



2021

## JANUARY

Fri 5th

Assembly online 9am

## FEBRUARY

**Mon 15th** Parent Teacher Interviews

**Tues 16th** Parent Teacher Interviews

## MARCH

**Monday 8th**

*(Labour Day Holiday)*

*Preps begin full time school*

**Thursday 18th March**

Carnevale Parade (details arriving soon)

## Trentham District Primary School 1588 Newsletter 1 5th February, 2021

*Guiding and inspiring young people to make sense of their world and succeed in life.*

### ***From the Principal...***

Welcome to 2021! The first week back has seen a buzz of activity, with classes setting up their expected behaviours and routines. Students have enjoyed being back at school with their friends and I have observed many children eager to dive into their learning for 2021. I would like to thank those who attended the Open Classrooms Sessions/Picnic last night. It was great to catch up with everyone—I hope that you found the information sessions useful. We would like to welcome the new families that have joined our school community this year. We look forward to getting to know you and supporting you throughout your child's learning journey at the school. We also welcome Ms Deb Shepherd to the dedicated team at TDPS. Deb comes to us with more than twenty years of teaching experience in primary schools in both classroom teaching and intervention programs. Deb will be facilitating our tutoring and intervention program. She will also be teaching Mr Sparrey's class on Fridays to enable him to undertake his Learning Specialist role in the school. Miss Buckley remains on Long Service Leave. She asked me to wish you all the best for a successful year ahead.

We could not wish for more with regards to our magnificent children, the outstanding devoted staff, and the commitment from our ever supportive parents! Together we will share an incredible year.



**Fresh Fruit Fridays** will be commencing next week. If you are available to assist with food preparation, please contact the office. **Lunch Orders** will also be returning soon!!

**Parent Teacher Interviews** will take place on February 15th and 16th. This is an excellent opportunity to discuss how your child is progressing and clarify learning goals as we move forward after what was a challenging year for many. Parent Bookings are now available on Sentral. If you have difficulty with the Sentral app on your phone it could be because your phone is running the old (blue) version of the app. If this the case, just delete and re-download the app and things should start working more smoothly. You are also able to log-in to the Portal using the website: <http://sentral.trenthamps.vic.edu.au/portal>

We are now accepting nominations for **School Council**. Further information is available on Page 2. There are many opportunities for parents and carers to contribute to the school community, some of which include:

- School Council
- P & C
- Education Committee
- Facilities Committee
- Lunch Orders
- Trivia Night
- Fresh Fruit
- Working Bees

If you would like further information please reach out!

Please remember to get in touch if you ever have any questions, concerns or suggestions. Your input is important to us!!

Have a wonderful weekend,  
Andrew Zollia



### CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND APPLICATIONS

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families. Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child. If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 03 54241364 and ask for an application form. You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page. Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

### STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION

All children with asthma, allergies or those needing medical attention require Annual Action Plans from medical practitioners. Please provide a current copy to the school.

### BUSHFIRE PROCEDURE

In the event of a bush fire the Principal will follow the instructions of the Emergency Services and only evacuate the school when instructed to do so by the appropriate authority. If the school is evacuated, parents need to contact the local police to establish the whereabouts of their children for collection. Please note that in such an emergency parents can only collect their own children, unless specific arrangements have been personally made with the Principal and then only at the discretion of the Emergency Services. In the event of the school going into Lock Down mode students will only be able to leave the school premises with their parents at the discretion of the local co-ordinator of Emergency Services.

**Daylesford Family Day Care** are seeking a Family Day Care Educator to provide education and care for school aged children in the Trentham area. Ideally FDC is in the Educators home but if your home is not suitable an approved venue (ie at the school) is also an option. In-venue FDC was recently provided at Trentham and District Primary School from 3.20pm – 6.20pm each afternoon, unfortunately due to our Educator re-locating we have had to temporarily suspend our service. However, we have quite a few families that require care for their children both before and after school hours. FDC Educators need to have or be studying a certificate 3 in Education and Care Or equivalent (e.g certificate 3 in Education support). If you do not already have a qualification government funding is available for the Certificate 3 in Education and Care. Please contact Shirlene Nevill on 53483272 or email [fdc@daylesfordchild.org.au](mailto:fdc@daylesfordchild.org.au) for more information and / or a job description and

## TRENTHAM DISTRICT PRIMARY 2021 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

### School Council Nominations

If you are interested or just considering nominating, please call me to have a chat or drop into the school and pick up a nomination form. Forms are available at the office.

**Nominations close Monday 22nd of February.**

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM OF OFFICE	NUMBER OF AVAILABLE POSITIONS
Parent member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2021 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2023.	6 Please see self nomination form attached. Place nomination in box at office. Additionally, forms are available at office.
DEECD employee member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2021 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2023.	0
Community Members	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2021 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2023.	1

# STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Foundations	Brooklyn, for resilience, by demonstrating her ability to cope and adapt in overwhelming situations.
Grade 1/2	Oscar, for his excellent listening on the floor and his kind and friendly nature that is demonstrated daily.
Grade 2/3	Hunter, for an amazing start at Trentham District Primary School!
Grade 4	Taylor, for a terrific effort in writing.
Grade 5/6	Danny, for applying problem solving skills to maths investigations.
Principal Award	Charlotte, for being a caring supportive sister.
Music Award	Hepi, for thoughtful contributions during Music
Art Award	Calista, for her creative designs.
Italian Award	Thomas, for fantastic work and effort in Italian.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2021 SCHOOL LEADERS

### SCHOOL CAPTAINS

**Tex Daffy**  
**Ameliah Melville**

### ART

**Archie Patterson**

### SPORT

**L-Jay Malone**

### MUSIC

**Danny Sutton**  
**Finbarr Walsh**  
**Ed Walsh**

### LEARNING LEADER

**Cherry Creighton**

### STUDENT SCHOOL COUNCIL

**Ned Cassidy**  
**Angus Foskett**

## Basalt Peppergrass Working Bee!

### The garden of endangered Basalt Peppergrass plants at Trentham Primary needs a little bit of love!

Can you spare 1-2hrs to assist with a few tasks that will improve the area and help continue the success of the initiative?

