

# Tarwin Lower Primary Newsletter

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Tarwin Lower Primary School

Small School, Big Opportunities

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Newsletter No. 7

## NAPLAN

The students in Year 3 and 5 are currently over halfway through this year's NAPLAN testing. We are so proud of the way they have handled themselves during this period. They are coming to school with a positive attitude and undertaking the tests with resilience, giving the tests focus and determination. We have so far witnessed students writing some very impressive narratives during the writing task and also concentrating immensely during the reading assessment.

The remaining online test will be the Conventions of Language (spelling and grammar), on Thursday and everyone's favourite subject, Maths, will conclude the tests on Friday.

Please continue to send your children to school with plenty of time and having the best start to the day possible. We are looking forward to Friday and we will take the opportunity to reward the students for their efforts.

## School Camps

We have been very busy organising the Urban Camp to Melbourne for our Year 5 and 6 students. We are making sure the camp has a good balance of educational activities and also recreational experiences. This camp is looked forward to by both teachers and students. We will be sharing the camp with Toora and Welshpool Primary Schools, so this will also be an opportunity to find some new friends whom they might cross paths with again in Secondary School.

Urban Camp dates are July 21<sup>st</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Sean Choolburra

The students thoroughly enjoyed the performance from a prominent indigenous performer, Sean Choolburra, last week. He showcased his excellent cultural information delivered entertainingly and humorously. He had both adults and children in the palm of his hand! This visit will greatly assist our students in their understanding of this term's

inquiry topic, which is Multiculturalism. Thank you to the parents for allowing this to happen.

## Professional Development

Teachers are developing our knowledge of numeracy through our Professional Learning Community (PLC) cluster work alongside Toora, Fish Creek, and Welshpool Primary Schools.

Each teacher undertakes fortnightly meetings with teachers from a similar year level at other schools. The team then works together to investigate best practice, share knowledge and resources and together, find the best strategies to teach your children. This process is proving highly successful and is of great benefit to our staff and children.

The Book Fair is coming!  
**SAVE THE DATE!**  
3 - 17 June  
Dates  
Mon & Fri - before & after school only  
Tue, Wed, Thu - All Day  
Times  
Tarwin Lower PS  
Place  
SCHOLASTIC

Warm Regards,

Greg Eddy

Acting Principal



Kindness

Cooperation

Resilience

Respect



## Dates to Remember

Tuesday 11th May - Friday 14th May	NAPLAN testing Grades 3 & 5
Tuesday 1st June	School Council
Thursday 3rd June - Thu 17th June	Scholastic Bookfair coming to school!!
Friday 4th June	District Cross Country
Monday 14th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 18th June	After School Fun (whole school) and Sleepover (Gr 2 - Gr 6)
Friday 25th June	Last day of Term 2

## From the Chaplain

Have you ever heard a disgruntled older person saying to a younger person or to a peer, show some respect! It's usually said because they are feeling disrespected themselves or feel that someone else is not being being treated in the way they should be.

Respect is another one of our School values. At Tarwin Lower primary school we teach children to respect themselves, to respect other people, and to show respect in the way they use the school grounds, buildings and school equipment. This includes putting away sports equipment properly and keeping classrooms clean and tidy. Showing respect also means using our manners when we ask for something and listening politely when other people are talking. When we are showing respect we are treating others in the way that we would want to be treated ourselves.

I am enjoying very much being a part of the Tarwin Lower School community. This term I will continue to speak to the children about our School values and hope to do some fun activities as well. We will also be looking at various well-being subjects such as dealing with emotions, building confidence and self-esteem and how to be courageous as we attempt new learning tasks and learn new skills.

If I can assist or support you in anyway, please let me know. I'm not only here to support the children but the entire School community. I can be contacted through the school office. Sue



## Bookfair

We've finally managed to get Bookfair after a wait of a year, due to lockdowns.

All our students love having Bookfair at school. There are so many books to choose from and you can take them straight away. There are books from as little as \$5.00 and also lots of goodies like pencils, erasers, markers etc which begin at \$1.00.

On Mondays and Fridays Bookfair will only be available before and after school, as the office is not manned during the day.

On Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays the Bookfair will be open all day.

Of course we have to observe COVID density limits in the office area which currently are one person per 2 square metres. We still need to work out how many that will allow in the office at one time, but we will be putting a sign on the door.

So please come in and have a look. It's a great opportunity to pick up some gifts for the future as well.



## 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



12th May 2021



# Year 7 Information Evening & School Tours

Thursday, 20th May 2021 at 6pm

An invitation is extended to Grade 4, 5 & 8 students, and their parents, to attend college presentations about the programs and opportunities LSC has to offer for 2022 and beyond.

Register your attendance prior to the evening for Covid tracing at <https://compassstix.com/elei83g7r5lo>

### Virtual Tour



SCAN ME!

### Information

Mr Paul Borg  
Junior School Leader

### Tours

Please refer to the LSC website to register your interest.

\*Dates subject to change - please see College website for any updates.



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## 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

Thank you to Cheryl Bertrand for donating strawberry plants and garlic bulbs to the school. The students had a great time potting them up.



## Happy Birthday

We hope you had a great day on your birthday

◆ **Lincoln**

◆ **Aria**



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## Cooking

Over the last couple of weeks, the students have made some yummy food at school. We have had a lot of Weetbix that were heading out of date so Sue Cronk has come up with some delicious, easy slices. We thought you might like the recipes to make at home.

