Toorloo Arm Primary School



NEWSLETTER

August 8th, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3 (subject to change)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5	7	8	9 P-2 Athletics	10	11
Week 6	14	15	16 School Council	17	18
Week 7	21 Book Fair	22 Book Fair	23 Book Week livestream Book Fair	24 P-2 Excursion – Possum Magic Book Fair	25 Book Fair
Week 8 September	28 P-2 Swimming	29 P-2 Swimming	30 P-2 Swimming Father's Day Stall	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,

Our P-2 students are looking forward to their **sports day** tomorrow. Field events kick off in the morning and the running events are after play across the road at the reserve. Parents and family members are welcome to attend.

Our annual **Book Fair** will be held in week 7 as part of Book Week. Our Parents and Friends will set up the Book Fair in the French Room and parents are welcome to come into school to make a purchase from Monday to Friday before (8.30am) and after school (3.00-3.45pm).

Our students are working really hard to complete their writing for our upcoming **Writers Festival** in week 8. We are looking forward to welcoming all families and friends on that evening to showcase our student's creativity and writing prowess.



Information regarding our **P-2 swimming program** and their excursion to **Possum Magic** went home last week. Please return the medical forms as an indication that you would like your child to be included in these extra curricula events.

Special welcome to Tessa (grade 2A) who has joined our school community. We look forward to your positive contribution to our school.

We have been hit by a bit of illness lately (staff and students), thanks everyone for staying home if you are unwell, that helps prevent the spread and to keep the rest of us healthy and able to come to school. Kindest regards, Kerry Hughes





Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is still running and Toorloo Arm Primary School is excited to be participating.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 6 are challenged to read 15 books.

There is only 4 weeks to go. Please hand your completed forms into the office but its not too late to start. Closes on the 8th of September. Happy Reading.



Prep

Good morning to all! Congratulations to our super readers last week, **Harper Robertson**, **Serena Dawes**, **Jack Tunnage and Jasper Melville** for reading every night and bringing back a signed reader.







"Learning Together, Succeeding Together"



Jr Athletics!

This Wednesday students are participating in their first Junior athletics.

Starting at 9:15 on the fake grass, students will experience field events such as vortex, high jump, bean bag throw and others. After recess they will be moving onto field events at the reserve oval at 11:30. It would be fantastic if you would like to come along to watch and cheer on your child.

Please pack a drink bottle.

This week we are looking at:

Reading

- We are looking out mentor text, Alexander's outing, focusing on transformation. This is when we isolate
 key parts of the text.
- We are focusing on short vowels (a,e,i,o,u) with a strong focus on e, i & o.

Writing

- Narratives we are looking at the structure of a narrative and the different writing stages we are up to. Students are encouraged to reread and edit their work before having a conference with the teacher.
- Handwriting how we place letters on the line with correct directionality.

Maths:

 We are revising our knowledge of subtraction using strategies such as counting back, as well as starting to explore division.

Have a great week, Miss Cock

1/2 A&B

Hello everyone, and welcome to week 5!

Our award recipients this week are **Owen Reinke** from 1/2A for listening to and taking on feedback to assist him with his learning, and **Xander Gray** from 1/2B for his interesting and informative non-fiction writing. Well done to these students for their great work!

This week for reading, we are learning to understand the information in non-fiction texts by thinking about what we already know and what we wonder about before reading, and thinking about the new information we learn as we read.

For writing, we are continuing to craft our friendship pieces for the upcoming Writer's Festival and working on our non-fiction and free writing pieces. Grade 1/2A have been inspired to write about their awesome dragon drawings made last week with the visiting illustrator.

In maths, we are using our multiplicative thinking as we explore the concept of 'times as many' with unifix towers and pieces of string.

Thanks to 1/2A students and families for their understanding while Miss Cunningham is absent this week. We hope you have a great one!

Eliza Cunningham and Caitlin Jackson



3/4A&B

Hello Families

Week 5 is here, the weather seems to be improving and we are looking forward to another enthusiastic week of learning. Our students of the week were:

3/4A – Ivy Mallen for using great skip counting strategies in our multiplication task.

Zach Seaton for a big improvement with his reading and making sure what he reads makes sense. 3/4B – **Summer Bishop** for experimenting with a range of multiplicative strategies to solve a problem efficiently.

Abel McKerrell for his thoughtful and informative reading response to Jabba River Rock and Roll. Our final activity on Friday was the paper plane fly-off! The students researched, designed, tested and modified paper planes before heading out to the basketball court to see whose plane would fly the furthest. There were some great examples of planes taking flight. There was some trial and error with how students launched their planes and some designs that worked better inside away from other forces (like the afternoon breeze!). In the end, Max Friend's plane was a clear winner. Well done to all students on your persistence and testing of paper planes.

