Toorloo Arm Primary School



NEWSLETTER

14th of February 2023

| IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1 (subject to change) | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|------------------|--|--|
| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | | |
| Week 3 Feb | 13 TAPS Swim Carnival 3-6 | 14 Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 15 SWIMMING No preps at school | 16 Dist Swim Orbost Scholastic Book orders returned Tennis | 17 SWIMMING | | |
| Week 4 Feb | 20 Gr 4 Camp Cottage By the Sea | 21 Gr 4 Camp Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 22 Gr 4 Camp No preps at school SCHOOL COUNCIL | 23 Gr 4 Camp | 24 Gr 4 Camp | | |
| Week 5 Feb | 27 | 28 Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 1 No preps at school | 2 Div swim Bdale Tennis | 3 | | |
| Week 6 Mar | 6 | 7 Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 8 | 9 | 10 | | |
| Week 7 Mar | 13 Labour Day | 14 Parent/Teacher Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 15 Conversations Gr 3&5 NAPLAN Test Window Begins | 16 After School Tennis | 17 All Week | | |
| Week 8 Mar | 20 | 21 Harmony Day Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | SCHOOL COUNCIL | 23 | 24 | | |
| Week 9 Mar | 27 Conclusion of NAPLAN | 28 Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 29 | 30 Tennis | 31 | | |
| Week 10 Apr | 3 | 4 Playgroup 9.30- 11.00 | 5 | 6 Last day of term early finish 2:15 | 7 GOOD FRIDAY | | |

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Please include details - Surname and description e.g. Fees, uniform, camp etc.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcome Mr Stubbs to the teaching team and congratulate him and Brody on their recent nuptials. This term Mr Stubbs will be teaching P-2 PE and 3-6 music.

Last week I was invited to attend a Lakes Entrance Lions Club Meeting for the presentation of a cheque for \$1000.00 to go towards resources for Early Years Literacy.

Michelle Overton (pictured) who presented the cheque was one of the driving forces behind the combined schools raffle run by the Lions Club late last year.

We are very grateful to the Lions Club for thinking of the youngest people in our community and their willingness to support their success as emerging readers.

Thank -you to everyone in Lakes Entrance and the surrounding communities for their support of the raffle as this was an amazing donation going to all three primary schools in our town.





Annual privacy reminder for our school community Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy. This policy is available for parents on our website www.taps.vic.edu.au.

School Council

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the broad direction of a school in accordance with their constituting Order and the Education and Training Reform Act 2006. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council? For most primary school councils, there are several possible categories of membership: A mandated elected Parent member category – more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. DET employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.

Why is parent membership so important? Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help inform and shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging. A mandated elected DET employee member category – members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members An optional Community member category – members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members

Do I need special experience to be on school council? Each member brings their own valuable life skills and knowledge to the role. However, councillors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them. It is important to have an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

How can you become involved? You can nominate yourself to become a school councillor or you can nominate someone else. Please collect a nomination form from the office School council induction video The school council induction video provides a summary of the purpose and responsibilities of school councils as well as the roles and responsibilities of school councillors. The video can be viewed on the Department's website at School Councils.

We will have 4 PARENT VACANCIES, and 2 community member vacancies on school council. Nominations for school council are now open and will close on the Friday 24th of February at 4.00pm. Please consider standing for election to school council. Ask at the school for help if you would like to nominate and are not sure what to do. Be sure to vote if the election goes to ballot.

Regards Kerry Hughes

Private Music Tuition

Mike Elrington is offering private music tuition at school on Friday's. The cost is \$25 for 20mins, and if it's a group lesson with two or more children the charge is \$20/each for 20mins.

Mike can offer tuition in guitar, vocals, drums, bass & basic keyboard. Children would need their own instruments although we do have access to keyboards. If you have any queries, contact Mike on 0402188446

www.mikeelrington.com

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| ame Tick below your request | | | | |
| Individual lesson | Guitar | Basic Keyboard | | |
| Group lesson Please | O Vocals return this slip to the | Bass e office to express your interest | | |



Students of the Week



Prep

Great effort last week everyone and a huge thanks to Danielle and Clancy for helping with our healthy lunchbox activities, the kids loved making (if not eating) their apricot bites.

