Principal’s News:

Principal’s visit to China: I leave today for five days in China to present at a conference in Shandong province. In my absence please contact our Acting principals, Nadia Tkaczuk and Christian Smith. I look forward to sharing my experience with you next week.

Community Programs: This term many of our programs involve our students engaging with the local community. Year 5&6 are currently doing community sport each Friday and programs to support others in need. Year 3&4 have been working on sustainability in our local environment and the Recycling Reuse theme. We are all very fortunate to live in such a beautiful area and have the ability to share. Don’t forget to send in your old batteries and mobile phones to the box in the foyer to be recycled.

Planning for 2017: If you have any concerns over your child’s class placement in 2017 you are advised that your concern must be in writing and received by me before the end of the first week in November. Please do not approach your class teacher or team leaders with any requests. Our teachers work really hard to ensure that the class groups are established to provide the best options for your child.

Transition process: During this term we periodically will split a class for one day if the teacher is absent. This is a positive experience that enables students to have a change in their learning environment and to meet other students in their own year level. Building resilience to cope with the move to their next year level is an important component of our transition program. Later in this term we also have formal and informal days where students move to the next area of the school.

No Bullying: Bullying is intentional and repeated negative behaviour directed towards another person by one or more people over time. It can be related to just about anything and can come in many forms. For example, bullying can include physical, verbal, social (like spreading rumours, excluding people, etc.) or sexual aggression, and it can be either online or face-to-face. Cyber bullying is a form of bullying that uses technology (e.g. text messages, email and social networking sites such as Facebook, Instagram or YouTube), anonymously or not, to carry out the behaviour. Please discuss any issues immediately with your child’s teacher.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden is desperate for volunteers, please contact Terri if you can help.
Principal’s News Continued:

SunSmart: As a SunSmart school we have a No hat, No play policy. If your child does not have an approved school hat the duty teachers will instruct them to sit in the shade under supervision at the rear of the admin block or send them to spend time in the library. Please ensure that all hats are clearly named.

Names on Jumpers: It is the season when children take off tops and leave them in the yard. Please check for names that may now be illegible and rewrite them clearly. A huge thanks to Rachel Lawson for washing a giant bag of unnamed tops to be purchased back from the uniform recycle cupboard.

Pam Kinsman, Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dear School Community Members,

World Teachers’ Day – Valuing Teachers, Improving their Status

Last week, we celebrated World Teachers Day. It is a time when we can express our gratitude to the teachers at Torquay College. Teachers are among the most important people in the lives of young people and within our community. World Teachers’ Day provides a great opportunity for students and the school community to recognise the highly committed teachers we have at our school.

Education is complex and constantly changing, and teachers are increasingly called upon to step up and manage issues the community places upon them – fitness, nutrition, drug education, bullying behaviour, road safety, bike safety, water safety, child protection, environmental education, sex education and the list goes on. Simultaneously teachers deliver curriculum involving 16 learning areas. We understand most occupations continually have more and more expected of them, and for this reason, teachers are expected to provide our students with the skills, strategies and knowledge for their future. A significant task considering our complex and ever changing world.

It is important that we express our appreciation to our teachers here at Torquay College. Teachers are some of the most important and influential people within our community and we encourage you, as a family, to recognise and acknowledge your child/s teacher.

2017 Transition

Our kinder to foundation transition program will begin on Wednesday, 26th October. It will be great to meet our new families and new students. Our transition program supports new students to the school, students moving to secondary school, and our current students transitioning between grades.

Key Transition Dates:

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<td>Whole school Orientation Day – Students move to their new classroom to meet their class mates and teachers</td>
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Thank you for supporting our school and have a great week.

Kind Regards,
Christian Smith and Nadia Tkczczuk
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Battling cold and blustery conditions 27 Torquay College athletes ventured to the Keilor Athletics Track to participate in the Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics Carnival. To have 27 students qualify for such a high level of competition is an achievement in itself. To then see each of the students compete with such focus and determination was a pleasure to witness and is something of which they should be very proud.

Congratulations and best of luck to our star triple jumpers, Indi E & Bailey G, who will compete at the next level in the State Athletics Carnival.

**Regional Athletics**

**CAN YOU HELP?**

Please ask your children if they would like to donate clothes, books and toys that are in good condition. Put the items into a white box that says Salvation Army. The Salvation Army is a place where there is help for people who are homeless. Sara, Maddie & Shaeya
### CONGRATULATIONS - STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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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.

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**Artist of the Week**  
OLLIE B  
2D6
Library News:

**Book Fair! Book Fair! Book Fair!**

Our annual Book Fair is coming up in 1 weeks (October 24th to 28th inclusive).

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Torquay College Drama Academy presents an adaption of “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory” by Roald Dahl. Tickets are limited and ______ FREE.

Date: Last Show TONIGHT 19th October
Time: 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Where: The Presentation Room, Torquay College

Tickets are available for both evenings from Mr. Reid.
We have had a fun start to term 4, the students have enjoyed party food for their last SAKG lesson for the year and we have been busy in the garden in preparation for our spring planting.

