



### IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 2 Feb	3	4	5 No preps- testing	6 3-6 Swimming Carnival	7
Week 3 Feb	10	11	12 No preps- testing	13	14 Book Club orders returned.
Week 4 Feb	17 Finance meeting	18	19 No preps- testing School Council	20 District Swim - Orbest	21
Week 5 Feb	24 Hockey Roadshow- Gr 1-6.	25	26 No preps- testing	27 Division Swim- B'dale	28
Week 6 Mar	3	4	5 No preps- testing	6	7
Week 7 Mar	10 Labour Day	11 Parent Teacher Conversations	12 Naplan Parent Teacher Conversations	13 Naplan Parent Teacher Conversations	14 Naplan Book Club orders returned Issue 2.
Week 8 Mar	17 Naplan	18 Naplan	19 Naplan School Council AGM	20 Naplan	21 Naplan 1:45 School Cross Country
Week 9 Mar	24 3-6 Swimming Program	25 3-6 Swimming Program Glasses for Kids program starts	26 3-6 Swimming Program	27 3-6 Swimming Program	28 3-6 Swimming Program
Week 10 April	31 3-6 Swimming Program	1 3-6 Swimming Program	2 3-6 Swimming Program	3 3-6 Swimming Program	4 3-6 Swimming Program Early Finish 2.15 pm

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.



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Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School

### Principals Report

#### Naplan update

Well done to all the students for the calm manner in which they undertook the first three Naplan tests. It was really pleasing to see the effort that they all put into doing their very best. This week will see the last test, Numeracy, being completed. Catch up tests will be completed this week to allow any students to complete any that have been missed. Good luck for the remaining test, keep working hard and being just as proud of your effort as we are.

#### Building works

Over the holidays, you will see some construction happening at the school. Construction will start on two of the existing ramps at school, one at the front entry and the other at the Art room. All buildings, pathways and structures at school need to be compliant with standards and last year it was determined that two of our ramps needed further modification to ensure that they are safe for all. The ramp at the front door entry will be demolished and a brand-new ramp will be constructed with added handrails. The Art room ramp handrails will be extended to comply with safety regulations. These works should be fully completed during the holidays therefore there shouldn't be any access issues

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by the time Term 2 begins. As always, the school will be open over the holidays for the community to use however, please use either the side gate near the bike shed or the front gate (near the main road) for access.

## Swimming Program

Quick reminder that the TAPs swimming program will be commencing next week and running for the last two weeks of the term. Please ensure that students bring their swimming gear including bathers, towels and goggles if need. Keep in mind that you may (probably will) have extra tired kids for the next two weeks.



## Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School

P & F are now calling for donations for the Easter Raffle, please send donations along to the office. The more donations we get the more children who will win a prize. Easter raffle tickets will be coming home today.

## Smile Squad



Smile Squad is the Victorian governments free school dental program.

Smile Squad delivers free oral health promotion, dental check-ups and treatment to Victorian government school students at school. Good oral health prevents dental problems before they become serious. Smile Squad helps students stay engaged in school and ready to learn.

The Smile squad Van will be visiting our school from **Week 2 in Term 2**. Permission forms have been sent home, please come to the office if it hasn't come home yet.



## Wellbeing

The whole school TAPS COLOUR RUN is this **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of March** after lunch, weather permitting. This will also be the Grade 3-6 TAPS Cross Country. Permission forms have been sent home this week, **so please complete and return as your child may not participate in the Colour section without consent.**

This is an out of uniform day-students can wear as much white or light coloured "old" clothing as possible. This will make the colours more vibrant. We also invite parents, friends and families to be a part of the day-hope to see you at this community event. We need some more parents on course (you can drive your car there or walk with a group!) and support the children on the way.

Event start times (approximate):

- 1.45 pm 12 year old students 3 km run
- 1.50 11 year old students 3 km event
- 1.55 8/9/10 boys 2 km event
- 2.00 8/9/10 girls 2 km event
- 2.05 Gr 2s 2 laps Colour Run
- 2.10 Gr 1s 2 laps Colour Run
- 2.15 Preps 1 lap Colour Run

## Measles alert

There have been two new cases of measles reported in Victoria that have not travelled overseas and have no known links to recent cases of measles. These cases were infectious at multiple locations in Greater Bendigo and metropolitan Melbourne. This means there is now local transmission of measles in the community.

