Toorloo Arm Primary School



NEWSLETTER

December 12th, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4 (subject to change)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week11 Dec	11 6/7 transition LESC	12 6/7 transition LESC 3/ 4 Bike ED	13 Rewards Day	14 Grade 6 Graduation	15 Dress "Chrismassy" Last Assembly In school transition for 2024 Reports home parents
Week 12	18 Class Parties P-4 Grade 5 Tech Day Grade 6 Big Day Out	19 Clean Up Day	20 Pool Day	HOLIDAYS @	
Week 1 2024 January	29 Teachers Resume	All students resume school put this date on your calendars!	31 No preps at school	1	2 First assembly for 2024

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Dear Families and Carers,

As this is our last newsletter for 2023, I would like to congratulate all students on their achievements throughout the year. I have just finished reading their reports and am always humbled to see how all students learning trajectory keeps going in the right direction under the guidance of our wonderful teachers and ES staff. Thankyou to our staff for everything you do to provide the highest quality program that you can and for treating each child with respect and dignity on a daily basis.

We would like to thank our school councillors for their contributions in keeping our school moving forward in a positive direction, our hard-working parents and friends group for all the fun activities they have planned and managed to run throughout the year. We also have a number of wonderful volunteers who come each week to support our students learning, thank-you so much for your time and commitment to our young people's educational success. Thanks to all our parents for entrusting your children to us. We are privileged to work with your children each and every day and enjoy celebrating their little successes and seeing them achieve.

At this week's assembly we will saying farewell to Mr Tom Stubbs, Rosemary Colombo and Ben Talko. Tom has a few business ventures on the go and he and Brodie are expecting a baby in January, so it's time to focus his energy elsewhere. Best wishes Tom and Brodie from all of us. Ben has secured an educational support position at Nagle College in 2024, so there will be a familiar face for some of our students as they move onto their Secondary Schooling. Thanks for a great year Ben and supporting our grade 5/6's to be the best they can be. We also will say farewell to Rosemary Colombo who will be working at Metung Primary School.



Grade 5 Lakes Entrance Freemason's Scholarship

Congratulations to Gabriella and Storm, our 2023 Freemason's Scholarship recipients. Both girls are exceptional students, always striving to do their best academically. They are socially adept and always thinking of others making our school a great place to be. Well done girls!

Thanks to Gary Power for attending our assembly and presenting the certificates on behalf of the Lakes Entrance Lodge and thanks to the Freemasons for their wonderful support of students in our community.





Proud parents Glen and Gail Reggardo with Gabby

Proud mum Alison Ripper with Storm

Rewards Day - tomorrow

These students have opted for fishing and will be walking down to fisherman's landing to try their luck.

Mack Anderson	Ollie Douglas	Harry Friend	John Parkhill	Locky Tunnage
Harlan Smith	Zack Seaton	Jake Hartley	Ray Wang	Able Mckerrell
Sam Davies	Mason Livingston	Taj Greaves	Billy Warfe	Reef Stoddart
Mason Kellalea	Storm Stoddart	•	•	

Grade 6 Graduation

We are looking forward to recognising our grade 6 students completion of their primary schooling this Thursday night. Students to arrive at school at 6.00pm to share a meal with staff and then formalities begin at 7.00pm. Families can be seated in the gallery from 6.45pm onwards.

Friday 15th will be our last assembly for the year. There will be farewells, an instrumental performance by our preps and a performance by our Christmas Choir. This coincides with our Junior School Council dress-up day so it will be very colorful. On this day students will also transition to their new classes and find out who their teacher and classmates will be for 2024. School reports will also be sent home with the children.

Last day of the school year - Wednesday 20th Pool Day

Parents are required to drop students outside at the Aquadome at 10.00am and pick them up outside the Aquadome 1.00pm. At 1.00pm class teachers will bring the children to you – please assist with this as it helps us to know that children are collected as safely as possible.

