



# TLPS NEWS

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## Principal's Report

It has been a busy time for teaching and learning at Tarwin Lower Primary School. The students have learnt about the importance of International Women's Day for females across the world. They have supported the Relay for Life and the Cancer Council by dressing up and donating money. Last Friday we went down the lane and along the river and picked up rubbish for Clean Up Australia Day. Students in grade 3/4/5 have been in training for the Athletics Day at the beginning of Term 2. Students in the middle class have been learning about being healthy and making a delicious salad wrap for their lunch.



It hasn't just been the kids learning, I have been too! The world of



Facebook is opening up to me! We are endeavouring to make the school page up to date with lots of photos and information. Please "like" the page so you can get an instant behind scenes glimpse of what the students are doing at school.

It was great catching up with parents, carers and students at the recent school BBQ. In a relaxing atmosphere of smiles, sizzling sausages and sunshine. That evening really reiterated to me the wonderful school I am very privileged and proud to be the principal of. Strengthening our school community and supporting each other is the best way to for everybody to make strong connections. Thank you to everyone who helped on the evening—sweating over the sausages, sharing a salad/dessert and helping to pack up at the end. I look forward to our next School BBQ with lovely kids and caring parents/carers.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### MARCH

- 10 - Water safety with SG Splash
- 13 - Labour Day Holiday
- 14 - Portrait painting (Gr 3 - 5)
- 14 - School Council @6.30pm
- 15 - Preps attend on Wednesdays from this date
- 21 - Harmony Day
- 30 - Mr Stink (Gr 1 - 5)
- 31 - Last day of Term 1

### APRIL

- 18 - First day of Term 2 (Tuesday)
- 19 - Life Ed Van
- 21 - Athletics @Foster (Gr 3-5)
- 25 - ANZAC Day Holiday

- Tuesdays** - School Banking
- Thursdays** - Lunch orders and money to school
- Fridays** - Yummy Lunch

## DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENT DETAILS:

BSB : 633 108 ACCOUNT : 151500626

**\*\*Please remember to clearly identify your payment\*\***



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Students came dressed in yellow or purple to support the Cancer Council's Relay for Life. Students gave donations to the cause. The sum of \$46.00 was raised.

### *Play it Safe by the Water SG Splash*

On Friday 10th March, South Gippsland Splash will be attending the school to give a presentation to students on water safety.

As we live in an area with ocean beaches and rivers and farm dams, it is vital that our children learn how to act safely around water. This also empowers parents with knowledge in drowning prevention.

The presentation will run from 9.00am to 10.00am. Parents are very welcome to attend as well.

This session is normally \$5.00 each at the pool but is offered free of charge at our school.

**DOES YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY KNOW HOW TO KEEP SAFE AROUND WATER?**

Did you know that 271 people died in Australia as a result of drowning **EVERY ONE OF THESE DEATHS ARE AVOIDABLE**

Our YMCA team will come to your school and:

- Offer Water Safety Education sessions for the whole family
- Empower your families with knowledge on drowning prevention
- Show them WHO is drowning, WHERE they are drowning and WHY they are drowning
- Work with each family to discuss personalised water safety strategies

**ONLY \$5 PER FAMILY**  
OR MORE INDEPENDENTLY A WEEKLY SESSION IN THE POOL

**BOOKINGS NOW OPEN**

Contact [stia@yca.org.au](mailto:stia@yca.org.au)

Sessions available before, during and after school.





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- Thank you to Matt and Ally for volunteering to cook the sausages for last week's family bbq night.
- Thank you to Deb, Di, Kaye and Doug who have volunteered their time (and often their produce) to supply breakfast for our students on Mondays and Wednesdays. All student can come in and have breakfast before school on those days (even if they have already eaten at home!)
- Thank you to Maria who prepares wonderful lunches for our students on Fridays. With the help of a little band of helpers she has lead the students on a cultural food journey and encouraged some students to move out of their food comfort zone..

### Reminders from the Office

- BOOKCLUB brochures went home last Thursday. If you wish to order from Bookclub, please complete the order form on the back and return to school with your payment by Friday. Payments can be made in the following ways:
  1. Cash
  2. Cheque (made payable to Tarwin Lower PS)
  3. Credit Card - follow the instructions on the order form

### Indonesian Classes

Bu Beasley will be commencing Indonesian language and culture classes with our students from 15th March. She is a renowned Indonesian teacher and we are very lucky to have her join us!



Ryan

Miss Carbone

(from January)



Once again we are running this great fundraiser.

This cookie dough is great to keep in the freezer for those emergency times or just take out a small amount for a quick bikkie to have with a cuppa.

Order forms are due in to the office by Tuesday 14th March (13th is the Labour Day holiday). Please persuade family friends and neighbours to order some cookie dough. There are wonderful prizes for children to choose based on the number of tubs they sell.

These range from a slinky to a remote control drone!!



