



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 5 Feb	23	24	25 No preps- testing	26	27
Week 6 Mar	2	3	4	5	6
Week 7 Mar	9 Labor Day	10	11 Naplan	12 Naplan	13 Naplan
Week 8 Mar	16 3-6 Swimming Naplan	17 3-6 Swimming	18 3-6 Swimming	19 3-6 Swimming	20 3-6 Swimming
Week 9 Mar	23 3-6 Swimming	24 3-6 Swimming	25 3-6 Swimming	26 3-6 Swimming	27 3-6 Swimming
Week 10 April	30	31	1	2 Early Finish	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

Hello everyone. Believe it or not, we are approximately halfway through the term already.

Naplan- commences in two weeks with the testing period from **Wednesday 11 March to Monday 23 March 2026**. Due to the commencement of the swimming program, our testing period will start towards the front end of the testing period with sessions on the 11th, 12th, 13th and 16th of March. Currently, classrooms are focused on setting up the right conditions for students to do their best. This means maintaining strong, consistent teaching in literacy and numeracy, ensuring students are familiar with the online format, and creating calm, well-organised testing environments. If you have any questions about Naplan please see your class teacher or contact the office.

Wellbeing

School counsellor Kerrilee will be sadly finishing up for us tomorrow and heading off travelling around Australia. We wish her safe and happy travels. She will be handing over to therapist Kate who will be working with students on Thursday's starting next week. If you have concerns about your child's wellbeing or questions about the school counselling program, please don't hesitate to have a chat to your child's classroom teacher, Alli or Barb. Early conversations with us are really important! Referral and consent forms are available from Alli or Barb.



If your child is absent from school due to illness or another valid reason, please register their absence by:

Recording the absence on the **Compass App** or

Phoning the school office on 51565517.

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General permission forms

Please return your families General permission forms, photo permission forms and ICT agreements. New forms have been sent home to those families that have not returned them yet-not many to go! Students who haven't handed in their forms, will be unable to go in the Whole School Colour Run later this term.

Students of the week



P12

Welcome to week 5 of Term 1 P/1/2 families. A huge congratulations to our award winners this week, from Miss Cock's class, **Bodhi Brooker** demonstrated wonderful persistence and active listening skills while creating his Chinese New Year 3D lantern. **William Thomson** impressed us with his scientific thinking, using his prior knowledge to develop an accurate hypothesis. **Kerrile Whelan** was awarded the Kindness Award for consistently helping others join in and play.

From the 1/2 classroom, **Samuel Wickham** for being ready to learn, and **Evelyn Murdoch** for her enthusiasm and turn taking in guided reading.

It has been a busy week in the junior area with lantern making, exploring ingredients in chemical science and making a 'giving tree' with our buddies.



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In the 1/2 classroom, we are exploring chemical science to blow up balloons without our breath.



Wednesdays

Just a reminder that the Preps have Wednesdays off and have been allocated a specific time to come in to do a one-on-one session, focusing on the English and Math activities.

This week we are looking at:

Reading:

- Students are revising and learning different reading strategies such as G.K.R (Getting Knowledge Ready), making connections, predicting, retelling.
- 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.

Writing:

- Preps are continuing to place pen to paper to write a recount of their weekend.
- Preps are starting to build and write simple sentences using colourful semantic cards.
- P/1s are extending their letter sound knowledge to write words in isolation, focusing on initial sounds, CVC or CVCC/CCVC words.
- 1/2's are revising their knowledge of conventions to place full stops and capital letters in the correct position in a short piece of text.
- 1/2's are learning to write a recount using correct time markers such as first, then, next and finally, to add detail and expand on their ideas, and to finish with how they felt about the experience they are recounting.

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Maths:

This week in maths, the P/1/2's are continuing to look at gathering data, graphing and using digital programs to create their own graphs. Grade 2's are extending their understanding of graph types, choosing the most appropriate for their need, such as using a line graph to see trends or bar graphs to see popularity.

Preps are exploring friends of ten - two numbers that go together to make 10.

