Toorloo Arm Primary School



NEWSLETTER

18th July, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3 (subject to change)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2	17 TAPS Aths 3-6	18 TAPS Aths (Backup)	19	20 Scholastic Book Orders due	21 P-6 Sound and Light STEM incursion.
Week 3	24 5/6 Canberra	25 5/6 Canberra	26 5/6 Canberra	27 5/6 Canberra	28 5/6 Canberra
Week 4 August	31	1	2 Visiting Artist Book Illustrator	3 District Aths 3-6	4
Week 5	7	8	9 P-2 Athletics	10	11
Week 6	14	15	16 School Council	17	18
Week 7	21	22	23 Book Week livestream	24 P-2 Excursion – Possum Magic	25
Week 8 September	28 P-2 Swimming	29 P-2 Swimming	30 P-2 Swimming	31 Writers Festival – whole school community celebration 6.00 -7.30pm	1
Week 9	4 P-2 Swimming	5 P-2 Swimming	6 P-2 Swimming	7 P-2 Swimming	8
Week 10	11 P-2 Swimming	12 P-2 Swimming	13 P-2 Swimming School Council	14	15 Footy Colors Day

ONLINE BANKING - Account Name -Toorloo Arm Primary School Council BSB 063 832 Acc No 1002 2188

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



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like all families to put our next whole school community celebration onto their calendars.

"The Writers Festival" on Thursday 31st of August at 6.00pm.

All students across the school will be writing a piece based on the theme of "**Friendship/Mateship**" and that piece of writing will be showcased on the evening. All work on this writing piece must be done at school.

This is a great way for parents to share in your child's learning and value what they are doing at school. On the evening some students will be selected for awards and therefore it is important that all families attend just in case your child gets recognised for their achievements.

It's a lovely evening of celebration of students work and parents get insights into what great writers the students at Toorloo are.



Major Tour to Canberra

Our grade 5/6's head off on their major excursion to Canberra next week. This camp brings to life the curriculum area of Civics and Citizenship as they have firsthand experience of our democracy through visits to Parliament House , the National Electoral Commission, the High Court Australia and our History through visits to the Australian War Memorial, National Film and Sound, The Royal Mint, the National Museum and more. To assist families in meeting the cost the Australian Government is contributing \$450 under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate. This has ben factored into the overall costings of the camp and the rebate is paid directly to school upon the completion of the excursion.



Students are required to be at school by 7.30am next Monday morning. Any medications can be handed to Bree on the morning of departure. No phones are allowed, however students can bring a device (SIM card removed) for the bus trip. The bus is scheduled to arrive back to Toorloo Arm PS by 6.00pm on Friday 28th of July. Any major alterations will be communicated to families via the Audiri app and the P & F Facebook page.

Special thanks to Ali Mackie, Alec McPhee, Bree and Ben for their preparedness to have a week away from their families, so our students can have these learning opportunities.



2024 Prep Enrolments

Enrolment applications for students in Foundation/Prep 2024 are due by the 28th of July.

This is a new timeline put in place by the Department of Education.

Please if you have a child you would like to enrol in prep for 2024 or if you know of anyone intending to enrol a prep, please contact the office on 51565517 and we will assist.

Junior School Council - Semester 2

Congratulations and thanks to these students on their selection to be on Junior School Council this semester. We look forward to hearing your ideas. Students will receive their badges at this Friday's assembly.

1/2 A	Sienna Jones	Charlotte Butcher
1/2 B	Chloe Jackson	John Parkhill
3/4 A	Max Friend	Tarzaiyah Sellings
3/4 B	Abel McKerrell	Willow Douglas
5/6 A	Oceanna Greaves	Billy Warfe
5/6 B	Kobi Caldwell	Lukah Beveridge



Facilitated Playgroup

Uniting Care have decided to facilitate playgroup at an alternate location - Apex Park for the remainder of the year. We thank Uniting Care for the opportunity to host playgroup on site in support of our families.

Toilet Refurbishment

A building contractor has been appointed and work on the refurbishment of the outside toilet block will commence in the coming weeks and will take the term and a bit until completion (weather permitted).

Kindest regards, Kerry Hughes



Students of the Week



PREP

I hope everyone is keeping warm and staying safe in this lovely winter weather. Please remember to pack a named jumper and even a beanie. Congratulations to our award winners this week, **Noah Hartley** for a great start to the term, **Serena Daws** for her holiday recount writing and **Harper Robertson** & **Casey Bills** for recognising the accomplishments of others.



"Learning Together, Succeeding Together"



Show and tell.

