



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 2 (subject to change)

Week 1 April Term 2	25 ANZAC DAY	26 First day of term 2	27 Grade 5&6 STEM Incursion	28	29
Week 2 May	2 Divisional Cross Country	3 AFL Clinics	4 P & F Mothers Day Stall	5	6
Week 3	9	10 AFL Clinics	11	12	13
		NAPLAN Grade 5	NAPLAN Grade 5	NAPLAN Grade 5	NAPLAN Grade 5
Week 4	16 Grade 5/6 Camp	17 "The Summit"	18 Grade 5/6 Camp	19 "The Summit"	20 Campers return
	NAPLAN Grade 3	NAPLAN Grade 3	NAPLAN Grade 3	NAPLAN Grade 3	NAPLAN Grade 3
Week 5	23 OPEN Morning for 2023 Preps Information Evening	24 Regional Golf	25	26	27 Grade 5/6 District Winter Sport
Week 6 June	30 RECONCILIATION WEEK	31 Somers Camp	1	2	3
Week 7	6	7	8 End of Somers Camp	9	10 Divisional Winter Sport
Week 8	QUEENS B'DAY HOLIDAY	14	15	16	17
Week 9	20	21			24

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BSB 063 832 Acc No 1002 2188
Please include details - Surname and description e.g. Fees, uniform, camp etc.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to term two. We hope that everyone had a lovely break and are ready for another great term of learning together and succeeding together. Welcome to the Spiker family to Toorloo Arm PS, Henry(Gr 5), Jake (Gr 3A) and Eli (Prep). We look forward to your positive contribution to our school.

The calendar is already full of lots of great learning opportunities so we are hitting the ground running.

Exciting Student Learning Projects – focussed on The Arts

For the next 2 terms our Prep/1 classes will be working with a music mentor on Friday afternoons bring music instruction alive in our junior rooms. We also have engaged with two other creative artists (a visual artist and a performing artist) who will work with our middle school students on a student directed arts project over terms 2 & 3. Grade 5 & 6 will engage with specialists from GLCH on creating a sustainability project. All of these will be collaborative, student driven projects giving students agency in their learning and the opportunity to work in the creative space.

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The Summit Camp

Grade 5 & 6 students have been given information regarding the Summit Camp. If you would like your child to attend please return the forms by this Friday so we can confirm numbers.

Lovely Lunches

School Council has partnered with Kellie Svetlik from “The Brew Bar on Ninety Mile Beach” to provide a lunch order service on Friday’s for our students starting next week. A menu will be sent home prior.

Parents and Friends

The P & F Easter raffle was held on the last day of term 1. Twenty-five prizes were won by some very lucky students and families. Thanks to everyone for their kind donations and to all those families who bought tickets. The raffle raised \$1000.00. Amazing 😊

The next activity planned is the Mothers Day Stall to be held next Wednesday. Students can bring along some money to pick up something special for Mum, Grandma or Carers. Prices range from \$2.00 – \$10.00. We ask that students only bring a maximum of \$15.00 ensuring that all students have the chance to purchase something for a loved one.

Junior School Council Beach Day

What a fabulous day and a fabulous effort is was for our students last term when we all walked to The Bluff to raise funds for The Kids Cancer Project. We raise \$200.00 through gold coin donations which will be forwarded to the charity.



COVID update

The Victorian Government has announced it is extending the RAT screening program for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Thank you to all students and families who have played their role in regularly testing – we know that hasn’t been easy. Your work has seen COVID-19 cases being picked up at the earliest opportunity, meaning less cases in our school and more time in the classroom for our students. The testing recommendations will remain the same this Term for students and staff with the recommendation of testing at home twice a week. RAT’s will be sent home with students on Friday.

As we approach winter and flu season, the vaccination of children aged 5 to 11 and booster shots for students 16+ remains the best way to ensure protection for students and staff with many options across GPs, pharmacies and the state run vaccination clinics. If you have any concerns or worries about getting your child vaccinated, please get in contact with your GP or another health professional who can answer your concerns.

Students and staff who are **household contacts** of a COVID-19 case are no longer required to quarantine. They can return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times within their 7-day period and wear face masks indoors if they are aged 8 and above unless they have a valid exemption. If any household contact returns a positive RAT result during this period, they must isolate for 7 days and not attend school.

