



School News



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Camps and excursions play an important role in the education of students at Tarwin Valley because they provide opportunities to develop skills and attitudes that are not possible within our school setting. When reviewing camps, teachers especially, monitor the educational benefits of each camp by completing a review of all its aspects. In recent years, part of this review has also included the cost to parents. As a part of any review however, we think it is just as important that other members of our school community (parent and students) get a say.

Below is a table that shows the cost to parents in recent years. The standout for us is the cost of the Ballarat camp. The camp is a favourite amongst students but in recent years, we have questioned the educational benefits of this camp considering the cost and the time spent travelling there and back (basically we only get 2 days on the key focus). As a result, we would like parents to consider whether we keep this camp or move to an adventure based camp (Woorabinda). This camp would be for 4-5 days, be more cost effective, and have a focus on developing Teamwork and Grit, which neither of the current Year 5/6 camps do.

CALENDAR

This week 19/6 – 26/6

June 22nd – Trivia Night 7pm

June 25th – School Council 7pm

Upcoming

June 28th - Career dress up day

June 28th - Last Day Term 2

2.20 dismissal

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

The newsletter is compiled on Monday afternoons. All items need to be submitted by 1:50pm to be included.

| Current Camps: When and Where | Who | Cost | Key Focus |
|--------------------------------|----------|--------|---------------------------------------|
| 2018, 3 days – Wilson’s Prom | Year 3/4 | \$160 | Environmental: plants and animals etc |
| 2019, 3 days - Rumberg | Year 3/4 | \$260 | Adventure, teamwork, Grit |
| 2018, 3 days - Ballarat | Year 5/6 | \$315 | History: Democracy, Gold in Australia |
| 2019, 3 days - Melbourne | Year 5/6 | \$260 | Multiculturalism |
| 2020, 4 or 5 days - Woorabinda | Year 5/6 | ~\$230 | Adventure, teamwork, Grit |

The school will take the votes we receive into consideration with our own staff vote. We will let you know of our decision in Term 3. If you have any further questions or comments to share regarding the year 5/6 camp, please see/email Gene or Peter Harris ASAP.

Gene VanderZalm

TVPS Camp Program Vote Slip: Please tick one of the following and return to school by Wednesday June 26th

- Keep the camps as they are*
- Switch the Ballarat camp to Woorabinda*
- We’re happy to go with what the school decides is best*

Comment:

CAREER DAY

To celebrate education week that was earlier this term, our school will be having a dress up day on the last day of school. The theme for education week this year is careers. So staff and students are invited to dress up as the career they would like to follow when they grow up!

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to the families that supported our 2019 Book Fair. It was a great success and raised over \$400 in rewards for our school to purchase books and other educational resources. Congratulations to our raffle winners, Cole, Max, Destiny and Rose who each won a book from the fair.

Thank you to Emily and Sienna who ran a 'guess how many lollies in the jar' competition which raised close to \$30 for Science resources. Congratulations to Chloe S who had the closest guess of 350. There were 351 lollies in the jar.

BELEZA UNIFORM STORE PAKENHAM – SCHOOL HOLIDAY TRADING HOURS

Please see page 3 for further details.

EMAILING STAFF VIA COMPASS APP

If you wish to send an email to your child's teacher via the Compass app, from the home page, you will need to open the web browser. To do this, tap on the menu icon at the top left side of the screen and select 'Open in Browser'. On the left side of the page is a photo of your child with a number of links. The second link should be 'Send email to (your child's name) teacher'. This link opens an email message that will be sent directly to that teachers email inbox.

LOST SPORTS JACKET

Archie Martelli is missing his size 8, named Tarwin Valley sports jacket. Please check the uniform your child brings home from school.

WANTED: PUZZLES

As some of you may know, we are heading to Cambodia to volunteer for the Opportunities Developed thru Art (ODA) school. Two of its teachers visited TVPS last year. The ODA city school in Siem Reap has 35 students, while the seven ODA village schools each have around 20 students. ODA is in need of some educational puzzles for its pre-school aged children (3-6 years). If you have any of these you no longer need, we would love to pass them on to ODA. Anything that features Australia would be a bonus and as they are learning English, puzzles featuring the alphabet would also be great. Donations can be left in the staff room any time before the end of term.

Tracy VanderZalm



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- ☺ **Indi D** for a fantastic improvement in reading, demonstrating strategies such as 'Mouth ready for first sound' and 'what would make sense'. Also a huge effort to get 100 nights of reading.
- ☺ **Sophie J** for making thoughtful, real-life connections with our subtraction focus.
- ☺ **Cael S** for showing excellent concentration during reading sessions.
- ☺ **Charlotte H** for embracing the challenge to complete an engaging and creative narrative with enthusiasm and responsibility.
- ☺ **Will D** for putting in an excellent effort to complete his narrative writing with greater independence.
- ☺ **Emma P** for thoughtful and timely contributions to class discussion.
- ☺ **Emily EB** for her efforts to continually improve her learning by regularly reading at home.

YARD DRAW AWARD

- ☺ **Danielle P** for picking up rubbish.

HOUSE POINTS

Weekly winner: Waratah

Overall Winner: Bluegum



TVPS Trivia Night

This Saturday 22nd June, 7pm – Meeniyah Hall

BYO drinks and nibbles. Bring gold coins for extra fun and games!

BELEZA PAKENHAM - TERM 2 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TRADING HOURS 2019

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| June 23 CLOSED | June 24 10am - 5pm | June 25 10am - 5pm | June 26 10am - 5pm | June 27 10am - 5pm | June 28 End Term 2 10am - 2pm | June 29 CLOSED |
| June 30 CLOSED | JULY 1 CLOSED | JULY 2 CLOSED | JULY 3 CLOSED | JULY 4 CLOSED | JULY CLOSED | JULY 6 CLOSED |
| JULY 7 CLOSED | July 8 10am - 5pm | July 9 10am - 5pm | July 10 10am - 5pm | July 11 10am - 5pm | July 12 10am - 5pm | July 13 10am - 1pm |
| JULY 14 CLOSED | July 15 Start Term 3 10am - 5pm | July 16 10am - 5pm | July 17 10am - 5pm | July 18 10am - 5pm | July 19 10am - 5pm | July 20 10am - 1pm |

COMMUNITY NEWS

The following Community News articles promote community connections and communications.
They are not considered school activities

Leongatha Secondary College School Tour:

Expressions of interest are invited for prospective parents and students to attend a School Tour on Wednesday 26th June at 12.45pm. To register your interest, please email enquiries@leonsec.vic.edu.au

Aussie Hoops:

Aimed at children 5-10 years old. Aussie Hoops is starting Friday 26th July at Leongatha SPLASH. It runs for 8 weeks during term 3. For more information, e: leongatha.aussiehoops@gmail.com or register at www.aussiehoops.com.au



CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS

WHAT WE EXPECT AT TARWIN VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

- ❖ Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
- ❖ We have zero tolerance of any abuse of children.
- ❖ We have policies and procedures in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children.
- ❖ There are clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with our students.
- ❖ The new Child Safe Standards go further than child protection arrangements did in the past.
- ❖ The Child Safe Standards apply to school staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors and students' family members.
- ❖ Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility.
- ❖ We want to ensure you know how we are keeping your children safe at school, and how we would like you to support us.
- ❖ Unsupervised contractors will be asked about their child safety arrangements as a condition of working with us if they work with children enrolled in the school (or children can reasonably be expected to be present while they are at the school).

Please see further information on Child Safe Standards on our school website.