

Grade 1 Parent Information, 2019



Welcome

This year the Grade One teaching team is made up of:

- ▶ A - Mr. Luke Fletcher (year level leader)
- ▶ B - Ms. Luisa Abello
- ▶ C - Miss Danielle Palombi
- ▶ D - Miss Alana Spitalnic
- ▶ E - Ms. Catherine Segrave

Specialist Staff

- ▶ Our Art teachers are Susan Tate (Wednesday & Thursday), Laura Goonan (Monday & Tuesday) and Liz Harrington (Friday)



- ▶ Our French teacher is Madame Anderson

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- ▶ Our Music teacher is Miss Sue Wuttke



- ▶ Our Physical Education teacher is Miss Jen White



Curriculum



The curriculum specifics for each term is outlined in the Grade One Newsletter (located on compass).

English

Reading

Writing

Spelling (Letters and Sounds)

Speaking and Listening

Mathematics

Number & Algebra

Measurement & Geometry

Statistics and Probability

Inquiry, Term 1

History: Past Present and Future

Chemical Sciences: Change Detectives

Inquiry

Term 1 Inquiry Topics

Our Inquiry Topics for Term 1 will be:

- History: Past, Present, Future: an inquiry into how we describe the sequence of time.
- Science: Chemical Sciences: Change Detectives. An inquiry into how everyday materials can be physically changed in a variety of ways (Incursion March 18th - Itsy Bitsy Chef)

Wellbeing



- ▶ This year the students will be introduced to the **Respectful Relationships** program in Wellbeing
- ▶ **Toorak Primary School Values** - Wristbands are awarded to students who go over and beyond to display **kindness, respect, friendship, honesty and responsibility.**
- ▶ Daily Mindfulness time will consist of 'Smiling Mind' and other guided meditations
- ▶ Grade 6 Peer Mediators will be found in the school yard during breaks this year to assist with minor disagreements and injuries
- ▶ **Behaviour Code of Conduct** - (located in all classrooms) Developed with the help of TPS students. The language is consistent across the school. Students are shown the code of conduct so behaviour is held accountable and consequences are fair.

Sample Timetable (found on Compass)

1A 2019 Timetable

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00am-9:30am	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Assembly
9:30am-10:25am	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Big Write
<i>Fruit SNACK 5 MINS</i>					
10:25am-11:20am	Writing	Writing	Math Class	Writing	Big Write
<i>RECESS 11:20- 11.50am</i>					
11:50am-12:45pm	Math Group	Math Group	Art	Math Groups	Math Class
12:45pm-1:40pm	Inquiry/STEAM/ICT	Sustainability	Music	Library	Choose Time Homework Pack up
<i>LUNCH 1:50-2:35pm (eat at 1:40pm)</i>					
2:35pm-3:30pm	Grade 1 Sport	Library	French	Respectful relationships	P.E

Timetable

- Due to the bell times changing in 2019 to cater for all specialist classes, the students will have an opportunity at 10:20am for a 5 minute FRUIT snack break.
- Chatterbox - each child has an assigned day. See newsletter for Chatterbox fortnightly topics
- The library is now open. Grade One will be visiting every Tuesday. If you find an overdue book from 2018, please return it.

Homework



- We recommend your child reads every day
 - Levelled reading books changed daily
 - Reading log can be found in the Homework Book
- Talk Homework sent home each Thursday
 - Discuss the topic of the week to write about on Friday for 'Big Write'
- Additionally, a set of homework tasks assigned each week
 - Due Thursday mornings
 - School policy: no more than 30 minutes each night
 - **Homework will commence week 5**
- Logins for online resources will be found in Homework books (we suggest taking a photo for back up)

Sustainability

- Each class has a 'Green Team' member who attends regular meetings
 - Term 1 Sustainability classes in the garden with Mr. Sebastian Beck
 - We are a '**Nude Food**' school
- Tips:
- labelled reusable plastic tubs
 - lunch box with sealed compartments for different foods
 - provide foods with natural packaging, e.g. bananas



Parent Volunteers

We really appreciate parent volunteers. If you wish to volunteer to help in the classroom, you will need to complete a **Parent Helper Course**.