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Measles is a highly infectious viral illness that can lead to uncommon but serious complications, such as pneumonia and brain inflammation (encephalitis). There have been 8 cases of measles identified in Victoria in 2025. A number of populations in Victoria are susceptible to measles, including anyone who is unvaccinated, infants under 12 months of age, immunocompromised people and adults who were born between 1966 and 1992 who may not have received two MMR vaccines in childhood.

**Symptoms** include fever, cough, sore or red eyes (conjunctivitis), runny nose, and feeling generally unwell, followed by a red maculopapular rash. The rash usually starts on the face before spreading down the body. Symptoms can develop between 7 to 18 days after exposure.

Initial symptoms of measles may be similar to those of COVID-19 and flu. If a symptomatic person tests negative for COVID-19 and/or influenza but develops a rash, they should be advised to continue isolating and be tested for measles.

**Infectious period** People with measles are considered infectious from 24 hours prior to the onset of initial symptoms until 4 days after the rash appears. Measles is highly infectious and can spread through airborne droplets or contact with nose or throat secretions, as well as contaminated surfaces and objects. The measles virus can stay in the environment for up to 2 hours.



A typical measles rash

Anyone who develops symptoms of measles should seek medical care and testing for measles. Call your GP beforehand to advise that you may have been exposed/have measles symptoms. You will be given instructions on what to do next.

<https://www.health.vic.gov.au/health-alerts/new-measles-case-in-victoria-4>

### Orbost Show Results

It was fabulous to see so many pieces of artwork at the Orbost Agricultural Show entered by TAPS students. The judge was very impressed with all of the work. A special well done goes to the following students who received a first place, second place or a highly commended: Grade 2 - Evie Jackson; Grade 3- Sienna Jones, Seth Geddes, Elicia Austen, Christian Murdoch; Grade 4 - John Parkhill, Fletcher Hindle, Ollie Douglas; Grade 5 - Declan Bills and Grade 6 - Abby Jackson. We also had some students enter craft items and collect some prizes: Zoe Nairn - weaving (first place), Gracie Lunny - crochet (first place), Lochlan Tunnage - pottery (first place) and Sam Davies - pottery (second place). Thank-you to all the students who took the time to make an entry.



Entries are on display in the gallery.

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If your child is going to be absent from school, for sickness, appointments or planned holiday, please let the office know.

You can either phone the school office or put an absent note on the Audiri App.

## Students of the week



### Prep

Good morning, welcome to week 8! Well done to our award winners this week **Mia Jones** for her sense of beat and rhythm and **Cohen Harrison** for his concentrations and use of our reading strategies in guided reading.

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**Last Week's Fun!**

This week we are looking at:

**Reading:**

- We are building a range of reading strategies, such as getting our mouth ready, and checking the beginning and end of a word.
- We are focusing on recognising different letters and matching them to their sounds.
- We are reading *'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'* looking at the story from Eric Carles view, thinking about his word choice and sentence structure.

**Writing:**

- Segmenting CVC words– this is when you break apart the sounds you hear in short three sound word and write the sounds you hear.
- Blending CVC words – this is when you hear individual sounds and put them together to make a word.
- Recounts – we are trying to write recounts of different events, using time markers such as first, next, then.

**Maths:** Number – Friends of ten

The class is looking at friends of ten (two numbers we can put together to make 10) as well as numbers that come before and after.

Have a great week.  
Miss Cock and Bree

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**12AB**

Hello and welcome to week 8! The award winners in 1/2A was **Halle Douglas** for her leadership and being an awesome role model in the classroom. In 1/2B awards went to **Matilda Ryan** for her recount writing and **Jasper Melville** for his narrative writing. Well done to these students!

This week in reading we will be working on telling the problem and the solution in different narratives.

In writing we will be continuing to work on our stories inspired by Pamela Allen. Students are excited to begin typing these stories.

