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KEY DATES 2018 - **click to open the Calendar of events**

EXCURSIONS - **1-2G, 1-2NG, 1-2W, 1-2P; Kinder O & Kinder G; 3-4GS, 3-4McB, 3-4C, 3-4P**

COMMUNITY NEWS - **click to open Community News**

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Families,

It is fantastic to see such a buzz across the school now that students are beginning to learn about their digital world through the Digital Technologies curriculum. What's exciting about this is that rather than being only end users of technology, students are beginning to ask questions and explore how technologies work. Teachers across the school are working in coaching partnerships, supporting students to investigate:

- what a computer actually is (and discovering there are many more computers in their lives apart from mum and dad's laptop!)
- what's inside a computer
- how data is simply information that can be collected, sorted, processed and used with a purpose
- how information gets onto the internet (with great surprise that Google doesn't just put it there!)
- how the internet transmits data using networks of different scales, and
- having a go at creating directions (algorithms) - the first step in being able to 'code' their ideas into a way that computers will understand.

The development of this deeper understanding and conceptual context of digital technologies, for both teachers and students, will be further supported and informed with the purposeful use of programmable educational robots in Terms 3 & 4. We are very excited to have purchased Beebots, Ozobots, Spheros and Lego Mindstorms for students to continue their learning in this area.

Our investment in digital technologies and the collaborative, co-teaching

approach we are using to deliver the curriculum is made possible by an Australian Government's Digital Literacies in Schools grant, which Taroona Primary received in 2016, as well as the Tasmanian Department of Education's My Education program.

Taroona Primary's exploration into this area aligns with our school's vision of developing creative thinkers, connected learners and inspired leaders, and you will be seeing our Digital Literacies flagship appearing around the school, which guides our planning.



The buzz and high engagement from students in this learning is palpable, and I look forward to sharing more as the year progresses.

To zoom in on image click [here](#).

Best wishes

Danielle Bresnehan

Principal

NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY *THIS FRIDAY 25 MAY* (ride/scoot/skate to school) Move Well Eat Well

Move Well Eat Well



Taroona Primary STRIDE & RIDE DAY

Friday 25th May 2018

- What:** Walk, Ride, Scoot or Skate to School
- When:** May 25th 2018
- Arrival:** 8:30 – 8.50am
- Parking:** Bikes and Scooters are to be parked in the designated "Parking Area" (Netball Court). Helmets and skateboards are to be stored in classrooms.
- Activities:** Children to come to the Netball Court upon arrival to enjoy a piece of fruit kindly donated by Coles Sandy Bay.
- Year 6 Leaders will collect data on the different ways children travel to school on the day.

As a Move Well Eat Well Award School, Taroona Primary School encourages all students to walk or ride more regularly to school. Please contact the school for more information, or visit <http://www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au/>

Department of Health and Human Services

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ASSEMBLY DATE CHANGES FOR TERM 2: - Mondays this term.

Week 6: Monday 4 June, 2pm GP Hall

Week 9: Monday 25 June, 2pm GP Hall

CROSS COUNTRY

Thank you to Mrs Broadbent for another well run event. Thank you also to the teachers and teacher assistants for your help today. Thank you to the parents, guardians & family members who came to help and watch today. Thank you to our Grade 6 House Captains for your support with this event. Thank you to the TPSA who donated icy poles to each student as they finished their race. The participation was great and everyone had a lovely morning.

House Results:

1st: Waratah: 556

2nd: Melaleuca: 438

3rd: Acacia: 392

Inter-school Cross Country information will be advised soon.

SWIMMING - Grades 3, 4 & 5 - **Starts this Monday 28 May - 8 June (daily for 2 weeks)**

Pool Timetable: Collegiate Pool

9.30-10.30am 3/4GS and 3/4C ****Students will be leaving school promptly at 8.55am daily.**

10.30-11.30am 3/4McB and 3/4P

11.30-12.30pm 5C, 5H, 5GM and 5PT

The Swimming and Water Safety Program runs for two weeks for each grade group. This will mean that your son/daughter will need to bring along the following items every day throughout their program.

- □ Swimming gear - including bathers, swimming cap and goggles (optional). Remember your underwear!
- □ Towel and water proof bag to put wet clothes in.

- □ Any medication (e.g. asthma medication) that may be needed at the poolside.

For further information please refer to letter sent to parents [here](#).

For those Grade 5 students who have sushi on Fridays, their sushi will be made available to them before they leave for the pool.

Please remember to check to see if your child has not grown out of their swimmers and also have a cap. Caps available at the office \$2.00.