*Online classroom helper training course

<http://www.toorakps.vic.edu.au/parent-information/online-parent-helpers-course/>

*Office staff will provide you with a Certificate of Completion once you answer some simple questions from the course

Volunteers will need to sign the Child Safe Code of Conduct Agreement- from 2017

You will also need a Working with Children's Certificate (application forms online) to assist:

- ▶ in the classroom
- ▶ with swimming (Term 4)
- ▶ with excursions

Please ensure to sign in at the office when you arrive. You will receive a name tag sticker to wear.

- ▶ **Parent Helper Timetable will be placed in your child's classroom in Week 4**



Parent Reps

Thank you to those who have kindly volunteered to be a class parent rep. We, as a teaching team intend to keep regular communication and clear messaging. The assistance of the class reps will help ensure emails are forwarded on, volunteers are gathered and important dates are made known.

Your Class Reps are:

1A - Amanda Box (James' Mum) & Claudia Gonzalez (Frederic's Mum)

1B - Travis Ahearn (Ethan's Dad)

1C - Sandra O'Neile (Lexi's Mum)

1D - Elena Desyatкова (Nika's Mum)

1E - Ana Adams (Isla's Mum) , Ainslie Burling (Hudson's Mum) & Colleen Bailey (Grace's Mum)

Birthdays

If you wish to bring in something for your child's birthday please:

- ▶ Please inform the teacher
- ▶ Drop it off at the start of the day
- ▶ Please attach an ingredients list for students with allergies or intolerances
- ▶ No NUTS

First Aid and Allergies:

- ▶ Miss Spitalnic has an anaphylactic nut allergy. We also have students with nut, egg and sesame allergies.
- ▶ If your child's asthma plan has changed please inform the office staff

Compass (Access from school website)

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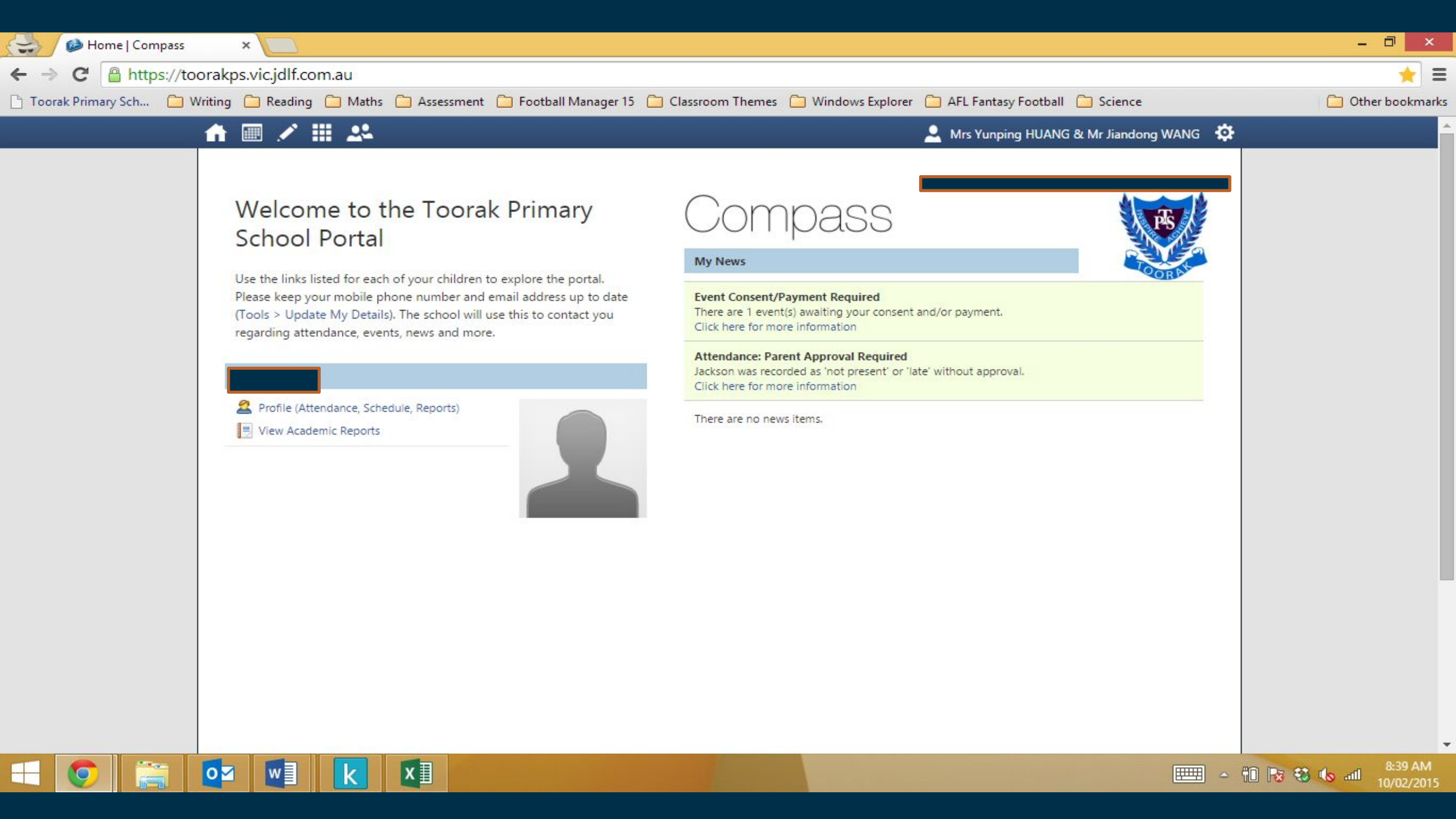
Toorak Primary School