We are starting show and tell this term. This is a chance for students to bring in something special to them that want to share. They need to have thought about what they would like to say about their item beforehand. If they want to share a pet, please come see me and we can arrange a time.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Skylah	Evie	Halle	Lutarnna	Harper
Serena	Grace	Ruby	Casey	Tyler
Noah	Max	Jack	William	Mave
	Jayce	Ned	Jasper	

This week we are looking at:

Reading

We are practicing the strategies we have already explored and introducing new ones through our class mentor text Alexanders Outing. This includes using what we know about a topic, making connections, predicting, questioning, and thinking about characters emotions.

Writing

- Language experiences This when students write about something that they have experience. It allows
 them to be selective in their language choices and build up their vocabulary. This week we are writing
 about our push and pull incursion.
- Handwriting how we place letters on the line correctly, focusing on the size of a letter. Asking
 ourselves is it tall, small or does it have a tail.

Maths:

We have been revising our knowledge of numbers and place value. Students are starting to explore numbers up to 100 with bridging ten a key focus.

Have a great week,

Miss Cock

1/2 A&B

Hello everyone and welcome to week 2!

We're getting back into the swing of things, since returning after the break and have already enjoyed an incursion last Friday. The 1/2's absolutely loved the Forces and Energy STEM presentation and getting hands-on with all the activities! This Friday we can look forward to another STEM incursion on Light and Sound.









This week, our amazing award recipients from 1/2A are **Amaya Spathas, Charlotte Butcher**, and **Eli Spiker** for their great teamwork when working through our multiplication challenging task. From the 1/2B crew, **Travis Tregonning** received an award for his engagement in last week's activities, and **Milly Comber** for her persistence and taking responsibility for her own learning. Well done to everyone for their efforts!

This week in reading, we are continuing our exploration of non-fiction text features through a range of texts including books and magazines.

In writing, we will focus on writing non-fiction texts using an object from the classroom as a subject. We will also brainstorm ideas and plan for writing a piece on the theme of friendship for the upcoming Writers' Festival.

For Maths this week we will continue talking about multiplication using repeated addition.

Thanks to the families who have started collecting clean tin cans for our light and sound unit in Integrated Studies this term. We are looking forward to receiving more donations with your help.

Have a great week everyone!

Eliza Cunningham and Caitlin Jackson



3/4A&B

Hello Families

We had a great start to Term 3 last week with many enthusiastic and engaged students. The 3/4 Students of the Week were: 3/4A - Mannix Blank for a great start to Term 3 and putting a fabulous effort into everything he does, and Eddie Stapleton for using a range of multiplication strategies and sharing these with his peers. 3/4B - Declan Bills for his confidence in speaking in front of his peers and reading his letter by a Sailor heading to Australia as part of Integrated Studies; Gracie Lunny for adding voice to her letter by a sailors wife, vividly catching how it would have felt on The Charlotte in 1788; Jake Spiker for his keen listening skills as we have been reading our Mentor Text "Rowan of Rin", connecting characters with their occupations and with each other.



On Friday we attended a Science Incursion based on the theme of Forces and Energy. Students were able to explore a range of hands-on experiments. They showed curiosity and excitement as they tested circuits, kinetic and stored energy and magnetism. All students participated in an activity demonstrating how electricity can be passed via the skin. We are looking forward to another Incursion this week based on Sound and Light.

It was great to see so many kids participating and trying their best at the athletics yesterday. Well done kids Thanks kids and Mrs Plant for all your organisation, it was a great day.

Remember to read this week and practise your times tables, have a great week.

Mrs Murray, Ms Smith and Alyssa

5/6 A&B

Hi Year 5/6 families.

The award winners this week are:

Lily Konyn for the way she approached her crocodile maths challenging task. Great job using feedback and applying multiple strategies.

Ruby Pool for the excellent problem solving skills she used in the crocodile multiplication task.

Henry Spiker for his great work during our science incursion last Friday. He asked great "curious questions" and gave 100% to the activity.

Siennarose Rossignoli for her excellent level of participation in reading activities last week. She was highly engaged in the lit circle and mentor text discussions, contributing great ideas that addeed to the depth of our discussion. Well Done and keep up the great work Siennarose.

Next week we have our Canberra camp. A few little reminders/changes: can each student please bring something to share for morning/afternoon tea and all need a clean school uniform for when we visit Parliament House. We are leaving at 8:00am on Monday morning (24th July), so if everyone can be at school by 7:30am that would be fantastic.

Last Friday we had a science incursion. The 5/6's explored different ways things move, including forces such as gravity, friction and rotational. This Friday is the second of the science incursions, the overall topic is Lights and Sound. We had a wonderful Athletics day on Monday, a great turn out! Well done on everyone for putting in their best efforts.