We will also be continuing our work on place value, partitioning numbers into tens and ones and using number charts to build our understanding of tens and ones in place value.

Integrated Studies

- Exploring different emotions through body language and exploring what different acts of kindness looks like for everyone.
- Chemical science - watching the reactions between liquids, solids and gasses when different substances are combined.
- 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.

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Hello Grade 3/4 Families.

Students of the week are:

Addie Magee: For a great piece of writing. Using her imagination to write an interesting piece that makes the reader want to keep reading.

Lutarnna Nicholas: For being a helpful class member. Lutarnna is friendly and always helps with things like putting all the chairs out in the mornings.

Halle Douglas: For her excellent first reading response. Great job Halle.

Oliver Guarnaccia: For a fantastic summary as part of his reading response. Well done, Oliver

Reading

It's great to see so many students reading at home every night. Keep up the great reading habits everyone.

In reading we have continued to introduce CAFÉ reading strategies, providing students with opportunities to practise these skills in their reading. We have reached the end of our mentor text "A Good Tip For Ghosts" and students were delighted with the plot twist at the end. Students have written a reader's response about the mentor text including a summary, their favourite part and something that surprised them about the story.

Writing

3/4's have been excited about writing their "Dream Jar" stories. This week, we will focus on what to do if you get stuck and don't know what to write next and editing skills.

Maths

We are continuing to focus on place value in maths, specifically, how many 10's, 100's etc in a number altogether. For example, 463 doesn't just have 6 tens it has 46 tens altogether. We will also be adding 10's and hundreds to numbers e.g. $493 + 10 = 503$. For measurement we have looked at measuring and ordering heights and this week we will use computers to graph the data collected.

Swimming

Congratulations to **Jack Tunnage** and **Savannah Blank** for representing the 3/4's at the district swimming sports in Orbost. It was a great experience for both of them.

Thanking you

Carolyn Smith, Alec McPhee, Lisa, Lindy and Hunee

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Students of the Week

5/6A –

Writer of the week: **Zoe Nairn** for her enthusiasm to write, the way she has been using visual imagery to paint a picture and her willingness to experiment with sizzling starts. Great effort Zoe.

Ready to Learn: **Kobe Sheard** for the way he has embraced listening to our Mentor Text "Sister Heart", visualising as we read and has been participating in our text discussions. You have demonstrated some really great thinking and connecting of ideas. Great Effort Kobe

5/6B –

John Parkill for his fantastic attitude to school and learning. John has a "see something, do something" attitude and is keen to help wherever he can. As a learner, he will self-reflect and ask questions to clarify his understanding. These are qualities of a great learner. Well done, John.

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Emily Whelan for her positive attitude towards maths. We were very impressed by her willingness to challenge herself to consolidate her understanding of the addition algorithm. Keep up the great work Em.
Brysen Jonkers for the effort he is putting into his writing, working hard to make his writing legible and taking on feedback. Great effort Brysen.

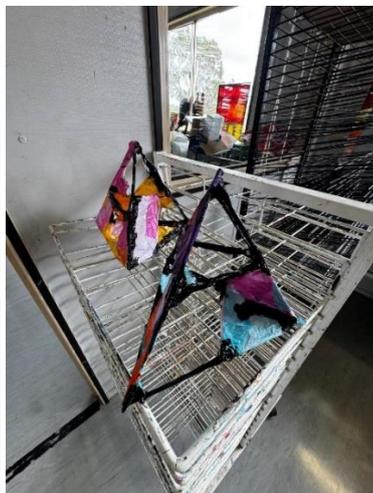
In Reading, we will continue exploring our mentor text *Sister Heart*. Students are thoroughly enjoying the story and engaging in thoughtful discussions about its themes. This week, we will focus on analysing characters and how their actions reveal meaning, as well as examining how the setting influences the story.
In Writing, we will keep building stamina through our Rocket Writes, with a focus on developing rich characters and settings using detailed descriptions and purposeful language choices.
In Maths, we are introducing our fluency program. Students will work both independently and with partners to strengthen and consolidate their fluency strategies. Our focus will be using the vertical algorithm to subtract multi-digit numbers, with and without regrouping.
It has been wonderful to see students reading regularly at home and returning their book folders each day. Home reading, along with practising addition and subtraction strategies, times tables, and number facts, greatly supports classroom learning.