There were some fabulous dragons drawn by students during and after the visit from Marc McBride, illustrator of the "Deltora Quest Series" by Emily Rodda. He had a number of great growth mindset messages for the students as well as drawing tips. Marc was very impressed with the students' knowledge of colours (primary, secondary, complementary and opposites). Probably his best drawing piece of advice was "that no-one draws like you" and his best learning piece of advice was "that we learn most from our mistakes rather than our best work".

Physical Education is on a Tuesday for 3/4A and on a Thursday for 3/4B. Students get the most out of these sessions if they are wearing suitable footwear. Students can change into sneakers prior to the lesson if they don't want to wear them all day.

Remember, students are expected to read at least three nights a week and we are also encouraging students to practice their multiplication tables, with a particular focus on the threes and fours at the moment. Have a great week,

Ms Smith, Mrs Murray and Alyssa

5/6A&B

Hi Year 5/6 families

The award winners this week are:

Oceanna Greaves for the excellent questions and comments she asked/shared during all activities at the 5/6 Canberra Camp. Well done!

Reef Stoddart for the fantastic resilience he showed throughout the Canberra Camp. Great job persisting and joining in each activity.

Alex Jones for a fantastic week. He is listening well, following instructions and making great progress in his learning. It is great to see him working well with others and trying his very best. Well done Alex.

Billy Warfe and Taj Greaves for their prep buddy great book presentation and activity. They worked really well together to practice reading the text fluently, organized great questions to engage the preps and then designed a terrific activity. The preps loved the session, well done boys, great teamwork.

Chelsea Smart for you great participation during our Canberra camp. You asked and answered great questions demonstrating a great understanding of our Civics and Citizenship unit. Well done, Chelsea.

Well done to all the students who attended the District Athletics Day last Thursday. Great efforts and sportsmanship by at that attended.

This week in reading we are focusing on analysing and critiquing a text. Students are digging deeper into messages and author choices within their literature circle texts, as well as exploring preferences in the texts they read. For writing students are continuing their 'friendship' pieces of writing in preparation for the upcoming Writer's Festival. All students have got an idea and have started their pieces. Our new mentor text 'Parvana' has begun and the 5/6's have enjoyed discussing the differences between living in Afghanistan and Australia. In mathematics, we are exploring different methods to solve multiplication, improving our times tables fluency, learning about square numbers and putting our multiplication skills into practise during challenging tasks.

Thanks, Alec McPhee and Ali Mackie



SPORT and PE NEWS

Students of the Week:

Max Friend-for his persistence and growth mindset in high jump training in preparation for the District Athletics. Really impressed with the way he took on feedback about his run-up, practised it and felt confident and ready to compete against the other schools!

Reef Stoddart-for such a growth mindset at the District Athletics. Congratulations on representing the school so positively in the Shot Put and Discus.

John Humphrey-for giving his all in the 800 m. This is a tough event and the way you challenged yourself and never gave up was very impressive. Well done!

Grade 3-6 PE classes have been working on measuring and developing muscular endurance fitness components this week. We had a go at the Curl Up Challenge and it amazed me to see students wanting to keep going to 100 even though it finished at 80. Wow!

District Athletics

The District Athletics Carnival was held at Howitt Park in Bairnsdale last Thursday. It was by far the warmest Aths Carnival I have ever been to! A huge thanks to Mrs Murray and Alicia Friend for running the High Jump so well, on such a hot day. Also, the support from parents, families and friends on the day was very much appreciated-it is such a busy day.

























Team TAPS were well represented across all events and it was fantastic to see everyone being such good sports in this competitive environment. There were so many outstanding performances and I congratulate everyone for putting 100% effort when representing the school.

The following students have now qualified for the Division Aths on Monday September 4th at Howitt Park:

12 year old boys:

Billy Warfe-200m, Triple Jump, relay Tyler Hartley-Hurdles, relay Jackson Cheesley-Shot Put, relay Zeppelin Allan-relay



11 year boys:

Keanu Brown-Triple Jump, hurdles Kayden Smith-Discus

11 year girls:

Ruby Pool-Discus Summer Harrison-800m

10 year boys:

Declan Bills-Long Jump, relay Jake Hartley-Hurdles, Triple Jump, relay Max Friend-relay Flynn Whelan-relay

9/10 year girls:

Oceanna Greaves-1500m, 800m, 200m Tarzaiyah Sellings-Shot Put, Discus Ivy O'Donnell-Hurdles, Discus Summer Bishop-Long Jump

Junior Swimming Program

Notices have been sent home, please return asap and let us know if you have any questions or concerns about the program which starts in week 8, Monday August 28th and finishes Thursday 13th September. Please see below for dates and times.

