

## Toorloo Arm Primary School



NEWSLETTER

October 15th, 2024

#### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4 (subject to change)**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 2 Oct	14 Artist In Residence	15 AIR Regional Aths	16 AIR	17 Whole School Performance 6.00pm-7.00pm	18
Week 3	21	22 2025 Prep Parent Afternoon Tea – 4.00-4.45	School Council	24 Scholastic Book orders due back	Prep Transition 9.00-11.00
Week 4	28	29	30	31	1 Prep Transition 9.00-11.00
Week 5 Nov	4 PUPIL FREE DAY	5 MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY	6 Grade 2 Camp	7 Grade 2 Camp	8 Grade 2 Camp Prep Transition 9.00-1.00
Week 6 Nov	11 Grade 3/4 Camp P-2 Barc Excursion	12 Grade 3/4 Camp	13 Grade 3/4 Camp	14	15 Prep Transition 9.00-3.00
Week 7 Nov	18	19 SOMERS CAMP begins	20 School Council	21	22
Week 8 Nov	25	26 NAGLE College Transition	27 SOMERS CAMP finishes	28 Grade1 Sleepover	29
Week 9 Dec	2	3	4	5	6
Week Dec	9 PUPIL FREE DAY LESC	10 BSC Transition	11	12	13
Dec	TRANSITION	TRANSITION			
Week11 Dec	16	17 Grade6 Graduation In school transition Reports given out	18 Last Assembly Rewards Day	19 CLEAN UP DAY	20 POOL DAY 10.00-1.00

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.

Audiri App and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School

Whole School Performance Evening this Thursday

**Welcome to the Circus** 



Children to arrive back at school at 5.45pm in costume.
Please be seated for a 6.00pm start



Students will be working with our Artist in Residence Terry Cole this week to choregraph an act to be performed for you. It is always a joy to see our students embrace the challenges of the week and then experience the joy of performing in front of an audience. We hope you can all make it.

#### **SCHOOL SAVING BONUS**

As shared with you previously, parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support.

In the coming months, the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools.

By Friday 18 October 2024, please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and that your contact information is up to date.

The 2 emails from the Department of Education will:

- 1. Confirm your email address between mid-October and late-November.
- 2. Provide you with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code by the end of November.

If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact Julie or Quita if needed.

You can read more about the School Saving Bonus on the Department of Education website, with key information now available in 14 different languages.

#### WINNER of state-wide French Speaking Competition – FANTASTIQUE

A huge congratulations to Samantha Humphries on winning the State-wide French Speaking competition for grade 3's. Sammy competed against 383 students from other schools across Victoria and has come out on top. Congratulations Sammy on your wonderful achievement and well-done Madame Samson on your excellent teaching of French and inspiring Sammy to reach for the stars. Sammy will now attend a presentation ceremony in Melbourne in November.



#### Regional **Public Speaking** Competition

Congratulations Gracie Lunny who competed in the Regional Public Speaking Competition on Sunday in FIRST PLACE! Once again Gracie delivered her speech based on her nan with clarity, rhythm and humour and should be very proud of her achievements. Gracie will now

compete in the State Final in Mt Eliza later this month.

Well done girls!

It is so great to see Toorloo students excelling in all areas of schooling.



Each year, we undertake a range of activities to ensure the safety of our school and to prepare for bushfires and grassfires.

An important part of this process is communicating to parents what will happen when certain fire danger ratings are issued to help ensure the safety of students and staff. Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 3 school.

Our school will close on a day forecasted as Catastrophic fire danger rating in East Gippsland.

Closure of the school due to a Catastrophic fire danger rating will be enacted when the

Bureau of Meteorology forecast and related public safety messaging are confirmed. Due to uncertainties in the forecast, the timing of this confirmation may vary. Information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by the Audiri App.







It is also important to be aware that:

- No one will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day.
- Out-of-school-hours care will also be cancelled on these days.
- All bus routes that travel through the Catastrophic area will be cancelled.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan

What can families and the school community do to help us prepare?

- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers.
- Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters or by talking to Kerry about our bushfire plans
- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements if our school is closed due to Catastrophic fire danger. Further information can be found on the <u>CFA's</u> website.
- Action your family's bushfire survival plan if your own triggers are met. Our school community may be spread out across many areas and some families may be at higher risk than others. Your family's safety is critical, so please let us know if you are actioning your bushfire survival plan and if your children will be absent on these days.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

Families are encouraged to action their <u>Bushfire Survival Plan</u> on Catastrophic fire danger rating days in their district. The safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Catastrophic day. On such days, children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here:

- VicEmergency app that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices.
- VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)
- Website https://emergency.vic.gov.au
- Facebook (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency">https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency</a>)
- Twitter (<a href="https://twitter.com/vicemergency">https://twitter.com/vicemergency</a>)
- ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters

A big congratulations from the whole school community to Miss Eliza Cunningham and her partner Jay on the announcement of their engagement!

Thanks for your ongoing support,

Kerry Hughes



#### **SOTW**



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#### PREP/1

Welcome to week two, I hope everybody made the most of the sunshine this weekend. Congratulations to our award winner this week **Lutarnna Nicholas** and **Zavier Austen** for their collaboration skills while playing a whole class game.



**Artist in Residence** – This week we are practicing hard for our whole school performance on Thursday. There hard work will pay off when they can perform in front of all their loved ones, please come Thursday night at 5:45.

#### **NEEDED!**

To make the costumes for our skits I am asking for any old unwanted <u>headbands.</u> If you have some you can donate, please bring them in by Wednesday. It will be very much appreciated.

Along with all our practicing we are looking at...

#### Reading:

- **Phonemic work** blending 4 and 5 sound words students will use non words to build their segmenting and blending skills, they are a fantastic way for students to focus on their sound knowledge.
- Revising Letter sounds we will look at Qq in our reading and writing.
- **Inferring** while reading students will think about what they know about the story, use their own connections and the things they know answer questions.

**Writing:** We are starting to look at descriptive reports, learning the structure to follow as well as how to use adjectives, nouns and verbs.

**Maths:** this week we are continuing our work on length, looking at different informal units and what happens when you measure the same object using different unformal units.

Have a great week, Miss Cock and Harry



#### 12A

1/2 Newsletter 2024

Hello and welcome to Week 2 of Term 4! Awards this week went to **Sienna Jones** and **Milly Comber**. Sienna for slipping back into the classroom after a significant time away and always spreading kindness. Milly's award was for always giving 100% to all that she does. Well done to both students.

This week in reading we are continuing to read 'Topsy and Turvy' in more detail and looking closely at the language choices that the authors have used when writing this text.

In Writing we are working on understanding what a persuasive writing piece is and beginning to write our own persuasive piece using the appropriate structure. We will be focusing on writing the letter Xx correctly.

In Maths we are working on measuring the mass of different objects and comparing these masses.

In preparation of our Artist in Residence on Thursday night, we would love if students could start organising a costume. Our theme is clowns so any bright colours and loose baggy clothing will suffice. On the night, it is really important that students return to school on time or even slightly early, so that we can put some face paint on.

Finally, I am still looking for parent helpers for Grade 2 camp. If you are planning on helping, please make sure you return the slip that was sent home last week.

Thanks and have a great week! Eliza Cunningham, Hunee and Lisa

#### **34AB**

Well we are back into learning and the students of 3/4 have started the Term with a great growth mindset. Our students of the week for week 1 were:

3/4A- **Edison Stapleton** for his fantastic maths thinking and collaboration during our fractions thinking task. Great problem solving and leadership Eddie. Keep up the great work.

**Zach Seaton** for teaching the class a terrific card game that was a perfect maths strategy and addition game. I loved the way you thought of your class when you first learnt the game then decided to teach us all. We loved it and it showed great initiative. Well done Zach.

3/4B – **Abel Nicholas** for his fabulous start to the term. You wrote a detailed recount about your new dog and you completed some amazing reading and thinking during the week. Keep it up!

**Declan Bills** and **Ollie Douglas** for their great collaboration in maths. It has been lovely to watch you both taking turns to share ideas and supporting each other as we have been exploring fractions.

