

Tarwin Lower Primary Newsletter

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Tarwin Lower Primary School

Small School, Big Opportunities

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Newsletter No. 12

Please Note – supervision is from 8.45-9.00am before school and 3.20-3.30pm after school.

Dear Families,

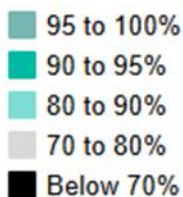
Conferences

It was wonderful to see so many families make the time to hear and see the learning their child has been doing this year. Your dedication to your child's learning is truly appreciated. I hope the conference was able to provide you with some valuable insight into your child's progress at school.

Attending conferences is so important, as it shows your child you are

Power Outage

We are aware that there is a planned outage in our area. We have contacted Ausnet and they have told us that we will probably not be impacted on Friday. We will keep families in the loop as we have more information.



There is no safe threshold to missing school

I have attached our school student attendance for the year, and it is concerning. Daily school attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children and young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have;

- *better health outcomes
- *better employment outcomes
- *higher incomes across their lives

It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

School participation is important as it maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks. School helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values which set them up for further learning and participation in their community.

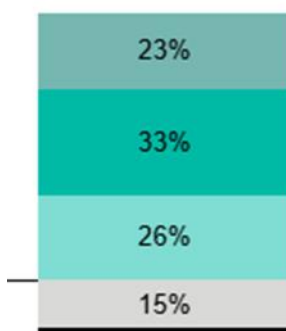
Conversely, limited school participation and a poor start with school attendance in Year 1 has been shown to carry on right through into high school, but on a much larger scale. Low attendance at school is associated with a greater chance of dropping out of school, disruptive and delinquent behaviour, and may lead to a cycle of rebellion against authority.

While it's essential to keep sick students at home to prevent illness spread, attendance at other times is critical for their education and development.

Warm Regards,

Jennifer Cox

Principal



2025 YTD



 Follow our Facebook page for photos and the most up to date information of the learning happening at school.

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**2025– DATES TO REMEMBER**

TERM 3	
Friday 29th August	Writing Compass Comment
Tuesday 9th September	School Council
Thursday 11th September	District Athletics
Thursday 11th September	R U OK? Day. Students wear something yellow.
Friday 12th September	Maths Compass Comment
Thursday 18th September	Yr 2-6 Sleepover
Friday 19th September	Last day of school— Yr P-1 students finish 2.20pm
TERM 4	
Monday 6th October	First day of Term 4
Friday 10th October	Topic Compass Comment
Friday 24th October	Writing Compass Comment
Monday 27th—Friday 31st Oct	Melbourne Camp Year 5/6
Wed 29th—Friday 31st Oct	Forest Lodge Camp Year 3/4
Saturday 1st November	School's 100 Year Celebration
Monday 3rd November	No Students—Curriculum Day
Tuesday 4th November	Melb Cup Public Holiday
Friday 7th November	Maths Compass Comment
Friday 14th November	Reading Compass Comment
Fri 14th Nov - Fri 28th Nov	Book Fair
Wed 17th Nov - Thu 18th Nov	Life Ed Visit—All grades
Wednesday 10th December	Reports Home
Thursday 11th December	School Concert
Friday 12th December	School Excursion
Wednesday 17th December	Curriculum Day—teachers complete first aid and CPR training—no students
Thursday 18th December	Teachers Professional Practice Day—no students
Friday 19th December	Last Day of Term 4—finish 1.20pm

Special Movie Day - Middle Years

This Friday, the 29th of April, the Grade 3/4's will be having a special movie day as a reward for achieving 3 'whole class leaves', which make up part of our school wide positive behaviour program.

The class have voted to watch 'A Minecraft Movie'.

Grade 3/4 students are invited to wear their pyjamas to school and are permitted to bring a cuddly teddy or small blanket for the movie.

A special food treat will also be provided.

Please ensure the students wear appropriate footwear to participate in the whole school game.



Thursday 11th Sept is R U OK? Day.

For students, learning how to support their peers and talk about how they feel is an important life lesson, so where better to start than in the classroom? On this day students can come to school in yellow, it might be a yellow tshirt or a yellow hair tie. They will then complete learning to help our students start a conversation.

Book Fair

Our 'mini' book fair was quite a success. I'm always blown away when I do the tally and find out how much our community has spent at the fair.

We purchased a grand total of **\$831.00** worth of books and accessories!

