

# Tarwin Lower Primary Newsletter

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Small School, Big Opportunities

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## Principal's Report

It was great experiencing the BBQ / picnic day in order to meet the Tarwin Lower community. I was amazed at the high turnout that came to the evening. Some of the new families commented that it was wonderful that the established families were so welcoming and inclusive. Personally, I have lived in many different places over my lifetime. It makes such a difference when there is somebody who takes the time to talk to you and shows interest in your life. Once again, apologies to the children to who I promised an icy pole. Apparently, 36 hours is not enough to freeze them in our school freezer!

Breakfast Club has started and has been well attended. It is amazing to see how much food these children can devour, even after eating breakfast at home. We are glad we can provide this additional sustenance to their rapidly growing bodies. Thanks to Sue and any additional breakfast club helpers who have volunteered their time to assist, your help is appreciated.

Our students have recently been involved in our local Waratah Cluster swimming and athletics days. When I reflect on my time in primary and high school, the sports days are the only ones that come to mind. We are so happy to be able to provide these experiences to the students. I realise it can be a burden to parents who have to transport their students to and from the events. Thank you so much for doing so. Sport provides the students with a much-needed opportunity to display the resilience value that they hear so much about at school, but otherwise, perhaps get little chance to show. Our students responded so well when "the going got tough", no one gave up or complained. We were so proud of the student who tried their best and supported others in their efforts.

Congratulations to the students who get to progress to the next stage of Athletics.

- Tate
- Aedan
- Raff
- Matchya
- Ashlyn

Also, the school is very proud of Aedan Parker who managed to finish 5<sup>th</sup> in the breaststroke, competing against the entire division.



Warm Regards,

Greg Eddy

Acting Principal



Kindness

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Resilience

Respect



## School Chaplaincy Program

As we all know life is full of Ups and Downs and roundabouts and we are consistently challenged to adapt accordingly.

When we are able to adapt this is called resilience. Another word for resilience is bouncing back and the ability to thrive despite challenges.

For many 2020 and the beginning of the pandemic was a training ground for resilience, not only for us as adults but also for our children. Cherished plans had to be cancelled. The way that we normally did life was radically changed and no doubt remote learning stretched families and staff in many ways.

The good news is that we are still standing in 2021 and our resilience muscles grew in the process.

Resilience is a characteristic that we all need to develop and so do our children. In fact it's one of our School values and a very important one at that.

How do we develop resilience in children? Firstly, we help them to understand that overcoming challenges is a normal part of life and thus a skill we all need to develop. When they overcome those challenges or at least try to, celebrate their efforts.

Helping children to concentrate on the positive things in life, rather than the negative, also helps their outlook considerably and increases their resilience.

If I can support you or your family in any way, please let me know.

I would like to introduce you to 'Calm Kid Central', which is a great resource for both parents and teaching staff. There are some great animated courses for the children on subjects such as friendship skills, being positive and tricky emotions.

For those living in the Gippsland area, a year subscription is being offered for free. See the back of the pamphlet for more information.



Sue Cronk

## Scholastic Bookclub Orders

Two of our students have items that are yet to be delivered from Bookclub No. 1. I spoke to Scholastic today and those items are on their way to us now. Hopefully arriving soon.

Bookclub No.2 orders have been submitted. Delivery should arrive next week (hopefully).

## School Photos

Delivery of school photos should be before the end of term. They will be handed out to students to take home as soon as they arrive.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is now running on Thursday and Friday mornings before class. Many thanks to Sue Cronk, Alex Brusamarello and Kirsty Parker for ensuring that our students receive a yummy breakfast (even if it is their second breakfast of the day!)

We are hoping to increase the number of breakfast Club mornings next term. If you can assist on any morning, please contact the office.

## Well Done

Congratulations to all our certificate recipients for being kind to their peers at school! A big well done to our green and golden leaf recipients.





### Dates to Remember

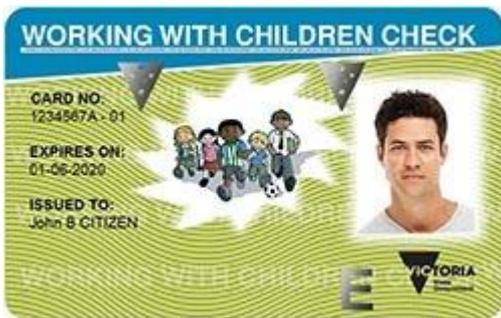
Friday 26th March	District Athletics
Thursday 1st April	Last Day of Term 1
Monday 19th April	First Day of Term 2
Sunday 25th April	ANZAC Day
Tuesday 11th May	NAPLAN testing begins Grades 3 & 5
Thursday 3rd June	Scholastic Bookfair coming to school!! 

### Working with Children Check

All parents and friends who wish to volunteer at our school need to have a Working With Children Check (WWCC). This is an Education Department requirement, and part of our schools Child Safe Policy passed by School Council.

To apply for the card go to the WWCC website: <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/> complete the form, print it out and take to the nearest large post office (not Tarwin Lower) with suitable ID. A photo will be taken at the Post Office. There is no charge for volunteers.

All volunteers also need to be inducted every year, so please arrive earlier on the first day so we can go through OHS and Child Safe policies.



### Bread Tags

Remember to continue to collect your bread tags this year.

### School Bank Details

ACC NAME: Tarwin Lower Primary School  
 BSB: 633108  
 ACC: 151500626



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# COMMUNITY NOTICES



## Tarwin Lower Playgroup

Playgroup is a fun and nurturing environment, which provides a place for children to have new experiences and opportunities to play, socialise and discover their world.

**Every Friday of the School Term**  
**9am - 11am**  
**at Tarwin Lower Primary School**

**WHERE YOUR CHILD CAN PLAY AND LEARN**

This is a South Gippsland Shire Supported Playgroup. Call Michelle for more information in 0417 388 911 or 56629300





ARE YOUR KIDDIES ReadySetGo FOR.....



Our 2020 program starts on  
**Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 10am**

Our 45 - minute program includes warm up, skill development & modified netball games.

Leongatha & District Netball Association (LDNA)  
 Netball Courts  
 (behind the Leongatha Velodrome)

Boys & Girls aged 7 (turning 8 before December 31, 2020) or older can participate

Cost \$90.00 for 14 weeks

**All participants receive a NetSetGo pack!**

For further information please contact:  
 LDNA NetSetGo Coordinator  
 Chloe Cope 0459 999 622  
[leongathaanddistrictnetball@gmail.com](mailto:leongathaanddistrictnetball@gmail.com)

## Netball players needed

Tarwin football/netball club is looking for players for their 13 and under netball team. Boys and girls can play.

If your child is interested in playing, please attend training nights.

5.00pm each Thursday at the courts at the recreation reserve.

All enquiries please call Michelle 0428 635 267



## Happy Birthday

We hope you had a great day on your birthday

- ◆ Joh
- ◆ Max





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# Family Picnic Evening



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