



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Week 7 September | 1 Finance meeting | 2 2026 Prep Parents Afternoon Tea 4pm | 3 School Council Father's Day Stall | 4 Prep 1/2 Gruffalo's Child Excursion | 5 |
| Week 8 September | 8 Auskick Gala Day | 9 | 10 | 11 Writers Festival Showcase 6pm | 12 Jnr Sports Morning |
| Week 9 September | 15 Cricket Clinics Gr 1-6 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Last day of term 2:15 finish |

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Parents and Friends of Toorloo Arm Primary School

You and your family members are all
invited to our

2025 WRITER'S and ARTS FESTIVAL

Thursday 11th September
6.00pm-7.30pm



All students in years 3-6 have crafted a poem and students in Prep-2 have created a story which will be on display for families to read.

These pieces will be identified in classrooms and the winner and runner ups' pieces will be read on the night. Senior students will conduct a reading circle for the sharing of work during an interval on the night.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone back at school for a community celebration of student achievement.

Please arrive after 5.45pm, you can view your child's published work in their classroom (grade 5/6 A and B will be in the French Room) and then find a seat ready for a 6.00pm start.

Students know that they are to be seated on the floor when the music begins.

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**Principals Report**

Hello to this warmer weather. Hopefully, we are starting to see the tail end of the colder mornings as we get into September. We are all ready to go for another bust week of learning and fun with lots of extra curriculum activities

Eureka Program

Four students from TAPS, Grif, Balin, John and Harry had the opportunity to attend a full day maths and science workshop at Lakes Entrance primary school last week. The program was catered towards older primary school students to work together with like-minded local students on maths and science concepts in a challenging and inspiring manner. Judging by the excitement and constant chatter in the phone when I picked them up, they had a wonderful time.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

Another reminder to please complete the Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will remain open online until **Friday 19 September**. The survey is being conducted online and only takes 20 minutes to complete, super easy. If you did not receive a log in and would like to complete the survey, please contact the office for log on details. The more, the merrier.

Side gate

We are still having issues with people closing the side gate near the basketball court. Our priority is to ensure that all students are safe within the school grounds and that people accessing the school go through the main office. As a result, this gate will be locked going forward. If you do use this gate to enter the school, please access the side gate outside the main building. Thanks for your support.

Father's Day stall

Parents and Friends will be holding a Father's Day stall this Wednesday. Students will have the opportunity to purchase a gift for the important male in their life.

Presents will be from \$1 to \$10. Please allow no more than \$15 for your child to bring along on the day.

**Landscaping Crew**

It's great to see some TAPS students investing their time in making the school a better place at recess and lunchtimes with their landscaping and gardening skills! Much easier to get rid of the weeds after it's been raining.

Can't wait to see what they do next.

Have a great week,
Miss Hopkins

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**Last call for entries for the premiers reading challenge.**

The challenge closes this Friday the 5th of September, so it's not too late to hand your challenge checklist into the office



There were 82,000 students registered across Australia in the 2025 Prime Minister's Spelling Bee. This was the most students ever enrolled. Competition was high and results are based on accuracy and then speed. Unfortunately this year we didn't have any students progress through to the next round. I'm still very proud of all those that competed!
Larissa Murray, Coordinator

Student of the Week**Prep**

Hello everyone, welcome to another week of term 3! Congratulations to our award winner this week, **Kerrile Whelan** for her focus during class activities.

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This Weeks Fun



Coming Up

- **The Gruffalo's Child** – On Thursday the 4th of September we will be traveling by bus to see 'The Gruffalo's Child' at the Forge Theatre in Bairnsdale. Please pack your child's bag as normal. We will be leaving at **9:00am sharp!**
- **Jr Athletics** – On Friday the 12th of September the Jr classes will be participating in their own athletics day. Families are welcome to come and watch the events, field events starting around 9:15 to 11:00 and track events starting at 11:30 until completion.