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



ATF Tennis Program at TAPS

The next tennis session is next Thursday August 17th from 4.15-5.15 pm. The rest of the term's dates are August 31st and Sept 14th. 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					
class	I give permission for my child	of				
	to be considered to participate in the tennis program.					
Signed	Date					



Thanks,
Barb (PE and SPORT COORDINATOR)

Important Sport dates for Term 3 2022

Wednesday 9th August Junior Sports Day at TAPS

Monday 4th September Division Athletics Howitt Park Bairnsdale

Jr PE

Student of the week is **Ollie Douglas** for demonstrating fantastic technique and throwing ability during our vortex throwing activities last week! Well done Ollie.

Last week in Junior PE was our final chance to work on our skills for our Sports Day rotations. Tuesday was dedicated to learning the discus, which is a challenging skill for students of this age. However, it was great to see students really focusing on following the key aspects of the technique as they tried to improve with each throw. Wednesday's lessons gave students the opportunity to practice two of the Sports Day rotations, the long jump and vortex throw, both of which they love!

In regard to Junior Sports Day this Wednesday (9th August), I have included below the timetable to show the order of events for the day. Students are required to come to school in normal school uniform, ideally wearing trainers as they will be on their feet for most of the morning.

Sports Day Timetable

Sports Day Till	elable
9.00-9.15	Gather at School Oval
9.15-9.30	1st Rotation
9.30-9.45	2nd Rotation
9.45-10.00	3rd Rotation
10.00-10.15	4th Rotation
10.15-10.30	5th Rotation
10.30-10.45	6th Rotation
10.45-11.00	Eat Recess
11.00-11.30	Recess Play
11.30-12.15	Hurdles & 100m Races (Over on Lake Tyers Rec Reserve Oval)

Music

Students of the week are **Inca Pickersgill** and **Jake Hartley** for stepping outside of their comfort zone and participating in the various dances we attempted! It was great to see you two!

This week in Music we turned our attention to dance moves that repeat. Repeatable dance moves are a great introduction to dancing for students who find dancing a little uncomfortable, as they are often simple routines to follow and with everyone else doing exactly the same, nobody stands out in the crowd! We started by learning the Nutbush dance and followed this by learning the Macarena. As a class we felt we could create a better Macarena video than the videos we watched, so our goal this week will be to create our own Macarena video with various shots around the school!

Tom Stubbs (Junior PE, Music, STEM)

ART

Toorloo Arm had the opportunity to have internationally renowned illustrator, Marc McBride hold a session last week. As a result of the overwhelming response to his worked, I decided to change direction for a brief moment, and run with some of the concepts he had explained in his own work during the two sessions. Students brought their enthusiasm to art classes to plan, develop and create dragons of their own, with some classes expanding the concept to incorporate 'steampunk-inspired' creatures.





Illustrator: Marc McBride explaining his work and ideas.

'Rainbow Dragon' by River Johnson.



Dawson Milner and Ryder Hollis investigating hands on the idea of steampunk art and 'mechanical animals'

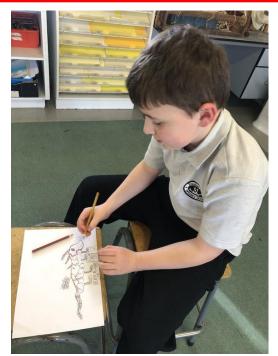


Miss Cunningham's class.



Miss Cock's class making connections between 'real' dinosaurs with 'mythical' dragons.

"Learning Together, Succeeding Together"



Artist of the Week, Dartanyan Milner, working on his 'Steampunk Dragon/Gecko'.





Second Artist of the Week, Gabby Reggardo, and her finished artwork.

Jobi Laybourne

STEM

Students of the week are **Kiara Gritt** and **Zeppelin Allan** for really engaging with the Microbit coding technology and demonstrating the ability to sequence their algorithms correctly.

Due to so many students absent in Grade 5/6 last week, instead of continuing with our renewable energy project, we had the chance to explore the new Microbit hardware the school has recently purchased. These Microbits are small devices that can be coded using the Make Code coding software. Students chose coding projects and worked together in pairs to carefully input the code and complete their project. For example, Ollie Anderson and Marshal Jessop created a code that allowed their Microbit to play Rock, Paper Scissors which was a great achievement in only a single lesson. Coding and Micorbits will be our focus in term four as we look to develop these key skills in our changing world!