Nat Cursio is committed to caring for and monitoring the Basalt Peppergrass in 2021, and this working bee will make sure the garden is off to a good start.

**When:** Sunday 21 February, 9.30am

**Duration:** 1-2hrs

**Tasks:** Re-setting I.D. tags on stakes, removing wire guards, weeding, photo documentation.

**Bring:** Gardening gloves and favourite weeding tool!

**RSVP:** Nat Cursio 0434 927 721



# SINGING LESSONS!

In the last week of 2020, we had a visit from concert pianist and choirmaster, Adam Przewlocki. He facilitated a singing workshop in which the students learnt a number of vocal warm-ups before learning to sing Count on Me by Bruno Mars. A number of students sang solo: Griffin, Ricky, Calista and Olivia. Everyone had a great time! Adam will be available for voice and piano lessons here at school this year. If you're interested in enrolling your child, please contact Mr Zollia!



# SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

## SCHEDULE 5A: SELF-NOMINATION FORM FOR PARENT MEMBER CATEGORY

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the

.....school council.

Name : .....

Residential address: .....

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Contact phone (mobile or landline): .....

Email: .....

I am the parent/guardian of ....., who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training but not engaged in work at and for the school

Yes / No (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt
- of unsound mind
- currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence; or
- a registrable offender within the meaning of the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*.

Signature of Candidate: ..... Date...../...../.....

### You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable).

Further, the name, membership category, gender, term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on .....

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted. If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.

## MUSIC TEACHERS AT T.D.P.S

My name is **Sue Morris** and I have been teaching instrumental music in the local area for over 15 years. I specialise in flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet and trombone, and am able to play and teach each of these instruments to a high level. I play in a wide variety of groups including orchestras, brass bands, classical trios, a clarinet choir, theatre shows and big bands, covering a range of musical genres. I am currently the Brass teacher at Sacred Heart College in Kyneton, the Woodwind teacher at Braemar College in Macedon, and teach in several Primary Schools. I also offer the opportunity for students to undertake exams with the Australian Music Examinations Board (AMEB), and give students the chance to play with some of the bands I am involved with. Lessons cost \$20 per half hour. Please contact me on 0429 136 494

**Cat Moser** - Violin, Guitar, Ukulele and beginner Piano. I have a Graduate Diploma in Education from Melbourne Uni. In addition to this, I have over 15 years experience teaching instrumental music at Primary Schools, Music Camps, Festivals and Private Lessons - I just love teaching music! I have also directed School String Bands and Ensembles as well as preparing students for AMEB exams and concert performances. On the side of my teaching I am involved with many music projects in the wider community including performing in concerts and organising festivals. If you would like to sign your child up for instrumental music you can email [moser.cat@gmail.com](mailto:moser.cat@gmail.com) or telephone 53686673

**Andy**-Malmsbury musician and instrument maker Andy Rigby is coming to Trentham PS to teach tin whistle, in Irish and other styles. Students will also have the opportunity to make their own. Andy also offers lessons on folk harp, piano accordion and marimba. With decades of experience in acoustic, folk and community music, and as a performer in many bands, Andy brings a well-rounded vibe to his lessons. \$25 per half hour. Contact Andy on 0400-865229 or [arharp2002@yahoo.com.au](mailto:arharp2002@yahoo.com.au) He also teaches from home in Malmsbury.

**Sandy Hood** – Drums Please contact Andrew Zollia regarding lessons on 0432 909 707

The drumming program at TDPS is run by the multi award winning Mr Sandy Hood. Mr Hood has taught drums and percussion for more than 30 years and has worked with international acts such as The Cult, The Cure and Echo and the Bunnymen as well as some of Australia's most talented artists including Olivier Newton-John, Tina Arena, Troy

Casser-Daley, The Young Talent team and many others. He is a qualified Master Drummer having gained this whilst in the ADF and working with THE USMC. The program is a two phase teaching methodology which incorporates rudiments, rhythms and rolls, combined with elements of rock, swing and parade drum corps marching. This program has won many awards including a state government Excellence in Education award. The program offers unique opportunities for students to perform outside the school environment, particularly at festivals and parades all over Victoria.

**JARED BRENTNALL** – Guitar and Base

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Jared has over twenty years' experience teaching both in the classroom and privately as an instrumental teacher of primary, secondary, and adult students. He has taught in a range of school settings including state and private.

Teaching was a natural choice for Jared as his passion and enthusiasm for music is contagious. He understands the power and influence music can bring to people of all ages, and how important its role is in the development of young people.

Jared completed his Bachelor of Music Performance / Composition at Victoria University in 2006 and has worked as an instrumental teacher in Victorian schools since 2008.

For more information, you can visit Jared's website at [www.jaredbrentnall.com](http://www.jaredbrentnall.com)