Boxes needed – if you have any empty cereal boxes or small boxes at home, we would greatly appreciate it if they found their way into the classroom for future constriction activities.

This week we are looking at:

Reading

- We are starting our AL book – *Handa's Surprise*. We will be exploring picture information, authors word choice and sentence structure to help us read with growing fluency.
- Vocabulary – for the next few weeks we will be looking at word meaning and how they add addition information to our stories and help build our visualisation.

Writing

- This term we are looking at narratives and their structure. We will be continuing to build our idea, creating a start which include who, where and when, middle that's include what the characters are doing to make the story interesting and a solution and an ending.
- Students will be focusing on the secretarial aspects of writing, revising where to place a full stop and capital letter to make their stories flow.
- In spelling students are working on a range of different activities for building CVC words, rhyming, syllable work, blends and diagraphs. Student are separated into groups and working at their skill level.

Maths:

This term, we're diving into Subtraction, focusing on starting from the bigger number and making it smaller while looking at the language we would hear such as minus, take away, less, fewer and difference.

Have a wonderful week,
Miss Cock and Bree

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**12AB**

Hello everyone and welcome to week 7 of term 3!

Awards this week in 1/2A went to **Lutarnna Nicholas** for her reading, and **Grace Jackson** and **Mave Blank** for adding detail to their writing. Congratulations to these students.

This week in reading, we are reading a range of different books with a focus on vocabulary and will create a class word wall of interesting words.

In writing this week, we are learning to build tension and suspense in our stories to make the middle of the stories exciting to read.

In maths, we are continuing to explore multiplication with a focus on the idea of 'times as many'.

In spelling this term, we are continuing to adjust our spelling groups based on the individual spelling needs of students. Students are either working on consonants, digraphs, blends and short vowels, long vowels or other vowel sounds.

Both classes will focus on help-seeking strategies through the Resilience, Rights, and Respectful Relationships program. We encourage you to have a chat with your child about what strategies they can use to help them help themselves.

Through our history unit, we will continue exploring the concepts of past, present and future. We continue to explore this in our session on Friday.

We are all super excited to be travelling to Bairnsdale this Thursday to see the Gruffalo's Child at the Forge Theatre. We will also visit the Bairnsdale Library and the All-Abilities Playground whilst in town. To make it to the 10am show on time, we will be leaving school at 9am. Please remember to be at school at 8:45am so we can hop on the bus and on our way without delay.

Feel free to send us an email or pop in for a chat should you have any questions or queries.

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caitlin.jackson@education.vic.gov.au

Thanks and have a great week!

Eliza Cunningham, Caitlin Jackson and Lisa

34AB

Hello families!

SOTW 34A

Harry Friend for sharing his thinking in our maths problem solving session. By sharing he helped everyone in his group become involved.

Addie Magee for her persistence in maths. Knowing when a task is hard, asking for help and following up on the advice given.

SOTW 34B

Owen Reinke for facing his fears and participating with great enthusiasm at the cricket clinic. Great effort and great preparation for the upcoming camp.

Christian Murdoch for his commitment to spelling and increasing his writing stamina. Great work Christian. Fletcher Hindle his commitment to recording new information learned in the texts he is reading. Keep up the great effort.

This week in reading we will be looking at how to use pictures and diagrams in texts to support our understanding of what we are reading.

Students will begin drafting their information reports this week starting with a hook to get the reader interested. Our aim is to have these reports published by the end of term.

In Maths we are continuing to explore fractions, particularly equivalent fractions and using fractions in real life situations. On Thursdays, the two classes have been combining and completing thinking tasks. It has been really lovely to see students working in random small groups to find solutions to the given problems.

Last week in science students created balloon rockets to explore forces created by air. Congratulation to all kids for great collaboration and exploration. This week we will start making our balloon powered cars. Please remind your child that they need to bring any of the resources they need for their cars by Thursday.