TOURNAMENT OF MINDS

Grade 5 and 6 students will soon be invited to try out to be a part of Taroona Primary's 2018 Tournament of Minds teams.



Tournament of Minds is a 6 week problem solving programme in term 3 for teams of students from both primary and secondary years. The tournament's aim is to enhance the potential of our youth by developing diverse skills, enterprise, time management, and the discipline to work collaboratively within a challenging and competitive environment. The state competition will be held in Hobart in September.

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION



Students in grades 3-6 will soon be invited to register for The Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC). The AMC was introduced in Australia in 1978 as the first Australia-wide mathematics competition for students. It has since spread internationally, with students in more than 30 countries attempting the same problems.

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE CONCOURS

We have already started preparing our posters and the Grade 6 students have been learning their poem for the Alliance Française Competition that will be held on the 29th of a June at Hobart College.

Merci à tous mes élèves for your dedication and great effort.

French at home

Would you like to practise French at home? A few websites to follow up French learning at home are:

Languages Online Victoria: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/languagesonline/>

BBC UK: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primarylanguages/french/>

Merci!

Vanessa Barretto

SRC



Tassie Mums - Coats for kids drive (birth - 12 years) - *Finishes 31 May 2018*

Do you have any warm winter clothing that your children no longer need?

Tassie Mums need your help to find 250 coats for babies and children in need. This will help families in need of warmth and support, now the weather has begun to get chilly, there are many families who cannot keep their babies and children warm, or allow them to play outside because they are unable to afford warm winter clothes. Tassie Mums accept good quality new and pre-loved baby and children's clothing from birth to twelve years.



Please **donate** any old coats, boots, jumpers or beanies to the **Taroona Primary School office**.

Please ensure that everything is freshly washed with no holes or bad stains. A good guide to think is "would I give this to my friend?" To see a complete list of what can be re-homed and for more information please visit www.tassiemums.org

Please contact Josephine Westwood if you have any questions.
josephine.westwood@gmail.com Ph: 0410 693 823

By Edie N and Darcy C, 5/6 PT

CLASSROOM NEWS

3-4 McN/B

3/4 B HAD A FANTASTIC LEARNING
EXPERIENCE MAKING BEESWAX
WRAPS WITH SARAH & MILLY FROM
PLASTICWISE TAROONA.



PIC • COLLAGE

5-6 PT

As a parent, you may have noticed the significant amount of litter around our TPS grounds. As a school we have recognised this as a real problem and there are currently lots of projects going on around the school to investigate this issue and plan for solutions.

Lots of students recently attended a forum on this issue. One part of the forum that was very motivating was watching a video on the impact of plastics on Albatross:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUM58LIU2Lo>

In 5/6 PT we have been working on our environment and the need to protect it. We think that the most important problem is that people don't realise the amount of litter around our school and the consequences that come with it. We feel the need to reduce rubbish is urgent, and luckily it can be fixed very easily with a little help from you. If you reduce the amount of waste in your child's lunchbox, it would lead to a cleaner, happier school environment.

We have come up with a few simple ideas for your child's lunchbox:

- You could buy a lunchbox with sections, so that you don't have to use glad wrap or any other types of plastic that you use for wrapping food
- Normally making your child's lunchbox healthier helps, (by replacing pre-packaged items of food with fruit or vegetables that are wrapper free for example)
- You could replace food wrappers with containers, so that your child doesn't have any little light wrappers that blow into our river and ocean
- You can wrap your child's food in beeswax wraps instead of gladwrap, zip-lock bags or foil.

We hope that these ideas help you keep your child's lunch healthier for them, and better for our environment.

Edie, Adelaide, Esther, D'Arcy, Huon, Nathan and Danika for 5/6PT

HOW TO PACK A NUDE FOOD LUNCH



The Nude Food Warriors have created a step-by-step guide to make packing a Nude Food Lunch easy as 1, 2, 3!

STEP 1

Choose the main lunch item, it may be something from the list below or a Nude Food creation of your own

Sandwich/ Roll
Wrap/Pita
Frittata/Quiche
Pasta/Pasta Salad
Salad
Sushi/Rice Paper Rolls
Noodles
Stir Fry
Egg Muffins

STEP 2

Select your fruit

Apple	Berries
Orange	Fruit Salad
Banana	Pear
Grapes	Mandarin
Watermelon	Kiwi Fruit

STEP 3

Pick a nutritious Nude Food snack

Yoghurt
Vegetable Sticks and dip
Cheese and crackers
Popcorn (natural)
Rice Crackers
Vege chips (homemade)
Pretzels

STEP 4

Dont Forget Hydration!

