**Principal’s News:**

**What is Solo Taxonomy?** Teachers across Torquay College have had extensive professional development and use SOLO Taxonomy to establish the learning needs of each class and in planning to meet the educational needs of each child. You may wonder what signs mean that our students use regularly.

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PRINCIPAL REPORT Continued:

2017 enrolments: It is now time for all enrolments for 2017 to be finalised as we are beginning to select staff and establish classes at each year level. Please advise the office as soon as possible if you are planning to move at the end of 2016. Unless siblings attend our school already we are not able to accept any future enrolments from families residing outside the Torquay or Jan Juc areas.

China presentation: I will be travelling to China next week for five days to share our experiences in establishing our exchange program with sister schools in Guangzhou. I will be attending and presenting at a conference in the Shandong Province as a guest of China CISV. Christian Smith will be Acting Principal in my absence.

Grounds: We are continuing to improve our grounds to make them inviting for our students to access. The next project will see synthetic turf replace the muddy grass area behind the admin block adjacent to our basketball courts.

Request for help: The gardens are looking lovely after the spring weather and rains but we also have weeds popping up everywhere. We would love anyone who has a spare few minutes to pull out any weeds you see coming up in the garden edges (even whilst you are waiting for students).

Pam Kinsman, Principal

School Magazine

Last chance to order your school magazine.
Parents are reminded to order and pay for a school magazine by next Friday 14th October.
Payment of $12 can be made to the school office, online or by phone 5261 2360.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden are desperate for volunteers, please contact Terri if you can help.

The Year 1 students will be decorating a Christmas Tree as part of the City of Greater Geelong Christmas Tree Project. If you have any old/unwanted spray cans or tins of lacquer that would help us seal the children’s artwork, we would greatly appreciate it. They can be dropped off at any of the Year 1 classes in B Block. Thank you
Nicole Wearne
Year 1 Team Leader.

BOOKCLUB is due back to school on the 14th October. Unfortunately we cannot take any orders after this time. Thanks for your continued support. Please make sure your child’s name and class is on the order form.
## COMING EVENTS

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Our **annual Book Fair** is coming up in 2 weeks (October 24th to 28th inclusive).

Lots of fantastic books and novelty items will be available, a great way to do some Christmas present shopping.

Please come in at any time during the day (8.15 - 4.15) to browse the fair.

**Premiers' Reading Challenge:**

The challenge is now finished for this year. At assembly on Friday, we drew out the names of two students who completed the challenge and they won a fabulous prize donated by Quicksilver. A huge thank you to Melinda and Todd Liddy for organising this donation. See the photo of Phoebe (R2) and Jesse (R4) receiving their prize.

Certificates signed by the Premier will be issued to students in early November.

**Fiji Book Donations:**

Earlier this year we were able to weed some areas of the Fiction section, to make way for new books and we took these weeded books to Melbourne, so they could be sent to Fiji.

Please see the email and photos from the founder of the Fiji Book Drive, Fiona Luth and photos of some of the happy students.

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**Dear Fiji Book Drive friends and supporters,**

I have returned from a smashingly successful trip to Kadavu, Fiji.

The donations are having a far greater effect than I anticipated. Some schools have started book clubs, some open their libraries at 7am and it is helping with teacher retention and morale. The donations also have a positive effect on the villagers. The teachers, parents and students could not be any more grateful or thrilled with the donations. One kindergarten teacher cried when she opened the five boxes of kindergarten supplies and said "it was the most wonderful gift she had received in her life".

As many of you are aware, my primary aim in donating books, kindergarten supplies and book bags is to boost literacy. From what the teachers tell me, schools that have had libraries for one or two years have noticed a significant improvement in the students reading, writing and spoken English. Every school that receives donations fills out a feedback card and many of the comments have been incredibly touching.

On behalf of the teachers, I thank you so much for your support in helping me assist these remote schools. Looking ahead, next year starting in April I will be calling for donations of books and kindergarten supplies again.

Vinaka Vakalevu (thank you in abundance in Fijian),
Torquay College Drama Academy presents an adaption of “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory” by Roald Dahl

Tickets are limited and —— FREE

Date: Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October
Time: 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Where: The Presentation Room, Torquay College

Tickets are available for both evenings from Mr. Reid

Congratulations Jenna, Charli,

Jenna S. Charli S. Georgie N. Kammie B. Rubi B.

When we got to Bendigo on Friday 16th September to compete in the Aero Schools National Championships Jenna, Charli, Georgie and Rubi went straight to the warm up area and got ready to go on stage. We were very nervous and excit-
University Of NSW Assessments

Torquay College had 53 students participate in the University of NSW Maths Assessment. The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement.

