The Foundation students are eagerly counting the days until our annual Foundation Mothers’ Day function. On Thursday May 7 all the students’ mothers will be invited into our classrooms. We will undertake a joint craft activity, sing a song and enjoy a feast together (kindly provided by these same mums!)

This week in preparation, our students reflected on some of the reasons they love their mothers, and employed their emerging writing skills to express their ideas.

I love my mum because she cooks for me. Daniel, Foundation A
I love my mum because she loves me back. Henry, Foundation A
I love my mum because she dances. Ana, Foundation A
I love my Mum because she is a good cook. Leah, Foundation B
I love my Mum because she is amazing at telling funny jokes. Lily, Foundation B
I love my Mum because she is so very nice. Rawnaq, Foundation B
I love my Mum because she always looks after me. Ashmay, Foundation C
I love Mum because we make food together. Estella, Foundation C
I love my Mum because she is so beautiful and she feeds Timo. Clara, Foundation C
I love my Mum because she never lets me get hurt. Benjamin, Foundation D
I love my Mum because she loves me forever and ever and ever. Sam, Foundation D
I love my Mum because she is lovely. Dadon, Foundation D

Each class has been looking after the school chickens in relation to our Staying Alive inquiry and we will soon visit Bundoola Farm for our first excursion to learn more about farm animals and their survival needs. The Fire Brigade will also be visiting soon to educate the students about fire safety.

All the Foundation students showed great persistence and determination in completing an 800m run for the School Cross Country race and proudly displayed their house colours for the first time. A big thanks to the many Foundation parents who came along to cheer the students on and assisted with walking to and from Orrong Park.
Mother’s Day
What a huge success! It all began with a flurry of helpers in the staffroom wrapping a multitude of creative and carefully selected gifts for Mother’s Day. The next wrapping session was enthusiastically supported by the school’s senior students. Sale day was a picture to behold, with a multitude of tables in the hall literally covered with beautifully wrapped gifts for all the special ladies in the lives of our students. The children had a wonderful time making their selections. All children had a gift to take home for Mother’s Day. A special message of thanks is extended to the Event Leaders – Maria Tolley and Debbie Snell. They were indeed a dynamic team. Thanks also to the wrappers and especially the smiling team of parents who came along to support with gift selection. Events and Fundraising sub-committee has had a very positive beginning. Well done to all concerned.

New Community Sub-committee
At the last School Council meeting, discussion centred on the school’s parent body and the way in which parents could support the school in a sustainable manner. It was decided that the most feasible option would be to form a new School Council sub-committee, “Community Events and Fundraising”. The new sub-committee will operate in the same way as the existing sub-committees. There will be school council representation from both school families and staff. An email has been sent to all those who expressed interest in volunteering for school events to register their interest to join the Community Events and Fundraising Sub-Committee. Adrian Smith will chair the meetings with the first to be held at 4.00pm on Monday 11th May. A report will be presented to School Council with recommendations for forward planning. Already several social and fundraising events are planned for the year. Already parents have agreed to manage the events with numerous volunteers registered to support the co-ordinators. The approach this year has taken a different pathway in anticipation of a more sustainable entity. A special thank you to Kerie Agnew and Michelle Osborne for instigating the process with the initial Community Building meetings.

Authorised Parking
Although there is limited parking around the school, the small space at the front of the school is for authorised vehicles only and is clearly marked with such wording. The area is not a drop off or pick up zone for before and after school care. It is a space which is currently allocated to the school principal and deliveries for the school and canteen. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Mother’s Day Stall
Parents co-ordinating the Mother’s Day stall have been extremely successful in sourcing a huge variety of gifts to be sold at the Mother’s Day stall. The stall will take place over two days – Wednesday May 6th and Friday May 8th. All students are encouraged to buy a gift for a special woman in their lives whether it be a treasured mother, auntie or grandmother. Thank you to Debbie Snell and Maria Tolley for their enthusiasm and energy in managing the event. Thank you to the merry group of volunteers who attend the wrapping sessions.

Sports Day
The weather was perfect for a couple of hours at Romanis Oval. The day couldn’t have been better. Students made a special effort to dress for the occasion in house colours. The oval was a picture of colour and perspiration drenched children. Thank you to the many volunteers who came to assist with the operation of the day and others who clearly excused themselves from the workplace for a short time to cheer their children along or to take a snap or two. The Foundation to Year two students who received their ribbons at assembly were clearly as thrilled as their proud parents. A great day was had by all.

