

Toorloo Arm Primary School



NEWSLETTER

October 29th, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4 (subject to change)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 4	28	29	30	31	1 Prep Transition 9.00-11.00 Tea towel orders due back
Week 5 Nov	4 PUPIL FREE DAY	5 MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY	6 Grade 2 Camp BSC transition	7 Grade 2 Camp	8 Grade 2 Camp Prep Transition 9.00-11.00
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 9.00-1.00
Week 7 Nov	18	19 SOMERS CAMP begins	20 School Council	21	Prep Transition 9.00-3.00
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	9 PUPIL FREE DAY	10 BSC Transition	11	12	13
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Week11 Dec	16	17Grade6 Graduation In school transition Reports given out	18 Last Assembly Rewards Day	19 CLEAN UP DAY	20 POOL DAY 10.00-1.00

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge congratulations to Gracie Lunny for winning the grade 5 & 6 State Lions Public Speaking competition in Mt Martha on the weekend. Gracie travelled to Mt Martha with her mum to compete in the competition on Saturday.

Gracie was awarded this very impressive trophy for her success, which will stay at school for the next 12 months but has her name and the school's name etched in history forever.

When I asked Gracie if she thinks she will compete again next year. "I think I'll stop while I am at the top." Congratulations Gracie on your amazing achievement.



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At last week's school council meeting we reviewed our updated Sunsmart Policy which now aligns with Victorian Education Departments Policy. As a school we are proactive in educating our students about being sunsmart and will follow this updated guideline:

We use a combination of sun protection measures for all outdoor activities from **September to the end of April** and whenever UV levels reach 3 and above, the level that can damage skin and eyes. So going forward it will be an expectation that students wear their hats for an extended period of time, not just term and 1 &4.

You can't see or feel UV



If you would like to know the UV rating, you can download the app onto your phone and take the other precautions such as applying sunscreen and wearing sunglasses.

We look forward to your support with this in keeping our students safe from the damage of the sun. If any parents would like a copy of our updated policy, please see Julie or Quita at the office.

Tea Towel Fundraiser

Last week students completed the artwork for the Parents and Friends tea towel fundraiser – see example. As well as being a great dish drying tea towel, they are long-lasting memento of your child/ren and the students who were at the school at Toorloo in the same year. The price of the Toorloo 2025 tea towel is \$15.00 and orders are due this Friday. Please collect an order form from the office and return it and the payment by this Friday.



Pupil Free Day- Monday 4th November and Tuesday 5th November

Next Monday is a pupil free day for students. Teachers will be attending professional learning in the morning on Trauma Informed Practises conducted by the Australian Childhood Foundation and will then review the progress on our Annual Implementation Plan and start planning our improvement strategies for 2025. Tuesday 5th of November is a public holiday for Melbourne Cup Day, so students and staff are not required at school.

Prep Transition

For those children enrolled in Prep 2025 your transition begins this Friday in the prep room with Miss Cock from 9.00-11.00am. We look forward to welcoming you to school.

Enjoy your long weekend, Kerry Hughes

Students of the Week



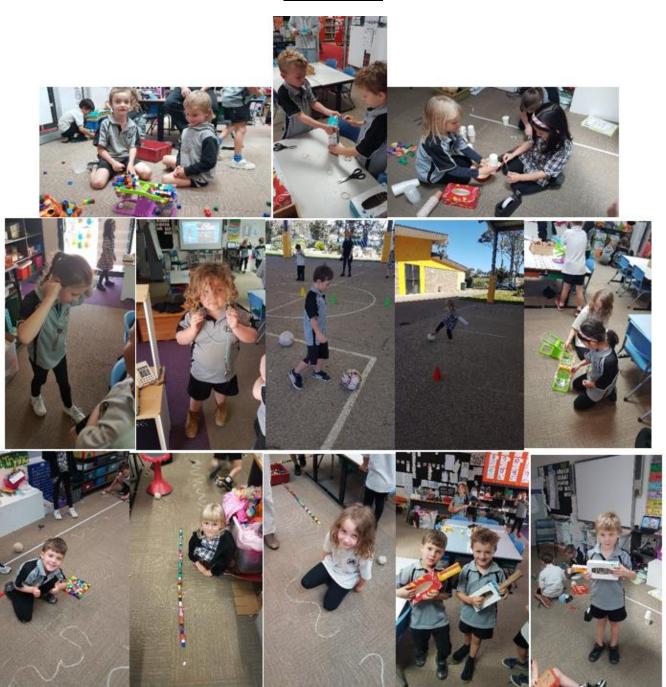
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Prep/1

Well done to everyone for all your hard work and preparations for the circus show last week, you all did an amazing job. Congratulations to our award winners this week, **Oliver** for listening to feedback and choosing to use it to extend his writing. **Marley** for using the writing skills he has gained to write independently.

