



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Week 5</b>	18	19	20 SSG Meetings	21 SSG Meetings	22 Walk to School Day 56 Winter Sports
<b>Week 6</b>	25	26 SC 4pm	27	28	29
<b>Week 7 June</b>	1	2	3 Reconciliation Day at TAPS	4	5 School Photo Day
<b>Week 8</b>	8 Kings Birthday	9	10	11	12
<b>Week 9</b>	15 TAPS Aths	16	17	18	19
<b>Week 10</b>	22 56 Camp Sovereign Hill	23 56 Camp Sovereign Hill	24 56 Camp Sovereign Hill	25 56 Camp Sovereign Hill	26

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BSB 063 832 Acc No 1002 2188

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Compass,



Toorloo Arm Primary School and



Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School

### Principals Report

#### Sad news

At the end of this term, we will sadly be saying goodbye to the wonderful Bree, who is heading off with her family to enjoy the warmer weather in beautiful Cairns. While we are extremely excited for this next adventure for Bree and her family, we are incredibly sad to see her go and she will be missed by everyone. Bree has been such a valued and caring part of our school community, and we're honestly not quite sure how we replace someone as fantastic as her — but we are giving it a go!

Therefore, we currently have an Education Support position available at the school. If you have someone that you know that you would think would be interested in joining our great school community, please pass on our details or find out more via the office.

#### School Uniform

Now the weather is getting a little colder, a timely and friendly reminder to all families about the importance of students wearing the correct school uniform each day. While it may seem like a small thing, arriving at school in uniform helps students feel ready for learning and helps set everyone up for a positive day.

Please remember that hoodies and long sleeve tops (other than black) are not part of the school uniform. We ask families to support students in wearing approved uniform items, particularly during the cooler weather and if your family requires any support with school uniform items, please don't hesitate to contact or visit the office. We are always happy to help.

Have a wonderful week.  
Miss Hopkins

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**Walk to school**



On Friday the 22nd of May students are invited to meet Miss Cock at the corner of Lake Tyers Beach and Cliff Roads at 8:20am and walk, skate or ride to school to help promote road safety, environmental sustainability, and the physical/mental health benefits of daily activity.



Meeting point

**Do It For Dolly Day**

Thank you to all those who dressed in blue and donated money as part of our school's Do it for Dolly Day event on Friday 8th of May. We would like to make special thanks to donors attending our Mother's Day breakfast for their generous contributions. Thank you to Mrs Murray for face painting blue butterflies on students' cheeks. Together we raised \$203.20, a wonderful collection that will help fund anti bullying programs through the Dolly's Dream Foundation.

We hope to make this an annual event to help send the message that bullying is never ok.



**Start of Winter Sale!**

We have a number of Dry and Cozy Jackets in stock and are having a **flash Winter sale**, only \$30.

They will come in handy over the next few months 😊

**2026 TAPS School Photos - Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of June.**

Photo envelopes will be coming home today.

We are having our school photos taken by a New Company this year, so the process is a little different.

- If you pay with cash (correct money), you bring your envelopes back to the office
- Or
- You can order and pay online.

Family photo envelopes are available at the Office.

Please check your child's Name is spelt correctly on their envelope. Place orders by photo day, as late orders will incur a \$20 processing fee.

**Family photo orders need to be placed before photo day, or they won't be taken.**

Smile 😊



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**Students of the week**



**Grip Leadership attendees with their Certificates**



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**P12**

Welcome to week 2 of Term 2 P/1/2 families. A huge congratulations to our award winners this week, from Miss Cock's class, **Iver Rooks** for his CVC word building and **Cohen Harrison** for sharing his toys and including others in his play.

The kindness of the week awards goes to **Travis Tregonning** for including Violet in his game when she was lonely - from Violet. **Mackenzie O'shea** for helping Indy pick up beads that had spilled - from Indy. **Frankie Bolding** for looking after a friend in the playground - from Samuel.