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The cricket clinic was a great success. Every child participated with enthusiasm, and I think every child had the opportunity to greet and get a signature from Melbourne Stars player Mia Perrin.



Please get those camp forms in as soon as possible so that dietary requirements can be forwarded to the camp coordinators.

Have a great week,

Larissa Murray, Julie Holden, Hunee and Lindy.

56AB

Hello Grade 5/6 Families

Students of the week are:

Chloe Taylor: For using feedback to complete her literacy tasks to a higher standard.

Jasper Jonkers: For asking for help and completing more tasks to a higher standard as a result.

Flynn Whelan: For the efforts he has put into his persuasive writing. Great job following the TEEL structure.

Sam Davies: For the positive way he approached all classroom tasks and the 5/6 incursion last week.

In writing children are choosing their own topic on which to write a persuasive text. Students have been planning and researching their arguments in order to write arguments that can be supported with examples and facts. In reading students have been listening to the mentor text "Call it Courage". Students researched an outrigger boat like the one used in our text. They planned and designed how they would make their own boat and proceeded to make a model based on their plan. Students had fun, putting effort into their design and seeing if their boat actually floated.

In maths we are continuing our focus on fractions and decimals with an emphasis on multiplying and adding decimals and comparing fractions.

In our inquiry unit we are continuing to look at how bills are introduced into parliament and how they can be made into laws. Students will show their understanding of this process by using their IT skills to design a flow chart which shows how a bill becomes a law.

Last week our grade 5/6 students participated in the "Youth on Purpose" program. **Chico Johnson** ran the program and talked to students about finding their purpose and how communities can work together to achieve their goals. Students then created their own songs, and most students were confident enough to perform them in front of their peers. This program provided inspiring messages in a fun way.

Thanking you

Carolyn Smith, Alec McPhee and Alyssa

French

Bonjour,

My awards this week went to **Willow (prep), Ned (1/2A), Jack (1/2B) and Zoe (5/6A).**

Willow could receive an award every week for consistently displaying our school values in the French classroom, but she particularly impressed me last week because of her excellent knowledge and pronunciation of our words for pet animals.

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Ned and Jack's awards are pretty similar in the sense that they are both receiving it for their work on ordering the lyrics of our song. **Jack** was impressive and hardly needed any support to complete the task on his own. I was very proud of Ned for standing his ground during this activity. His classmates disagreed with him, but he respectfully and kindly explained his reasoning and he was right.

Zoe must be feeling so proud of herself. She worked so hard to learn her numbers to 100 and she has gained the confidence to do it in French now!

This week, Prep students will be reviewing their numbers to 20 and words for pets through songs, a treasure hunt, act it out and a listening test.

Students in grade 1-2 will sing our pet songs and we'll do a group rotation with activities such as act it out, colouring sheet on pets and colours and a listening test.

Students in grades 3 and 4 will practise talking about the sports they play in a short roleplay, and then they will start learning how to talk about other hobbies in French.

After setting their goals for learning, 5-6A will learn words to talk about money and where the Euro is used.

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

Prep: **Nikiah, Willow, Frankie and Samuel**

1-2A: **Tyler, Halle, Ned and Ruby**

1-2B: **Max, Harper, Jack, Matilda and Isabella**

3-4A: **Abel, Amelia, Chloe, Dawson and Harry**

3-4B: **Fletcher, Seth, Edward, Mack and Emily**

5-6A: **William, Edi and Zoe**

Bonne semaine a tous!