In maths we are continuing our focus on place value and are beginning to look at how to read and write three-digit numbers, as well as talk about 1 more, 1 less, 10 more, 10 less and 100 more and 100 less of given numbers.

In spelling we will be beginning to focus on accurately spelling high frequency words based on our individual spelling needs.

Both classes will focus on personal and cultural strengths this week through the Resilience, Rights, and Respectful Relationships program. We encourage you to have a chat with your child about what their strengths are and how they can use them in a positive way.

Finally, this week we will be putting a page of high frequency words into the students' readers. It takes 5 extra minutes to practise these words each day and increases the fluency of students reading.

Like always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to send us an email or pop in for a chat.

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Thanks and have a great week!

Eliza Cunningham, Caitlin Jackson and Lisa

**34AB**

This week in 3/4.

Students of the week are:

**Chloe Jackson** for the great effort she is putting into her writing, using interesting vocabulary and extra detail to engage the reader.

**Xander Gray** for great maths thinking during our measurement activities.

**Sienna Jones** for being a consistent home reader, reading each night and bring her home reader back to school each day. Well done.

**Logan Magee** for great starts to his rocket writes which give the reader an idea of where the story is going.

**Isaac Whitford** for his deeper thinking about what we are reading and recording his ideas in his reading responses.

**Rebecca Jones** for her fabulous approach to all tasks and continually working to be the best that she can be.

This is our last week of NAPLAN. We are really pleased with the attitude of the Grade 3 students, persisting and trying their best throughout the Naplan sessions. Mrs Mackie is working with grade 4 students, completing a book study on *Nails* by Paul Jennings. The Grade 3s are continuing to read and explore, *The Moose Belongs To Me* by Oliver Jeffers. In writing we are focusing on expanding ideas by adding detail to simple sentences. Maths this week is revising place value concepts especially the understanding that 0 holds the place in a number.

Last week the students learnt about MRS GREN, an acronym relating to the processes performed by all living things (please ask your child to explain it). Laila Gritt, Tessa Manley and Fletcher Hindle completed a great poster about frogs demonstrating their understanding of MRS GREN and consequently were our Scientists of the Week. This week in Science, we have a visiting artist coming to TAPS. She will be teaching the students how to weave using native grasses.

Cross country/ colour run is this Friday afternoon. It is a casual clothes day. Please remember if your child is participating in the colour run they need to wear a white T-shirt. If they are not wishing to participate, they may wear a school or darker coloured T-shirt.

Swimming starts next week, so please remember to return the swimming form if you have not already done so. We will be swimming every day for the next two weeks. Your child may need a little extra in their lunchbox, as they will eat a smack before they leave and the rest of their lunch when they return to school.

We really enjoyed the chance to catch up with parents last week for parent conversations. Thank you to all the parents who attended.

Ali Mackie, Larissa Murray, Hunee and Lindy

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**56AB**

Hello year 5/6 Families

Students of the week are:

**Tarzaiyah Sellings:** For an excellent effort with her writing and editing skills.

**Luna Sutherland:** For always having a positive attitude and a growth mindset.

**Will Kellock:** For being a positive member of the class and helping others with their work.

**5/6A:** For showing persistence when completing a Maths task.

This week there are 2 more Naplan sessions for our grade 5 students one was on Monday and the other is on Wednesday. On these days students will be tested on their spelling and grammar knowledge and their numeracy skills. A reminder that swimming starts on Monday 24/3/25 and will run every day for the final two weeks of school.

For reading, students are continuing to read their literature circle books. We have also focused on being able to infer certain information from a text by using the evidence given.

In writing, students have focused on building suspense in their stories by adding extra details. Most students are editing their stories or are in the process of publishing.