Our staffing for 2024 will be as follows:

P/1	Miss Naomi Cock and Harry W	/arfe

1/2 Miss Eliza Cunningham, Mrs Brenda Power, Lisa Donnellan and Tasha Sievert

3/4 A Mrs Ali Mackie and Alyssa Warfe

3/4 B Mrs Larissa Murray

5/6 A Mr Alec McPhee and Bree Nation

5/6 B Ms Carolyn Smith, Janet Parker and Hannah

PE/Sport
Visual Arts and Digital Technologies
Performing Arts (starting late term 1)
LOTE (French)
Front of office
Principal

Mrs Barb Plant Mr Jobi Laybourne Miss Caitlin Jackson Madame Emmanuel Samson Julie Cameron and Quita Haag Mrs Kerry Hughes

Have a safe and happy break, see you all in 2024. Kerry Hughes



Students of the Week



Preps and the many community service operators at the community launch of the Australian Emergency Warning System Community Initiative held at TAPS yesterday.



"Learning Together, Succeeding Together"





Hello from the library!

As we are now in December, it's time to start checking in all those places **take home books and library books** like to hideout throughout the year.

Please get your children to have a really thorough look for any of these books, as we would love to have them back on our shelves for 2024. Thank you so much, Lisa

Brekky Club finishes up this week. Please make sure your kids have something to eat at home next week

Prep

Good morning everyone and welcome to the last newsletter of the year! A huge congratulations to the all the Preps for their hard work and determination in 2023, you all did so well.



The last few days

Wednesday – Rewards day Friday

- Christmas dress up day, come wearing you most festive clothes and bring a **gold coin** donation to help buy gifts for children less fortunate.
- Class transition, students will go into their new classrooms with their teachers.
- We will bring everything home, so a bag might be a good idea.

Monday – Class parties, please bring a plate of something to share with the class.

Tuesday – Clean-up day, we move all the furniture out of the room and give it a deep clean.

Wednesday - Pool Day! Please meet me at the front of the school at 10am for a swim and a 1:00pm pick up.



Friday's Last Assembly

This Friday is the last assembly, we are doing our class performance showing off all the musical skills we have learned this year. It would be fantastic if parents and family could come to support all the hard work students have done.

Library Book

There are a few library books still to come back, if you have received a slip in your reader can you please hunt high and low and return them as soon as possible.

Have a great week,

Miss Cock

1/2 A&B

Hello and welcome to the end of the year! This week Miss Cunningham gave her awards to **Tessa Manley** and **Owen Reinke**. Tessa for being brave and sharing her work with the whole school, and Owen for his dedication towards our unit on 'time'. Ms Jackson gave her awards to **Xander Gray** and **Milly Comber** for their sleepover recounts.

This week we are wrapping up all our learning from the year and enjoying some Christmas activities. On Monday both classes will be having their own class party as a celebration of the year. We would love if students can please bring in a plate of food for everyone to enjoy.

Thanks to all parents and guardians for their support this year. We have had a fantastic year and we wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

Eliza Cunningham and Caitlin Jackson

3/4 A&B

Hello 3/4 families, it's been a great year and we have finally made it to the last few weeks.

Students of the Week are:

Sam McDonnell: For being a great partner to others during maths activities.

Maddy Angel: For being a great helper.

Jake Spiker: for his fabulous research on minerals and geodes and the collection of so many interesting facts for his information report.

Chloe Taylor and **Summer Bishop**: for their great teamwork in our maths Thinking Task and including an extra member and supporting them to find the equations themselves.

On Wednesday afternoon we are having our student reward day and children will be participating in one of a variety of Christmas activities such as Christmas cooking or making advent calendars. It should be lots of fun.

This Friday children can dress up in Christmas outfits or casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation. The money raised will go towards buying Christmas gifts for underprivileged children.

Our Class parties will be on Monday 18th of December. Could all students please bring a plate to share with their classmates for lunch. Some examples of food students could bring is a plate of fruit, party pies, muffins or sandwiches.

