

# Tarwin Lower Primary Newsletter

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Tarwin Lower Primary School

Small School, Big Opportunities

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It has been an eventful few weeks! The community has faced all sorts of challenges lately and it has been great to see everyone coming together and supporting each other. Locally, through the black out, families lent out excess torches and gas-powered cooking appliances to those in need. Families with woodfire heating invited others into their homes for the cold evenings. Everyone checking in on others from family members to the elderly and the surrounding neighbours. Tarwin Lower / Venus Bay is a terrific area to live, however people build a community and this community is fantastic.

As most of you realise, Friday will be my last day as Principal of TLPS. I would like to thank all the students, staff, school councillors and families for instantly making me feel welcome and valued. TLPS was my first Acting Principal job, and as with learning anything new, I made mistakes. But with the supportive environment we have here, I was able to learn quickly and improve myself. Thank you all for the forgiveness, the time, and the friendships I have received here. I now leave TLPS knowing I can be a good principal. Thank you all for the opportunity.

The power outage was a challenge for the school. I thought COVID would be our main distraction from learning. Unfortunately, with the school being on talk water, which relies on a pump, we were unable to provide an environment that was acceptable for students and staff. Again, thank you for the understanding around this.

A side effect of the Power outage, was the school losing internet for a week. The NBN connection managed to get fried leading to most of our computer systems being offline. This came at a very challenging time for our staff. Staff were attempting to gather assessment data from students which are

mostly online and then synthesise these results into school reports, which are also online. This caused added pressure on the staff during the already difficult time. Appreciate the professionalism of our staff members, whom have managed to complete school reports on time despite these challenges.

The School Sleepover and Afternoon Fun, was a great success. Despite some students challenging each other to stay awake for a midnight feast and to not sleep at all. Everyone managed to get to sleep. The following day at school was toned down a bit to cater for some very tired students (and teachers). Lindy and Sue put in a huge effort, making dinner for nearly 50 students. Students were polite and appreciative for dinner and some even offered to help clean up!

Camp is coming up for Grade 5/6 during week 2 of next term, the School Sleepover will provide them with the confidence that they will be able to last the 2 nights away from their family and things.

Have a very enjoyable school holiday break and I'm sure I will see you all around soon.

Warm Regards,

Greg Eddy

Acting Principal



**DISMISSAL TIME THIS FRIDAY - 2.20pm**

Kindness

Cooperation

Resilience

Respect



### Dates to Remember

Friday 25th June	Last day of Term 2 - 2.20pm finish
Monday 12th July	First day of Term 3
Thursday 15th July	Discovery Science Incursion No 2 - Wind Tunnels
Wednesday 21st - 23rd July	Melbourne Camp for Grades 5 & 6
Thursday 5th August - 17th August	Bookfair (Take 3!)

### From the Chaplain

Recently I've been doing some research on the importance of children regularly attending school and one quote I read stood out more than all the others.



The quote was simply -  
**MISSING SCHOOL = MISSING OUT!**

None of us want to be in the 'missing out' category and we certainly don't want our children missing out either. We don't want them missing out on the social aspect that's school provides, on being present when new learning topics are introduced, nor on the added support their Teachers can give as they reach for educational milestones.

At school our children not only learn to read , write and do mathematics. They also learn how to communicate, work as a team and grow in resilience. Of course these skills can be learnt elsewhere and your input into your child is vitally important, but regular schooling attendance is important too. I have heard it said that because children are in Primary school absenteeism doesn't really matter but I strongly disagree.

Missed school hours can very easily turn into days and even weeks and will leave big gaps in your child's learning. These gaps can be very difficult to fill.

There will always be very good reasons for children missing school such as bereavements, illness and dentist appointments. These are often unavoidable but when children can attend school, it is important that they do so for their overall development. If you are having trouble motivating your child to come to school, please let us know and we will see how we can help. Together let's find a solution so that nobody misses out. Everyone should get the very

best education that they can.

Have a great school holidays and I look forward to seeing you in term 3.

I will be working every Thursday as usual but cutting back to every second Friday.

It is my privilege to be part of the school community and to support you .

If you want to get in touch with me, ring the school and I will get back to you as soon as I can. Sue



Well done to our award winners this week for showing resilience! And great work to all the students who have been following our values and collecting so many leaves!

## Happy Birthday

We hope you had a great day on your birthday

◆ **Scarlett**

◆ **Adalyn**





## End of Term this Friday

### Discovery Science Incursions

The first incursion, 'Marble Run', happened on Thursday 10th June, the day the power went off due to the storm and we had to send students home. It was unfortunate that most students did not get to fully participate in this interesting activity.

Hopefully the next one on Thursday 15th July will proceed as normal. This activity will be about 'Wind Tunnels'.

### Bookfair

Bookfair will be held in the fortnight of 5th - 19th August. After having rescheduled twice, we are keeping our fingers crossed that this time will be a winner!!

### After School Fun & Sleepover for 2-6

What a wonderful evening for all our students last Thursday. Please see photos in this newsletter and also on our Facebook page.

### Melbourne Camp for Grades 5 & 6

Information and forms were sent home yesterday for the students in Grades 5 and 6 who will be attending Melbourne Camp this year from 21st July to 23rd July. Full payment must be received by 16th July.