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ANZAC Day Observance



Staff and students gathered at the cenotaph on Monday to commemorate ANZAC day together. Sophie and Kye layed a wreath on behalf of our school community. Well done to all those who attended ANZAC day ceremonies, wherever you may have been.

Thanks for your continued support
Kerry Hughes

Throughout 2022, we are implementing a new wellbeing program at school called the The Resilience Project. One of the key appeals of this program is that it has been designed to reach beyond school to the whole school community. We are inviting parents to get involved so that they can support their children at home using the same language that we are using at school.



[The Resilience Project](#) delivers emotionally engaging programs and provides evidence-based, practical strategies to build resilience. The Program consists of online presentations and weekly lessons for students, professional development for staff, and a Parent & Carer Hub (inc. digital presentations) for our parent and carer community.

Over the coming weeks, we'll be sharing the Parent & Carer Hub with you. The videos are 5-10 minutes long and will walk through the key pillars of resilience: **Gratitude**, **Empathy** & **Mindfulness**. You'll hear stories and be introduced to activities to show how these strategies can support our kids' learning and development, and also support you as parents and carers.

This program is an important part of our school's effort to look after the mental health of our community.

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View the first presentation of the series here: **Part 1:**

Meet Hugh and learn about The Resilience Project

- <https://theresilienceproject.com.au/parent-and-carer-hub-hugh/>



In this presentation, Hugh shares a personal experience about his sister's battles with Mental Illness.

Note: This video contains a story about an Eating Disorder that may be triggering. Please consider this before watching. For mental health resources and support information, visit [The Resilience Project's Support Page](#).

We will be in touch regularly to share the remainder of the program, including research and wellbeing activities to integrate into day to day life.

Prep/1

Welcome back from what I hope was a very relaxing and fun holiday. I hope everyone will have a fantastic start to the term and settle back into the routine splendidly. The weather is starting to turn so please make sure that jumpers are named.

We will be continuing student sharing so if your child has anything special they would like to bring in on their allocated day they are more than welcome to leave it somewhere safe in the class. If students would like to share pets please give me at least a week's warning.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Elicia Darcy Travis	Ari Yindi Milly	William Seth Abel Emily	Lana Xander Zayn	Lucas Mahalia Alena Addie

This week we are looking at:

Reading

- Sound position – where do we hear the sound.
- We will be doing some work with nonsense words (made up words) this allows student to focus on the sound position, segmenting and blending without the worry of making a mistake.
- Getting our Knowledge Ready – looking at the title and front page, predicting and making connection, completing a picture walk and asking questions about the books we are reading. It would be great for students to practice these strategies at home with their take home books.
- We are focusing on the letter 'Nn' and 'Vv' looking at both name and sound.

Writing

- We are exploring how to write three sequential ideas in our writing. This allows the author to place additional information in their writing.
- We are starting to look at narratives and how they are structured.

Maths: Place Value to 15 and 10 facts/friends of 10 (2 numbers you can put together that make 10). We are starting to explore addition and subtraction as well as looking at 2D and 3D shape names.

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Integrated Studies

- **Resilience Project** – We are exploring what does gratitude mean and how being grateful makes us feel.

Have a great week,
Miss Cock

Grade 1

Hello and welcome to term 2! I hope you all had a safe and restful holiday and are ready to get back into the swing of things again.

This weeks focus:

Reading

This week we are going to be learning how to get our knowledge ready for reading by discussing our thoughts, ideas, questions and predictions when looking at the title, cover and pictures in a book.

Writing

In writing, we will be starting our week by writing a holiday recount. Then later in the week we will begin looking at narratives, the structure of them and the common features of narratives in order to assist us to write our own in the coming weeks. This week students will also be given spelling words to practice in class, students will be receiving their own spelling words each week.

Maths

In maths we will begin looking at addition and subtraction. Over the term we plan to introduce and practice a range of addition and subtraction strategies to assist students to be more efficient in their calculations. This week we will be specifically looking at counting on from a larger number.

Thanks and have a great week!
Eliza Cunningham

Grade 2

Hello,

Welcome back, we hope you have had a happy, restful, sunshine filled Easter break. This week will be all about re-setting our routines and remembering what it is to be at school in grade two (not in grade three like some of the students have assumed after the holidays!)

