



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 8 <i>Mar</i>	16 3-6 Swimming Naplan	17 3-6 Swimming	18 3-6 Swimming	19 3-6 Swimming	20 3-6 Swimming
Week 9 <i>Mar</i>	23 3-6 Swimming KINECT2Dance	24 3-6 Swimming KINECT2Dance	25 3-6 Swimming KINECT2Dance	26 3-6 Swimming Evening Dance performance 6pm	27 3-6 Swimming
Week 10 <i>April</i>	30	31	1 TAPS Color Run	2 Early Finish 1:30pm	3 Good Friday

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.



Compass,



Toorloo Arm Primary School and



Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School

Principals Report

Naplan

All four tests have been completed, with this week being used for any students that need to catch up due to being away. We couldn't be prouder of the way our students conducted themselves in attitude and effort throughout the testing period. While these assessments can sometimes feel a little daunting, our students approached them with resilience, focus and a willingness to give their best. I was particularly impressed with the calm and supportive way students encouraged one another and stayed focused during each session. Effort, persistence and a readiness to learn are qualities we value highly at our school, and it was wonderful to see these on display.

Enrolments

I would also like to let families know about an important change coming next year regarding enrolments. From 2026, schools across Victoria will begin using a new online enrolment system called **Insight**. This system will allow families to complete enrolment applications digitally, making the process easier and more streamlined for parents and carers. Over time, Insight will help schools manage enrolments more efficiently and improve communication with families during the enrolment process. We will provide more information about how this system works and will happily provide more information for any parents that have a child commencing prep in 2027, as we move closer to 2026, but we are excited about the opportunities it provides to make enrolments simpler and more accessible for our community.

KINECT2Dance

Next week we have our Artist in residence on site. This year we are having our performers here in Term 1 instead of Term 4.

Students will be having practices in the LTB Hall throughout the week, with an **evening performance** on Thursday the 26th for the TAPS school community at 6pm in the Gallery.

It's always a fun night to perform in front of our families and we don't want families to go to great expense to source costumes, keep it simple.

Themes and costume suggestion listed below. Teachers will go over this with students again next week.

P1- Swimming-Board shorts, Rashie, Hawaiian prints, goggles or floaties

12- Disco- Plain t-shirt with star on the front, Black bottoms, bike shorts, long socks, plain colored t-shirt and headband/bandanna

34A-Egyptian- White toga (oversized adult t-shirt), gold/yellow fabric for belt

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- 34B-Rock and Roll-** White t-shirt, black pants, full circle skirts, cardigans, Grease style clothing, Boys-slicked back hair, Girl's ponytail
56A-Country- denim jeans, white t-shirt, plaid shirts, cowboy hats
56B-Street wear-normal casual clothes, tracksuit pants, baggy pants and hoodie, caps, basketball jerseys.

Have a wonderful week and looking forward to seeing everyone at the dance spectacular next week.
Miss Hopkins



Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School are now calling for donations for the Easter Raffle, please send donations along to the office. The more donations we get, the more children could win a prize. It doesn't need to be chocolate; it can be any Easter themed items.

Easter raffle tickets went home last week, if you need more, just ask at the office.

LEAVING FROM THE FRONT GATE AFTER SCHOOL

Could we please keep the fence line clear, so that students and families walking down the fence have a clear/safe walkway.
Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Wellbeing

The whole school TAPS Harmony Day COLOUR RUN is on again **Wednesday 1st of April** after an early lunch, weather permitting. This will also be the Grade 3-6 TAPS Cross Country. Permission forms are on Compass this week, so please complete. **Students can wear out of uniform** for the day, but we recommend white or light coloured "old" clothing. 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 time is approximately 1.45 pm for the first event.

Student of the week



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P,1,2

Welcome to week 8 of Term 1 P/1/2 families. Oh, how the term flies!

A huge congratulations to our award winners this week, from Miss Cock, **Jandamarra Harrison** and **Ayla Guarnaccia** for their great persistence and effort with their writing over the last fortnight. The kindness awards this week goes to for **Christian and Hannah Wickham**. Award recipients from Ms Jackson's 1/2 class were **Jakaiah So** for his persistence in his spelling, and **Luca Douglas** for his persistence in spelling and maths. This week's fun!

Playing emotion memory with our buddies, making ABC pattern combinations and red cabbage science experiments



Chemical science experiments using red cabbage.