In week 4, the Year 4 students will be coming into the kitchen and garden for an introduction to the SAKG program. If you are a year 4 parent and would like to volunteer for the program and work with your child, please call me on 5261 0906. You will require a Working with Children’s Check which is free for volunteers and can be applied for online. You will also need a signed Volunteers Agreement.

A HUGE thank you to Jules and her team from Mitre 10 for an amazing donation of plants for our garden. We appreciate their ongoing support and our students are going to be very busy planting them.

We have a senior men’s cooking group use our kitchen on a Thursday to prepare meals to take home. This is part of our school helping the community by sharing our wonderful facilities. The seniors group shares the kitchen with the Integration students who cook with their aides. Both groups work beautifully together in the kitchen. Below is a photo of both groups having fun in the kitchen.
Fresh North Queensland Mangoes
Direct from the farm to you!

Support Our Mango Fundraiser

If you love mangoes, here’s your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive.

We are selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest. Number of mangoes per tray is dependent upon size but is usually between 14-18.

Cost per Tray is: $27.00

Place your order by: Monday 31st October

Delivery: Monday 12th December

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  
|                      | **Wednesday, 26th October**  
|                      | 11.00am – 12.30pm Immersion Day for Torquay Kinder children  
| 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**  
|                      | 11.00am – 12.30pm One-Up Day for Torquay Kinder children  
| 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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Torquay P-6 College - www.torquaycollege.vic.edu.au
Torquay P-8 College presents

HUMBLE BOY

Written by Charlotte Jones
Directed by Gay Bell

What: A comedy that buzzes with ideas
When: Preview November 7 at 8:00pm

Nov 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 at 8:00 pm
Where: 16 Price St, Torquay
Adults: $21 Concession: $17

Felix has been described as a modern day Hamlet. Following the sudden death of his father he arrives home to find that his mother has disposed of her late husband’s belongings, including his beloved bees, and is planning to remarry almost before the funeral nibbles have reached room temperature. Comedy and pathos abound as the brilliant astrophysicist struggles to cope with the complexities of human relationships.
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TEAM AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION PHOTOGRAPHY

Photos of sporting teams and special groups were taken at your school recently and are now available for purchase from the Arthur Reed Photos website.

A copy of all photographs will be sent to the school so you can view them prior to purchase.

Finished team photographs are 20x25cm and are $15 each. Specialised group photos and year 12 photo presentation folders may vary, depending on content. *All prices are shown on our website

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Active kids are healthy kids

CHILDREN'S WEEK EVENTS

SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

Sunrise Service held at the Bethel Church, 160 McIvor Hwy, Deer Park, 7am

THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER

Family Fun Day at the Elwood Pool and the Elwood Tennis Club, Elwood, 11am

WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER

Movie Night at the Elwood Theatre, 7pm

For more information about Children's Week visit www.childrensweek.vic.gov.au

Children’s Week is a national program recognising the talents, skills, achievements and rights of young people. It is based on the articles expressed in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, highlighting play, wellbeing and protection.

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THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER

Workshop Early Years Reference Group will host this event on the Helen M Kinnaird Pre School back yard site (right next door to the kindergarten).

Many activities such as tree climbing, sack races, giant games are begin at 10am, face painting, story time and box construction will ensure your child is kept busy.

FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER

The Regional Mobile Library service is hosting story time for children outside the Ocean Grove Primary School at 11:15am to 11:45am for the general public.

Come and listen to some of Australia’s classics and more recent titles being read.

For more information about Children's Week visit education.vic.gov.au/childrensweek

#childrensweekvic

Events may be cancelled during extreme weather.
**THURSDAY 3 NOVEMBER**
6pm – 8pm
Including light refreshments
Bellbrae Primary School, 50 School Road

**SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2016**
10am – 12pm
Including light refreshments
Bellbrae Hall, 90 School Road

**TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER, 2016**
6pm – 8pm
Including light refreshments
Bob Pettitt Pavilion, Sunset Strip, Jan Juc

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

**WHO SHOULD COME?**
Residents and visitors, including the ‘fire ready’ and the unprepared! Sessions are suitable for children aged 12 years+, participating with their families.

In the session you will also play the revised Fire Game and find out how to get a copy to play at home.


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**LEARN TO SWIM**

**VICSWIM Summer Kidz** Program is a great way for your child to learn how to swim & stay safe in & around water!


Aquatics & Recreation Victoria (ARV), through its VICSWM Summer Kidz Program has been teaching children to Play it Safe by the Water with swimming & water safety lessons, since 1976.

The VICSWM Summer Kidz Program is offered to all Victorians, with nearly one million having participated over this time. This long standing, proven program is offered for one, two or three weeks during the January school holidays, at pools and open water locations throughout Victoria.

**VICSWIM Summer Kidz is coming to a pool or beach near you.** For dates, locations & times go to [www.vicswim.com.au](http://www.vicswim.com.au)

- Enrol your child/children
- Proceed with payment by credit card
- Log out
- Check email for confirmation of enrolment

(for assistance call ARV 9271 3800)
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