Our award winners this week are **Ruby Brooker** and **Serena Dawes** for supporting each other out in the

yard, great friendly behaviour. Halle Douglas for being brave and putting pen to paper independently.



"Learning Together, Succeeding Together"



Wednesdays

Just another reminder that the Preps have Wednesdays off and you have each been allocated a specific time to come in so I can have a one-on-one session with your child to do the English and Math online interview.

Take home Readers

Take home readers have been given out and the children are so excited to read. It would be fantastic if you could find 5 minutes to sit down and read with your child and sign their reader. They need to come back to school every day, so students can swap over their books and get a reading star.

This week we are looking at:

Reading:

- This week in our Readers Workshop we are looking at G.K.R (Getting Knowledge Ready) we look at the
 title, front cover, blurb, do a picture walk and make predictions. This allows students to start reading the
 book with an ideas about what it might be about and words we may find.
- We are focusing on the letters f,g,o,d,r looking at name, sound and visual cue.

Writing:

- Looking at who, what and where and how to form a sentence using all of them.
- Learning correct letter formation for f,g,o,d,r
- Putting pen to paper and building our confidence to have a go.

Maths: Number knowledge: Recognising how different numbers can be made such as 5+1, 4+2, 3+3 all equal 6.

Have a great week,

Miss Cock

Grades 1/2

Hello and welcome to week 3!

This week our awards in 1/2A went to **Laila Gritt**, **Samantha Humphrey**, **Fletcher Hindle** and **Lochlan Tunnage** for the way they worked together and proved their thinking to one another when working with number lines that had 3-digit numbers. In 1/2B, awards went to **Lana Carlisle** and **Rebecca Jones** for their consistent reading at home. Thank you to all families for supporting children's reading from home.

This week in reading, we are getting into our Mentor Text 'The Bear's Lunch' by discussing the story in detail by looking at the pictures and making meaning from them.

In writing, we are taking an idea we have from a memory or experience we have had and using it to shape a piece of writing. Later in the week, we will be focusing on handwriting and making sure to correctly write the letters I, k, b, f using dotted thirds.

In maths we are wrapping up our work on number lines and working developing our place value understanding by breaking numbers into hundreds, tens and ones.

A huge thank you to those families who provided decorations for students to decorate their Writer's Notebooks. Students loved putting these together on Friday afternoon and have really created something to represent them!

This week both teachers will continue to work through conducting the English Online Interview (EOI) with grade 1 students. 1/2A interviews will be on Thursday and 1/2B interviews will be on Friday. Just a reminder that due to these interviews, each teacher will be out of the room on their respective days.

Thanks and have a great week! Eliza Cunningham and Caitlin Jackson

Grades 3/4

Hello 3/4 Families.

It is wonderful to see all students in the 3/4 unit settling into their new classrooms and embracing the swimming program.



Our awards this week in 3/4A had a reading focus and went to two of our Grade 4 students Inca Pickersgill and Ray Wang, for the way they are modelling the expected 'thinking and reading' we like to see in 3/4! Inca received her award for the lovely job she has been doing of sharing her thinking about our class mentor text, Two Wolves. Her thinking aloud is encouraging other students to connect more deeply with the text and helping her peers to see the kind of thoughts they can contribute. Ray received his award for the confident and willing way he is also regularly sharing his thinking on our mentor text. He is a great role model to others in the predictions, connections and wonderings he is coming up with, having a go and testing out his theories! Great job Inca and Ray. In 3/4B the awards also had a reading focus and went to **Luna** Sutherland, Zoe Nairn and William Kellock. These students worked cooperatively with a number of partners to record their thinking on sticky notes after reading different passages from Two Wolves. A mindfulness award was given to Bailey Summers who has modelled great focus when we are reading Two Wolves and has been able to make some great observations about events and explain the meaning of new words in context.