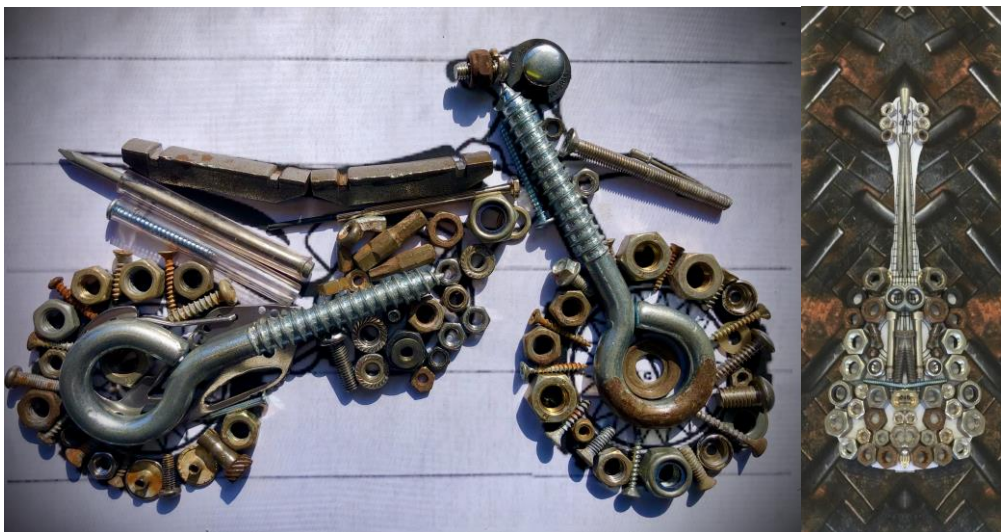
Emmanuelle Samson

Art

Students have been having a lot of creative fun using unconventional materials for their art making this week - namely objects from my shed! In keeping with the style and ideas behind Steampunk art, students have utilised ordinary objects for their aesthetics rather than their practical use.



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Jobi Laybourne.

SPORT AND PE NEWS

Students of the week:

The Preps really shined this week with our Junior Sports Day training, especially **Cohen Harrison and Ava Tuck** for giving the vortex, discus and high jump a red hot go!

Practice for the Junior Sports Day on Friday 12th September, 9.30 am to 12.30 pm continues. Save the date, we'd love to see families there!

Grade 3-6 have been focussing on batting this week in mini games and whole class games. Senior students have nominated a sport for Summer Sports, and team selections will be finalised so that teams can be entered. The carnival will be held in Lakes Entrance on the first Friday back after the holidays. We would love parent helpers for scorers and coaches, so please let us know if you're available to help out on Game Day (Friday 10th October, starting around 10 am, finish 1.30 pm).

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**Division Athletics Monday 8th September**

Good luck to those students who will be competing in the Div Aths next Monday, thanks to those parents who will be attending and transporting Team TAPS.

Transport arrangements are as follows:

Tessa Manley: to Howitt Park with Mrs Plant, return with Miss Hopkins

Charlotte Butcher: Going with mum.

Lochlan Tunnage: Going with Clancy

Declan Bills: Going with Clancy

Mannix Blank: Going with Gemma

Mason Livingston: To be confirmed

Summer Bishop: To be confirmed

Please return your permission form and travel intentions asap.

Important Sport dates for Term 3 2025**WEEK 8**

Monday 8th September Division Athletics Howitt Park (back up Tues 16th Sept)

Friday 12th September Junior Sports Day Prep-Gr 2 Starts 9.30 am-12.30 pm.

Monday 15th September Cricket Clinics Gr 1-6

Important Sport dates for Term 4 2025

Friday 10th October District Summer Sports Lakes Entrance (basketball, cricket and volleyball).

Wednesday 15th October Regional Athletics Newborough

ATF FREE After School Tennis Lesson at LETC

Tennis sessions are back this Term of July 4.15 pm to 5.15 pm. Please keep an eye on the Audiri app to see if we are on if the weather is inclement.

This term dates are:

Thursday 4th September

Writers Showcase 2025

Far East Gippsland School Network, Department of Education Vic

A Celebration of Student Writing Primary and Secondary

Where: Lakes Entrance Mechanics Hall

**When: Wednesday 10th – Friday 12th September
10.00 to 4pm.**

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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

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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PLAY JUNIOR CRICKET

AT LAKES ENTRANCE CRICKET CLUB!