This week we are looking at:

Reading:

- Students are revising and learning different reading strategies such as getting knowledge ready, vocabulary, inference and story retell.
- Students will participate in guided reading groups, focusing on a key reading goal to extend their reading.
- Students are working within their spelling groups based on their needs, ranging from consonant CVC work, digraphs, blends and long vowels.
- Preps will be introduced to a new set of letters: m, d, g, o, c, f

Writing:

- Preps are starting to build and write simple sentences using colourful semantic cards, making sure to include spaces between words.
- Ones are looking at how to add detail to their sentences to make them more interesting.
- 1/2's are revising their knowledge of full stops and capital letters and using dotted thirds correctly.
- 1/2's are continuing to build their recount to include an introduction, time makers and a conclusion.

Maths:

This week in maths, the P/1/2's are exploring pattern recognition and the repeating unit within a pattern and finding the missing elements.

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We will also be continuing our work on place value:

- Preps are consolidating number representation to 10
- Ones are comparing 2-digit numbers
- Twos are portioning into the hundreds with '0' and are looking at non-standard grouping.

Integrated Studies

- Exploring different emotions through body language and exploring what different acts of kindness looks like for everyone.
- Looking at their personal and cultural strengths.
- Preps will be spending time with their grade 6's to find their buddies.

Have a great week,
Miss Cock, Ms Jackson, Bree, Lindy, and Hunee.

34AB

Hello 3/4 Parents and Guardians

Students of the week are:

Ruby Brooker: for showing kindness to others in our class. Fantastic Ruby!

Noah Hartley: for demonstrating persistence throughout last week in all learning areas.

Jack Tunnage: For making sure he does his best by rewriting his sentences in word study to make them even better.

Maddy Hartley: For a great effort in reading by making sure she completes tasks to the best of her ability.

Well done to all Year 3 students on completing their NAPLAN assessments. It can lead to a bit of worrying, but all the kids put their best effort in and stayed calm!

The next two weeks are swimming. Our lessons are between 1:00pm and 1:45pm each day, so remember to pack your swimming gear and towel. Next week we have our artist in residence coming in from Monday to Thursday. It will conclude with a performance on Thursday night. Stay tuned for more details.

Literacy

In reading we are beginning a new mentor text, Banjo Paterson's 'Mulga Bill's Bicycle'. Through this text we will be practising to use context clues to identify new language, reading fluently by looking at the flow/rhythm of the sentences and making connections between the past and now. In writing students will be drafting a scientific report in response to a science experiment. It will discuss the aim, predictions, the steps and results.

Mathematics

In Mathematics we have begun our addition and subtraction unit. The main focus has been on strengthening students number fluency, further developing mental strategies for addition and subtraction and building our mathematical vocabulary. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday students will work in smaller math groups and Thursday and Friday coming together to focus on big ideas in maths.

Thank you

Carolyn Smith, Alec McPhee, Lisa, Hunee and Lindy

56AB

SOTW

Kobe Sheard and **Edison Stapleton** for their fabulous discussion and participation in our discussions on *Sister Heart*. Your responses demonstrated that you are really thinking about the story, themes and messages, and listening to other's responses. Great work

We would like to congratulate **all of our Grade 5 and Grade 6 students** on their hard work and flexibility during last week's NAPLAN testing. It was wonderful to see such positive attitudes and the way students adapted so well when daily routines and programs needed to change. We are enormously proud of the effort and resilience they showed throughout the week.

Our swimming program begins this week, which means there will be a few timetable adjustments as we work around specialist subjects and swimming lessons. It is important that students get a good night's sleep as these lessons do tire the children out more than the general school day. Please remember to pack swimmers, goggles and a towel each day.

In literacy, we will continue exploring character relationships and themes as we read our mentor text, *Sister Heart*. Students will design a new front cover for the book, reflecting the characters and themes we have

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encountered so far and how they think these ideas are developing. This week, all students received new spelling words and are enjoying the word sorts and activities that accompany the program. In writing, students are learning to punctuate direct speech accurately and enhance their work by adding detail through adjectives and adverbs to create vivid images for their audience.

The students have responded really well to our new daily fluency program and are already beginning to see progress in their skills. This week in maths we will continue to expand our fluency activities. Students will rotate through a range of short, timed activities designed to build confidence, understanding and flexibility when working with numbers.

Please continue to encourage your child to read at home. It doesn't have to be a schoolbook—any reading is valuable. We simply ask that students record what they read in their reader cover as evidence of their home reading. Our goal is for students to read around 3–4 times each week.

Have a wonderful week.

Ali Mackie, Larissa Murray, Lizzy Haldane, Alyssa and Dee 😊

Art/Stem



Last week a short week, with students working on their 'pixel art' and 3D drawing in art classes, while over in STEM, students were continuing their exploration of strong but light structures.