From Ms Jackson's room, awards went to **Liam Parkhill** and **Zavier Austen** for their Brilliant Beginnings in writing. Congratulations to these students!

**Last few weeks of fun!**



(Enjoying buddy time)

**This Week**

**Reading** - We are looking at a mentor text that supports students' comprehension, sentence structure and reasoning skills. This week is all about high order thinking, this is when students focus on the words the author has chosen. Building their vocabulary, understanding of sentence structure and breaking down what the text is telling the reader.

- P/1: Are focusing on *Alexander's outing*
- 1/2: Are focusing on *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*

**Reading Strategies**

P/1 - This week students are practicing:

- Word Treasure Hunt: Good readers will hunt for words they know. This can make their reading fluent.
- Use what you know - Good readers will use what they already know from other areas. We can use what we learned in spelling to help us read.

1/2 - This week, students are practicing:

- Flexible Sounds: This is when you think about what other sound a vowel can make and trying this to read a word.
- Group letters that make sounds together: Good readers look for letters in groups such as digraphs and blends.

**Writing** - This term we are starting to develop our narrative skills. This week will be encouraging students to develop **Mighty Middles**. We will be exploring engaging narrative middles such as:

- **Tightening Tension**: This is when the writer uses their senses to make it feel like the reader is really there.
- **Dynamic Dialogue**: This is when the writer gives their characters words instead of telling the reader what is happening.
- **Catastrophe Scale**: Good writers include an interesting part in their story. This can be a range of things but the more interesting the event the more the reader wants to read on.

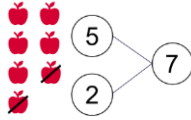
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Students are also revising their knowledge of adjectives, nouns and verbs while being encouraged to use them in their writing.

**Maths** - Students will be entering the addition and subtraction space. This week students will be working with an addition and subtraction skill to their ability level.

- **Subtraction as 'take away':** Students are starting to explore subtraction and what it means. Look at the idea of starting with the whole. One part is the amount that is taken away and the other part is the number that is left. Write a number sentence to match.  $7 - 2 = 5$ .



- **Using known addition facts for subtraction:** When we know additional facts we also know subtraction facts. We can use turnarounds to find additional sums as well as starting with the whole and taking away a part to solve it as a subtraction sum.
- **Add 1- and 2-digit numbers using jump strategy:** Students will use number lines to practice adding numbers using the jump strategy.

### Integrated Studies

This term students will be looking at colour and light. This week we are looking at natural and man-made sources of light.

Have a great week!

Miss Cock, Ms Jackson, Bree, Lindy, and Hunee.

### 34AB

Hello 3/4 Families,

Students of the week are as follows:

**Ned Jol:** For his amazing "Have a Go" attitude to learning.

**Harper Robertson:** For writing a great persuasive text about zoos.

**Darcy Eastham:** For showing greater independence and working hard to improve his maths skills.

**Serena Dawes:** For her fantastic effort and positivity in math groups.

### Reading

We are continuing to read our mentor text "*Nim's Island*" and encouraging students to think more deeply about the characters, their relationships and what is happening in the novel. To do this, students have compared different characters by looking at their similarities and differences. They have also looked at the types of questions that will assist them to understand what is happening in the book on a deeper level.

### Writing

Students have completed their persuasive texts about whether zoos are good or bad for animals. We have been impressed with some very convincing pieces of writing. Students will now use a rubric to assess their own writing and think about what they have done well and what parts of their writing they could improve. Next students will choose from a range of topics to write a persuasive text independently.

### Maths

This week we are finishing our addition and subtraction unit. Students will be given a pretest about multiplication and division so that instruction about this topic is at the point of need. We have also started a measurement unit about time.

Discussing time at home, for example o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past will assist your child with their learning.