This week our focus will be on our Artist in Residence Terry, as we learn our performances for Thursday. A reminder that students in **3/4A** have been asked to bring along visibility clothing from home and students in **3/4B** have been asked to bring superhero capes and tights or leggings. Don't forget our whole school performance on Thursday evening.

In maths we will continue to explore and work with fractions. Please take any opportunity you have at home to talk about the use of fractions (cutting sandwiches, vegetables, sharing treats etc...). In literacy we will continue to explore plots and themes taking particular notice of the way character actions can give us clues about the theme. In writing we are experimenting with descriptions that show us details about an object or thing without actually naming what our object or thing is.

On Friday we will be launching our Science Unit: Sustain the Chain. This is a biological science unit that looks at the interactions between living things and will complement our school camp to Healesville in November. On Friday we will be visiting the park opposite school to do some investigating and recording.

Reading at home continues to be important so please help your child to find some time to read 3 or 4 times across the week. Students record their reading on a chart in the classroom each morning so that we can monitor who is reading at home.

Thank-you

Have a great week everyone and see you Thursday night! Mrs Mackie, Mrs Murray, Alyssa and Miss Howard.



#### **56AB**

Hello grade 5/6 Parents and Guardians.

Students of the week are:

**Flynn Whelan:** For writing an excellent, detailed reader's response. **Marshal Jessep:** For some great contributions to our class discussions.

Ruby Currie: For her readiness to learn and capacity to collaborate with others, and the girls basketball team

including

Summer Harrison, Charlotte Angel, Arlia Wightman, Dora Zhang and Tarzaiyah Sellings: For showing the school values of collaboration and resilience at the summer sports.

In reading we are continuing to focus on interpreting figurative language, in particular personification (giving something non-human human characteristics, for example The sun was smiling down on everyone). In writing students are working on refining and improving their ability to write persuasive texts. They are making sure they use strong emotive language, rhetorical questions and researched examples to back up their arguments. Some students will begin publishing this week and have written some very convincing arguments.

Last week in maths we investigated all the ways fractions can be represented. For example, as a number line, as a decimal or as a percentage. This week in maths we will be exploring equivalent fractions and finding a fraction of a collection of things.

Our performance is shaping up to be spectacular event. Students are having fun practicing skills such as walking on stilts, balancing and acrobatics. We hope to see everyone there this Thursday at 6 o'clock to see what our students have achieved. For their performance, students need to wear neat/smart attire. They need something they can move around in like leggings, shorts or loose fitting pants and a "nice" top.

Thank you Carolyn, Caitlin, Bree, Janet and Hannah

#### **FRENCH**

#### Bonjour,

This week, I had lots of awards to hand out at assembly. First of all, I gave an award to **Marley Hewat** in Prep for his outstanding efforts during a challenging reading and matching task. Marley proved that he could use some strategies that he is using to read in English for French. In doing so, he successfully matched some French words to the correct fruit.

**Owen Reinke** in 3/4A also received an award. While doing some group work, he was a great asset for his group, taking the time to figure out the meaning of all French words and using some good analysing and thinking skills to figure out the odd one out.

I also handed out awards from the Alliance Francaise of Melbourne to all the participants to the Berthe Mouchette poetry competition. What a great effort from our kids to take part in this competition along with another 8700 kids across the state of Victoria. And a huge CONGRATULATION to **Samantha Humphrey** in 3/4A for finishing first in the state for grade 3 students. She worked so hard and should feel proud of this achievement!



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This week, students in grades Prep to 2 will work on expressing their likes and dislikes of some fruits and will practise singing our fruit song.

Students in grades 3 and 4 will continue to practise conjugating -ER verbs and talk about sports with a short video of the minions that was part of the 2024 Paris Olympics Opening ceremony.

The following students tried particularly hard last week:

P-1: Matilda, Tyler, Evelyn, Isabella, Jayce, Marley and Oliver

1-2A: Addie, Jasmine, Seth and William

3-4A: Samantha, Owen, Mack and Fletcher

3-4B: John H, Lochlan, Tessa, Sam and Zoe

Bonne semaine à tous!

Madame Samson

#### **ART**

This week has seen students develop their sculptural skills using and un-conventional (and readily available) art material – aluminium foil!