This week in reading we are focusing on analysing choices the author has made, in particular with settings and characters. For writing, students are continuing their 'world record' writing pieces, which are written in first person. In maths students are exploring mental and written strategies for solving multiplication problems, improving fluency of times tables and developing problem solving skills through challenging tasks.

Thanks, Alec McPhee and Ali Mackie



SPORT and PE NEWS

Students of the Week:

Max Friend and Keanu Brown for really challenging themselves in the Beep test in PE, they really know how to put in maximum physical effort!

Oceanna Greaves: for her determination, commitment and persistence in her cross country journey this

State Cross County

Congratulations to Oceanna Greaves for her outstanding effort at the School Sport Victoria State Cross Country Championships in the Yarra Valley. It was wonderful to hear that she achieved her goal and exceeded her own expectations, as she went into her event aiming for a top 50 finish, with the plan to stay in contact with the top finishers from our Region. She came in right behind them in 20th place with an amazing time of 9:40 secs. Well done. Oceanna, we are so proud of your efforts, competing with the best of the best!



TAPS Athletics Carnival

Great to be able to run the TAPS House Athletics yesterday, such a lovely day weather-wise and everyone was so encouraging and helpful. The day went very smoothly, as all the competitors showed wonderful participation and had a ball. It is a huge day to run and we can't make it happen without everyone doing their part, so thanks to all the staff and parents for their support of this exciting extra curricular day. We will announce the house winners at assembly this Friday.

Well done to the students who broke school records for the following events:

High Jump 10 yrs Boys William Kellock 110 cm 11 yrs Girls Summer Harrison 119 cm

Triple Jump 10 vrs Girls Oceanna Greaves 7.01 m 11 yrs Girls Summer Harrison 6.69 m 12 yrs Boys Billy Warfe 8.47 m

Discus

8/9 yrs Boys Declan Bills 16.00 m 10 yrs Boys Kobi Caldwell 21.20 m 12 yrs Boys Billy Warfe 21.74 m

Shot Put 10 yrs Boys Kobi Caldwell 7.69 m 12 yrs Boys Zepellin Allan 7.71 m

The top 2 competitors for each event and age group (12, 11 and combined 8/9/10 years) will be invited to represent the school at the District Aths Carnival, although there is a limit to no more than 5 events per student, plus the relay. Some students will choose which events they would like to do and 3rd place getters will then be offered a spot in Team TAPS 23. Notices have been sent home today, but if you could please let us know if your child is not able to attend asap. Please note the District Athletics Carnival is on Thursday 3rd August.



ATF Tennis Program at TAPS



The next tennis session is on this Thursday August the 20th from 4.15-5.15 pm. The rest of the term's dates are August the 3rd, 17th, 31st and Sept 14th.

NEWCOMERS MOST WELCOME! Please keep an eye on the Audiri app for notices about this afterschool program in case the weather is inclement and lessons cancelled.

The days are getting longer now, so book in for some excellent coaching from Nigel!

TENNIS - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM TERM 3

I give permission for my child		of class.
	to be considered to participate in the te	ennis program.
Signed	Date	
Thanks, Barb (PE and SPORT COORDINATOR)	

Important Sport dates for Term 3 2022

Thursday 3rd August District Athletics Carnival Howitt Park Bairnsdale (back up Wed 9th August) **Monday 4th September** Division Athletics Howitt Park Bairnsdale

P-2 Swimming Program
Monday 28th August P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome commences
Tuesday 29th August P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome
Wednesday 30th August P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome

Monday 4th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome Tuesday 5th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome Wednesday 6th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome Thursday 7th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome

Tuesday 11th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome Wednesday 12th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome Thursday 13th September P-2 Swimming Program Aquadome finishes

Times are as follows:

11:30-12:15 - Prep 12:15- 1:00 - 1/2B 1:15 -2:00 - 1/2A

Jr PE

Student of the week is **William Fotheringham** for his amazing perseverance when learning to skip. He was determined to complete his first full skip and his determination paid off towards the end of the lesson. Great work William!

In Junior PE last week, students began their skipping programme, participating in activities such as hulahoop skipping, individual skipping rope, long rope skipping and jumping over the 'snake'. As skipping is a hard skill to master and lots of students may end up in the 'learning pit', we will also be looking at some activities that provide students with skills and strategies to assist them when they are finding the activities challenging.

We have also been starting our Athletics rotations as we gear up towards Junior Sports Day on Wednesday 9th August. Last week, our focus was hurdling, with hurdles set at different heights to accommodate the various student abilities. This week, our attention turns to the high jump, with students very excited to be jumping onto the big mat!