It was fabulous to see the 3/4 students participating so enthusiastically in the swimming carnival yesterday. Well done to every student and all the very best to those students who make it through to the District Swim Carnival in Orbost on Thursday.

In Literacy this week our focuses are:

- Visualising as we are reading;
- Making inferences about characters from what we are reading;
- Including emotions and feelings in our writing, using the swimming carnival as a prompt;
- Places my feet have gone (entry in our Writer's Notebook).

In Maths we are continuing with our focus on place value and number lines, recognising the size of spacings in different number lines, and estimating where numbers might go on an open (numbers not all marked) number line.

Our swimming program is drawing to a close, with our last lessons on Wednesday and Friday. Well done kids, your improvements over the course of the program have been amazing!

Children from both classes have been awesome at recording their reading at home - well done kids! We will continue with this tick sheet as the process is working. Keep reading at home and sharing the events in our Two Wolves mentor text with your family at home.

A reminder that Mrs Murray and the grade 4s will be going on camp next week and all grade 3s will be in with Mrs Haldane for the week.

Have a great week!

Mrs Haldane, Mrs Murray and Alyssa 😊



Grades 5/6

5/6 Students of the week.

Gabby Reggardo for the way she has approached all learning tasks. She showed fantastic concentration, a positive growth mindset and spoke her thinking aloud to help others.

Billy Warfe and Lila Moss for their excellent work as maths talk partners during the 'Guess the Number' challenging task. Well done on your collaboration and explanations.

Henry Spiker for having a growth mindset and taking on "new Ideas" more readily.

Storm Stoddart and Lukah Wightman for their excellent work in maths problem solving. They were able to explain and give examples of the strategies they used to solve the "Guess the Number" task. This week in the senior unit.

It was great to see the senior students participating at the swimming carnival yesterday. We all had a great time and a lot of fun - especially in the boogie board relay. Good luck to the students who qualified and are going through to Orbost on Thursday. Just a reminder that it is the last week of swimming lessons, with sessions on Wednesday and Friday.

In reading this week students are continuing to track their thinking whilst reading good fit books. We are focusing on vocab strategies we can use to help us understand new words. In writing we have been improving students' ability to generate ideas and build writing stamina. This week we will choose one idea from our notebook and start to expand it to develop a story.

In maths, students will be consolidating their place value knowledge through a range of games, number talks and challenging tasks. We will also continue focus on estimation and comparing numbers through the use of number lines.

All grade 5/6 students participated in an online Cyber safety program today called 'Be an eSafe Kid: Connect. Reflect. Protect'. it is a government initiative designed to teach students how to connect online safely and mindfully and protect themselves and others.



This week we are also starting our Integrated studies unit called 'Care for Kids'. It's a social justice unit looking at the biggest problems facing kids around the world and the organisations that support people in need.



A big thank you to Kayden and the Smith family for donating a great fish tank to the 5/6 unit. We really appreciate it.

Thanks, Alec McPhee and Ali Mackie

SPORT and PE NEWS

We welcome Mr Stubbs to TAPS this week. He will be teaching 2 sessions of PE each week for Prep and both Grade 1/2 classes for the year. Looking forward to having him on Team TAPS again!

Junior PE classes are continuing to work on moving safely when playing tag games and really challenging themselves individually and in groups. We have also been discussing the idea of being a good sport, and what it takes to be fair and honest in PE.

The swimming program concludes this week after a big couple of weeks in the pool. It has been amazing to see the progress made during this intensive block of lessons.

PE Students of the Week

Harry Friend-for a great start in PE, such a positive mindset and for putting 100% effort into everything!

Billie Ryan-for knowing what it takes to be SAFE in PE on the basketball court-look where you're going, control your body, run fast but not your fastest!

William Kellock-outstanding progress in the swimming program. You are so smooth in the water!

Maddy Angel-for really challenging herself in swimming, going out of her comfort zone and surprising herself with what she could do!







Grade 1/2s having fun playing Dog Pound

Please don't hesitate to catch up with us if you have any concerns about your child's participation in PE, or if you are interested in connecting them up with sport in the community, we can usually you point in the right direction. Also, it would be great if your child wears runners and has a water bottle on PE days, so that participation is comfortable and safe, and of course, hats are compulsory this term.