### 4 Ingredient Milo Weet-Bix Slice

Ingredients:

- 10 Weetbix
- 1/4 cup (25g) milo
- 1 cup (100g) desiccated coconut
- 395g sweetened condensed milk
- Extra coconut or sprinkles for rolling

Instructions:

1. Place weet-bix in a food processor and process until they resemble fine crumbs (you could also use a rolling pin instead)
2. Place the Weet-bix into a large bowl and add Milo, coconut and condensed milk and mix together
3. Roll heaped teaspoons of mixture into balls.
4. Roll in the extra coconut or sprinkles to coat.
5. Store in an airtight container for up to a week.

### Peanut Butter Weet-Bix Slice

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/2 cup peanut butter
- 3 cups of coarsely diced Weet-bix
- 3/4 cup raisins (optional)

Instructions:

1. Combine sugar, honey and peanut butter in a microwavable bowl. Melt the peanut butter mixture in the microwave for 30 second intervals, stirring after each melting, for 1 - 2 minutes (depending on your microwave)

2. Stir in the Weet-Bix (and raisins if desired)
3. Press into a 20cm square tin sprayed with non-stick spray or lined with baking paper.
4. Cool and cut into bars.



## Well done to last week's award winners





# Tarwin Valley MARC

Fish Creek—Meenyan—Tarwin Lower—Toora—Welshpool

Term 2, 2021

## MARC Library News

### PREVIEW OF LEARNING

A new term begins and with it the promise of shared learning sessions and the reading of wonderful stories.

Why do we read? Reading teaches, expands our minds, enriches our lives, shapes our dreams, opens doors and inspires us to become who we are.

Where do we find the books we need and love? MARC Library has a wonderful selection of picture fiction, fiction and non-fiction books. Our library is added to regularly. We support and feel excited to be able to help students find just the right book. We like to share their enjoyment, gains in knowledge and pursuit of the next book, that, as we often observe, they can't wait to begin. Albert Einstein said, 'The only thing you absolutely have to know is the location of the library'. We believe he knew exactly what he was talking about and thank him for his wisdom.

In Term 2 we will plan for and thoughtfully use the following texts to explore connections, provoke understanding and aim for deeper learning.

<b>Week 1-19<sup>th</sup> April.</b> ANZAC books were read to all students, honouring and remembering those who endeavoured to ensure that we have a hopeful and safe future.
<b>Week 2-26<sup>th</sup> April.</b> Junior and middle school students were introduced to books which challenge stereotypes. Senior students were introduced to Shakespeare and noted his historical phrases, such as 'into thin air' which are used today, five hundred years later.
<b>Week 3-3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> All students will share books about 'Mums', their uniqueness, love and caring.
<b>Week 4-10<sup>th</sup> May.</b> New literature for all grades.
<b>Week 5-17<sup>th</sup> May.</b> Stories for all based on aboriginal themes.
<b>Week 6, 7 and 8- 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> May and 7<sup>th</sup> June.</b> The juniors will 'discover' the Seasons. The middle school students will wonder about inventions and the senior students will study and use collage, as an illustrative technique.
<b>Week 9-14<sup>th</sup> June.</b> Once again there will be the opportunity for all to share in the latest new literature.
<b>Week 10-21<sup>st</sup> June.</b> Junior students will be immersed in the joys of Eric Carle's writing. Middle and Senior students will learn more of the personal stories and struggles of refugees.

Yours in reading and learning, Jeanette Johnson & Sophie Calcott

### New books in the van available to borrow now



### DID YOU KNOW?

The Children's Book Council of Australia has released its shortlist for the 2021 book of the year. We will be looking at many of the books on the shortlist in more detail in Term 3.





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

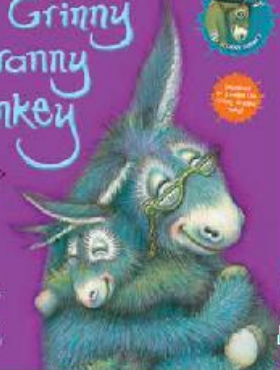
This year's National Simultaneous Storytime story will be read by astronauts *from Space!*

Give me some  
**Space!**



The Grinny  
Granny  
Donkey

Wrote by  
Craig Smith  
Illustrated by  
Katie Cowley



Shannon & Taylor Steadman  
**Lola  
ONLINE**

#THE SECRET  
UPSTAIRS  
fan club  
PARTY



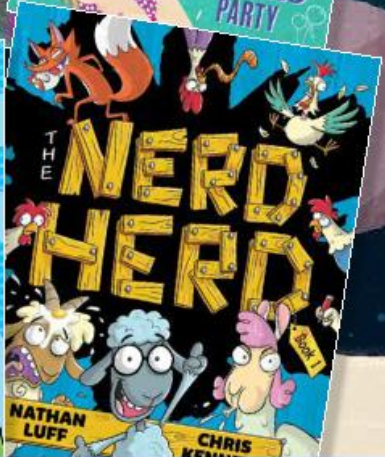
SCHOOL  
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Fintastic Four



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

WRITTEN  
BY  
DAVE



FIND THESE BOOKS AND  
HUNDREDS MORE AT THE FAIR!

**Date** 3 - 17 May 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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