In regard to the Junior Sports Day, this will take place in the first session (9am-11am) on Wednesday 9th August and parents are more than welcome to attend! More information on this will be sent out closer to the time.







Ari Avramidis, Ollie Douglas and Zayn Smith participating in PE activities last week.

Music

Student of the week is Summer Bishop for her participation and willingness to learn the 'Cup Song'. You were a great example to your classmates Summer, well done!

In Music last week, students watched a video clip from the movie 'Pitch Perfect' in which the lead actress sings a song whilst creating a repeatable beat using her hands and a plastic cup. Each student was given a plastic cup and we all, me included, learnt how to play the cup song. There were 13 steps to the sequence, and we all found it extremely fun but also infuriating and challenging. As we hadn't quite mastered the sequence, we have all agreed to sign up for another go this week, with our goal to perform the song collectively as a class!

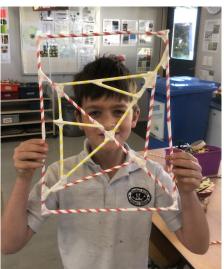
Tom (Junior PE, Music, STEM)

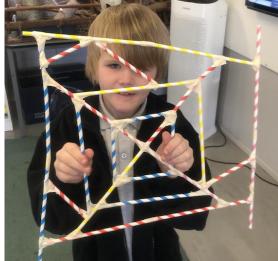
ART

First week back and students as are really getting into their exploration of kinetic art and constructions. Everyday items such as paper plates, cups, straws, and other random items have been used to create 'moving art', refencing the revolutionary works of Leonardo Da Vinci. Some classes have been concentrating on constructing strong structures using seemingly 'weak' materials like paper, taking inspiration from natural structures such as spiderwebs.



Miss Cunningham's class.





Eli Spiker and Abel Nicholas with their 'spiderweb-inspired' artworks.





Harry Friend testing his 'Leonardo Da Vinci-inspired' artwork.



Jackson Cheesley working on his wind-powered kinetic sculpture.



Artist of the Week, Anika Stewart.

Jobi Laybourne

FRENCH

Bonjour,

This week, at assembly, I gave an award to **Lochlan Tunnage** (1/2A) for managing to count to 100 in French. Though Lochlan is not the first one in the school to achieve this, he is the youngest, and his fluency and pronunciation were particularly impressive. This achievement is a true reflection of Lochlan's hard work during each French lesson!

This week, Prep have kept on working on their own colour book, with a few of them being able to finish it. We also revised our numbers to 20 and had our first lesson on how to say our age in French. We should work on this a bit more in the coming weeks.

Students in grades 1-4 have a special week on numbers. They are given the option to play games like Snakes and Ladders, Battleship, Count to 100 or other card and dice games, or online games, to practise and improve their knowledge of French numbers. Each student gets the chance to count for me today, showing me where they are at.

Grades 5 and 6 students will keep on working on Parisian monuments and number facts about them.

The students who tried their best in French last week are:

1/2A: Fletcher, Harlan, Lochlan and Samantha

3/4A: Inca, Mannix, Ivy O and Edison 5/6A: Gabby, Couper, Ruby and Billy

5/6B: Chelsea, Lukah, Summer, Henry and Keanu

Have a lovely week! Bonne semaine à tous!

Madame Samson



STEM

Students of the week are **Kobi Caldwell** and **Henry Spiker** for their investigation work on electrical circuits and for creating a parallel circuit where two bulbs operate individually. Great job boys!

We had an excellent start to our STEM classes this term with students really enjoying the hands-on activities! We brainstormed as a class how electrical power is created and discussed the components needed to create power before splitting up into pairs to create and scientifically draw electrical circuits. Students learnt how to scientifically draw globes, batteries, buzzers, motors and switches whilst exploring how to create various circuits that operated different outputs. This is a great start to our unit as we investigate how renewable energy is produced.

Finally, as part of our unit, students will be creating a working model. To help us achieve this, if you have any renewable items such as cardboard boxes, containers, bottle tops etc that you could save and bring into school they would be greatly appreciated!

Tom (Junior PE, Music, STEM)







Tuning in to Teens

Parenting program that teaches parents skills to help their teens begin to understand ad regulate their emotions

Do you want to:

 Learn how to better understand and manage your teen's emotions, such as anger, anxiety and sadness?

improve your communication with your teen?

Teach your teen to deal with conflict

 Help your teen learn to manage their emotions?

Supporting the development of your teen's emotional intelligence will help them:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends.
- Be more able to calm down when angry or upset.
- Have better communication at school.
- · Better manage challenges and change.

Dates: Fridays 21st July - 25th August

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: ONLINE via ZOOM



Register: via the QR code or contact Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au P: (03) 5135 9555