TAPS Swimming Sports

Our TAPS swimming sports were held yesterday for Grades 3-6, with lots of very excited children. The aim this year was challenge by choice and all children were involved in 10m, 25m or 50m swimming races or fun relays. Participation is the most important thing in these events, and it was a pleasure to see so many children "having a go" and trying their very best. It was a really successful event as there were many students participating in swimming races in the big pool which is a credit to the fantastic swimming teachers at the Aquadome. This really is what TAPS is about, pushing ourselves into our stretch zone! A huge thanks to everyone for their amazing support and help on the day, it really was a wonderful afternoon!



Congratulations to the following students who qualified to represent TEAM TAPS in the following events:

12 year old

- 1. Chelsea Smart (freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, medley relay)
- 2. Lily Konyn (freestyle backstroke breaststroke freestyle relay, medley relay)
- 3. Billy Warfe (freestyle backstroke breaststroke, freestyle relay)
- 4. Jackson Cheesley (freestyle, freestyle relay)
- 5. Zeppelin Allan (backstroke, freestyle relay)
- 6. **George Holley** (freestyle relay)

11 year old

- 7. Gabriella Reggardo (freestyle backstroke breaststroke, freestyle relay, medley relay)
- 8. Lila Moss (freestyle backstroke, freestyle relay, medley relay)
- 9. Emily Jackson (freestyle relay)
- 10. Storm Stoddart (freestyle relay)
- 11. **Kayden Smith** (freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke) **9/10 year old**
- 12. Gracie Lunny (freestyle backstroke breaststroke, freestyle relay)
- 13. Ivy O'Donnell (freestyle backstroke freestyle relay)
- 14. Tarzaiyah Sellings (freestyle relay)
- 15. Evelyn Carlisle (freestyle relay)
- 16. Ray Wang (freestyle backstroke, freestyle relay)
- 17. Max Friend (freestyle, freestyle relay)
- 18. Coen Buck-Roberts (backstroke, freestyle relay)
- 19. Abel McKerrell (freestyle relay)

There has been a change of the guard - the winning house was for 2023 will be announced at assembly!



District Swimming Carnival: ORBOST

The District swimming carnival will be held this week in Orbost on Thursday February 16th at the Orbost Outdoor Pool. Swimmers with the fastest times in the 50m events from our TAPS carnival in the age groups 10 years and under, 11 years and 12 + years will represent TAPS. At our TAPS carnival, we run the 8/9 year olds in separate events, but at District level, the age group is 10 years and under. All races are timed so that the fastest swimmers from the 8/9 and 10 age groups can be determined.

Notices have been sent home to those students that have qualified, they must be returned asap. See me if you have any concerns or questions about the carnival. (FYI, the Division and Regional Carnival dates are below). We will be required to provide place judges at the finish line, so if you are going and don't mind helping out, please let me know.

Thanks,
Barb (SPORT COORDINATOR)



ATF FREE After School Tennis Lesson at TAPS

Tennis coaching with Nigel Carr continues this Thursday 16th Feb. Please note, due to the large number of participants, Nigel has offered to move the lessons to Lakes Entrance Tennis Club (behind the Aquadome) to accommodate everyone safely. Newcomers are welcome to join due to the change in venue, so please return your form below. The session is an hour long starting at 4.15 pm to 5.15 pm -a reminder parents are required to stay for the hour. If the weather is not looking great, please keep an eye on the SkoolBag ap for any changes.

The rest of the sessions for Term 1 are fortnightly (Thursday 2nd March, Thursday 16th March and Thursday 30th March).