Tom Stubbs (Junior PE, Music, STEM)



FRENCH

Bonjour,

This week, at assembly, I gave an award to **Ollie Douglas** for his impressive knowledge and pronunciation on clothes. We've only had two lessons on the topic, but Ollie really seems to remember well many of our words. Another grade 1/2 student was going to receive an award for the same reason, but he wasn't there at assembly to get it. I shall give it to him next Monday.

Prep have kept on practising numbers to 29 and how to say their age in French. They played a game on the iPad to check their understanding. They also put candles on a playdough cake and tried saying their age in French. We sang a few songs too to practice both topics.

Students in grades 1-2 are learning more clothes this week and keep on differentiate them by gender (masculine/feminine). Our focus in on our listening skills and understanding of these new clothes items.

Grades 3 and 4 students have kept on working on sports, with a focus on naming the sports and spelling them. They acted out the sports for their classmates and did some spelling activities, like wordsearch and anagrams.

Last week, both groups of 5/6 worked together on their monuments from Paris, especially on their colouring. With many students away last week, we had to postpone the actual work on number facts to this week.

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

Prep: Jack, Casey, Ruby, Grace, Ned and Halle

1/2A: Amaya, Darcy, Fletcher, Lochlan, Samantha and Tessa

1/2B: Harry, Bella, Mack, Ollie, Emily and River 3/4A: Griffin, Mannix, Ray, Zach, Ivy O and Inca

3/4B: Flynn, John, Dartanyan and Abel

Have a lovely week! Bonne semaine à tous! Madame Samson







2023 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All families are able to participate this year's survey. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

To access the survey, please type or copy this link into your browser

https://www.orima.com.au/parent

PIN 689376

We look forward to your responses.

Regards Kerry Hughes

Principal



BREW BAR

583 Esplanade Lakes Entrance. Phone: 5155 3839

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

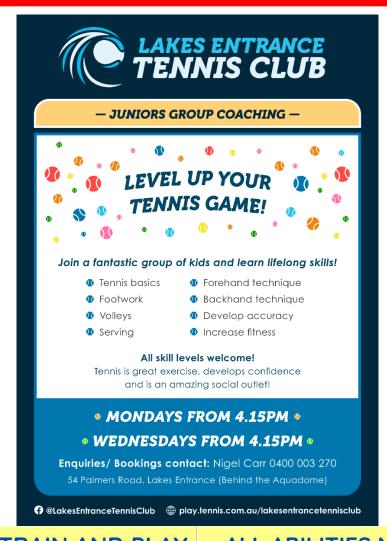
Side salad add \$2

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













Join us for an inspiring, interactive talk with children's author Jane Godwin

Jane's presentation will be directed at children but will still be of interest to adults that are in attendance. Jane will:

- tell some stories from her own childhood and how she came to be a writer,
- empower students to see themselves as writers and storytellers as well, and

Bairnsdale Library Tuesday 8 August 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm

in person at the library for this FREE event.

Copies of Jane's books will be available for purchase at





National Science Week Activity Session

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Join in the fun at your local library this **National** Science Week!

Come along to a special STEM based activity session and make your very own solar powered car.

Learn about Solar Power, where it comes from, how it works, and why it helps the planet, then construct your own solar powered car and watch it go!

This is a National Science Week event, presented with the support of the Inspiring Victoria program.

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Phone 5152 4225 or
book in person of the
library for this FREE
event. Centre 3.45 pm – 4.45 pm



Movie Screening - Libraries After Dark

Hypnotic



Control is an illusion...

Determined to find his missing daughter, detective Danny Rourke instead finds himself spiralling down a rabbit hole while investigating a series of reality-bending bank robberies where he will ultimately call into question his most basic assumptions about everything and everyone in his world.

Aided by Diana Cruz, a gifted psychic, Rourke simultaneously pursues and is pursued by a lethal spectrethe one man he believes holds the key to finding the missing girl - only to discover more than he everbargained for.

Thursday 10 August

FREE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Phone **5152 4225** or book in person at the library for this **FREE** event.





FATHER'S DAY COMPETITION 2023

Draw a picture of you & your father or grandfather, and tell us why he is the best for your chance to win him a great prize.

To Enter: Send your entries together with your name, age, phone number, and the name of your father or grandfather to:

'Father's Day Competition'.
PO Box 465 Bairnsdale 3875 or

Email: competitions@jamesyeates.com.au

T&C's:

The winners will be contacted by phone and published in the Bairnsdale Advertiser on August 30, 2023.

All entries will be published in our Bairnsdale Advertiser Father's Day feature for 2023.

Entries close 5pm Thursday 24th August.