

# Tarwin Lower Primary Mini Newsletter

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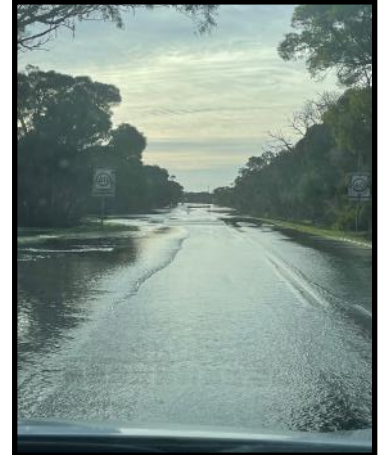
Tarwin Lower Primary School  
Small School, Big Opportunities

17th August 2022

Dear Families,

Please note the following:

- ★ Mrs Cox is absent this week so we are only publishing a mini news today.
- ★ Well, yesterday was certainly a bit different. Thank you to all our families who responded to our call to pick up their children. We were advised to close the school early yesterday so that all parents could safely take their children home and all staff could travel home (albeit a very long way around!)



The river is still flooded and the road is closed. It is anticipated that this will not change until the weekend. As our school bus is housed on the other side of the river, we will not have a bus until the road is opened again. At this stage, the school will remain open, but parents must transport their children to and from school. Please also note the Out of School Hours Care will operate as normal. To make a booking visit <https://theircare.com.au/> or call 1300 072 410.



- ★ Our Student Led Conferences were a resounding success. 99% of families attended on the day, or have attended since on an alternative day. Thank you so much for giving your time to your child, and being involved in their learning. Some of the feedback included;



*"It was so much nicer to hear from the kids"*

*"It was great seeing the kids shine when showing their learning. They were so proud."*

*"Loved showing mum my work."*

Having our students actively participating in their education helps them to become life-long learners with a strong sense of self and community. It helps families to connect deeply to the learning growth of their child and the work of the school.

We are looking forward to Term 3 2023, when our students will once again have an opportunity to show their learning, what they are proud of and their learning goals.

★ **WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!**

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. We encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 16th September.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

★ **School Council** - The following parents are our School Council for 2022:

- Alex Brusamarello (President)
- Sarah Williamson
- Samantha Weis
- Colin Chidgey
- Sabrina Hohmann
- Vanessa Fisher

We are so very grateful that they have agreed to work together with staff to create a wonderful learning environment for all our students.

★ **Bookfair** closes tomorrow morning. Packing up will begin after 9.00am. So if you want to make some last minute purchases, better get in quick.

★ Don't forget to bring your bike for the last Bike Ed next Tuesday.

★ Next Wednesday we have Regional Arts Victoria visiting the school with a performance of Pinocchio.

★ Please stay safe out there and remember - never drive through flood waters.

## Happy Birthday

We hope you had a great time on your special day

- **Abraham**
- **Samantha**