This week's fun



This week 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 Ww in our reading and writing.
- Fluency reading our stories like we are talking to someone, making sure to use the punctuation.
- **Inferring** while reading students think about what they know about the story, use their own connections and the things they know to 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. Later this week we will be writing a descriptive text about their favourite toy, can you please get your child to choose a toy and bring it in as soon as possible.

Maths: this week we are continuing our work on mass. We are looking at how to weigh objects using informal units. The grade ones will be exploring grams.

We will also be looking and recording data using tally marks and placing the information into bar and picture graphs.

Integrated studies:

For the next few weeks we will be experimenting with sound, we will be looking at the how it is produced and the science behind loud and quiet sounds.

Have a great week, Miss Cock and Harry

1/2A

Hello and welcome to Week 4 of Term 4!

Awards this week went to Savannah Blank and William Fotheringham. Savannah's award was for the positive attitude that she brought to the class last week. William was for the way he has been slowing down in all areas of his learning, allowing him to get great results! Well done to both students.

This week in reading we are continuing to look at the parts of speech (verbs and adverbs), particularly used in our mentor text, Topsy and Turvy.

In Writing we are working on continuing to develop our understanding what a persuasive writing piece is and beginning to learn about and use persuasive devices effectively in our writing. In handwriting we are focusing on writing the letter Yv correctly.

In Maths we are working on measuring and comparing the capacity of different containers and discussing which containers hold less/more.

Forms:

- Grade 2 camp is next week, if you have not got your form in for this yet I encourage you to do so.
- We have an excursion to the Forge Theatre & Arts Hub on Monday the 11th of November, look out for these forms coming out this week.
- Grade 1 sleepover is also coming up, these forms will be sent out in the coming weeks!

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

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This week's awards

3/4A - Talulah Comber for her great leadership as Discussion Director in our book club, you lead the team and asked great open-ended questions. Well done.

Harry Friend for your excellent participation in reading groups. You were curious and asked great questions, contributing 100% to our discussions on the text Artic Circle.

3/4B - Zoe Nairn and Edward Vincent for their collaborative work in science. Great effort by two strangers!

John Parkhill for his committed approach to fractions and his effort to write more in his reading responses.

This week in maths we are continuing our work on fractions, moving into decimal fractions.

In literacy we will continue to explore plots and themes taking notice of the way character actions can give us clues about the theme.

In writing we are planning narrative stories with a focus on character development. We will be learning to use paragraphs effectively to organize our writing.

In respectful relationships this week we are continuing the help seeking unit. We will be discussing the concept of trust and people we can go to for help.

On Friday we had a great excursion to see the East Gippsland Writer's Festival entries, including works by TAPS students. Ollie Douglas was able to point out his piece to Mrs Murray who missed the Writer's Festival.

We followed the writing with a trip to Eastern Beach where every student practiced their science observing skills. In teams of three, the students looked inside a hoop and

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chose one thing to draw and label. They were challenged to think about what it ate, and what ate it. Lots of fabulous discussions relating to biology and ecology.

3/4 Camp is fast approaching and we are finalizing all the details. Please return forms ASAP, if you haven't already done so.

Mrs Mackie, Mrs Murray and Alyssa.

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Hi Year 5/6 families.

The Award winners for this week are:

Balin Tuck for showing kindness and respect in and out of the classroom all of the time.

Chloe Taylor for applying fraction knowledge during equivalent fractions games.

Ollie Anderson for bouncing back and being a great leader.

Will Kellock for demonstrating excellent leadership and being a positive role model.

In reading this week we are focusing on summarising and paraphrasing non-fiction texts. We are practising this whilst reading texts related to our science focus of animals.

In writing we are beginning to plan and explore the process of writing information reports. Our main topic will be animals that have special features and adaptations for survival.

In mathematics we are continuing to work on fractions, with a focus on equivalent fractions and the addition and subtraction of fractions.

Last week we began our health unit with all 5/6 students which started positively. This week for sport the 5/6 students will be attending Lakes Entrance Bowls Club for a four-week program.

Thanks, Alec McPhee, Carolyn Smith, Bree, Janet and Hannah.

FRENCH

Bonjour,

This week, **Dartanyan** received an award for his ability to use on his own vocabulary, grammar and sentence starters learnt throughout the year. Even though he was given a sentence starter to answer a question, Dartanyan proved that he had assimilated some of the vocabulary and grammatical concepts learnt in previous lessons, and he chose to make his own sentence. Very well done!