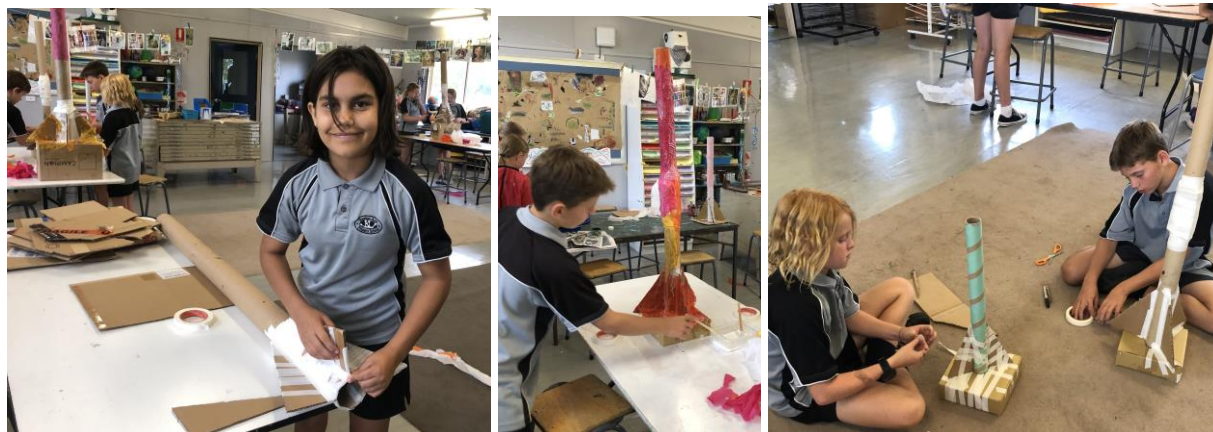
For maths we are continuing to use the most efficient strategies for solving subtraction problems. Students are also learning how to use the computer program excel to record data and present it in graph form. They will then be asked to analyse the data in their graphs.

Thanking you

Carolyn Smith, Alec McPhee and Alyssa

**Art**

Several artistic topics, techniques and materials are currently being explored - from paint sticks, watercolour, papier-mâché, to collaborative construction sculpture works. This has made for a creative and very busy art room!



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Artwork by Artist of the Week, **Eli Chappell**.

Jobi Laybourne.

### **French**

Bonjour,

Thank you to all the parents and students who have brought back the form to participate in the poetry competition! Please remember to bring the permission form back **THIS WEEK** if you wish for your child to take part in the French poetry contest. A reminder that you can listen to the poems online. This is a good first step towards remembering it.

<https://www.afmelbourne.com.au/schools-and-teachers/bmc/info/poems/>

On Monday, at assembly, Darcy received an award for his outstanding job leading our classroom routine last week. Darcy was picked by a classmate, and he did a fantastic job asking his classmates questions about how they were feeling, as well as showing feelings based on their answer. Well done, Darcy! I also gave an award to Rebecca for her stunning progress with learning numbers!

This week, Prep students will continue their learning of colours. We'll be looking and coloring in the flags of some French speaking countries.

Grade 1-2 students will continue to focus on family members in French with songs and games. We'll add gestures to a song on family members, using the tune of "Head, shoulders, knees and toes".

Students in grades 3 and 4 will play a game of Kahoot to practise applying the rule on the different ways to say "in" in French depending on the gender of the word. Students taking part in the poetry contest will also get the chance to learn their poem.

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It is grade 5/6 students' turn to have French. They will start learning about how to say the time, looking at o'clock, quarter past and half past. Some students requested to work on the 24hr clock too, so we'll practise saying the time that way too.

Well done to these students for working noticeably hard last week:

Prep: **Mia, Lyssi, Frankie, Harper, Jakaiah and Larnee**

1-2A: **Oliver, William, Evie, Evelyn and Mave**

1-2B: **Ethan, Archer, Isabella and Matilda**

3-4A: **Tessa, Darcy, Amaya and Lochlan**

3-4B: **Mack, Emily, Owen, Rebecca and Fletcher**

5-6A: **William and Flynn**

Bonne semaine a tous!

Emmanuelle Samson

## **SPORT AND PE NEWS**

Students of the Week:

**Lynden Perkins:** for his positive approach in PE and working hard on making PE fun for everyone in the class.

**Casey Bills:** for his positive contributions in all games and being a great sport!

**Bryson Johnston and Sienna Jones:** for being fun and friendly partners in Slingshot Golf

**Bella Pool:** for being the first TAPS student to get a HOLE in ONE in Slingshot Golf

In PE Preps have been keeping the bouncy balls busy, and being the "boss of the ball". They have had the opportunity to work with a partner rolling the ball, taking turns and using kind words and actions.