Just a reminder that if you have any library books at home could you please return them to school as soon as possible.

We wish all our 3/4 families a Merry Christmas. Thank you all for a great year and have a safe and happy holiday break.

Ms Smith, Mrs Murray and Alyssa

5/6 A&B

Hi Year 5/6 families

The award winners this week are:

Taj Greaves for the motivation and positivity he has shown when completing the weekly literacy contract. Great job Taj!

Ollie Anderson for his great work during our maths "real Life" activities involving money and time. Great application to the tasks.

Charlotte Angel for the enthusiastic way she worked through last week's literacy contract. Great work Charlotte, well done.



This week and next we have a lot of things on. Firstly, yesterday and today the Year 6's who are attending Lakes Entrance Secondary College are completing their transition days. On Thursday the Year 6's have their graduation dinner and presentation night. Then on Friday it is Xmas dress up day. Please bring a gold coin donation so we can purchase presents for those less fortunate.

Monday next week the Year 6's have their big day out – please refer to the notice sent home for details. On the same day the Year 5's have their technology day – if they would like to bring any devices in (not phones) to use on the day they are more than welcome. Then on the last Wednesday it is pool day at the Lakes Aquadome from 10am until 1pm, so please return the form for this by Friday. Have a safe holidays.

Thanks,

Alec McPhee and Ali Mackie

SPORT and PE NEWS

Students of the week:

Balin Tuck and Gracie Lunny: so impressed with Balin and Gracie's skills in Bike Ed, and their interest in looking after their bikes so they're safe and working efficiently. They were both terrific role models to their class mates

Dartanyan Milner and Abby Jackson: for most improved in Bike Ed. They showed fantastic progress in their bike riding skills during the program, well done on your focus and persistence!

Grade 3/4 Bike Ed

That's a wrap for our Bike Ed for the year, thanks to parents and students for supporting this terrific program. Students have been so enthusiastic about learning and practising new skills and engaged in the safety aspects of riding and bike maintenance. Today's final session will involve how to pump up your tyres and then we put the skills we have learnt into practise, while group riding outside of the school grounds at the dirt Bike Track across in the Rec Reserve and along the Bike Track near the school crossing.

The program has been really successful this year as we have been able to use the bikes donated to us from the Bikes for Schools pilot program run by Auscycling, and include students who do not have their own bikes. As Bike Ed has now finished, could families please remember to pick up their child's bike tonight, so they can have their bikes for the holidays! Thanks.

Grade 5/6 Golf

Golf has finished up for the Grade 5/6s, we were lucky to complete all the rotations this time! Everyone has had a go on the Golf Simulators and the other groups had their turn on the putting and driving range activities. It was great to see the students adapt to this community recreation environment and show persistence when practising such a complex skills, as hitting a golf ball-not easy. A big thanks to Mr Stubbs for organising this great recreational program, what a great way to wrap up our sport program this year, we loved it!

Wishing everyone a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year!

Barb and Tom (PE and SPORT)

Important Sport dates for Term 4 2023

Tuesday 12th Dec final Bike Ed session Gr 3/4

Important Sport dates for Term 1 2023

Mon 5 Feb Gr 3-6 Swimming Program starts

Mon 12 Feb TAPS CARNIVAL Aquadome Gr 3-6 Bus to dept TAPS 11.30 am ALL Gr 3-6 students

Tues 20 Feb Gr 3-6 Swimming Program finishes

Thurs 22 Feb District Carnival Orbost Qualifying swimmers (back up Fri 23 Feb)

Thurs 29 Feb Division Carnival Bairnsdale



FRENCH

Bonjour,

For our last assembly of the year, I gave an award to **Emily Jackson**. Emily requested an extra challenge for her writing and added extra details to her description of a town. I have really enjoyed watching Emily's confidence grow this year, and this truly reflects the beautiful attitude she's had in the classroom.

Prep students worked on Christmas in France, listening to a song and putting the lyrics in the correct order. They practised their counting and did some numbered colouring on Christmas.