Recess Games
In order to offer a variety of activities for the students during recess and lunch times, line marking will take place in various places around the school grounds. In the prep area there will be a snake with letters, two hop scotch grids will be added as well as a chess board and another four square space. Modifications will also be added to the asphalt basketball court to support ongoing skill development. Since children often become bored during such long recreation times, it is anticipated that playground disputes will reduce with the introduction of a larger range of activities in which students can participate. As well as extra games, Mr Brittan is facilitating drawing classes at lunch time while Rebecca Parker, parent of Matilda and Ballou Skinner, plans to introduce dance classes.

Julie Manallack
Principal
SPELLODROME PROGRAM

With our continued focus on spelling in the area of Literacy, Toorak Primary School is utilising the Spellodrome program which will help to connect your child’s understanding of spelling between school and home. Much like 3P’s other programs Mathletics and Reading Eggs, students have an individual log on which will allow them to complete spelling specific activities and games. Students across the school are working on a range of different writing focuses. A range of year levels are exploring writing narratives, focusing on structure and features of this text style. Students are learning that not all texts are structured in the same way; sometimes a story can start with the ending, sometimes the problem is never resolved. Persuasive text features and structure is also being investigated to allow students to understand and use persuasive techniques. Students are experimenting with emotive language and how it can affect a reader’s position on a topic. Students in Grade 3 and 5 are busy preparing for NAPLAN which takes place during week 5.

NAPLAN TESTS

In 2015, Naplan tests will be held on 12-14 May

Naplan tests will be administrated across Australia for all Year 3 and 5 students from Tuesday the 12th of May to Thursday 14th of May.

Naplan tests students in Literacy and Numeracy. It is important to remember that Naplan tests are not pass/fail tests. Naplan tests provide very valuable information. At the classroom level it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

If you have any concerns about your child taking the Naplan tests please contact the class teacher or the School’s Naplan coordinators, (Mrs Lomas or Mr Neville).

Naplan results

Schools will receive NAPLAN reports for their students from mid-August to mid-September, depending on their state or territory test administration authority. The school will notify you when the reports are being sent home. The same report format is used for every student in Australia.

For more information visit: http://www.nap.edu.au/

MESSAGE FROM OUR VICE PRINCIPAL

Musical

Last Thursday Kathryn Sinker, Michael Holden, Mal and Giuliana(parents of Etienne Angelucci-Deacon 3C) and myself visited Wesley College for a tour of Adamson Hall. The tour enable us to envisage how the 2015 musical ‘The Little Mermaid’ will come together in terms of staging and technical requirements. We toured the dressing rooms and explored possible facilities for entertaining guests preshow. It certainly will be a state of the art musical production. The number of parent volunteers offering assistance is certainly an affirmation of the willingness of our community to pull together and make the event memorable for the students.

Coaches at Toorak

A focus within the Toorak Primary School 2015-2019 Strategic Plan is to continue building the capacity of our staff members. To do this we have invited coaches into our school specialised in research based contemporary teaching and learning. This week Varda Svigos and Leslie Tulloch have worked within teaching teams aligning the inquiry topics with reading, writing, speaking and listening strands from within the Australian Curriculum. Discussions focussed on forming explicit learning intentions, accurately assessing against the Australian Curriculum and English as an Additional Language (EAL). We will continue to explicitly map out and model an agreed teaching and learning approach across the school.

Sarah Bracey
Acting Assistant Principal

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On Thursday the 23rd of April, the 5/6’s were lucky enough to attend the Legacy Anzac Service at the Shrine of Remembrance, to mark 100 years of the Anzacs landing at Gallipoli. We saw the Guard of Honour in his smart uniform, we heard ‘The Ode’ read by the Legacy President and listened to ‘In Flanders Field’ recited by James Hayne from Melbourne High School.

It then became time for Finn and I, along with the many other schools who attended, to lay our beautiful wreath next to the eternal flame. We felt honoured to be given the role of the wreath bearers and laying it meant we had the opportunity to pay our true respects to such remarkable men and women.

We thought this service was a respectful way to remember those who have fallen for Australia and all other countries. We hope that we will be invited back next year to mark Anzac Day.  