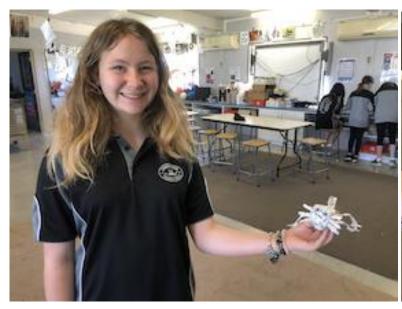














Artist of the Week, **Siennarose Rossignoli** with her 'foil axolotl' artwork.

Jobi Laybourne.

#### **SPORT AND PE NEWS**

**Students of the Week: The TAPS cricket team!** So impressed with everyone's effort and enthusiasm at the District Cricket Carnival last Friday!

Alex Jones and Max Friend-what a fantastic batting partnership together!

**Alannah Chappell and Lukah Beveridge-**Great to see you improve so much over the day because of your focus on doing your very best, especially bowling. Outstanding!

**Edi Stapleton and John Humprey-**your enthusiasm and effort together as batting and bowling partners was amazing. Thanks for your contribution to the team's success on the day and stepping up into senior sports.



#### District Summer Sports Grade 5-6

The Volleyball, Cricket and Basketball teams from Grade 5/6, and a couple of Grade 4s, participated in the Eastern District Summer Sports last Friday in Lakes Entrance. It was a fantastic day where all the teams represented the school so well.

Girls Basketball Results: won 2 games and lost 2.

TAPS v LEPS won 12-9
TAPS v ST Brendans lost 10-23
TUBBS B v TAPs won 10-0
TUBBS A v TAPS lost 6-19



Boys Basketball: won 2 and lost 2 games



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Mixed Cricket: won 2 games and lost one













TAPS v LEPS won by 8 runs TAPS v LEPS G won by 64 runs TAPS v TUBBS lost by 3 runs

Mixed Volleyball: won 2 games, drew one and lost 1 game Girls Volleyball: won 2 games, drew one game and lost 1 game



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#### Regional Athletics Carnival

Good luck to **Tarzi, Kobi, Jake S, Jake H and Max** who will be competing in the Regional Aths at the Joe Carmody Track in Newborough today. I know everyone has been training hard for the day, so we all hope everyone has a great time, we know you all have the goal of getting a PB and the relay team are hoping to get some smooth baton changes!

Thanks
Barb (PE and SPORT COORDINATOR)

#### Important Sport dates for Term 4 2024

Tues 15th October Regional Athletics Newborough



#### ATF FREE After School Tennis Lesson at TAPS

Thursday after school tennis sessions from 4.15pm to 5.15pm at the courts at Lakes Entrance behind the Aquadome, weather permitting, next week. Come along and try tennis and receive your FREE tennis racquet!



#### ♥ PARENTS AND FRIENDS ♥

#### WHAT ARE WE?

Toorloo Arm Parents and Friends are volunteers who help fundraise for items for students, such as subsidising the costs of school camps to keep the costs down for families, sun shades & umbrellas etc.

#### WHAT DO WE DO?

We hold fun days for students and families such as Mothers/Fathers day breakfasts & Family fun nights.

#### HOW WE FUND RAISE?

We hold fundraisers such as Mothers/Fathers day stalls, Book Week sales, Easter raffles, catering for election days and other fundraisers such as the sunscreen and tea towel fundraising ideas.

#### WHAT WE NEED?

Due to the declining number of volunteers we are struggling to hold these fundraisers every year.

We also used to hold end of term lunches, a school fete, christmas raffles and other fun activities for
the families and we would like to bring back these if we could.

We need family and friends who can help, it is not a huge commitment of time, we understand jobs, family etc will mean you cannot always help but any input at all is welcome.

We are also looking for other fundraising ideas anyone may have.

#### HOW TO FIND OUT WHATS GOING ON?

We can be found on Facebook.

Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School or the Audiri App for your weekly school newsletter

#### WHEN DO WE MEET?

We usually hold a meeting on Mondays straight after morning assembly, when required.