### Inquiry

The next part of our inquiry unit will focus on "The Age of Exploration". We have discussed reasons why people wanted to explore the world and students have chosen a famous explorer whom they will research. They will then make a timeline of the important milestones in the explorer's life.

Thanking You

Carolyn Smith, Alec McPhee, Lisa, Hunee and Lindy

### 56AB

Hello Families

Students of the week:

**Fletcher Hindle, John Parkhill and Laila Gritt** for the fabulous engagement, curiosity and enthusiasm you displayed at the GRIP Leadership Conference on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May. You thought about your responses to

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questions and your reflections and worked to mix and mingle with students from other schools. Great Work Fletcher, John and Laila!

**Chloe Jackson** and **Harry Friend** for their collaboration and effort in preparing a biography about Maya Angelou. Great effort!

On Friday, all of the 5/6 students will be taking part in the combined schools winter sports. This is a fabulous day out, playing sport and connecting with other children from local schools. This does however mean, we have a shortened teaching week!

We will continue to read and discuss *Tigg and the Bandicoot Bushranger*. Students are being asked to focus on identifying themes in the Lit Circle books and to record the evidence that supports the theme. Please take the time to discuss your child's Lit Circle book and/or *Tigg and the Bandicoot Bushranger*, as it is through these discussions that children build their connections, recall and enjoyment of reading these stories.

Students will be choosing their Australian Great this week and will begin their research task. Students will also be presenting the biography they prepared using their chosen Little People, Big Dreams book. We are looking forward to hearing what they have learnt about these people.

In maths we are changing our focus to division, and so far, have been impressed with what the students can do. Please remind your child that practising their times makes their multiplication and division learning so much easier.

Have a fabulous week.

Ali Mackie, Larissa Murray, Lizzy Haldane and Alyssa 😊

### ART/STEM

Senior and Middle School student have continued to explore their storytelling through their stop motion animation, as well as using people as part of their animation.



Junior students have been exploring the environment around them, seeking out texture for their artworks.



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In STEM, students are exploring different types of flying machines and how they can experiment and modify designs.

Jobi Laybourne.



**Language and Culture**



Halfway through term already!

We have been immersed in learning about Australian Indigenous culture this term, and we will continue to be! In our prep/1/2 area our Tiddalik frog models are coming along nicely, and we are starting to explore some more Gunaikurnai language words for native animals and body parts, through song.

We were so lucky to have **Jyeran Whitford** bring in a special indigenous artwork that he and his mother created together. Jyeran shared with the grade all of the elements of the painting and the meaning behind different symbols. Thank you so much Jyeran and Paula!

In our 3/4 area we are exploring the significance of 'Country' to indigenous people by sharing some of our own special places and researching local areas of significance to the Gunaikurnai.

In 5/6 we have been learning about 'Songlines', and how stories, knowledge, geographical features and maps have all been passed down orally and artistically for thousands of years, enabling the oldest living culture in the world to continue to thrive. We are also really lucky to be hosting

Reconciliation Day for all of the schools in our local area in a few weeks! This will really bring our learning to life.

Ms. Haldane, Language & Culture

**SPORT AND PE NEWS**

Students of the week:

**Willow Woollen**-for her great body control in gymnastics and smooth movements.

**Jakaiah So**-fantastic cartwheels and outstanding control in gymnastics

**Gr 5/6 Eastern District Winter Sports**

Don't forget the Eastern District Winter Sports Carnival is on **THIS Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May (permission is on Compass, please complete asap)**. Students will be travelling by bus to and from the venues. It looks like a cold one, so if you could make sure your child has plenty of snacks and a water bottle. A blanket, coat and beanie would be great for between games. Please see below for game times and draws, hope to see you there!