By Yasmine

The Mother’s Day Stall was a huge success with all children enjoying the experience of shopping for their Mum or special person. The stall will run again this Friday 8 May commencing at 8.30am in the playground, weather permitting. Otherwise it will be held in the hall. The stall is open to the TPS community and friends.
Last Wednesday Toorak Primary School held its annual Cross Country event. The weather was perfect as the students walked up to Orrong Romanis Reserve to complete their cross country run. The Preps were the first to run, followed by the rest of the school. All the students competed well and all students managed to finish the race. The results are as follows:

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On behalf of all the staff and students at Toorak Primary School I would like to say a huge thank you to the parents who came to assist in the set up and running to the event. I would also like to say thank you to all the parent who helped walk the students up to the event and back.

Good Luck to the students highlighted above who have qualified for the District Cross Country event on Friday May 15th.

**CLASSROOM VOLUNTEER TRAINING SESSION**

**Classroom Volunteer Training Session**

*Date:* Friday 15 May  
*Time:* 9.30am – 10.30am  
*Venue:* Staffroom

Any parents/guardians/friends who would like to help in the classroom during Literacy sessions must attend an induction training session.

Please fill in the slip below and return it to the office or to Miss Heseltine in 2B to indicate your attendance.

(If you have already attended the induction session in previous years you do not need to attend again)

We are looking forward to seeing many new faces helping out in the classrooms.

Ms. Amy Heseltine  
2B Class Teacher  
Literacy Co-ordinator

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Classroom Volunteer Training Session

Name:  ________________________________________________

I will be attending the Classroom Volunteer Training Session.

Friday 15 May at 9.30am – 10.30am in the Staffroom.

Please provide a little information by ticking the relevant statements below:

- I am a parent/guardian of a child at this school.
- I am a grandparent or relative of a child at this school.
- I am a community member who wishes to volunteer my time.
- I am a student teacher looking for extra experience.
- Other (please elaborate): ________________________________

If you are a parent/guardian or relative of a student in the school please list their name, class and current classroom teacher in the space provided here:

______________________________________________________________________________________________

Please note down any other information you feel may be relevant, e.g. particular skills or expertise you may have (language, craft, subject area knowledge, cooking, gardening and so forth).
OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update
This week at OSHClub our theme is ‘Exploring our sense of self’. We will be focusing on expressing our unique personalities through art and writing. We will also be making a few special surprises to give to our mothers, grandmothers and special friends on Sunday!

A few reminders:
If your child does an extracurricular activity after school but you would like them to come to OSHClub afterwards, please make sure you have filled in a Return and Release form (ask Hilary or Sophia for one of these), and remind your child that they need to come and get signed in with us before they go.
After school care numbers are picking up and we are not licenced to have over 45 children (though are working to get this expanded soon) so please try as much as possible to book your children in online in advance so we can have an accurate idea of numbers.

What activities did we enjoy last fortnight?

Pretty paper snowflakes
Showing off our drama skills

Thank you to Ruby W and Ellis for always setting an excellent example with their behaviour and being a big help in before school care. Thanks to Anu, Alex T, Harriet and Sabrina for showing great leadership skills by helping to run activities in the afternoon – especially the balloon stress balls and messy cooking!
Well done to all children who get involved in group games and activities that they have never played before. It is important to all of us as educators to see children develop their social skills and confidence in OSHClub, and we love seeing everyone have a go.

Hilary McGuire - Toorak OSHClub Acting Co-Ordinator

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This Week’s Activities

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Parent Information
OSHClub program phone: 0423 777 185
Acting Coordinator: Hilary McGuire, Sophia Cave
Assistants: Shaye Johnston, Sean Habing-Payne
OSHClub Head Office: 03 83649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is free! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
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Time:
10 am to 12 noon
Fourth Friday day of the month (except school holidays)

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May 22
June 26
July 24
August 28
October 23
November 27

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For more information contact:
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Email: southernasprgersvictoria.org.au

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For more information, call Grahame Poole on 0416 808 886, or Matthew on 0412 591 377
or Grahame Development Manager Box Brown on 0416 591 305 and eastern Toorak Primary School.

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CHILDREN’S CREATIVE MOVEMENT CLASSES WITH MOVE CREATE DANCE

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ADULT CREATIVE MOVEMENT CLASSES WITH TRAVEL ART DANCE COMPANY

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Monday mornings: 11:15 am - 12:15 pm
At Yoga Dance Moves, 3016-329 Toorak Rd South Yarra.
5-classes vary $55 for children, $65 for adults or $625 if casual drop-in.
May 18, May 25, June 1.

For more information about children’s classes, please contact Anne on 0410 005 428 or email movecreatedance@gmail.com
For more information about adult classes, please contact Mesh on 0418 567 534 or email travailldance@gmail.com