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**Taste of Torrens Kitchen Program 2022: Kindergarten - Year 2**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

All students at Torrens Primary School have begun working in the *Taste of Torrens Kitchen* as part of their involvement in the ACT Government’s Fresh Tastes program. Students will be learning about what is healthy food, why is a healthy diet important and how do we maintain a healthy lifestyle. Kindergarten will have a 45-minute session in the Kitchen each week.  Years’ 1 through 6 will have an hour and a half each fortnight.

Our Teacher/Chef, Cathy Wyatt, links the content of the ACT Government’s Fresh Tastes program to classroom programs by discussing with staff appropriate links to their classroom units of work. Recipes regularly link into Mathematics topics such as measuring and fractions. In the kitchen students develop literacy skills such as reading recipes and following procedural texts. They develop Design Technology skills through following recipes, following safety procedures and making appropriate adjustments for their individual needs. These are great opportunities for students to develop and understand the value of these ‘real world’ skills.

Students working in the kitchen will wear an apron and have a hand towel (tea towel) for wiping hands during the cooking session. For safety, students with long hair must always tie their hair back and all students are to wear closed toe shoes in the kitchen.

We are asking you to contribute to the *Taste of Torrens Kitchen Program* by paying $7.50 per student per term ($30 for the year) so we can sustain this innovative program and have it remain a viable part of our students’ learning in 2022.   This subject contribution is half the cost of previous years, as the simpler meals the juniors cook are less expensive.

Thank you for your support of this special program at Torrens.

Yours sincerely, Rachel Matthews – ***Principal*** (May 2022)***-------------------------------------------------***

**Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name of Parent /Carer** (Please print) **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Payment details: 2022 contribution $30**

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