

**YOU CAN DO IT
STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
For Week Ending 26th May 2017**



P/1	Roy Riseley	For working hard to improve the presentation of his work.
1/2	Immi McAllister	For working well to write extended narratives.
2/3	Makayla Elms	For showing confidence, speaking up more in class discussions, having a go.
4	Byron Smythe	For consistent efforts in all tasks and excellent organisation for learning.
5/6	Phoebe Rhodes	For showing good persistence when working on problem solving tasks.
Art/Music	Clancie Gollan	For making a detailed plan of her new and improved animal.
P.E.	Ceili Coulthard	For working hard to master skills during P.E. every week.
	Lizzie Ralph	For challenging herself to learn new footwork in P.E.

DATES TO REMEMBER

1 st June	Thu	Grades Prep/1 and 1/2 excursion to Latrobe Performing Arts Centre Grades 2/3 and 4 excursion to Tarra Bulga
8 th June	Thu	Open Day for prospective enrolments - 2 sessions - 10:00am - 11:00am and 5:30pm - 6:30pm.
12 th June	Mon	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
27 th June	Tue	Grade 5/6 Art Exhibition Opening - 4:15pm
29 th June	Thu	Musica Viva Performance - \$6 per student

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Traralgon South Primary School

Open Day for Prospective Enrolments

Thursday 8th June

at 10:00am - 11:00am

or 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Or contact the school if you would like to make an appointment for an alternative date and/or time.



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Dear Parents,

This week has been a little mixed with teachers given some report writing time and specialist teachers taking grades. We are again looking to further improve our reporting processes and the information that goes home about student learning. This year we are not using the same reporting program we have in the past, but instead utilising a facility in the data tracking software we have purchased. This means there are some further adaptations to our reports that will go home. Overall, we want our reports to be personal to every child and concentrate on successes and where students can improve.

On Thursday we have a number of extra-curricula activities happening for every age group across the school. The Prep/1 and the 1/2 grades are heading to Traralgon Little Theatre to watch the performance 'Going on a Bear Hunt'. This book is always a favourite for kids and the performance will help bring their learning in literacy to life.

Our Grade 2/3 and 4 students are travelling to Tarra Bulga National park as part of their work on 'Sustainability' with their Mappen unit. By visiting a unique place like Tarra Bulga, they will talk to Rangers and develop a greater sense of appreciation of our natural environment. Seeing it first hand is something that cannot be re-created in the classroom.

Lastly our 5/6 students will be getting a visit from Melissa Urie who has just completed the 'Epic 5' in Hawaii; this is 5 Ironman triathlons in 5 days, back-to-back! She will be talking to the students about the importance of goal setting and facing adversity. Busy times!

As a school we have continued to work on building our Literacy Data and looking at where every student is with their maths knowledge and problem solving ability. This helps give a greater focus for us as a staff to have a clearer view of where students are headed, and also where they have come from. The collection of data, interrogating student work samples and having staff discuss openly the standards has been central to this work. We are working on

having a better teaching plan for maths and developing students' ability to use number concepts in problem solving ways. It's a very exciting time as we build our understandings on how to further progress the abilities of students.

As the weather turns colder it is a timely reminder for families to ensure that everything is named appropriately. We have managed to keep our lost property pile down of late, but with jumpers going on and coming off the pile is beginning to grow. There are also a number of jumpers/jackets which have been named but are missing so please check you have your own items of uniform.

A reminder also that students need to be in the correct school uniform at all times. We understand heavier coats may be worn to and from school as the temperature drops, but jumpers and windcheaters should be royal blue and pants either royal blue or grey school pants. School Council will look at our uniform policy shortly with plenty of parent feedback sought. We will start to hand out reminder notes to those students who are consistently out of uniform. There is a wide variety of second hand uniforms for sale as well as new uniforms available through the office.

School Information Sessions for 2018 Enrolments

On Thursday June 8th we are holding a school open morning and night for prospective parents in 2018 and beyond. The first hour long session will be held at 10:00am and the second one will start at 5:30pm. If you know of anybody starting school next year or looking at schools please pass on these details. There will be some flyers at the office for distribution to pass around as well as some pamphlets.

Adam Downes - Principal

MUSICA VIVA: TAIKOZ – JAPANESE DRUMMING GROUP

On Thursday 29th June we have the pleasure of Taikoz, a Japanese Drumming Group performing for us. Taikoz are delighted to be able to bring their dynamic and heart stopping traditional Japanese music to our school. The cost of the performance is \$6 per student and this needs to be paid by 23rd June.