The Truganina School Logo

In our second year the College continues to develop and grow a culture of learning and wellbeing for all students. In 2015 the school logo was formalised. This logo symbolises what the school stands for – Many people at all different ages and stages taking different paths to learn and make a worthwhile contribution to this great world we live in. This belief underpins all that we do at the College. Our unrelenting focus on learning growth for each and every student is at the centre of all decisions we make. We are always asking questions such as how will this improve the learning outcomes for this student?

In February 2016 all staff are completing learning assessments on each student. For students who started with us in 2015 we are looking for more than one years learning growth in 2015. If students have special needs then we are looking for growth against the goals set in their individual learning plans.

For all students new to the school in 2016 we are completing learning assessments to ensure that we have a very clear base line of assessment data so as to monitor each student’s progress. The assessments we complete assess reading; decoding – (working out the words) & comprehension, writing, speaking & listening and mathematics. The College follows a thorough assessment schedule to make sure we know every student’s learning needs.

Teachers and staff then plan learning experiences which focus on the next step for every child. Sometimes families worry that learning may be too hard or too easy for their child. With such comprehensive assessments being completed this is unlikely. The teachers and staff know exactly where your child is up to with their learning. They then plan the learning experiences to consolidate learning, to address any misconceptions or to extend learning by providing an experience that the child can complete with support and then gradually remove this support as the student becomes more able.

Jenny Crowle, Nicole O’Brien and Steven Trotter

Ces Camilleri from Creative Artistic Steel makes the final adjustments to the school logo which is on display in the school foyer.
Building Works

How exciting to see the construction of the new buildings going so well. The build is ahead of schedule. The stage two footprint is the mirror image of stage one. When complete the U shaped College will have a sheltered courtyard area for students. Stage two consists of a science and technology precinct, an arts precinct, gymnasium, music & drama centre and a food technology centre. The expected completion date is July 2016. We are indeed very fortunate to be so well supported by the State Government and the Department of Education & Training with this major investment in educational infrastructure.

It has been fabulous to see so many students riding their bikes and scooters to school.

Near the basketball court, there is a shelter for all wheels to be kept during school hours. Please ensure your wheels are locked by supplying your own locking device.

For the safety of our whole school community, please walk your wheels through the school and begin riding once you are outside the school.
**Reminder - Extra Curricular Activities**

**Extra Curricular Activities**
Truganina College has an excellent range of extra curricular activities on offer for students to select from. The extra curricular activities have now started and will continue every week following the timetable below. Families may like to suggest to their children that they make the most of these opportunities by joining in the sessions.

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**300 Nights of Reading**
Truganina College is working with all students in every classroom to achieve 300 Nights of Reading this year. Throughout the year, there will be presentations to celebrate the success of students and families who are reading every night and recording this in their Take Home Reading Diary and Student Planners. Please keep a close eye out for big displays in each of the learning buildings and track the progress of all of our students as they work toward achieving their 300 nights of reading this year.

*Well done to Jaiden Salise and Bhagya Patel in Miss Hodgson’s class for correctly making use of their Take Home Reading Diary and Student Planner. Great work!*
Last year our school collected 4620 stickers for the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program and this year we hope to do even better! The prizes our school received from your collection efforts are a sports bag full of skipping ropes and sports balls with 2 Sherrin footballs, 2 rugby balls, 2 Liz Ellis netballs, 2 soccer balls and 2 basketballs.

We also received some wooden nuts and bolts for fine motor skills and blank maths spinners.

Keep a look out for when the Earn & Learn program is back again this year and start collecting!
Truganina College is a rubbish free school.

Please continue to support our school by providing your child with rubbish free lunch boxes.

Many students have been very proud of the best choices they have made by having fresh fruits, vegetables, snacks, sandwiches and water in their lunchboxes.

**Label All Belongings**

All belongings need to be labelled to ensure they are returned if lost. Please label all Hats, Water Bottles, Jumpers, T-Shirts and Lunch Boxes.

**Reminder to all Foundation parents and students**

In case of an emergency, it is suggested that all Foundation students keep a spare pair of underwear and pants in their school bags.

**State School Relief – Uniform and Footwear Support**

State Schools Relief is a not for profit organisation who have provided uniform and footwear support to families since the 1930s. The tradition continues today. If you need assistance with uniform please contact the Front Office to put in a request.

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School Canteen and Lunch Orders

Please remember that the canteen is currently open on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. All lunch orders must be filled out on a brown paper bag, clearly stating the students name, class, room number and their order. Please use one paper bag per student.

CSEF—Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

A reminder to all parents that CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

CSEF application forms have been sent home with students. If you are an eligible parent, please fill in the form accordingly and submit it to the office with a copy of your card. If you require a form or any further information, please contact Hayley Giarrusso or Clare Najdovski at the Front Office on 9368 9800.
Truganina College is currently seeking Easter egg donations for our Easter Raffle to be drawn in the last week of Term 1. All funds raised from the Easter Raffle will go towards funding for our playground. If you have any Easter egg donations, please drop them at the office before Wednesday 16th March.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser

On Thursday 24th March, Truganina College will be holding a Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser. Order forms will be going home with the eldest child today and need to be returned to the College by Thursday 17th March. Orders come in packets of 6 and cost $7 per packet. Both fruit and chocolate chip options are available for order. All fundraising proceeds will once again be going towards funding for our playground.
School Car Park

When picking up and dropping off students, can all parents please be mindful of parking their cars within the car park lines. Please also make sure that the car park entrance isn’t blocked so that other parents can enter and exit the car park with ease. A further reminder to make sure that no children are left in any vehicles when collecting students from class. Thank you for your cooperation.
Congratulations to the following students who were the prize winners for the last newsletter’s Word Challenge:

Manav Jassal from Miss Abela’s class

Arianah Purton from Miss Saffin’s class

Ajok Gak from Mrs Workman’s class

Well done!
School Bell Times

8:35am       Classrooms Open
8:50 - 9:50   Session 1
9:50 - 10:50  Session 2
10:50 - 11:20 Recess
11:20 - 12:20 Session 3
12:20 - 1:20  Session 4
1:20 - 1:30   Eating Inside
1:30 - 2:00   Outside Play
2:00 - 3:00   Session 5
3:00pm       Home Time

2016 School Term Dates

Term 1: 28 January to 24 March
(as 25 March is public holiday) *

Term 2: 11 April to 24 June

Term 3: 11 July to 16 September

Term 4: 3 October to 20 December (Tuesday)


PLEASE NOTE: TERM 1 FINISHES ON THURSDAY
24th MARCH AT 2.30PM
I have read my newsletter 😊

Student Name _________________________
Teacher Name _________________________
Parent Name ___________________________

CHALLENGE!!
How many words can you make which have ‘ee’ in them?

3 WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED THIS ROUND!
PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!!!!

Return your slip to your teacher with as many words written, with ‘ee’ in them for your chance to win a prize!!

Slips must be returned by Thursday 25th February.
Winners announced Friday 26th February.
Go For It!

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