Jobi Laybourne.

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SPORT AND PE NEWS

Students of the Week

Indy Geddes: for her bounce back in PE, during a game of Everyone's It tiggly, had a sit out to recover and joined in for Sharks n Minnows. Well done!

Darcy Eastham: full participation in the whole PE lesson, so ready to learn.

Swimming has started, but PE continues for all classes over these two weeks of the program. Preps to grade 2s have been introduced to jump rope this week, it's been fun moving to music, and Gr 3-6s are focussing on strategies to help control our body and emotions in fast games and group challenges.

Gr 3-6 Swimming Program

The swimming program for Gr 3-6s has begun smoothly. It will be **EVERY DAY until Friday 27th March**. If you have any further questions, please contact the school.



TAPS Run Club

We had two sessions of run club last week again. Thanks to Charlotte, Maddy, Zoe and River for tracking the laps and collating who has achieved a bracelet this week.

Congratulations to these students who achieved 10 laps or more this week and will receive their blue bracelet:

P/1/2 Eseta Bodhi

These students have also reached 25 run or more and will receive their green bracelet:

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P/1/2 **Ayla Luca**

Gr 3/4 **Dawson Casey Lutarnna Harper**

Gr 5/6 **Katarlis**

These students have also reached 50 laps or more and will receive their yellow bracelet:

Gr 3/4 **Seth Oliver Amaya**

Gr 5/6 **Kobe Mack Declan Fletcher Tessa John Owen Lochy Ollie**

Get Active Kids vouchers:

Round 10 applications are now open! Victorian families can now apply for \$200 vouchers or reimbursements to help cover the costs of sport and active recreation for eligible children. If you have already paid you can get reimbursed. Please note that funding is available only for aligned sporting organisations.

Applications close 10am on 2 April 2026, or earlier if the allocated budget is fully exhausted.

You can apply using the following link to the Get Active Kids website:

<https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/apply-for-vouchers/>

TAPS Harmony Day 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 on **Wednesday 1st of April, weather permitting**. If you are able to help out with this event, that would be fantastic! Students can **wear out of uniform for the day**, but we recommend white or light coloured "old" clothing. This will make the colours more vibrant. We are looking for adults to be on course-walking, jogging, cheering on along the way; handing out and raffle tickets. Please let us know if you can help out on this TAPS community event, **we do need parents/carers help to run this activity successfully, such a handing out icy poles and being on course (walking or park your car), to ensure the event is safe!** Event start times (approximate):

1.45 pm 12 year old students start 3 km run

1.50 11 year old students start 3 km event

1.55 8/9/10 boys start 2 km event

2.00 8/9/10 girls start 2 km event

2.05 Gr 2 start 2 laps Colour Run

2.10 Gr 1 start 2 laps Colour Run

2.15 Preps start 1 lap Colour Run

Please don't hesitate to catch up with us if you have any concerns about your child's participation in PE, or if you are interested in connecting them up with sport in the community, we can usually you point in the right direction. Also, it would be great if your child wears runners and has a water bottle on PE days, so that participation is comfortable and safe, and of course, hats are compulsory this term.

Thanks,

Barb (SPORT COORDINATOR)

Important Sport dates for Term 1 2026

Monday 16th March-Friday 27th March Gr 3-6 Swimming Program Aquadome

Wednesday 1st April Harmony Day Cross Country Colour Run Whole School

Important Sport dates for Term 2 2026

WEEK 3

Monday 5th May Division Cross Country Bairnsdale Qualifying Gr 3-6 students

WEEK 5

Friday 22nd May District Winter Sports Lakes Entrance Gr 5/6 students

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BREW BAR

on the ninety miles

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

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

Pizza Muffins (2 pieces)

Ham & Cheese \$6

Roasted Capsicum & Olive \$6

Add pineapple .50c

Chicken Salad bowl \$8.00

lettuce, tomato, carrot, cheese, cucumber, and Mayo

Add Egg \$1.00

Add Avo \$1.00

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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2027 Year 7 - Information Evening

Wednesday 29th April 2026

5.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Bairnsdale Secondary College invite students, parents, and carers to our Information Evening for 2027 Year 7 students.

Time	Item	Location
5.00 pm to 6.00 pm	McKean Street Campus open to tour and chat with staff and students from Key Learning Areas including English, Maths, Science and PE.	Year 7 Hub, Science Centre and Inclusion Hub
6.00 pm to 7.00 pm	Information Session - Presentation from current Year 7 students and student leaders.	Malgobilla Building

For further enquiries please contact us on 5150 4800 or at bairnsdale.sc@education.vic.gov.au

The enrolment process begins in early Term 2 .