TENNIS - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

| I give permission for my child | of class to be considered to participate in the tennis program | 1 |
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| Thanks, | | |

Important Sport dates for Term 1 2023

WEEK 3

Barb and Tom

Wed 15 Feb Gr 3-6 swimming program

Thurs 16 Feb District Carnival Orbost Qualifying swimmers (back up Fri 18th Feb)
Thursday 16th Feb ATF FREE tennis coaching 4.15-5.15 Lakes Entrance Tennis Club
Fri 17 Feb Gr 3-6 swimming program final session

Thurs 2 March Division Swim Bairnsdale Qualifying swimmers (back up 4th Feb) Thursday 2nd Mar ATF FREE tennis coaching 4.15-5.15 Lakes Entrance Tennis Club

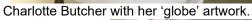
Thurs 16 March Regional Swimming

Thursday 16th Mar ATF FREE tennis coaching 4.15-5.15 Lakes Entrance Tennis Club Thursday 30th Mar ATF FREE tennis coaching 4.15-5.15 Lakes Entrance Tennis Club

ART

Middle School and Junior Students have furthered their investigation of 'my space' and the landscape – expanding from local surrounding to a more global view. Senior Students have continued their exploration of popular culture and the ideas behind 'branding'.







Prep Student, Harper Robertson.





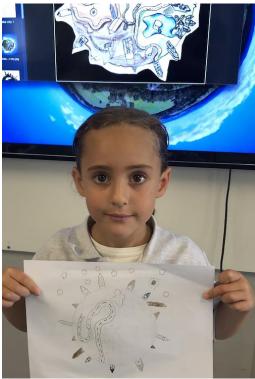
William Boehmke and Skylar Clarke.



'Pop Homer' by Ruby Pool.



Artwork by Chelsea Smart.



Artist of the week, Savannah Blank.

Jobi Laybourne.

FRENCH

Bonjour,

This week, at assembly on Monday morning, I gave an award to Ivy O (3/4A) and Bailey S (3/4B) for their growth mindset and real efforts in challenging tasks. The two of them have worked really hard on learning more French numbers. Well done!

Prep have continued practising how to greet people, say their name and how they feel. They have also been introduced to numbers up to 5 and have started counting while performing some gym movements.

Grades 1 and 2 have been working on introducing friends and understanding the difference in the subject pronoun depending on whether we are talking about a girl or a boy: he or she.

Grades 3 and 4 have been introduced the vocabulary of some pet animals.

Grades 5-6 will start some online research on French food vocabulary so that they can introduce it to their classmates in a future session.

The students who have tried their best and participated the most last week are:

1/2A: Laila, Abel, Charlotte, Dawson, Sienna, Amelia and Addie

1/2B: Chloe, Elicia, Emily, Logan, Mahalia, River and Yindi

3/4A: Ivy O, Isabel, Balin, Inca, Max, Ray and Tarzaiyah

3/4B: Gracie, Bailey, Jake, Sam and Summer

5/6A: Billy, Gabby and Kiara

5/6B: Keanu, Chelsea, Storm and Oceanna

Have a lovely week! Bonne semaine!

Madame Samson

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

Chicken Strip Wrap \$4

Small Tortilla wrap with lettuce, cheese and Mayo

Tomato & Vege Pasta \$5

with Cheese (v)

Chilli Con Carne (mild)\$6

with rice, salsa, cheese &Sour Cream ADD WRAP OR CORN CHIPS(Please specify) \$1

Mini Vegan Budda Bowl\$6

Changes Weekly

Wraps \$5

Ham& Salad

Chicken & Salad

Cheese & Salad

Cup of Homemade soup \$5

with small roll (Changes Weekly)

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

Ham, Cheese & Pinapple

Gluten Free Bread & Wraps available on request

Fruit & Yoghurt cup \$5

Vege sticks, cheese & Hummus or Salsa(please specify) \$5

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



JUNIOR REGISTRATION

SEASON 1 - 2023

14 Rounds + Finals

Cost - \$110 + insurance

Start date - From 27th of Feb

Registration will close on the 19th of Feb

Any questions please text - 0475 518 250

To register please use the link at the top of the post Playing nights tba after registration



UNDER 8's - REGISTRATION IS OPEN

(born - 2016/2017)

14 Rounds

Cost - \$90.00 + insurance

Start date - From the 27th of Feb

Registration will close on the 19th of Feb

Any questions please text - 0475 518 250

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