Toorak Primary School, established in 1890, is located in a quiet residential area in the city of Stonnington.

Attractive and well-maintained grounds complement the buildings that are adjacent to Brookville Gardens. The school utilises this magnificent parkland as a social, recreational and learning facility.

Toorak Primary School has an enrolment of 420 students, being drawn from the local Stonnington municipality and surrounding suburbs.

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Welcome to the Toorak Primary School Portal

Use the links listed for each of your children to explore the portal. Please keep your mobile phone number and email address up to date (Tools > Update My Details). The school will use this to contact you regarding attendance, events, news and more.



Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)

View Academic Reports



Compass



My News

Event Consent/Payment Required

There are 1 event(s) awaiting your consent and/or payment. [Click here for more information](#)

Attendance: Parent Approval Required

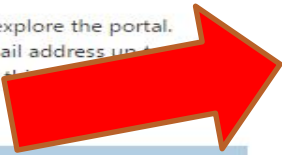
Jackson was recorded as 'not present' or 'late' without approval. [Click here for more information](#)

There are no news items.

These "My News" items only appear if an event is needing parent approval/interaction

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Toorak Primary School Portal. The page title is "Welcome to the Toorak Primary School Portal". Below the title, there is a navigation menu with icons for home, calendar, pencil, grid, and people. The main content area is titled "Compass" and features a "My News" section. This section contains two highlighted items: "Event Consent/Payment Required" and "Attendance: Parent Approval Required". The "Attendance" item specifically mentions "Jackson was recorded as 'not present' or 'late' without approval." A red box with the text "This parent has one event to pay for" is overlaid on the left side, with a red arrow pointing to the "Event Consent/Payment Required" item. Another red box with the text "This child was late or absent" is overlaid on the right side, with a red arrow pointing to the "Attendance: Parent Approval Required" item. The browser's address bar shows the URL "https://toorakps.vic.jdlf.com.au". The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the time as 8:39 AM on 10/02/2015.

This parent has one event to pay for




This child was late or absent




Here you can see all of this child's late and unapproved absences

Dashboard Schedule Learning Tasks Attendance Reports Insights

Summary Approvals Unapproved Arrival/Departure Full Record

Unapproved Not Present/Late  This is a button here to approve absences

 Print Unapproved Letter ▾

<input type="checkbox"/>	Activity Name	Start	Finish	Pd	Location	Staff	Status
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Housekeeping

- Take home folder at school **every day**. This is to ensure students can take a book home to read and also for any notes to go home
- Hat **every day** in term 1 and 4
- Lost property tub in each room - **please label all items**
- Please begin sending in art smocks - an old shirt is fine!
- We ask that each student donate a tissue box to their classroom
- A Grade One Noticeboard is coming! It will be located between 1C and 1D (downstairs portables). Please check it regularly once it is installed
- Please use the compass email system respectfully
- Please respect the workspaces by knocking seeing a staff member before entering the classrooms

Thank you!

We look forward to a successful 2019 in Grade One!

