

TRAWALLA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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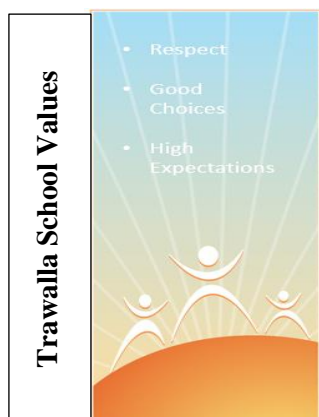
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DATES

Wed Mar 24 th	Parent-Teacher interviews	Wed May 5 th	Athletics Day @ Llanberris – new date
Fri Mar 26 th	MARC Van	Wed May 5 th	Staff cluster RSTA meeting WebEx 4pm
Mon Mar 29 th	Full STEAM Ahead @ Moonambel Open Day – families invited to visit	Fri May 7 th	MARC Van
Tues Mar 30 th	School Review day 1	Fri May 7 th	Gymnastics
Wed Mar 31 st	School Review day 2	Mon May 10 th	Full STEAM Ahead @ Natte Yallock
Thurs April 1st	Last day of Term 1 – 2.30 dismissal	Tues May 11 th	Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN
Mon April 19 th	Term 2 commences	Wed May 12 th	Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN
Wed April 21 st	Staff cluster RSTA PD – writing moderation at Avoca 4.30pm	Thurs May 13 th	Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN
Fri April 23 rd	MARC Van	Fri May 14 th	Gymnastics
Fri April 23 rd	Gymnastics	Fri May 21 st	MARC Van
Mon April 26 th	Full STEAM Ahead @ Natte Yallock	Fri May 21 st	Gymnastics
Wed April 28 th – 30 th	Cluster Camp to Roses Gap	Mon May 24 th	Full STEAM Ahead @ Natte Yallock
Mon May 3 rd	Kate – Pyrenees Principal PLC meeting	Wed May 26 th	Kate – Network meeting
		Thurs May 27 th	Year 5/6 Sovereign Hill
		Fri May 28 th	Year 5/6 Sovereign Hill
		Fri May 28 th	Gymnastics

Trawalla School Values Awards



Zavier Mountney - For showing **High Expectations** by showing improvement in spelling.

James Malloch - For showing **Respect** to others by being kind to others.

Sienna Shepherd – For making **Good Choices**

Gymnastics

The whole school will be attending the Ballarat Aquatic Centre for gymnastics throughout Term 2. The sessions will be on Fridays from 1.00pm – 2.00pm. Students will travel by Teacher cars. Students are to bring a water bottle, have long hair tied back and no jewellery is to be worn. Tracksuit pants or shorts are to be worn and students will participate in bare feet. The cost for Gymnastics will be funded by the school. Please return completed consent form and medical form by Thursday April 1, 2021.

MARC Van

Kathy's next visit to Trawalla is this Friday March 26th. Remember to bring your books in a waterproof library bag.

School Council

Office bearers were elected at the Annual General Meeting last week.

Congratulations to:

President- Kylie Palmer

Vice President – Jeff Smith

PFS Representative – Jodie Jantzen

Parent Survey

At school council I tabled a survey, 2021 priorities School Based Parent Survey. The survey will provide our school with base line data on how the parents feel we are tracking in regard to the School's goals. I have attached the survey for families that do not attend School council. Please return the completed survey by Thursday April 1st.

Reading Awards

Congratulations to:

25 nights – Alyssa Palmer

25 nights – Tom Palmer

25 nights – Sienna Shepherd

25 nights – Zavier Mountney

25 nights – Layla Best



School Review

Our school review takes place next Tuesday and Wednesday. We have CRT Rebecca Walker working for these two days to release staff for the review process. Also in attendance will be the reviewer Brian Collins, the Senior Education Improvement Leader, Paul Nolan, Challenge Partners Sally Peacock and Paul McAloon, School Council President Kylie Palmer and Vice President Jeff Smith. The reviewer plans to ring each of the families to ask for feedback on how the school is going.

Full STEAM Ahead

Our next FSA day is Monday March 29th and the Dental Van will return to finish check-ups on students. This day is also our Open Day where we invite all families and community members along to the Moonambel Primary School between 9.30am and 2.15pm.

Parent-Teacher interviews

Parents are invited to meet with staff to discuss students' progress this year on Wednesday March 24th from 3.45pm. Meetings are scheduled for 15 minutes.

Interview times have been sent home, contact Kate for further details.

PFA Easter Raffle

To celebrate Easter this year, we ask each family to provide one Easter egg or a little pack of eggs to be raffled out to the students for no cost. The "raffle" will take place on Thursday April 1st, the last day of Term. Eggs can be placed in the esky in the front hallway. Eggs are to be at school by Wednesday March 31st.



Bunnings Visit

Delacombe Bunnings have arranged to come and do some gardening with the students on Thursday April 1st. They will donate garden edging, bark chip and plants to pretty up our Japanese Garden.