Students in 1/2 have reviewed body parts, clothes and colours with some Christmas activities. They could match the words to the correct body part of Santa and choose to dress up and color in an elf, Santa, a reindeer or a snowman.

Students in grades 3 and 4 played a French game/sport called pétanque. You can see some photos below.





5/6 students are also learning about Christmas and other celebrations in December and January in France with a webquest.

Students in each grade have been receiving their classdojo awards. I gave an award to the top three students in each grade, looking at the number of points they had in semester 2.

Prep: Jack (110 points), William (115 points), Casey (124 points)



1A: Darcy (26 points), Amaya (31 points), Dawson (32 points)

2A: Tessa (52 points), Samantha (66 points), Fletcher (70 points)





1B: Zayn (35 points), Mahalia (37 points), Xander (41 points) 2B: River (57 points), Ollie (66 points), Mack (74 points)



3A: Edison (61 points), Griffin (75 points), Ivy O (106 points) 4A: Sam (107 points), Mannix (108 points), Inca (109 points)

3B: Luna (83 points), Zoe (118 points), John (128 points) 4B: Summer (94 points), Abby (95 points), Jake (137 points)



5A: Arlia (41 points), Kayden (49 points), Gabriella (101 points)

6A: Billy (58 points), Tahlia (71 points), Drazik (88 points)

5B: Kobi (52 points), Lukah (53 points), Ollie (67 points) 6B: Henry (71 points), Keanu (78 points), Chelsea (89 points)

Have a lovely week! Bonne semaine à tous!

Madame Samson



ART

We're getting to the pointy end of the year, and students from every class have been busily finishing off their animation works, refining, re-shooting and sharing their works with others. Animation comes in many forms, with students working through the final stages – planning storylines, sequencing, and filming their final animated works.

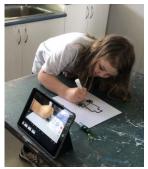






















Have a safe and relaxing summer break!

Jobi Laybourne.



Last Lunch order for the Year



Home Made Sausage rolls \$3.5 (Sauce x2 50C)

Chicken Strip Wrap \$4

Small Tortilla wrap with lettuce, cheese and Mayo

Spaghetti Bolognaise \$6

with Cheese (v)

Chicken or Roast Veggie Quesadilla

1/2 \$4

full \$6

Cheese, Salsa & sour cream add avo \$1

Mini Vegan Budda Bowl\$6

Changes Weekly

Veggie Quiche slice GF \$5

Cup of Homemade soup \$5

with small roll (Changes Weekly)

Pizza Muffins 2 for \$5 OR 1 for \$3

Ham, Cheese & Pineapple

Side salad add \$2

Gluten Free Bread & Wraps available on request

Fruit & Yoghurt cup \$5

Please have lunch orders in office by Thursday mornings. Late Orders can not be guaranteed their choice





















FEES

Vacation Care: \$90

Subsidy. This subsidy will determine your actual fees. Please contact the Family Assistance Office (FAO) on 13 61 50 to find out more about your entitlements

Additional payment is required for excursions and some incursions.

Please note: These costs will be added to your child's fee,

HOURS OF OPERATION

8am to 6pm

WHAT TO BRING



Drink



Lunch



Bag



Spare Clothes

Shoes





Vacation Care Program January Holidays 2024

Operating from the Lakes Entrance Primary School

(Lambert street access).

PH: 5144 6952

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WEEK ONE

Monday 15th January: Buchan caves Come and experience the natural beauty of the Buchan Caves which is situated in Buchan. We will go through one of the caves on a tour with a tour guide so he will be able to answer all of your questions. After the tour we will have a BBQ lunch before heading back to school. Cost: \$25

Tuesday 16th January: Water day and arts and craft

Today the children can bring in their super soakers and water pistols. We will have a day of water play, please make sure your child/ren bring in spare clothes, bathers, hat and waterproof foot attire for outside. Unfortunately if your child doesn't bring a hat they will need to stay indoors. Those that prefer not to get wet will have full access to the OSHC resources indoors

Wednesday 17th January: Tie day and sports day

Let's be creative and make bold and bright colourful clothing. This is an experience that can't be missed. We will have a white t-shirt for each child, but you're more than welcome to bring in other items of clothing to tie dye. Please send lunch and snacks for the day.