Grade 1/2s are practising being a good sport-following the rules, using kind words and actions and maintaining emotions in the excitement of the games.

Grade 3/4s have played some rounds of Slingshot Golf this week with different partners in a friendly way so that everyone has fun, takes turns and has some experience working with classmates they might not usually work with.

Grade 5/6s are playing a range of new minor games where they have the opportunity to practice supporting others, being a good sport and noticing strengths in themselves and others in dynamic situations.

### TAPS Cross Country and Colour Run

Don't forget the TAPS Cross Country and Colour Run will be held after lunch at the Lake Tyers Beach Reserve this **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of March, weather permitting**. If you are able to help out with this event, that would be fantastic! We are looking for adults to be on course-walking, jogging, cheering on along the way, handing out and raffle tickets.

A big shout out to Ollie and Luca's mum Jess, who organised the shire to mow the oval for us yesterday! Thanks also to Clancy and Nicki (on course support), Michelle W (recording) and Jandi (icy poles).

Please let us know if you can help out on this community event, **we do need some more parents on course (walking or park your car) to ensure the event is safe!**

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### Grade 3-6 Swimming Program

The swimming program starts next week, with the Gr 3/4 classes starting from 1-1.45, then the Gr 5/6s are 1.45-2.30 pm at the Aquadome.

Please return the permission and medical forms, including any updated asthma plans. (Students are expected to bring their own puffers to the pool).

### TAPS Run Club

Congratulations to the following students for achieving these colour bands!

**10 laps**

Casey, Serena, Matilda, William F, Lutarnna, Ayla, Willow W, Abel N, Mahalia,

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**25 LAPS**

Casey, Austin, Ethan, Ollie D, Sienna J, Beccy, Alannah,

**50 Laps**

Tessa, Lochie T, Mack A, Seth, Owen, Declan

Thanks,

Barb (SPORT COORDINATOR)

**Important Sport dates for Term 1 2025****WEEK 8**

Thurs 20th March ATF Tennis after school coaching at LETC 4.15-5.15 pm

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> March TAPS Cross Country and Colour Run

**WEEK 9**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March Gr 3-6 Swimming Program Aquadome commences

Thurs 27th March ATF Tennis after school coaching at LETC 4.15-5.15 pm

**WEEK 10**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April ATF Tennis after school coaching at LETC 4.15-5.15 pm

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April Gr 3-6 Swimming Program Aquadome finishes

**Important Sport dates for Term 2 2025****WEEK 3**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May Division Cross Country Bairnsdale Qualifying Gr 3-6 students

**WEEK 5**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May District Winter Sports Lakes Entrance Gr 5/6 students

**ATF FREE After School Tennis Lesson at LETC**

**Tennis is on every Thursday afternoon starting at 4.15 pm to 5.15 pm until the end of term.** Please keep an eye on the Audiri app if the weather is inclement. FREE tennis racquets are available for newcomers!

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# BREW BAR

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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 Bolognese \$7.00

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

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.

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# HOLIDAY *intensive* SWIM PROGRAM

**FAST TRACK  
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ABILITY!**

**Monday 7 April - Friday 11 April  
2025**

**For ages 3 and up**

**Cost: \$60**

On confirmation of booking a \$20 deposit will be required to secure your child's spot.

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## ENROLMENTS YEAR 7 2026

Nagle College is an active and proud Catholic learning community that provides a rich holistic education to the young people of East Gippsland.

Applications for Year 7 in 2026 will open on Monday 31 March 2025.



### ENROLMENTS TIMELINE

MARCH 31	MAY 9	JUNE 18/19	AUGUST 4
Applications Open	Applications Close	Enrolment Interviews	Offers of Placement Made



### DISCOVER NAGLE YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

WED 2 APRIL 2025

We welcome you and your family to learn how Nagle College can support your child's secondary school journey.

There are 3 sessions:  
**4.00pm, 4.45pm & 5.30pm**

Sessions are limited.  
**Bookings essential.**



For further information, visit our website: [www.nagle.vic.edu.au](http://www.nagle.vic.edu.au)

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