Netball-to be held at Lakes Entrance Netball Courts (next to Bowls Club)

Uniform is black shorts/leggings/track suit pants and school TAPS top

<b>New Court (lake side)</b>	<b>MIDDLE COURT 1</b>
10.00- LEPS v St Bs	10.00- <b>TAPS</b> v OCC g
10.30- OCC g v LEPS	10.30- St Bs v TUBS
11.00- Break	11.00 Break
11.30- TUBS v OCC g	11.30 LEPS v <b>TAPS</b>
12.00- <b>TAPS</b> v TUBS	12.00 OCC g v St Bs
12.30- Break	12.30- Break
1.00 – St Brendans v <b>TAPS</b>	1.00- TUBS v LEPS
1.30 finish	1.30 finish

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AFL 9s-to be held at Lakes Entrance Oval

Uniform: football jumper will be provided, black shorts and footy boots. Mouthguard highly recommended.

Matches	Scorers/ Timekeepers/ Goal Umpires	Matches	Scorers/ Timekeepers/ Goal Umpires
<b>Oval 1</b>		<b>Oval 2</b>	
<b>10:00-10.40</b> St.Brendans vs LEPS	St Brendans and LEPS	<b>10:00-10.40</b> TAPS V TUBS	TAPS TUBS
<b>11.00 – 11.40</b> LEPS vs TUBS	LEPS and TUBS	<b>11.00 – 11.40</b> TAPS V St Bs	TAPS St Bs
<b>12.00 – 12.40</b> TUBS vs St Brendans	TUBS and St Brendans	<b>12.00 – 12.40</b> LEPS v TAPS	TAPS LEPS

Soccer-to be held at St Brendans

Uniform: TAPS sports tops will be provided, black shorts/leggings/tracksuit pants and runners or footy boots if you have them.

Start time around 10 am (draws have not been done yet)

Start Time	Field 1	Ref.	Field 2	Ref.
<b>10:00 - 10:16</b>	St B vs Lakes PS	ST B	TAPS vs TUBBS	TUBBS
<b>10:16 - 10:32</b>	OCC vs Marlo/St J	ST B	St B vs Lakes PS (girls)	TUBBS
<b>10:32 - 10:48</b>	Newmeralla vs Lakes PS	ST B	STB vs Marlo/St J's	TUBBS
<b>10:48 - 11:04</b>	TAPS vs OCC	ST B	TUBBS vs St B's (girls)	TUBBS
<b>Break</b>				

<b>11:46 - 12:02</b>	Marlo/St J vs TUBBS	OCC	Lakes PS vs TUBBS (girls)	LAKES PS
<b>12:02 - 12:18</b>	Newmeralla vs Marlo/St J's	OCC	TUBBS vs OCC	LAKES PS
<b>12:18 - 12:34</b>	Lakes PS vs TAPS	OCC	St B's vs Lakes PS (girls)	LAKES PS
<b>12:34 - 12:50</b>	Newmeralla vs OCC	OCC	Marlo/St J's vs TAPS	LAKES PS
<b>12:50 - 1:06</b>	TUBBS vs STB	TAPS	TUBBS vs St B's (girls)	STB
<b>1:06 - 1:22</b>	Newmeralla vs TAPS	TAPS	OCC vs STB	STB
<b>1:22 - 1:38</b>	TUBBS vs Lakes PS	TAPS	OCC vs Lakes PS	STB
<b>1:38 - 1:54</b>	Newmeralla vs STB	TAPS	Lakes PS vs TUBBS (girls)	STB
<b>1:54 - 2:10</b>	STB vs TAPS	TAPS		

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The focus in gymnastics for P/1/2 has been putting all our moves (animal walks, rolls and balances) together in groups, with control. Fun!



Cheers,  
Barb (PE SPORT COORDINATOR)

### Important Sport dates for Term 2 2026

#### WEEK 5

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May District Winter Sports Lakes Entrance Gr 5/6 students (back up Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May)

#### WEEK 7

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June Regional Cross Country Lardner Park Qualifying students

#### WEEK 9

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> June TAPS Athletics Carnival at school

### Important Sport dates for Term 3 2026

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Aug District Athletics Howitt Park Bairnsdale Qualifying 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 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

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.