Over one million student entries are accepted from over 6,300 schools in Australia and New Zealand annually. In addition, students from over 20 countries including Hong Kong, India, Malaysia, Singapore, South Africa and the USA participate in ICAS each year.

Torquay College would like to congratulate the 53 students who participated in the University of NSW Maths Assessment. Our students achieved excellent results:

1 High Distinctions - 9 Distinctions - 15 Credits - 8 Merits - 20 Participation certificates

In particular we would like to recognise the outstanding academic achievements of Noah G who gained High Distinction, Noah scored in the top 1% of year 5 participants in Australia.

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For Further information contact: School Office
# Torquay P-6 College

## 2017 Foundation Transition Sessions

| Transition Session 1 | **Wednesday, 26th October**  
9.00am – 10.30am Immersion Day for Jan Juc, Montessori and other Kinder children  
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11.00am – 12.30pm Immersion Day for Torquay Kinder children |
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| Pre Prep Screening | **Tuesday, 15th November**  
Timetabled sessions for all 2017 Foundation students involving a 1 hour language and fine motor screening. Times will be sent out prior to the day. |
| Transition Session 2 | **Monday, 21st November**  
9.00am – 10.30am One-Up Day for Jan Juc, Montessori and other Kinder children  
**Monday, 21st November**  
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| 2017 Foundation Information Sessions | **Monday, 21st November**  
Session 1: 9.00am – 10.30am  
Session 2: 11.00 – 12.30am  
2 sessions for Foundation families to learn about our school and the Foundation program. There will be tea and coffee and an opportunity for families to mingle with other school families. |
| Transition Session 3 | **Tuesday, 6th December**  
9.00am – 12.30pm Orientation Day for all kinder children attending Torquay College in 2017 to meet their new teacher and classmates. This is the designated orientation day across most Victorian Primary & Secondary schools. |

To allow for a smooth transition, we are hoping that our new students will be able to attend all relevant sessions.

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CHILDREN’S WEEK EVENTS

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THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER
Wheelchair Early Years Reference Group will be hosting an event on the Hidden St Kinmonth Pre-School bush tucker site (right next door to the kindergarten). Many activities such as tree climbing, sack races, 3-legged races begin at 1.30pm, face painting, story time and box construction will ensure your child is kept busy.

WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER
Moriac Early Years Reference Group is holding a morning filled with fun at one of the community’s favourite playgrounds, Moriac Court Playground.

The event will start at 11am with bubble making, obstacle course, face painting, story time, sack and three legged races.

For more information about Children’s Week visit education.vic.gov.au/childenweek

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9.00am - 1.00pm
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All anglers must register
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New strain of norovirus and hand hygiene policy

The Department of Health and Human Services has identified a new strain of norovirus which may lead to gastroenteritis outbreaks.

Norovirus infection is characterised by nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea. Other symptoms may include fever, headaches and muscle aches. Symptoms usually resolve after 48 hours, however, if a parent is concerned about their child’s symptoms they should seek medical attention.

Norovirus is the most common cause of viral gastroenteritis. It affects people of all ages however certain groups are at higher risk, particularly those in aged care facilities or early childhood education and care services. Norovirus is known to cause at least 65 per cent of gastroenteritis outbreaks affecting settings like these in Victoria.

To help prevent the spread of norovirus, early childhood education and care services managers should remind staff to:
- avoid attending work when experiencing gastroenteritis symptoms until 48 hours after symptoms completely resolve, and to advise management of their illness.
- Maintain strict hand hygiene procedures at all times. Hands must be washed with soap and running water, after going to the toilet and before eating or preparing food, or when visibly soiled.
- Use appropriate personal protective equipment, such as aprons and gloves, when attending to children with gastroenteritis symptoms. To help prevent the spread of norovirus, everyone, including children, their families, staff and people in the community, should:
  - Thoroughly wash their hands with soap and running water after going to the toilet and before eating or preparing food
  - Avoid preparing food for others until 48 hours after gastroenteritis symptoms have completely resolved.
  - Stay away from early childhood education and care services until they have been free of the symptoms of gastroenteritis for 48 hours.

Actions required

Children and staff should always practice clean hygiene by washing their hands with soap and running water, and seek medical advice if concerned about any symptoms.

View the Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority standards for preventing infectious diseases: Staying Healthy in Childcare 5th Edition.

Additional information

The Department of Health and Human Services has issued the following advice on managing the new strain of norovirus, see:

New strain of norovirus detected in Victoria.

Dr Jenny Proimos
Principal Medical Advisor
Early Childhood and School Education Group