

Welcome

We are pleased that all children have settled into their classes and the school routine well. It is wonderful to see the children entering the classroom independently and completing their morning jobs.

Please make sure that you pack your child's brain food, morning tea and lunch everyday with plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables and water. It may be a good idea to pack some extra food on the days that your children have sport.

Specialist Classes

The specialist timetable began this week and the children have been enjoying visiting all our specialist teachers and their learning spaces.

Literacy

This term in Spelling the Prep children will begin to be introduced to the most common sounds for letters of the alphabet. In Reading they will then use their growing phonemic awareness to start reading simple words.

In Writing we will be focusing on developing early writing behaviours and encouraging the children to 'have a go' at writing.

Home Reading

In a couple of weeks your child will receive their first take home reader. They will take home a new reader each night and return it the following day to be changed for another book. This reader will travel to and from school in their blue communication bag. This bag is also used to send home any class work or other paper communication.

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/she is reading with their teacher. Don't forget to record this in their Home Reading Diary each night too.

Communication bags must be returned to school every day.

Mathematics

Our Maths focus this term is Number and Algebra. We will be counting and sequencing numbers, developing place value, investigating number patterns and comparing numbers.

Challenge Based Learning

The BIG IDEA that we are covering this term is 'Identity.' In Prep our focus will be "All About Me'.

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.

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

Thursday February 19

District Swimming

February 23 - March 15

Smile Squad Dental

February 23 - 27

African Drumming Program

March 5 - 6

First Aid in Schools

March 16 - 18

Grade 5 Camp

Cave Hill Creek

Tuesday March 24

Boronia K-12 Discovery Day

Thursday March 26

Harmony Day

Thursday April 2

House Cross Country

Term ends 2:30pm



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. Information regarding these interviews will be available on Compass shortly. Please book in early to secure your preferred time.

Parental Involvement

Our Home Reading program begins on Monday 6th March. Parents are invited into to the classroom to assist with daily reading. If you wish to volunteer to help out in our classrooms please fill in the signup sheet which will be sent home with your child and also posted on Dojo. This will commence the week beginning Monday March 12th.

Buddies

This week we met our Buddy grades for 2026. The Grade 5 students will be paired with the prep children over the next couple of weeks and will provide assistance and support for our Preps to ensure they have a smooth transition into school life. We can't wait to participate in many engaging 'getting to know you' activities and games throughout the year.

Show and Share

All Prep students are encouraged to take part in 'Show and Share' to help develop their communication skills. Each child will be allocated a day throughout the week to present their Show and Share. A roster will be sent home in the next couple of weeks with your child's allocated day and the topics for the rest of the term. Show and Share will commence in the coming weeks. More information to come.



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TERM 1 SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

	Prep A	Prep B	Prep M	Prep V
PHYS ED	Monday 10:20-11:00	Monday 9:40 – 10:20	Monday 11:40-12:20	Monday 11:40-12:20
VISUAL ART	Thursday 12:20 – 1:00	Wednesday 12:20 – 1:00	Thursday 1:00 – 1:40	Thursday 1:00 – 1:40
PERFORMING ARTS	Tuesday 9:40 – 10:20	Tuesday 10:20 – 11:00	Tuesday 2:30 – 3:10	Tuesday 2:30 – 3:10
SCIENCE	Thursday 1:00 – 1:40	Thursday 11:40 – 12:20	Friday 11:40 – 12:40	Friday 11:40 – 12:40
LIBRARY/AUSLAN	Thursday 11:40 – 12:20	Thursday 1:00 – 1:40	Thursday 12:20 – 1:00	Thursday 12:20 – 1:00

WEEK 1	JANUARY 26	JANUARY 27	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 Miller’s Homestead Library Excursion	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 Gr 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp NAPLAN	MARCH 17 Gr 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp	MARCH 18 Gr 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp	MARCH 19 Gr 3 The Basin Community House Visit with Mayor Paige Kennett	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