Cost \$10pp

Cost: \$10pp

Thursday 18th January: Aqua dome and inflatable
We will walk to the aqua dome, leaving the service by
11am. When at the aqua dome the children will have
access to the inflatable slides and climbing equipment.
Please pack lunch and lots of snacks for energy for this day. We will then leave the pool at 3pm. Children can be collected at the pool prior to 3pm or back at the service after 3.30pm.

<u>Friday 19th January: Movie day and Cooking</u>
To stay out of the scorching summer sun, today we will be cooking homemade pizzas under the air conditioner. Starting from scratch, making the dough and then topping it with your own choice of toppings. We will also be watching a movie with popcorn, so bring in anything you feel will make it nice and comfy. Cost \$7pp

WEEK TWO

Monday 22nd January: Ice cream making and mini golf To coincide with our healthy eating policies we will make our own fruit ice cream in the morning so it has time to freeze for our afternoon refreshment. While we wait we will head down to mini golf and enjoy a challenge of trying to gain a hole in one. Cost: \$15pp

Tuesday 23rd January: Technology Day

By request... Its technology day. Bring in your choice of device with suitable games to play and share with your mates. Games will be monitored, we have limited access to the internet so if possible please bring a console that doesn't require internet. Those children not wanting to bring technology they will have access to all resource in the OSHC service

Wednesday 24th January: Cinema and all abilities

We will be catching a bus to Bairnsdale cinema to relax and enjoy a movie with popcorn and a drink. The children will need a packed lunch for this day and plenty of water and snacks to keep refuelled as we will be stopping at the all abilities playground for lunch and a play before heading back to the service. Cost \$35pp

Thursday 25th January: Blue light disco end of VAC

Come dressed in your best white and light coloured clothing and get ready to boogie and dance the day away at a blue light disco party. We will have party food for lunch so please bring enough snacks and drinks to last the day.

Cost \$7pp

Friday 26th January: Closed for Public Holiday

We are closed today, no care available.

If you need to contact the Vacation Care directly. we can be contacted on

0493 364 179

PLEASE NOTE:
During the program children participate in spontaneous and planned cooking experiences which may include light lunch servings or afternoon tea items. On these days your child will still need to bring their own lunch a enough food to last the whole day.

PLEASE NOTE: If your child does not attend on a day they have been booked in, you will still be charged for the day unless 48hours notice is given for a cancellation.

*Please ensure that your child has a sufficient amount of food packed to keep them sustained for the day. We also encourage children to bring a drink bottle filled with water only. (Please refer to our Healthy Eating policy.)**

This program is subject to change depending or the following circumstances: Covid-19 restrictions, severe/code red weather, numbers of children and availability of extra-curricular activities. Prices for excursions may also change Staff will notify you of any changes

To book a place for your child in our Vacation Care program, please contact our office on 5144 6952

> Alternatively, please contact us via email at: gumnutsoshccoord@gmail.com





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December 1 - January 31





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- Find a biography or true story to read at your library. Who's story will you discover?
- Borrow a book from the library that teaches you a new skill. Look in the Non-Fiction section or ask for help.



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- Try reading a book by an author you haven't read before.
- Read a graphic novel, magazine or comic book. You can find lots of these at your local library!
- Re-read one of your favourite books! Write a review of the book on Beanstack to share with other readers!



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- Share a book with a friend, pet or toy. They might like to share a book back.
- Have a slumber party with a book. Read a story before bed each night.
- Take your book on an adventure and read a book outside. Don't forget to wear your hat!



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- Read a book with an illustrator or narrator you haven't seen or heard
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