Information will be distributed initially via your Primary Schools.

For Government Primary Schools

Your Primary Schools will distribute an Application for Year 7 Placement early in Term 2

For Non-Government Primary Schools

Your Primary School may provide an Application for Year 7 Placement early in Term 2 , if you do not receive one please contact the College directly.



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

DISCOVER NAGLE YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

We welcome you and your family to discover firsthand what makes our College community so special - from our welcoming learning spaces to the natural beauty that surrounds us.



SCAN HERE
TO BOOK

There are 3 information sessions, followed by the opportunity to explore our campus:

Wednesday 25 March

4.00pm, 4.45pm & 5.30pm

Sessions are limited.
Bookings essential.



ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN YEAR 7 2027



APPLY TODAY

Enrolment Applications are now open for families seeking to join the **Nagle Catholic College** community for Year 7 in 2027.

To assist with timely processing, please ensure required documents are provided at time of application.



APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 18 MAY 2026

For further information, visit our website: www.nagle.vic.edu.au

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LEFNC
Junior footy
 Training is starting!
Wednesday 4th March
 U 11 s Training - 4.30pm
 U13s training - 5pm
 U15s Training - 5pm
 U 13s coach - Brett Campisi
 U15s coach - Gerard Kennedy
 U 11s - TBA
Registrations are open!
 EGJFA DATES OF BIRTH FOR U11 AGE GROUPS
 U11s - start date 01/01/2015 end date 31/12/2016
 U11 has to turn 10 years old this year to register **2026**

<https://www.playhq.com/afi/register/53314b>

Junior Football Training will commence next Wednesday night from 4.30pm.
2026 junior registrations are also open from 8.30pm tonight .

WELCOME BACK
2026 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN
 For Boys ages 6-13yrs & Girls ages 6-15yrs
 Saturdays at Howitt Park, Bairnsdale
 May 2nd - August 1st 2026
 Finals August 8th - August 15th
LINK & INFORMATION IN THE DESCRIPTION

**For local kids who want to be
 3D developers and digital world creators.
 Call Connie 0409 421 390 for info.**

**NOWA NOWA
 YOUTH TECH GROUP**

Next Sessions:
Monday 9th March
 -music tech
Monday 23rd March
 -360° camera
4pm-5.30pm

**LAKES ENTRANCE
 LITTLE ATHLETICS
 RAFFLE!**

Support Our Club

Major Prizes

1st - Peels cruise 2x Adults & 3 Children \$150
 2nd - Yoga with Kristina 10 sessions \$150
 3rd - Venture Out 2x Kids Adventure sessions \$98

Minor Prizes

4th - Wyanga Winery \$50 Voucher and bottle of wine
 5th - SeaShanty \$50 Voucher
 6th - Bass Strait Bait & Tackle - Mad Keen metal dirnkn bottle & kids polarised sunglasses
 7th - Fulton Butchers \$40 Voucher
 8th - Lakes Books & Games Gift Pack
 9th - Kids Bike kit gift pack & mini golf voucher

Tickets sold at weekly Friday meet and participating stores
 Prize Winners Will Be Announced on 28 March 2026
 Ticket Prices: \$2 each or 3 for \$5
 CASH ONLY

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GOOD CLEAN FUN

[PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK](https://play.afl.com.au/auskick)

LAKES ENTRANCE AUSKICK CENTRE

LAKES ENTRANCE RECREATION RESERVE

FRIDAYS | 5.00PM - 6.00PM

Starting Friday 24th April 2026

AFL Superkick

ANYBUDDY CAN PLAY

[PLAY.AFL/SUPERKICK](https://play.afl.com.au/superkick)

LAKES ENTRANCE SUPERKICK

LAKES ENTRANCE RECREATION RESERVE

FRIDAYS | 5.00PM - 6.00PM

Starting Friday 24th April 2026

GET READY FOR A GREAT NIGHT OUT!

LAKES ENTRANCE ROTARY CLUB

TRIVIA NIGHT

27 MARCH 2026

Friday, 27th March 2026
St Brendan's Primary School
Mary MacKillop Basketball Centre

★ \$15 per person ★ \$80 for a table of 6 ★

Be there at 6pm for a 6.30pm start

Raising funds to support local community projects & bushfire-affected communities in Victoria.
Supper provided by Rotary. BYO snacks and drinks

RSVP BY 13 MARCH

Contact Lesley: 0419 871 197 or Victoria: 0404 747 269

An invitation from President Bernard Abrecht and the members of the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance

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