# Life Education – Permission Form

2017 Co-ordinator Pack



Dear Parents

As part of our drug and health education this term we are having the Life Education mobile learning centre visit our school from:

**Wednesday 19th April 2017**

Life Education delivers health and drug education through a unique mobile learning centre environment which provides students to develop strategies and practice the skills required to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Lessons are age appropriate and the children will be covering a wide range of health related topics, ranging from the human body and how it works, healthy eating and nutrition, medicines and drugs, bullying, resilience and social skills.

Healthy Harold, the much loved Life Education giraffe mascot is always a much anticipated element of the visit. The sessions are always fun, interactive and really extend and develop the children's understanding of the topics covered. We will be further broadening these topics in class both prior to and after the visit with the student workbook which is included in the cost of the visit. It is important that your child attend this session.

As a charity, Life Education relies heavily on the generosity of local organisations to keep its fleet of mobile learning centres on the road delivering positive health and life messages to over 200,000 children in Victoria alone.

The cost for this incursion is \$9.00 per child.

Please fill out the attached permission and payment form and return to the school by:

**Friday 31st March (end of Term 1) 2017**

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## Life Education 2017 Visit Permission Form & Payment

My child/children:
Grade:
<input type="checkbox"/> Will be attending Life Education <input type="checkbox"/> Will not be attending Life Education
Amount enclosed: \$
Signature (Parent / Guardian)

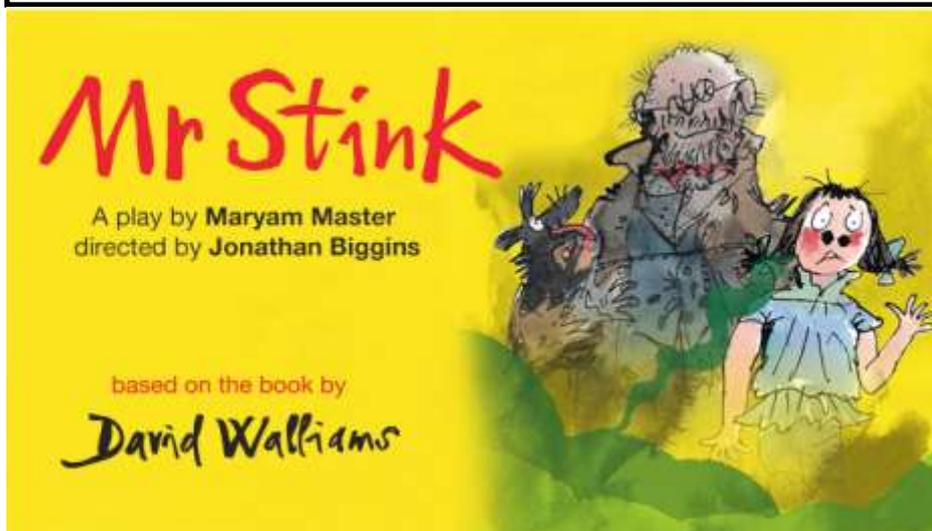


## Tour de Tarwin

Venus Bay – Tarwin Lower Easter Festival



The 11th Tour de Tarwin is happening on Easter Saturday 15th April 2017. Please see their facebook page or website for details. The school will be having a stall at the starting line. Please come along and support us.



Accompanying this newsletter are permission forms for students in Grades 1 - 5 to attend the performance of Mr Stink at Arts Centre Melbourne. The following is a short summary of the story:

*'Hold onto your nose for this touching, twisted and very smelly adaptation of David Walliams' award-winning children's book, live on stage!*

*It all starts when Chloe, just about the loneliest girl in the world, makes friends with Mr Stink, the local tramp. Sure he smells a bit, but he's the only person who's ever been nice to her. So when Mr Stink needs a place to stay, Chloe decides to hide him in the garden shed. Now Chloe's got to make sure no one finds out her secret. And speaking of secrets, there just might be more to Mr Stink than meets the eye...or the nose...'*

The cost per student for this excursion will be **\$20.00 per child**. This is heavily discounted. If we were to pay for the full cost of the bus and tickets it would be \$60.00 each!

Many thanks to Art Centre Melbourne for offering us this wonderful experience with free entry and subsidising 50% of the bus costs!!

This excursion will be outside normal school hours. Please refer to the permission form for times.

### **Working with Children Check**

- Reminder to all parents and friends who wish to volunteer at our school - It is a Department of Education and Training requirement that all volunteers in schools have a Working With Children Check Card. To apply for the card go to the WWCC website: [www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au), complete the form, print it out and take to the nearest large post office (not Tarwin Lower) with suitable ID and a passport sized photo. There is no charge for volunteers.
- When you finalise your application at a participating Australia Post outlet counter, staff will take your photo for the card, free of charge. You will not need to supply your own photo.



# EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Once again we are running our very successful Easter Hamper Raffle.

We are asking all families to please donate something to be placed in the hamper.

Donations can be :

- Easter Eggs /rabbits / bilbies etc.
- Easter novelties ie. Egg cups, stuffed animals, Easter themed toys
- Books or colouring books that are Easter themed



Donations can be left in the office. Tickets will be sent home shortly. The number of prizes will depend on the amount of donations we receive.