We have decided to run another proper book fair later in the year . The dates for this are:

Friday 14th November to Friday 28th November

This could be a fantastic opportunity to purchase books for Christmas gifts.

School Sleepover

There will be a sleepover at school on Thursday 18th September for students in Grades 2 to 6.

Cost for the sleepover is \$20.00. Payment and permission can be done through Compass. SSB and CSEF credits can be used for this event.

Students will go home for an early dinner and return to school at 6.30pm. Students can wear casual clothing and need to bring the following;

- ◆ Sleeping bag
- ◆ Pillow
- ◆ Mattress



- ◆ Pyjamas
- ◆ Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush etc)

Pick up time on Friday is 8.00am. These students can then stay at home for the rest of the day.

Only students in Grade Prep and 1 will be at school on Friday.

Camps

We have 2 camps happening at the same time at the end of October.

Forest Lodge Camp - 29th - 31st October

This camp is for students in Grades 3 & 4. The cost for this camp is \$350.00 per student. A packing list, camp info and medical form will be sent home before the camp. Payment and permission can be done through Compass. Please note that most families have School Saving Bonus money sitting in their accounts and this can be used to pay for this camp. Additionally, some families have CSEF money available for the camp as well.

Please contact the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays to find out your balance of SSB.

Melbourne Doxa Camp - 27th - 31st October

This camp is for students in Grades 5 & 6. Please note that this camp is for 5 days/4 nights. This camp is heavily subsidized by the Doxa Youth Foundation, so the cost for this camp is \$150.00 per student. A packing list, camp info and medical form will be sent home before the camp. Please refer to the above note for using your SSB or CSEF credits in your account.

Happy Birthday

We hope you had a great time on your special day.

- Mrs Sargent
- Sammi
- Theo



Account Name:

**Tarwin Lower Primary School Council
Operating Account**

BSB: 063000

ACC: 14191631



Child safety and wellbeing at Tarwin Lower Primary School: information for families and the school community

Tarwin Lower Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety framework includes policies, codes and procedures that explain how we support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students and protect them from harm. These documents are available on our [website](#)

We are also committed to continuous improvement of our child safety framework. We are currently reviewing our child safety policies and practices to ensure they are up-to-date and effective.

Our students and families are important partners in this process. We welcome your feedback or ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Jen Cox (principal) on 5663 5263 or email tarwin.lower.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Our recently endorsed policies include;

Asthma

Attendance

Child Safety Responding and Reporting

Child Safety and Wellbeing

Child Safe Code of Conduct

Duty of Care

First Aid

Inclusion and Diversity

Student Wellbeing and Engagement

Yard Duty and Supervision

WHEN	TIMES
Monday 1 st September (Inverloch)	KIDS (Ages)
Tuesday 2 nd September (Inverloch)	Kindy (3-5) 9am - 9:30am
Wednesday 3 rd September (Wonthaggi)	Red (5-8) 3:45 - 4:15pm
Thursday 4 th September (Inverloch & Wonthaggi)	Orange (8-10) 4:15 - 5pm
Friday 5 th September (Inverloch & Wonthaggi)	Green (10-12) 5:45 - 6pm
	Junior (13-18) 5:45 - 6pm
	ADULTS
	Adult Group Coaching 6:30PM - 7:30PM
	Cardio Session 6:30PM - 7:30PM

Lunch orders Menu

Lunch orders must be handed in on Wednesday mornings

\$5.00 lunch deal	\$7.00 lunch deal
Chicken and lettuce sandwich	Pizza
Cheese sandwich	Pie
Ham and cheese sandwich	Sausage Roll
Boston Scroll	Ham and Salad Roll
	3 x Steamed Dim Sims
All \$5.00 orders come with a juice box	All \$7.00 orders come with a juice box OR Big M Chocolate or Strawberry



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BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY



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**WINTER IS THE TIME
FOR HOT CHOCOLATE**



An initiative of the
Tarwin Lower PS Junior
School Council.

When: Friday
Mornings at 8:45am

Where: On the Deck

Cost: 50c



TARWIN LOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

CENTENARY PATHWAY

LEAVE YOUR MARK AT TLPs

Families, friends and alumni are invited to be part of our paver project to mark 100 years of Tarwin Lower Primary School

Purchase a personalised paver at \$40 each via QR Code to be included.

Orders close: November 7th 2025

Paver size 230 x 115 x 50mm
Max 16 characters per line
3 lines per paver.

Contact Tarwin Primary 56 635 263 or
Vanessa 0434 552 776 for cash sales.



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