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PRINCIPAL REPORT...

Curriculum Contributions (per student):

Each child at Traralgon South Primary School is provided with a significant amount of curriculum consumables to support their learning within the school, and not just in their classroom. We are proud of how these items provide the 'added extra' to their learning and the great outcomes we experience as a result. Naturally though, these items come at a significant cost to the school, however due to the relationship we have with various suppliers, plus our ability to buy in bulk, we are often able to source these items at discounted prices. Some examples of these consumables, beyond the typical classroom stationery items, include art and craft supplies (of which you may see some examples of for Mother's Day), sporting and musical equipment, laptop computers and iPads for student use, clay for ceramics, library books and readers, and hands-on items to strengthen learning in Maths (blocks, shapes, cubes, money, counters, etc.). Without the support of families paying the \$160 in curriculum contributions each year, we would otherwise be faced with reducing the availability of these items for your child, unfortunately then diluting the quality of their learning experiences.

For those yet to pay these curriculum contributions as per our [Parent Payment Policy](#), we politely request you do so at your earliest convenience. Given the current financial climate, we are very open to families making alternative payment arrangements, such as paying a smaller amount each week/fortnight, paying in instalments, or in other ways that suit your individual context. Please ask as we are very willing to work in partnership with you.

Payments can be made via cash at our General Office. Unfortunately, we do not have EFTPOS facilities at the school, though payments can also be made via direct deposit to our school account below. Please also include a description of the related item you are making a payment for in the reference field. For example, '*Student name: 2023 School Contributions*'

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Mother's Day Stall:

On Friday 12 May, we will be conducting our Mother's Day Stall fundraiser. This will be conducted from 2pm-3:30pm, with all students provided an opportunity to visit the stall with their grade. We are fortunate to have a large amount of stock for this fundraiser, however I have had several inquiries from families who would like to donate items to support. In response, we are very appreciative of any items that families would like to donate, however I am quite conscious of the cost of living pressures many are facing and the reasons for those who choose not to.

As a rough estimate, indicative prices for individual items at the stall will be approximately \$1-\$5. Thank you also to those who have already volunteered to assist with the supervision and running of this event, it is greatly appreciated.

Please note that there will be NO ASSEMBLY this week, due to the above.

School Council:

Earlier this week we had our School Council meeting, and I would like to share with our school community both the resignation of Rebecca Ottery as a parent member and the subsequent co-option of Jo McInnes to fill the remaining 12 months of Rebecca's two-year term. Rebecca has been such an asset to our School Council over the previous year and her knowledge and expertise will be missed. We are very grateful to have the support of Jo and we also welcome her to both our 'Finance and Fundraising' and 'Buildings and Grounds' sub-committees.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

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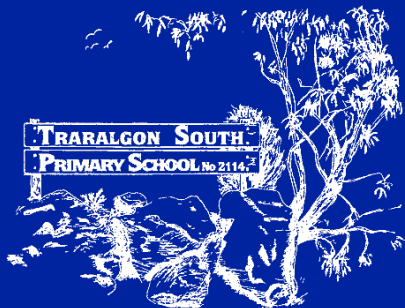


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DATES TO REMEMBER...

12 th May	Friday	Mother's Day Stall
16 th May	Tuesday	Student Free Day
17 th May	Wednesday	Division Cross Country
		2024 Prospective Families School Tour - 12:00pm
29 th May - 31 st May	Monday - Wednesday	Years 5 & 6 Camp - Phillip Island



TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL



All prospective families for enrolments in 2024 are invited to tour our school on

Wednesday 17 May at 12pm.

We encourage all participants to register their interest by contacting our school on the details below.

School tours can also be arranged for other times, so please let us know if this is your preference. Alternatively, a Virtual Tour is available on our website.

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	Bella S	For always helping others and working her best.
1/2	Noah D	For always showing respect and focus during our 'floor time' and instructions.
2/3	Kai L	For showing persistence to improve his hand writing.
4/5	Cruz S	For having a really good go at new maths concepts and showing confidence in learning tasks.
5/6	Hollie K	For working through challenging equations and seeking feedback to improve in Maths.
Art	Harry J	For creativity to create fantastic hessian flowers.
	Levi S	For excellent peer support when making soap boxes.
School Captains	Havana W	For unplugging the drinking taps at lunch.

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Report from District Cross Country

It was very drizzly and quite muddy for our cross country run at CATS cricket club. There were about 160 runners on the day. Our students were fantastic. They supported each other and tried their very best during the run. Great representatives for our school. Twelve students have progressed through to Division level which will be held at Gaskin Park in Churchill next Wednesday May 17th. We wish all the runners the best of luck and know they will, once again, be great ambassadors for our school and the Glengarry District.

BOYS AGE 9/10	GIRLS AGE 9/10
Liam P 1 st	Tahlia 4 th
Harrison 4 th	
Bowie 5 th	GIRLS AGE 11
Harry 6 th	Mia 1 st
Thomas 8 th (emergency)	Ruby 3 rd
	Amelia 5 th
BOYS AGE 11	Kyah 6 th
Levi F 3 rd	
Cody 8 th (emergency)	GIRLS AGE 12/13
	Sophie 4 th
BOYS AGE 12/13	
Harry 4 th	
Bentley 7 th (emergency)	



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2024 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Open 1 May until 30 June

**If your child turns 3 or 4 years of age before
30 April, 2024 they can enrol for kinder.**



Enrol online at www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/kinder or scan the QR code, you can also call 1300 367 700 to arrange support to complete the online form.

Enrolments received after 30 June will be offered in order of receipt where places remain available.



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KAISERCRAFT MOTHER'S DAY Craft Activity

Get crafty and create a greeting card or picture for your mum or someone special.

Thursday 11th May 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Friday 12th May 10.30am - 1.30pm
Saturday 13th May 10.30am - 1.30pm

FREE for children and adults.
Located near Cotton On.



Parental supervision required at all times.
This craft activity involves the use of scissors, glue and small parts.

midvalley
SHOPPING CENTRE
Celebrating 40 years

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MONDAY
15TH
MAY 2023

GIPPSLAND
TECH
SCHOOL

EDUCATION WEEK

at Gippsland Tech School
From 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Move Make Motivate

Workshops | Games | Activities
And a Lot More...

For more info:
enquiries@gippslandtechschool.vic.edu.au

VICTORIA State Government | Department of Education

To celebrate this year's Education Week, Gippsland Tech School will be hosting an open night on Monday 15th May. This event is open to the public, where you can come and explore the school and learn more about what we do, as well as take part in a range of activities being run by our facilitators and a range of industry partners.

There are also a small range of after school programs we will be running this term, aimed at grade 5/6s. For more information go to <https://www.gippslandtechschool.vic.edu.au/events/>

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