

Welcome to Grade 2!

Well, it has certainly been a busy start to 2026! The children are settling into their new routines, and we are enjoying these early stages of getting to know them all.

Literacy

This term in writing we will be focusing on following the Writers Workshop approach. Students will be building on the foundations of the program they would have been following last year. They will be working on a variety of writing genres.

In spelling, students will be investigating why spelling is important, what spelling strategies they can use, and will be partaking in daily phonics sessions.

For reading, students will continue to grow in their knowledge of a variety of reading strategies explored through the CAFÉ reading program.

Mathematics

Our maths focus will be counting and sequencing numbers and developing place value knowledge. We will also look at the features of 2D and 3D shapes and the language of location.

Integrated Unit

This term we are doing a Geography unit called 'My Place in the World'. Students will look at the location of Melbourne within Australia, the states and territories, other capital cities and famous landmarks. We will also have a look at where some of our families have come from and look at places we may have visited on a world map. Students will also explore the links to our First Nations place and country.

Compass & Class Dojo

All teachers at TBPS use Compass and Class Dojo to communicate with parents. Please ensure you have notifications turned on for both and keep up to date with any announcements that come out. If you have changed your email address, be sure to let the office staff know.

IMPORTANT—if you have a message to convey to your child regarding after school pick up arrangements, please call the office rather than message us as we get busy during the day and often don't check these platforms until after school.

Student-Parent-Teacher Interviews

On Monday February 16, we will be holding 'Student-Parent-Teacher' interviews. These interviews will give you the opportunity to talk with your child's new teacher and discuss any special needs or concerns as well as set student learning goals. It is hoped that you will bring your child along

DATES OF INTEREST

Friday February 6

School Photos Day

Wednesday February 11

PFA AGM

7:00pm

Staffroom

Monday February 16

Parent - Teacher Interviews

2pm to 6:30pm

February 23 - March 15

Smile Squad Dental

February 23 - 27

African Drumming Program

March 5 - 6

First Aid in Schools

Thursday March 26

Harmony Day

Thursday April 2

House Cross Country

Term ends 2:30pm



to the interview so that they are part of the goal setting. Information regarding these interviews will be available on Compass shortly. Please book in early to secure your preferred time.

Parental Involvement

There are plenty of opportunities for parent involvement across the year. These include excursions, incursions and event days.

Each classroom teacher will communicate with their parents about these opportunities as they arise. Please keep in mind that a current Working with Children Check is required to be submitted to the office.

Home Reading

Please try and hear your child read nightly to assist with confidence, fluency and word recognition.

Also remember that every child is an individual and will learn at their own pace. Reading at home should be fun, therefore the books your child brings home will be easier than the ones he or she is reading with their teacher. Don't forget to record their reading in their yellow reading diary each night too.

You will notice that in Grade 2, the children will not progress through reading levels as quickly as they did in Grade 1. This is due to increasing difficulty in higher level texts. Reader bags must be brought to school every day.

Show and Tell

This Term, our 'VIP' program will begin in place of Show and Tell. Each class will have 2 children present each week and you will receive a notice when it is your child's day. This involves your child making a special presentation about themselves and sharing photos and other special items with their classmates.

Regular Show and Tell will commence in Term 2 and a roster will be provided which outlines your child's day and the topic of each week.

You are always welcome to come and talk with us and please feel free to make an appointment if you have any concerns. We look forward to getting to know your family and your lovely children.

MEET THE TEAM



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Thank you for your support.
 Evelyn Pagnin, Sheree Skondreas, Camille Hobbs & Brittany Scampton

TERM 1 SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

	2HS	2E	2S
PHYS ED	Wednesday 12:20-1:10	Wednesday 1:10 – 2:00	Tuesday 2:40-3:30
VISUAL ART	Thursday 9:00 – 9:50	Tuesday 2:40 – 3:30	Friday 9:00 – 9:50
PERFORMING ARTS	Wednesday 1:10 – 2:00	Thursday 10:40 – 11:30	Wednesday 12:20 – 1:10
SCIENCE	Monday 1:10 – 2:00	Monday 12:20 – 1:10	Monday 2:40 – 3:30
LIBRARY/AUSLAN	Friday 1:10 – 2:00	Wednesday 12:20 – 1:10	Wednesday 1:10-2:00

Sun Protection

Please ensure your child has a named school hat each day. You may send sunscreen (for personal use only) Please apply sunscreen before school each day too.

Brain Food

To help keep students focussed, we have 'Brain Food' at around 10am each day. This is a snack provided by you which can only be unpackaged fresh fruit or vegetables. No processed foods please.

New Break Times

This year's learning and break times will be as follows:

9:00-11:30am
 Learning block

11:30-11:40am
 Lunch eating

11:40-2:00pm
 Learning block

2:00-2:40pm
 Recess

2:40-3:30pm
 Learning block

WEEK 1	JANUARY 26	JANUARY 27 Staff Return	JANUARY 28 First Day of School Gr 1 - 6	JANUARY 29	JANUARY 30
WEEK 2	FEBRUARY 2 Preps First Day 9:30 – 3:00	FEBRUARY 3	FEBRUARY 4	FEBRUARY 5	FEBRUARY 6 School Photos
WEEK 3	FEBRUARY 9	FEBRUARY 10	FEBRUARY 11 PFA AGM	FEBRUARY 12	FEBRUARY 13
WEEK 4	FEBRUARY 16 Student-Parent Teacher Interviews 2pm – 6:30pm School Council 6:30pm	FEBRUARY 17 Gr 4 Incursion – Lets Grow	FEBRUARY 18	FEBRUARY 19 District Swimming Prep Fun Night 5:00 - 6:30	FEBRUARY 20 Prep Incursion
WEEK 5	FEBRUARY 23	FEBRUARY 24 Gr 4 Kids Helpline Incursion	FEBRUARY 25	FEBRUARY 26	FEBRUARY 27 Firey's Day
WEEK 6	MARCH 2 Gr 6 Phillip Island Camp	MARCH 3 Gr 6 Phillip Island Camp	MARCH 4 Gr 6 Phillip Island Camp	MARCH 5 First Aid in Schools	MARCH 6 First Aid in Schools
WEEK 7	MARCH 9 Labour Day Public Holiday	MARCH 10	MARCH 11 NAPLAN	MARCH 12 NAPLAN	MARCH 13 NAPLAN
WEEK 8	MARCH 16 NAPLAN Gr 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp	MARCH 17 NAPLAN Gr 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp	MARCH 18 NAPLAN Gr 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp	MARCH 19	MARCH 20
WEEK 9	MARCH 23 School Council 6:30pm	MARCH 24 Gr 5 Boronia K-12 Discovery Day	MARCH 25	MARCH 26	MARCH 27 Top 10 Maths Curriculum Day
WEEK 10	MARCH 30	MARCH 31 Regional Swimming	APRIL 1	APRIL 2 House Cross Country Term ends 2:30pm	APRIL 3 Good Friday