Thank you to the families who attended the swimming sports in Orbest last Thursday. It was fantastic to see so many parents supporting the students. Congratulations to **Lachlan Tunnage** for placing second in freestyle and backstroke, **Chloe Jackson** for placing second in backstroke, and **Jack Tunnage** for finishing third in breaststroke. Well done to the boys' relay team — **John Parkhill, Harry Friend, Jack Tunnage, and Lochie Tunnage** — for coming third. Everyone swam their best, supported one another, and showed excellent sportsmanship. I was very proud of our Toorloo students for their positive attitude and teamwork.

Have a great week,
Ali Mackie, Larissa Murray, Lizzy Haldane, Alyssa and Dee 😊

STEM/ART

In art this week students are finalising their pyramid sculptures using tissue paper, glue and paint, while in STEM we are moving onto 'structures with purpose' – that is, having to carry weight or move.



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Jobi Laybourne.

SPORT AND PE NEWS

Students of the Week

Zavier Austen and Liam Parkhill: for both being ready to learn and good sports in PE. Great leadership in the Grade 1/2 class!



Junior classes are SO ready to learn, well done especially to the Preps who are practising being careful of others, listening, learning new games and being a good sport.

Middle and Senior classes have been practising skills that develop resilience and being inclusive of others in minor games.

District Swimming Carnival: ORBOST

Well done to Team TAPS who competed in the District Swimming Carnival last Thursday at the Orbost Outdoor Pool. It was another great day to be in the water! A huge thank you to everyone who transported our swimmers and supported them on the day, and the feedback from the organisers said students from all schools were all great sports!

Congratulations to **Chloe** (2nd 10 year old girls backstroke) and **Lochie** (2nd 11 year old freestyle and backstroke) who will now compete in the Division Swimming Carnival to be held in Sale on Monday 2nd March. Other outstanding efforts by Jack (3rd breaststroke), and the boys 11-year-old freestyle relay (Jack, Harry, John and Lochie) who also came in 3rd place. Amazing!



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TAPS Run Club (TRC)

Yesterday we launched the TAPS Run Club at school. This is a voluntary fun program for all students to be involved in an exercise "snack" for 15 minutes at lunchtime on Monday and Wednesday (weather permitting) over this term. Students can walk, jog, run or any combination for the 3 and tally up laps over the program. The focus is on fun and wellbeing. It is a lead up to the Whole School Colour Run, happening on April 1st, as a last week of term celebration. Well done to all those involved and thanks to the helpers (Maddy, Charlotte and Laila) who are tracking the laps, well done!



Get Active Kids FUNDING

Applications for Round 10 of the Get Active Kids are opening soon. This is a state government funded program to support families financially to be involved in community sport. See the link below for more information.

<https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/apply-for-vouchers/?tab=apply-for-a-voucher0>

We're still having hot days here and there so if you could please check your child brings a water bottle to school with them that would be great!

Thanks,
Barb (SPORT COORDINATOR)

Important Sport dates for Term 1 2026

Monday 2nd March Division Swimming Carnival Sale

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

Wednesday 1st April Cross Country Colour Run Whole School Lake Tyers Beach Rec Reserve

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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.