Another student really amazed me last week and received an award. **Edward Vincent**, in 3/4A, started with us last week and had never done French. On his first French lesson, Edward was absolutely impressive, hands up all the time to participate in all our activities. He instantly grasped the concept of masculine and feminine and could tell correctly the gender of words on sports, explaining his reasoning. We have been working on this complex concept for a few years now and Edward showed a great understanding straight away!

This week, students in grades Prep to 2 will continue to work on expressing their opinion on fruit juices. We'll then design together a juice menu for a Pop-up juice bar later in the term.

Last week, some students in in grades 3 and 4 struggled to make their full sentences to say which sports they play and remembering the gender of some of our sports. We'll practise more this week and check their understanding with a Kahoot quiz.

The following students tried particularly hard last week:

P-1: Evelyn, Oliver, Ethan, Hannah, Indy and Matilda

1-2A: Amaya, Dawson, Halle and Sienna

3-4A: Talulah, Edison, Edward, Abel & Fletcher

3-4B: Dartanyan, Mason, Sam & Zoe

Bonne semaine à tous!

Madame Samson

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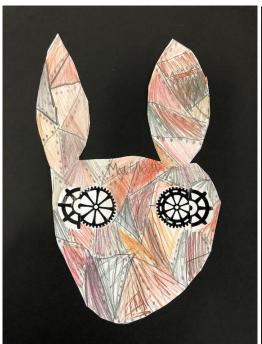


ART

This week has seen a transition of materials and techniques. Most classes are starting to explore 'steampunk art styles' – an art movement that mixes old and new technology with a decidedly 'industrial' vibe.



















Artwork by Artists of the Week, Emily Jackson and Kobi Caldwell.

Jobi Laybourne.

PERFORMING ARTS

Hello performers and families,

Welcome to week 4!

Our performance artists of the week are **Ruby Pool** (5/6A) for her contributions to discussion about movement and dance connections to the real world, and **Jake Hartley** (3/4A) for his persistence and focus when learning to juggle. This week, P/1 and 1/2 classes will continue to build an awareness of their bodies as they make shapes and move like animals in response to the Jungle Game and The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Students will practice their juggling skills using scarves and bean bags.

Grade 3/4 students will continue to practice their juggling skills with scarves, bean bags and juggling balls they have made. In small groups, students will create a movement sequence to be performed incorporating juggling, hula hoops and their balancing acrobatic skills.





The Grade 5/6 classes will practice safely forming acrobatic balances in pairs and will work towards creating a sequence of movement that includes juggling. Enjoy your week!

Caitlin Jackson

SPORT AND PE NEWS

Students of the Week:

Summer Harrison and Tarzaiyah Sellings: fantastic leadership in their Kids Choice game Mat Ball. Well thought out, well organised and great choice of a fun and inclusive game. Everyone had fun!



Today we have been lucky to have Dylan from Cricket Victoria visit us at TAPS for a clinic for Grade 1-4. He showed us some great activities and games for improving our skills. Grade 3/4s have launched the cricket unit this week and will be focusing on different throws, catching and batting.







Grade 5/6s have continued the Kids Choice unit, which gives students the leadership opportunity to have a voice, work collaboratively and have fun with their classmates. Grade 5/6s will also commence a 4-week community sport program run by the Lakes Entrance Bowls Club in Lakes Entrance, starting this Thursday. We will depart TAPS at 1.30 pm and return by 2.45 pm.

Juniors have been digging deeper into collaboration this week, where the focus is successfully playing games together, being a good sport, maintaining emotions, including and working respectfully with everyone. Great skills to practice!

Barb (PE and SPORT COORDINATOR)



ATF FREE After School Tennis Lesson at TAPS

Thursday after school tennis session THIS WEEK 31st Oct 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!

The rest of the dates for the term are: Nov 14th, Nov 21st and Dec 5th.



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



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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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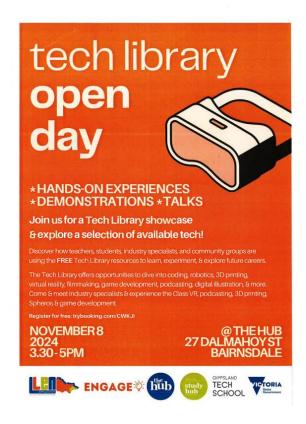


Start your cricket journey at YOUR local club!

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Under 13 cricket for ages 9-13 Training Wednesday nights; matches on Friday nights Two teams!





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