

Tarwin Lower Primary Newsletter

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Tarwin Lower Primary School

Small School, Big Opportunities

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

Student Attitudes to School Survey

Every student in Victorian Government Schools from grades 4 to year 12 complete a survey each year. The results from the survey give schools a great insight into how the students feel about their school, education, and themselves. Traditionally Tarwin Lower Primary School scores very well in this survey compared to state and like schools and this year we were incredible proud of the positive feedback from results. A few areas of the many to celebrate include:

- 100% of our students believe that the work they do each day is enjoyable, interesting, explained clearly and that they have voice in their education.
- We are also proud to say that 100% of the students who undertook the survey believed that their teacher cares about how they are feeling and believes that they can be successful which we all know is so important.

I have worked in many schools in my career, and I have yet to see results as good as this year's survey and this matches what we see each and every day at this great school.

Beanies

Thanks to everyone who took the time to undertake the survey on purchasing a school beanie. At this point we have reached the expressed interest numbers needed to put in a bulk order so hopefully we will see them here soon.

Welcome

I would like to say a big welcome to Audrey who has chosen to do her year 10 work experience with us this week. Audrey currently attends Camberwell Girls Grammar and is hoping to one day become a teacher. This week will give her a great insight into how rewarding teaching can be.



Art Cube

A massive thank you to Ms Pilkington for the work she has put in to set up the student's artwork at the Art Cubes. It was a great opportunity to showcase the work of our up-and-coming artists and highlighted the joy that can come from being creative.

Community Open Afternoon

On Monday 17th June we are holding an open afternoon from 4.00pm to 5.30pm. See attached flyer. Afternoon tea is provided. We hope all our families will attend and please encourage anyone you know in the community that might be considering Primary Schools in the next couple of years to join us and see what makes us so wonderful.

Warm Regards,


Ashton Webster

Acting Principal



**IT'S GREAT IF
YOU'RE NOT LATE**

**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**

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

Kindness

Cooperation

Resilience

Respect



2024- DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 17th June	Community Open Afternoon 4.00pm - 5.30pm Afternoon Tea provided
Wednesday 26th June	Reports available
Friday 28th June	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 15th July	First Day of Term 3

Bayley

Last newsletter we welcomed Bayley Sungalis to our school. Bayley is here to support our students and teachers. Bayley has become a favourite with the students, especially for the games he plays with them during lunch break!



Last Day of Term

On Friday 28th June (the last day of Term 2) JSC will be holding an out of uniform day.



The theme for this will be 'multi-colours'. So students can come dressed in as many different colours as they can. The brighter the better.

As a special treat we are having a movie in the afternoon. Students can bring a rug or an Oodie to stay warm and cosy while watching the movie.

Smile Squad (Dental Health Van)

The Smile Squad Dental Health Van will be visiting our school soon.



Smile Squad is a Victorian Government program that provides free dental care to all students in Victorian Government school.

Consent is required from a parent/guardian for your child to receive dental care.

You can provide consent via:

- The consent form which has been distributed today
- The QR code or URL included in the information sheet in this newsletter.

Please return the consent form or fill in the online form before the end of this term.

We will also be supplying hot dogs for lunch free of charge. There will be no lunch orders for Venus Bay Store on that day.



We are asking families to supply a donation on the day.

In honour of Colin Chidgey, we will forward all donated money to the Alfred Hospital Lung Unit.

Happy Birthday

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



- **Wyatt**
- **Banjo**
- **Mr Webster**
- **Ms Robson**
- **David (our technician)**
- **Graham (2!)**

Account Name:

**Tarwin Lower Primary School Council
Operating Account**

BSB: 063000

ACC: 14191631



Kate Stuart Clay Artist

Last week we were very lucky to have Kate Stuart come to the school and work with students using clay.

The students created pots and boats that Kate will use in an upcoming exhibition. Kate's work is currently displayed in a cube next to ours.



Lunch Orders

It seems that the students loved being able to order lunches last week. Nearly all the students in the school had an order.

Reminder - Lunch order must be handed in on Wednesday mornings for that Friday's lunch.

Correct money should be placed in an envelope, or other bag and clearly labelled.

For multiple students in one bag, please make sure you say which student wanted each item.

New Chooks

We have recently purchased some new hens for our chicken coop. We now have 3 new silkies. They seem to love cuddles!!





Smile Squad is on the way to our school!

All children deserve a healthy smile, and the Smile Squad is coming to Tarwin Lower Primary School to help make sure this happens.

Smile Squad is a Victorian Government program that provides free dental care to all Victorian government primary and secondary school students.

The friendly Smile Squad dental team will visit Tarwin Lower Primary School in Term 3 to conduct a free annual dental health examination for every student and provide free follow up treatment as needed.

What do you need to do?

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

OR use the below QR code:



Although the engagement of parents/guardians is encouraged, in Victoria, students who are considered 'mature minors' may provide consent for their own dental care. To be considered a mature minor, the Smile Squad clinician must be satisfied that the student has sufficient understanding of the risks, benefits, and possible complications of their condition and proposed treatment to give informed consent.

The Smile Squad team will check the student's teeth and mouth and show them how to keep their teeth healthy and strong. They will also provide any preventive services you have consented for. If the student needs more treatment, the Smile Squad will discuss this and seek consent.

Please complete and submit the consent form by **Friday 12th July 2024** to make sure your child/children can be seen.

Paper copies of the consent form are available. Please contact the school office if you would like to request one.

The electronic consent form can be translated into more than 100 languages, and the paper form is available in 13 languages.

Do I need to attend my child's appointment?

No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment. You can attend if you would like to, and you can take your child to the community dental clinic if you prefer.

Who is Smile Squad?

The bright orange Smile Squad vans are staffed by experienced oral health therapists, dental therapists, dental assistants and dentists. They all have lots of experience treating children and a passion for improving their oral health – for life.

Learn more about the Smile Squad by visiting www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au



Would you be interested in attending Sensory Playtime at Magilla's Play Centre?




Wednesday to Friday,
9am to 3.30pm
Saturday
10am to 3pm



Magilla's play centre in Korumburra are open to collecting community feedback about the possibility of implementing Sensory Playtime.

We want to hear from you on what a sensory playtime should look like
Please help us by filling out this survey.

Share your feedback by clicking [here](#) or scanning the QR code

1. Open the camera on your phone
2. Point your camera at the QR code below
3. A link to the survey will pop up automatically on your phone for you to click on



Remember

- This survey is anonymous
- Specific feedback helps us better identify opportunities
- We're interested in your ideas for improvement too

Thanks for sharing your thoughts!



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Community Open Afternoon

Check out the
modern facilities
and meet our
dedicated staff

Come and see why
Tarwin Lower
Primary School is
so great

We are excited to
showcase our
student's
wonderful
accomplishments

Come and join in
with some fun
games with our
students

Enjoy some
delicious
afternoon tea
with us

**All families
very welcome**

**Monday
17th June 2024
4.00pm-5:30pm**