583 Esplanade Lakes Entrance. Phone: 5155 3839

Sausage Roll \$5.50 Sauce .20

Spinach and Ricotta Roll \$5.50

Nacho's \$7.00

Corn chips, salsa, cheese, and sour cream

Add guacamole \$1.00

Spaghetti Bolognaise \$7.00

\*NEW for Winter\* Toasties

Cheese \$5
Ham & Cheese \$6
Cheese & Tomato \$6
Chicken, Cheese and Mayo \$7
Extras .50c
Avocado \$1

Choice of High fibre white bread, Multigrain and Wholemeal

Chicken Salad bowl \$8.00

lettuce, tomato, carrot, cheese, cucumber, and Mayo
Add Egg \$1.00
Add Avo \$1.00

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Zucchini slice \$5.00

Chicken Strip Wrap \$4.00 Lettuce, Chicken, cheese, and Mayo

Side Salad \$3.00

Fruit and yoghurt cup \$5.00

\*Gluten Free Bread & Wraps available on request\*

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



### **Mental Health Services and Support**

#### **Beyond Blue**

24/7 mental health support service

1300 22 4636 beyondblue.org.au

#### headspace

Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25

1800 650 890 (9am to 1am daily)

headspace.org.au

#### **Kids Helpline**

24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged 5 to 25

1800 55 1800 kidshelpline.com.au

#### Lifeline

24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services

13 11 14 lifeline.org.au

#### Suicide Call Back

24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide

1300 659 467 suicidecallbackservice. org.au

#### 13YARN

24/7 crisis support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

13 92 76

13yarn.org.au

#### Mensline

24/7 counselling service for men

1300 78 99 78 mensline.org.au

#### 1800 RESPECT

24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse

1800 737 732 1800respect.org.au

#### **QLife**

LGBTIQ+ peer support and referral

1800 184 527 qlife.org.au

If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.





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#### **Orbost Little Athletics**

#### Season 2024/2025 Start Up + COME AND TRY

Date: 19th October 2024 Time: 9:30am Location: Orbost Community College Top Oval



Program will run from 9:30am on Saturdays in the 4th term of 2024 and 1st term of 2025. Registration costs: \$95 (first child) \$90 (siblings)

Ages: 5-17 years of age

Registration link will be available soon. Please keep an eye on our Facebook page.

Join us on our Facebook page "Orbost Little Athletics" to keep up to date with what's happening.

# Get \$200 to help your child play sport! getactive.vic.gov.au ORIA

#### The Get Active Kids Voucher Program is now

Get in quick as applications only remain open until the allocation is exhausted.

If your family or child has a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, you may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in sport and active recreation activities.

#### Important Dates:

- · Applications open from 9 October 2024 until the allocation is exhausted.
- Reimbursement expenditure dates: from 1 July 2024 until submission of application
- Vouchers expiry date: Tuesday, 29 April 2025.

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities by providing financial support for the cost of membership and registration fees.

Special consideration also applies for children residing in care services, as well as temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants, or international students. www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers





# FAR EAST GIPPSLAND SCHOOLS NETWORK WRITERS SHOWCASE

WHERE: LAKES ENTRANCE
MECHANICS HALL

WEDNESDAY 23RD OCTOBER 10AM-4PM, OPEN TO PUBLIC AND SCHOOL GROUPS

THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER - SCHOOL GROUPS

FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER 10AM- 4PM,
OPEN TO PUBLIC AND SCHOOL GROUPS

BY DR DAVID HOWES,

DEPUTY SECRETARY,
SCHOOLS AND REGIONAL SERVICES

SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER OPEN 10AM-2PM

WRITING DISPLAYS FROM FAR EAST GIPPSLAND STUDENTS PREP-YEAR 12



"Learning Together, Succeeding Together"



Start 12:30

Welcoming glass of bubbles on arrival Floating Threads Fashion Parade

Prizes

Best Dressed Lady & Man



Lunch:

Two courses & BYO alcohol

Sweeps, raffle and other prizes

Cost:

\$30/person; tables of 8



Bookings: Marlene 0413 841 273

Purchase tickets online at: *Trybooking* (Use QR Code)