## DISCOVER YOUR FUTURE!

@ LAKES ENTRANCE SECONDARY COLLEGE  
YEAR 7 OPEN NIGHT

Discover your future at Lakes Entrance Secondary College Open Night. Meet our dedicated staff, explore our curriculum offerings and learn about the transition and enrolment process as you take the next step in your educational journey.

We warmly encourage all prospective 2027 Year 7 families to attend. Light refreshments will be provided.



Tuesday 19 May, 5-7 PM  
in the Library



1-11 North Street, Lakes Entrance

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# JUNIOR MIXED REGISTRATIONS

## Now Open!

- 12 Rounds + Finals
- Start - 4th May
- End - 7th Sept
- Cost - \$115 Plus BV fees



Questions?  
Please text Junior  
Coordinator:  
0475 518 250

🏀 Juniors Mixed Rego is now open

Cost - \$115 + BV fees

Under 10's, 16's & 19's play on a Monday night  
Unser 12's & 14's play on a Thursday night

Age groups

- U 10's - 2017 - 2018
- U 12's - 2015 - 2016
- U 14's - 2013 - 2014
- U 16's - 2011 - 2012
- U 19's - 2008 - 2010

If you would like you child to play up a grade please text the Junior Coordinator  
0475 518 250

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/6b1de2>

🏀 Girls Competitions Registrations NOW OPEN!

New registrations are welcome for both competitions.

🏀 Our Senior Girls competition is at a minimum for girls born in 2015 and over, and is designed for more experienced and older players.

🏀 Our Junior Girls competition is the perfect environment for girls new to the game or looking for the opportunity to gain confidence and grow their skills.

Registrations for both competitions use the link below.  
Games are held on a Friday afternoon.

New registrations are more than welcome to message the junior coordinator to discuss the best competition fit for the player.

✗ No late registrations will be accepted.

To register please use the link at the bottom this post.

Any questions please text 0475 518 250

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/d5a69e>

Registration will close on Friday 24th of April.

# GIRLS COMP REGISTRATIONS!

## Now Open!

- Start - 8th May
- End - 11th Sept
- Cost - \$80 Plus BV fees



Questions?  
Please text Junior  
Coordinator:  
0475 518 250

# CROSS COUNTRY SEASON



Join us for the 2026 Cross Country Season  
2 FREE Trails are available.



**SATURDAY'S**  
2<sup>ND</sup> MAY - 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

**LAKES ENTRANCE  
SECONDARY COLLEGE**

Start at  
**9:30AM**

\*VENUE MAY CHANGE ON CERTAIN DATES

- U6 - 500m
- U7 & U8 - 1km
- U9 & U10 - 1.5km
- U11 & U12 - 2km
- U13 & UP - 3km

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"...that perfect performance combo of hilarity and community"  
Xavier Dannock, Lighthouse Theatre, Warrnambool

# HALL STORIES

**Damian Callinan**

A night of comedy & storytelling celebrating the quirks, traditions & characters of Australian halls and meeting places.

**Wednesday 20th May 7pm**  
**Lake Tyers Beach Hall**



Also performing at Johnsonville Hall  
Saturday 23rd May

Presented by **THE FORGE**  
(03) 5152 1482

## Apex Club of Bairnsdale Time Capsule Celebration

Sealed 1975 • Opened 2001  
Opening 2026 • Resealing for 2051!

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

Opening 10:30am  
Resealing 11:30am

Purchase your envelope now  
& leave your mark in History!

**ENVELOPES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**  
**\$5 AND \$10 OPTIONS - CASH ONLY**  
**SCHOOLWORKS SUPPLIES**  
**MACLEOD ST, BAIRNSDALE**

*Free BBQ lunch supplied by the*  
*Apex Club of Bairnsdale*

**BRHS** All funds raised supporting  
BRHS Maternity ward



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