Fill your favourite reusable drink bottle with filtered or tap water! Remember to refill throughout the day to make sure you stay hydrated!

Stuck on what to pack your Nude Food Lunch in? Turn over for some great storage ideas!



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WHAT TO PACK MY NUDE FOOD LUNCH IN



Now you have your Nude Food Lunch planned you need to find something to pack it in.

STEP 1

Will you be using an all in one lunchbox, or packing items separately?

Please see all in one lunchbox options below or if you're packing items separately skip to Step 2



Check out our Coolskins/Light Lunch Bags to effortlessly insulate your lunch!*



STEP 2

Products to store your lunch!



STEP 3

Products to keep your fruit in shape and fresh



Don't have a Rubbish Free Lunchbox? Don't despair! You can use smaller products in steps 2-4 to pack your lunch.

*An insulated lunch box or bag is a great way to keep all your lunch items together

STEP 4

Buy your favorite Nude Food Snacks in bulk and send them to school using these handy containers



SUCCESS! You have packed a healthy, rubbish free lunch that will not only save you money but help save the planet!

* You can find Nude Food Movers products at major supermarkets and retailers all around the world! Go to www.nudefoodmovers.com.au



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METRO BUS INFORMATION - changes to timetables. Please click [here](#) for information.

LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING



Launching into
Learning
Talk, read and play with
your child every day.



Little Wrens Play and Learn

(Birth-4 years)



Term 2 Calendar– Version 2



9.15-11am Thursday

Please bring a piece of fruit to share (on the days we are in the classroom or GP room) and make sure you are ready to play and have fun with your child/children!

- May 24th Classroom Activities
- May 31st Gross Motor activities in the GP room
- June 7th Woodbridge Marine Discovery Centre
 - Meeting in the Centre's carpark for a 10am start.
 - Numbers are limited. Please sign up on the sheet in the classroom or email Ang.
- June 14th Classroom Activities
- June 21st Tarroona Dog Clinic - Meeting at the clinic at 10am.
- June 28th Bush Kinder - Meeting in the kinder playground for a 9.30 walk. Please wear gumboots and warm clothing.
- July 6th Clarence YMCA Pool– 9.45-11am for a play in the pool and a lesson for the older students

Term 3 resumes July 27th

Please be aware that activities are subject to change. Please like our school Facebook page for updated times and information.

Mrs Ang Oldfield (LiL Teacher) and Alice (LiL Assistant)

Angela.oldfield@education.tas.gov.au



TPSA NEWS

Dear School Community,

It has been a busy start to the year so just a quick note to let you know what has been happening in the world of the TPSA.

We have a few fund raisers planned for August and November- details to be provided soon.

As always we are keen to hear your thoughts and suggestions. Approach one of us, send us an email or better still come to a meeting...

Look forward to the year ahead.

Leah and the TPSA Committee

Coordinator wanted!

Would you like to help coordinate the **School's sushi program**: our healthy and very popular mini-canteen program and fund-raiser for our students (over \$6,000 raised in 2017).

You would know that our former Sushi Coordinator, Ally Gunton, stepped down last term and as her Deputy, I have stepped up into the role of Sushi Coordinator. With a busy year planned for the Taroonna Primary School Association (TPSA), I realise I might have too much on my plate as the new Association's Deputy Chair.

The main duty I hope someone will help with is the weekly ordering and the reconciliation of payments each Wednesday (approximately 2 hours). Each Friday, I would continue to collect and distribute orders with the help of a new volunteer

roster.

A new Sushi Coordinator would also be able to look forward and contribute to, the potential implementation of a new electronic payment system by the TPSA: a service designed to make the lives of all our TPSA volunteers much easier; and help explore the idea of expanding the Sushi Friday menu!

We are exploring some exciting new ways of working and ideas and would welcome another enthusiastic parent volunteer to the Sushi Team!

Please contact me on 0407 330 552 or alex.terhell@outlook.com.au if you are interested in the role or have other ideas or suggestions that you think could help us.

Just like Sushi Friday, the Uniform Shop is an important fund-raiser and a great service for our parents. We are after a volunteer to help Carolyn our current volunteer, as she can't do this alone. **We really need your help.**

Please contact Leah Magliano on 0419 314 010 or Carolyn 0419 613 927, basil_carolyn@bigpond.com for a detailed description of what would be involved and/or if you would like to volunteer in the Uniform Shop on a regular basis.