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CRICKET BLAST**

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HOLIDAY
intensive
SWIM PROGRAM

FAST TRACK YOUR CHILDS SWIMMING ABILITY!

Monday 29 September - Friday 3 October 2025

Cost: \$60
On confirmation of booking a \$20 deposit will be required to secure your child's spot.

Enrolments due Friday 26 September

DAILY 30 MINUTE LESSONS OVER 5 DAYS!

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SPECIAL INVITATION TO PARENTS & CARERS
HYBRID WEBINAR: HOW TO SUPPORT CAREER EXPLORATION

When? Tuesday, September 2, 2025 from 4-5pm

Where? The Hub, 27 Dalmahoy St, Bairnsdale + online via Zoom

What? During this hybrid webinar, parents and carers will explore how to support school aged children and young people on their career exploration journey. Possibilities, aspirations, education opportunities and resources will be discussed by a selected panel including a student, a parent/carer, an educator and a career professional.



Visit www.trybooking.com/DEEJ or scan this QR code to register!
Registrations will close by 3pm on September 2. If you can't make it, register to get a copy of the recording



Ready Set Go is a sub-project of the Eastern Australian Regional University Centres Partnership (EARUCP) funded through the Regional Partnership Project Pool Program (RPPPP), an initiative of the Department of Education. Ready Set Go is brought to you locally through a partnership between Gippsland East Local Learning and Employment Network (GLEEN), Federation University Australia, and CQUniversity.

Kids Classes

Term 4 After School art classes

Thursdays 4:00 to 5:00pm Start Oct 9th

Various mediums including graphite pencil, chalk pastels, charcoal, coloured pencils, water paint, acrylic paint and air dry clay.

Paxart Studio Lakes Entrance

NDIS Supported

Bookings and enquiries PH: 0408 500 451

Caroline Pax Art Therapy on Facebook



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Save the Date

We're celebrating our 50th birthday and we want you there!

Saturday 11 October 2025

11.00 – 3.30pm

GLCH, 18–26 Jemmeson Street, Lakes Entrance

Join us for a free, family-friendly celebration featuring live music, roving performances, a community footpath art project, local food stalls, and giveaways.

Put the date in your calendar now – it's going to be great!

50 Years | Thousands of Stories | Locals
Taking Care of Locals Since 1975



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Save the Date

Join us for an evening of celebration as we mark 50 years of community care and connection.

Saturday 11 October 2025

5.00 – 7.30pm

GLCH, 18–26 Jemmeson Street,
Lakes Entrance

Enjoy canapés and refreshments, live entertainment, and the official launch of our 50-year history booklet.

Share reflections and stories from across our 50-year history.

Invitation to follow.



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THREATENED SPECIES DAY 2025

Saturday 06 September

10am–12pm

East Gippsland Art Gallery Bairnsdale

Free event – everyone welcome!

Join us for this free community event: Come and see your students' artwork creating a vibrant public installation in the Bairnsdale Main St Gardens!

- **Flying fox talk for kids at 10am**
- **Art workshops**
- **Walk to view the student's artwork in the town gardens**



During July and August students from across the region are working with Areka Brown from East Gippsland Art Gallery, to paint garden stakes representing local threatened species — raising awareness through art and action. These stakes will be installed in the Bairnsdale Main Street gardens.

Please note: for installation in the Gardens – finished artwork need to be delivered to East Gippsland Art Gallery by 4pm Wednesday 03 September

East Gippsland Art Gallery
2 Nicholson St Bairnsdale
eastgippslandartgallery.org.au
03 5153 1988



GLOSSY
BLACK COCKATOO



DIAMOND
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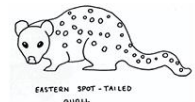
POWERFUL OWL



GIANT BURROWING FROG



NEW HOLLAND MOUSE



EASTERN SPOT-TAILED
QUOLL

Celebrating young artists and their role in protecting East Gippsland's precious biodiversity

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