We will begin our Reader's Workshop right away, starting with 'Getting our Knowledge Ready' for our new mentor text 'Rose Meets Mr Wintergarden.' This will be the text we explore over the term, diving deeply into vocabulary particularly.

In writing this term we will be looking at narratives and story-telling, continuing our work on adding body to our sentences.

In maths, we will begin addition and subtraction, making sure we keep the two entwined rather than separate, with evidence showing that linking the two builds a stronger connection.

We also continue our work on The Resilience Project, focusing on Gratitude this week.

Have a great week!

Lizzy Haldane and Alyssa Warfe

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Welcome back everyone to Term 2. We hope that you all had some time to relax and enjoy the break from the school routine and are ready for another great term of learning.

The following is a brief outline of what we have planned for the term:

LITERACY:

- Our mentor text: *Fantastic Mr Fox*, Roald Dahl
- Writing: Persuasive, Narrative and Poetry
- Reading: Vocabulary, Visualising and Making Connections
- Spelling: differentiated groups will be focusing on a sound or spelling pattern

MATHEMATICS:

- Odd & even numbers
- Addition and subtraction strategies and generalisations
- Problem solving

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Our integrated unit for this term is "Age of Exploration" which looks at early explorers both of the world and Australia, and we will be getting right into The Resilience Project looking at gratitude, empathy and mindfulness and how they help us deal with life and relationships.

Your assistance with learning is always appreciated. Every day starts with a mini-lesson (10-15 minutes) and then independent reading (except Tuesdays for 34A). If you are available to come in and listen to children read, you are always welcome! You can also assist with your child's learning through discussions at home. Our first writing focus is persuasive texts: asking your child to come up with 3 reasons why they should get to do or have something is an activity they will assist them to write persuasive arguments in the classroom. Simple maths games like make ten (I have 3, how many more do I need) or reading numbers always assist with maths fluency.

Children are expected to read at least 3 times a week at home. Students will also be expected to do some practise of their spelling words (focussing on a sound or pattern).

If you have any concerns or queries, please don't hesitate to come in and see us. Have a great term. Amber Castleman, Larissa Murray and Lisa ☺

Grade 5

Hi Year 5 families

I hope everyone had a fantastic holidays and that we are all refreshed and ready for Term 2.

A couple of reminders for this week. We have a STEM incursion tomorrow, which will be exciting and informative. The district cross country has been moved to next Monday (2nd May). Also, if you are attending Somers camp, please return your permission forms.

Term 2 is a busy term, with NAPLAN, camp and many other events/activities. It should be a lot of fun! Have a great week.

Mr McPhee

Grade 6

Welcome back, hope everyone had a lovely holiday break. We really enjoyed some time recuperating after such a busy first term. We are now refreshed and ready to go and I hope the kids are too.

Well done to the students who attended the Anzac Day ceremony yesterday. It was great to see the grade six students Sophie Nation and Kye Holley represent Toorloo Arm Primary at the ceremony.



Makayla Wright and Cleo Rule also attended in uniform as part of their Junior Rotary Award. It has been great to see our grade six student getting organized and completing some of the tasks required for the Rotary award. Well done, keep up the great work and remember if I can help in any way please let me know.

The grade 5/6 Summit camp is in week four and will be a great experience for all. Please remember to get the forms back to us at school as soon as possible if you haven't already done so.

We have an exciting launch to our maths and integrated studies unit with the Size of Your Sol incursion run by the Victorian Space Science Education Centre happening tomorrow which will allow students to interact with hands on activities to introduce and deepen students' knowledge of our Solar System. Timely considering the once in a thousand year planet alignment going on right now with Jupiter, Venus, Mars and Saturn all lined up these past few days. So cool!

Hope everyone enjoys our first week back.
Ali and Barb.

SPORT NEWS

Great to be back, hope everyone had a great break and enjoyed the glorious weather! Term 2 is going to be a busy term in PE! The Division Cross Country will now be next Monday 2nd of May. We will be also be training for the Winter Sports Carnival and Athletics over the term, dates are below. Grade 5 and 6s, students have selected their sports last term. Please let me know if you are available to help out on the sports days, or do any team coaching (soccer and netball especially!).

