unable to wear the correct uniform. Second Hand uniforms are often available from the Toodyay Op Shop.

Exemption: DOE Policy states that Principals may exempt students from the Dress Code Policy upon written request from the parents, on the following grounds:

- Religious, Cultural or ethnic
- New student (two weeks to purchase)/Itinerant students
- When there is a genuine medical or family reason for not wearing uniform, the school should be informed in writing.

All students are required to wear clothing consistent with the School's Dress Code at all times.

_David Ball - Principal

Kelly-Anne Murray - School Council Chairperson

Smartsuite:TV4Education: Notification to Parent/Guardians.

The library has moved to a new system that offers all users the benefits of a cloud-based system – with the added TV4Education for staff. TV4Education will save staff time and increase choices in sourcing resources to complement their programs. Links can be given to students to access from home ... on all devices. Resources include movies, YouTube clips, education programs and others to match the curriculum.

Parents and guardians should be aware that under 3rd Party Services, both programs require parent/guardian notification that the school has engaged their use. If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Julie Wood in the library.



School Notices

LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that your child/ren has their name clearly labelled on their school uniform/clothes. We had a huge amount of unclaimed clothing that was taken to the op shop beginning of the year. The lost property is kept in TA3, the Chaplains room.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a water bottle for the day, as phase 4 COVID restrictions are still in place. Therefore students cannot drink directly from the water fountains but can fill water bottles.

Students leaving the School during school time Kindy-Year 10

All parents needing to collect their child during school hours are now required to go via the front office and sign out. This will generate a yellow slip that is given to the class teacher. Following this process provides the school with increased accountability on your child's whereabouts.

Head Lice

As you will know, head lice are small insects that live in human hair. The eggs look like grains of salt stuck to the hair and most often are found behind the ears and along the forehead and temples.

Head lice are very common, particularly in schools where children often have their heads close together. Head lice can live in the cleanest hair. They don't make you sick, but can cause itching, especially in children, so you may have noticed your child scratching lately.

Your child can return to school when treatment has commenced, Initial treatment includes the application of treatment and the removal of eggs and live lice. Please be aware this is an ongoing 10 day treatment (to break the life cycle) and then a weekly check thereafter.

It is very important to check the rest of the family and other close contacts for head lice too. Please tell others your child associates with, so that the chance of infestation is minimized.

Book Club

Book Club catalogues will be sent home with students and ordering is now online only.

GENERAL INFORMATION

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL SITE

All visitors to the school are required to sign in at the main office. Should you need to see your child, then a member of staff will collect them from the classroom.

THE SCHOOL SITE AFTER HOURS

Parents/carers are reminded that the school site is out of bounds after hours. People are requested not to use the school grounds as a “shortcut” as any access is unauthorised. Police have been conducting walk-throughs of the school. Any repeated unauthorised access may result in a complaint to the police and a trespass order being issued.

STUDENTS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Breakfast Club commences at 8.15am so no student should be at school before 8.15am. Unless attending Breakfast Club or arriving by school bus which may drop students here early, children should not be at school before 8.30am on school days. The school grounds are out of bounds after hours and on weekends.

COMPLAINTS AND INCIDENTS AFFECTING THE SCHOOL’S REPUTATION

From time to time, an issue that affects the school occurs within the community. This information is often posted on social media and the incident can be misrepresented and misinterpreted. Should parents/carers become aware of such an issue we request that you contact the Principal so that the issue can be dealt with directly. We have a complaints process which will be followed. Toodyay DHS is your school and any negative public discussions affect all of the students who are enrolled here. We are proud of our school and work hard to create a positive environment.

AMBULANCE

When a child is injured, parents/carers will be called. If there is any doubt about the injury, an ambulance will be called. Parents/carers are advised to ensure they have ambulance cover as ambulance costs will be the responsibility of the parents/carer (not the school).

SCHOOL PICK UP/DROP OFF

Please do not use the staff office parking area and driveway as a pick up or drop off point for students.

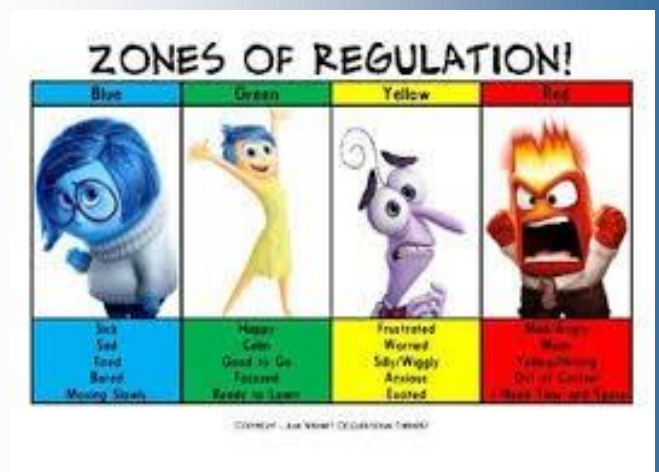


Zones of Regulation

This year we are continuing to implement **The Zones of Regulation** across the school (K-10) as a part of a whole school approach towards self-regulation.

This approach is designed to help students learn to identify their feelings and emotional reactions and learn strategies to encourage better self-regulation across different situations. A simple color-coded, four-zones format encourages learning. With optimum learning happening when students are in the Green Zone. Students also learn how to use strategies or tools to stay in a zone or move from one zone to another.

You may hear and see students using *Zone language* throughout the school and we encourage parents to speak with their child or child’s teacher regarding this approach.





TERM 3 PLANNER 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17 July School Commences	18	19	20	21
24	25 Year 10 White card	26 Year 10 White Card	27	28
31	1 August PEAC—Yr 4 Yr 10 Subject Counselling Assembly at 9am	2	3	4
7	8	9 Primary Jumps & Throws—Athletics Carnival	10	11
14 Science Week	15 P & C Meeting at 5.30pm	16	17	18 Athletics Carnival
21	22 Bunnings Incursion K/PP Assembly at 9am	23	24 School Open Night	25
28	29	30	31	1 September P & C Fathers Day Stall
4 OLNA—Yr 10	5	6 Zero 2 Hero - In your head forum - Student Leaders School Council Meeting at 9am	7	8 Interschool Athletics Carnival
11 OLNA—Year 10	12	13	14 Astronomy Incursion	15
18 Country Week - Highschool	19 Assembly at 9am	20	21	22 End of Term