2018 COMMITTEE UPDATE FROM AGM: Please click [here](#) to find out more. We meet once a month at 7pm in the Staffroom at the School to discuss everything from school staffing, updates on grounds, fundraising and ideas or issues brought to our attention by parents and staff. **2018: Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday 5 June, 2018 at 7pm.** If you are unable to attend meetings but would still like to know what's going on, you can be added to our email list. Please email tpsaenquiry@gmail.com requesting to join the list.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Lady Gowrie Tarooma Before and After School Hours Care



Lady Gowrie Tarooma After School Care operates from the hall each school day from 7.30-8.30am (Before School Care) and 3.00-6.00pm (After School Care) where we cater for children aged 4-12 year olds. We offer a safe and stimulating environment based on the children's interests incorporating both

indoor and outdoor play. We employ trained Educators and provide a nutritious breakfast and afternoon tea each day. Please contact the Lady Gowrie Outside School Hours Care Office on 6230 6806 or email us at oshc@gowrie-tas.com.au for more information. To enrol we require families to complete a 2018 enrolment form prior to care commencing. Child Care Benefit is available to eligible families and all families meeting a work/study requirement are entitled to 50% off all on costs. For more information about what your family is entitled to please contact the Department of Human Services on 136 150.



To ensure the safety of our school property, please ring Crime Stoppers if you see anyone acting suspiciously in our school grounds.

SUSHI

SUSHI FRIDAY: ORDERS AND COORDINATOR WANTED



Ordering reminder - LAST WEEK FOR TERM PAYMENTS (X 6 WEEKS)

Don't forget that payments for sushi can be made in advance for the whole term (Term2, 2018 has 10 weeks) by lump sum cash payment or electronic funds transfer at the School Office.

When placing an order:

1. write student name, class and order clearly on an envelope;
2. secure payment within (please don't go bananas with sticky tape or staples); and

3. drop into your class drawer at the School Office by Tuesday afternoon.

Please provide the correct money as change is not given and do not use foreign coins.

Sushi Friday raised over \$6,000 for the TPSA and our students in 2017. Every order counts!

The TPSA is currently investigating a small number of electronic payment systems to allow families to place orders online. I will keep you posted on our findings.

Please contact me on 0407 330 552 or alex.terhell@outlook.com.au with any questions.

School Banking is back!



Bank Books will be collected on Thursday's each week – straight after daily fitness. Please drop your Bank Books into the class envelopes prior to this.

For those who would like to start banking, please go to your local Commonwealth Bank and open a Youthsaver account for your child. Photo ID is required to do this. (there may be an option online too). Once you have the account number the banking volunteers can set up a school banking number.

Keep saving for a chance to win a family trip to Hawaii



This year, School Banking is running a Super Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker and their family of up to two adults and three children to Hawaii. The trip includes:

- Return economy flights to Honolulu, Hawaii plus airport transfers
- 7 nights accommodation at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel staying in a Luxury Ocean Room, with beach views and breakfast included
- AU\$2,000 spending money.

How to enter

Simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018 to automatically receive an entry into the competition for a chance to win.

For more information please contact Alison Phillips - aphillip5@yahoo.com.au

UNIFORM

Uniform Shop News - Click [here](#) for 2018 information and Price list

The Uniform Shop sells new uniforms to the school community, and also sells second hand donated items. All proceeds go to the Taroona Primary School Association. Second hand items are in constant demand. If you have second hand items that you would like to donate they will be gratefully accepted. Please note that it is not possible for us to conduct private sales on behalf of individuals. However, we have recently been made aware of a Facebook page created by a parent called: Taroona Primary School Uniform Buy/Sell & Trade. We are open Tuesdays between 2:45 and 3:15 under the staffroom. If you can't make this time, place an order at the office for collection the following Wednesday morning.

Duty of Care Please note that students are **not to arrive before 8.30am**. This is for the students' protection and safety as there are no teachers on duty prior to 8.30am and classrooms remain locked until this time. Supervision is provided before and after school:

- Playground (EXCLUDING PLAY WEST & OVAL) 8.30am to 8.55am
- Car park & bus area 2.50pm to 3.05pm

MOVE WELL EAT WELL

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How to pack a rubbish-free lunch



LIMIT
'OCCASIONAL'
FOODS

Focus on fresh 'everyday' foods

- many types of fruit and vegetables don't need packaging and the scraps can then be added to the compost



Avoid single serve packaged items

- reduce waste and save money by buying in larger quantities



Use reusable containers

- don't forget to name them!!

Get your kids involved

- this can save you time and children enjoy taking responsibility



For more rubbish-free lunchbox ideas visit:
www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au/families