A wonderful itinerary has been planned and will be action packed. It is great that our students will be joined by students from Welshpool and Toora Primary Schools. A fantastic opportunity to make new friends.

We are also very fortunate that VLine has generously allowed our group to travel on the VLine public bus to Melbourne and back FREE OF CHARGE.

**Parents of students attending camp - could you please complete the medical form and the permission form as soon as possible and send in to school. We need to know which students are going so we can finalise numbers. Thank you.**



### 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



26th May 2021

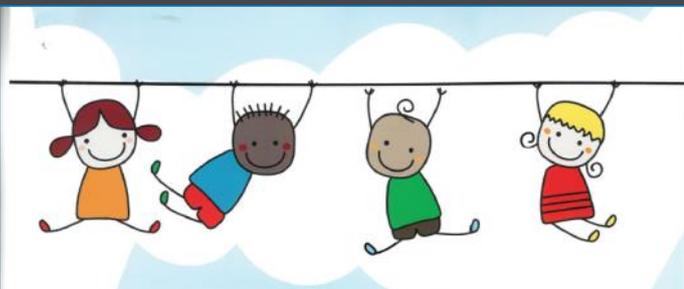
## SOUTH GIPPSLAND Kindergarten Central Enrolment



### CENTRAL ENROLMENT NOW OPEN

To enrol your child in three-year-old or four-year-old kindergarten for next year, you will need to REGISTER NOW. Kindergarten enrolment is centralised through South Gippsland Shire Council. Simply complete a single enrolment form and nominate your kindergarten preferences. Enrolments must be lodged by 30 June to receive a first round offer.

You can enrol at [www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment)  
For more information, please phone 5662 9200 or text your contact details to 0447 965 850 and we will call you back.



## 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





ALL AGES AND EXPERIENCES ARE WELCOME



## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS NATURAL HORSEMANSHIP CLINICS

WEDNESDAY 30TH JUNE & 7TH JULY 2021  
FRIDAY 25TH JUNE, 2ND & 9TH JULY 2021  
10 - 3PM INCLUDING LUNCH  
WATTLE BANK-SOUTH GIPPSLAND  
PRIVATE LESSONS & BEACH TRAIL RIDES ALSO AVAILABLE

Bookings Essential - Call Peter on 0417 330 517  
[www.seahorseride.com](http://www.seahorseride.com)  
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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY COMMUNITY CLINICS



**MON 28 JUN**  
**LEONGATHA**  
LEONGATHA RECREATION RESERVE

**10AM - 12PM | 7-12YRS**  
**1PM - 3PM | 13YRS+**  
Cost: \$40

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW](#)

[netballvic.com.au](http://netballvic.com.au)

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# You're invited to our Scholastic **BOOK FAIR!** Discover a whole galaxy of books!

This year's National Simultaneous Storytime story will be read by astronauts *from space!*

Give me some  
**Space!**



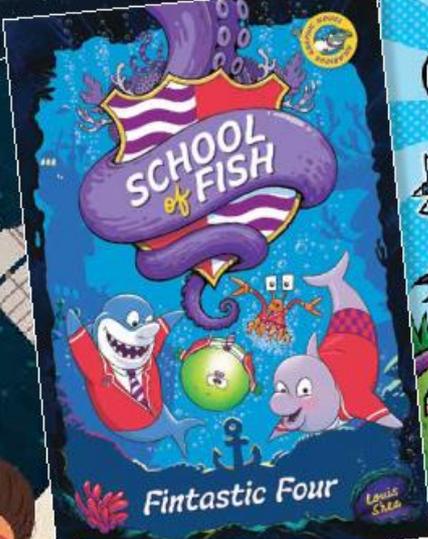
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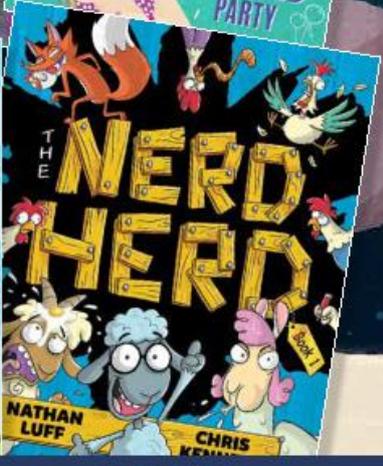
Shannon & Taylor Steadman  
**Lola  
ONLINE**



SCHOOL  
of FISH



FROM THE CREATOR OF GOD MAN  
**CAT KID  
COMIC CLUB**



FIND THESE BOOKS AND  
**HUNDREDS MORE AT THE FAIR!**

**Date** 5 - 19 August 2021

**Time** Mon & Friday - Before & After School

**Place** Tarwin Lower Primary School

Tues, Wed, Thu - All Day

**EVERY PURCHASE YOU MAKE EARNS LEARNING AND LITERACY RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL**

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Register your NSS event at [alia.org.au/nss](http://alia.org.au/nss)





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# TARWIN LOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL TRANSITION DATES FOR PREPS BEGINNING IN 2022



1.	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	11.30am – 1.30pm
2.	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	11.30am – 1.30pm
3.	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	11.30am – 1.30pm
4.	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2021	11.30am – 1.30pm
5.	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	09.00am – 11.00am



School tours are very welcome.  
Please call 5663 5263 to arrange a visit.