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Juniors will be introduced to gymnastics activities and games this week, and why it is important to keep our bodies strong, balanced and healthy! Seniors will be commencing a team sports unit, with a focus on team work and attacking skills needed that transfer across all team sports such as finding a space and passing to a moving team mate. This term we are really lucky to have Mitch from the AFL Coaching program running two days of specialist AFL coaching clinics with the students from Grade 1-6.

Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate footwear for PE so they are comfortable and avoid injury when running around.

Division Cross Country

Please note the **change of TAPS cross country date to Mon 2nd May**. Students will leave school at 9.45 am, the events will start marshalling at 10.45 for an 11 am start.



ATF Tennis Program at TAPS

We are currently taking expressions of interest for Term 2, newcomers most welcome. Sessions will again be Thursday nights, fortnightly.

The first session for the term is next Thursday 5th May from 4.15-5.15 pm.

TENNIS – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM TERM 2

I give permission for my child _____ of class
_____ to be considered to participate in the tennis program.

Signed _____ Date _____

Thanks,
Barb (SPORT COORDINATOR)

Important Sport dates for Term 2 2022

Monday 2nd May Division Cross Country Nagle College
Tues 3rd May AFL Clinic
Thurs 5th May ATF Tennis coaching with Nigel
Tuesday 24th May Regional Golf
Tues 10th May AFL Clinic
Fri 27th May District Winter Sports (back up 1st June)
Thurs 2nd June Regional Cross Country

Important Sport dates for Term 3 2022

Friday 22nd July TAPS House Athletics (back up Friday 29th July)

ART

Welcome back! Students from all grades will be getting straight back into things in the art room, concentrating on landscapes and how we can interpret the environment around us. Junior students will begin by looking at what actually is a landscape and what elements are important. Middle school and senior students will extend this idea to create a dreamlike reality.

Jobi Laybourne

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Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)

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What is Gumnuts OSHC?

Gumnuts OSHC is a service that provides professional, fun and safe care for children outside normal school hours. We provide before school care and after school care.

Our educators will drop off your child to school and we pick them up after school. Before school care starts at 7am, After school care finishes at 6pm. We provide a healthy breakfast and afternoon snack for the children.

If you would like more information please contact Gumnuts Early Learning Centre on (03) 5144 6952 or by email | gumnutselc@netspace.net.au



Auskick Starts Thursday 28th April 2022

5-6pm @ Lakes Entrance Recreation Reserve (Footy & Cricket Grounds)

1 Rowe St Lakes Entrance. Please enter via gate at the Caravan Park End which is closest to the Social Rooms (not Bowls Club End)

This is due to Football & Netball Training being held on the same night and is safety requirement for Auskick Participants.

Registrations are now open. Please go to <https://www.playhq.com/aflregister/aftaf7>

The cost for the program is \$51.

The program will run for 9 weeks ending 23rd June 2022

There is no set uniform for Auskick seasons, just ensure your child is comfortable to be able to participate in all activities. We recommend sports clothing and either runners or footy boots. Many participants choose to wear their AFL team's colours and jumpers.

To be able to run an Auskick Centre we have to adhere to Covid safe rules so:

Please bring a drink bottle with your Child's name on it

We will have sanitizer available for kids to use

Parents/Carers are reminded if you are feeling unwell or show any Covid symptoms, please stay at home.

Please note that this year we have had to cap participation numbers due to lack of parent helpers.

Auskick is a volunteer run program.

If you are interested in helping to run this program, please contact Coordinator Kelly

Richardson on 0448 809 067 A.S.A.P

Eligible families may be able to cover the cost of their Auskick registration. For further information go to <https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/>

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PARENT/CARER INFORMATION SESSION

BUILDING SAFE ONLINE SPACES TOGETHER

A SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH INITIATIVE



MARNIE LYON

Digital Forensic Officer, Cybercrime Squad, Victoria Police

Registration

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/building-safer-online-spaces-tickets-310911985117>



**28th
April**
7.30-8.30PM



Nambur Wariga
Room
Latrobe City
Headquarters
141 Commercial
Rd MORWELL

DISCUSSIONS AND INSIGHTS

- The types of online/social media your young people are accessing
- Online experiences from young people and current trends
- Common misconceptions around online cyber safety
- How to support your young people to stay safe online
- How you and your young people can report online cyber issues
- The cybercrime squad and what they do

OR

Via Teams (Link provided to registered participants)



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