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graduates
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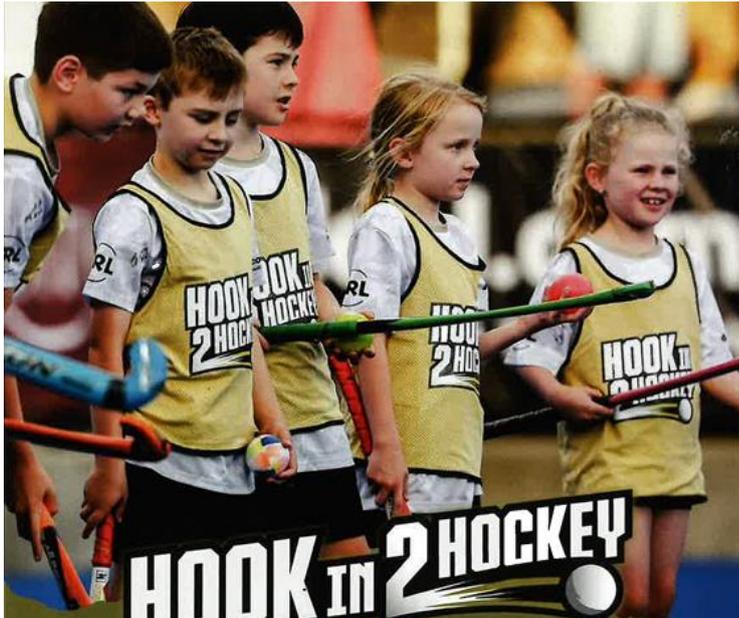
Saturday 21 & Sunday 22, February 2026

8:30am - 5:00pm

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LAKES ENTRANCE

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HOOK IN 2 HOCKEY

SWAN REACH HOCKEY CLUB

FIRST SESSION IS FREE! ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED!

Mondays 4.30-5.30pm from Feb 16 2026

WORLD Hockey Fields, 101 Wallace St, Bairnsdale

For more info: swanreachhockeyclub@hotmail.com
or contact Sarah 0439 312 962





All Abilities Netball

Enjoy netball in a fun, friendly environment where you will learn new skills, stay active and enjoy being part of a team built on belonging and inclusion.

Date: Thursday 26/02/2026- Thursday 28/05/2026
Excluding School Holidays

Time: 4.00pm-5.00pm

Location: WORLD Precinct- 99 Wallace Street, Bairnsdale

Contact: Janet Parker at 0430 480 405

Cost- \$100

REGISTER TODAY!
On the BNA FB page




INTRODUCTION TO COACHING WORKSHOP

Lakes Entrance Netball Association

Saturday 7 February 2026

9:00am - 11:00am

Lakes Entrance Recreation Reserve -1 Rowe St

Register using the QR Code





UMPIRES IN THE FIELD

INTRODUCTION TO UMPIRING

Lakes Entrance Netball Association

7 February 2026

1pm - 4pm

Lakes Entrance Recreation Reserve -1 Rowe St

Presented by Judi Buhagiar




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**FREE EVENT
8 MARCH
2026**
LAKES ENTRANCE
FORESHORE RESERVE
11AM - 8PM

HOOKED ON LAKES
SEAFOOD & FISHING FESTIVAL

COOKING DEMOS
LEFCOL TOURS
FISHING AND CASTING CLINICS
AQUACULTURE HUB
FISHING GEAR SWAP MEET
FISH DISSECTION DEMOS
KIDS ACTIVITIES ZONE
SPIN TO WIN – FREE GIVEAWAYS

FREE CONCERT 2.30PM-8PM
HEADLINE ACT -
PIERCE BROTHERS 6.30PM

MARKET STALLS
LOCAL MUSIC
FOOD TRUCKS

Go Fishing Victoria
More people fishing, more often

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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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School
Care**

PROGRAM



**5-12
YEARS
OLD**

Our OSHC is the ideal setting for students to explore new interests or establish lasting friendships, while also having a great time together!

- Homework Assistance
- Creative Art & Crafts
- Exciting Group Activities
- Snacks & Refreshments Provided

LEARN MORE:



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GOOD CLEAN FUN

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

LAKES ENTRANCE AUSKICK CENTRE

LAKES ENTRANCE RECREATION RESERVE

FRIDAYS | 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Starting Friday 24th April 2026

AFL PLAY

AFL Superkick

ANYBUDDY CAN PLAY

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

LAKES ENTRANCE SUPERKICK

LAKES ENTRANCE RECREATION RESERVE

FRIDAYS | 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Starting Friday 24th April 2026

AFL PLAY

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