School Camp – Roses Gap

Our whole school camp is with the Pyrenees Cluster Schools on Wednesday April 28th to Friday April 30th. We are going to Roses Gap Recreation Centre, 1006 Roses Gap Rd, Roses Gap Victoria. Students will be travelling to camp by a hire bus which is leaving at 8.30am on the Wednesday. The students will return to school by 3.30pm on Friday April 30th. Cost per child will be \$50.00. The school will subsidise the rest of the cost.

Last week I sent home a pack of forms to be completed and returned to school by Friday March 26th. The pack includes a consent form, a medical form and the itinerary. Students are reminded not to pack any lollies or extra food and digital devices are not to be brought to camp. The packing guide is attached.

CSEF – Camps, Sports & Excursions fund

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relation to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for the CSEF at Trawalla Primary School last year, you do not need to complete an application form in 2021 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. The school will apply for the CSEF on your behalf.

You will only need to submit an application form in 2021 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools in 2021 or you did not apply at the same school in a previous year
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2021.

Schools are able to accept and process applications up until the end of Term Two each year. CSEF payments are made to schools from March onwards each year. Please let Kate know if you need a CSEF application form.

Llanberris Athletics **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

The Trawalla school students compete in athletics against Waubra and Mount Blowhard Primary Schools on Wednesday May 5th, 2021. The event is held at Llanberris Athletics Centre in Ballarat. **All students are to be taken to the venue by their parents and can be taken home at the conclusion of their events.** Prep students finish at lunchtime. All other students will be finished by 3.30pm.

Students are asked to bring their hats, warm clothes and drinks as the weather could be warm or very cold. The canteen will be open and there will also be a coffee van at the sports. (TBC) Students need to be at the venue by 9am for a 9.15 start.

Details for this event are still being collated, a timetable of events will be sent home closer to the date.

COVID safe School reminders:

- Students to arrive after 8.55am.
- Visitors are to limit their time on the school grounds and use sanitiser in front corridor.
- Ensure physical distancing (1.5m)
- Bus travel is unaffected.
- Unwell students are to stay home. Students will be sent home if they become unwell at school.

Practise good hygiene

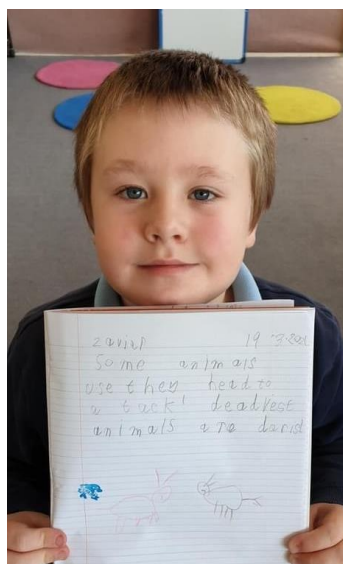
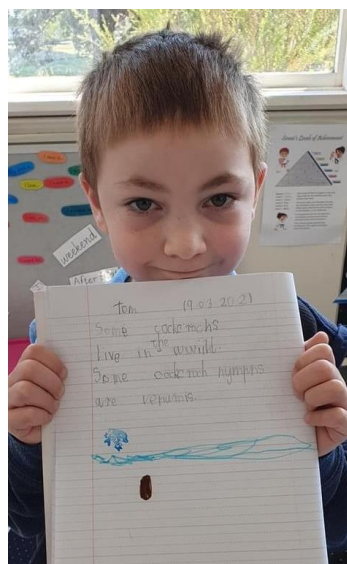
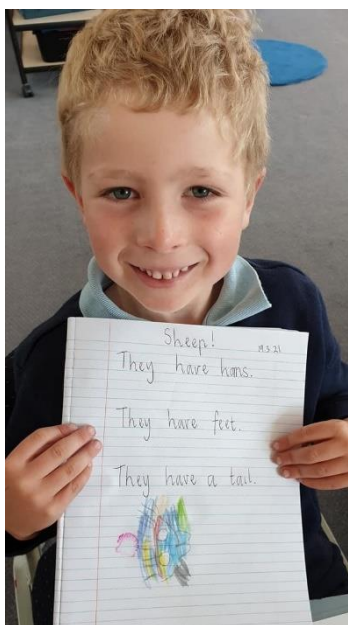
- All staff, students and visitors to schools should undertake regular hand hygiene, particularly on arrival to school, before and after eating, after blowing their nose, coughing, sneezing or using the toilet.
- Sharing of food should not occur.
- Use non-contact greetings (not shaking hands, hugging or kissing).
- Ensure the highest hygiene practices amongst food handlers where these services are operating, as per the Department's Safe Food Handling Guidance.

Santa's COVID Christmas – fundraiser

The book is a poem about COVID written by Judy Martin from Lexion. It is for sale here at school as a fundraiser for the school.

I have attached order forms.

We have copies of the book available at school to look at.



A sneak peak into our writing session in the big and little room!

