

Tailem Bend Primary School

Newsletter

Thursday 6th March 2025

Issue 3

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members;

As we continue to strive for excellence in education at Tailem Bend Primary School, I would like to share the importance of viewing school as a vital educational setting and the significance of punctuality in your child's learning journey.

First and foremost, it is essential to recognise that school is not merely a childcare service. It is a place where children embark on a journey of learning, growth and development. Our dedicated teachers and SSOs work tirelessly to create an environment that fosters curiosity, creativity and critical thinking. By viewing school as an educational setting, we can collectively ensure that our children receive the best possible start in life.

The Importance of Arriving on Time

Punctuality is a crucial aspect of this educational journey. Arriving on time sets the tone for the day and allows students to engage fully in their learning activities. When children arrive late, they miss valuable instructional time and may feel rushed or unsettled, which can impact their ability to concentrate and participate effectively.

We understand that balancing work schedules and family commitments can be challenging. However, we kindly ask for your support in prioritising your child's education by ensuring they arrive at school on time each day. This not only benefits your child but also supports the entire classroom environment, allowing teachers to begin lessons promptly and maintain a smooth flow of activities.

We are committed to working in partnership with you to support your child's educational journey. If you are experiencing difficulties with morning routines or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to help and can offer guidance or resources to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to your child's education. Together, we can create a positive and enriching learning experience for all students at Tailem Bend Primary School.

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) will be conducted for students in Years 3 and 5. These assessments are scheduled to take place from Wednesday 12th of March (next week!).

NAPLAN is an important tool that provides valuable insights into your child's progress in literacy and numeracy. It helps us identify areas where students may need additional support and enables us to tailor our teaching strategies to meet their needs.

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Diary Dates

10/3	Public Holiday
12/3	School Photos
12-14/3	NAPLAN
18/3	Governing Council, 5pm
21/3	Yr 4 - 6 Blue Light Pool Party, \$5, 5 - 7pm
24/3- 11/4	Parent/Teacher Interviews
26/3	Sports Day
31/3-2/4	School Dentist
2/4	Blue Light Disco Easter Theme
11/4	End of Term 1, Early Dismissal
28/4	Term 2

You can best support your child by ensuring they have a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast on the days of the tests. Encouraging a positive attitude towards the assessments can also be beneficial.

The results of the NAPLAN tests will be made available to you later in the year. These results will provide a snapshot of your child's achievements and will be used to support their learning journey.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Have a great week!

Travis

Advanced Notice...

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be taking place from week 9 this term.

More information will be sent home next week.



We're working with

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

in 2025 to grow a positive wellbeing culture in our classrooms, staffroom and wider community.

To learn more about The Resilience project, head to:

[@theresilienceproject_](#) [The Resilience Project](#) [The Resilience Project](#) theresilienceproject.com.au



We're excited to introduce our House Captains for 2025...

KOALAS



Bella, Kailee, Pippa, Abel & Harry

WOMBATS



Milly, Liam B, Liam D & Nic

KANGAROOS



Chase, Vinny, Chloe & Finley

DINGOES



Tillie, Joey, Oscar & Curtis

Students from **ALL** year levels have been working hard during P.E. to train themselves up for each event on Sports Day

SPORTS DAY 2025

WEDNESDAY, WEEK 9



THE MIGHTY
KANGAROOS



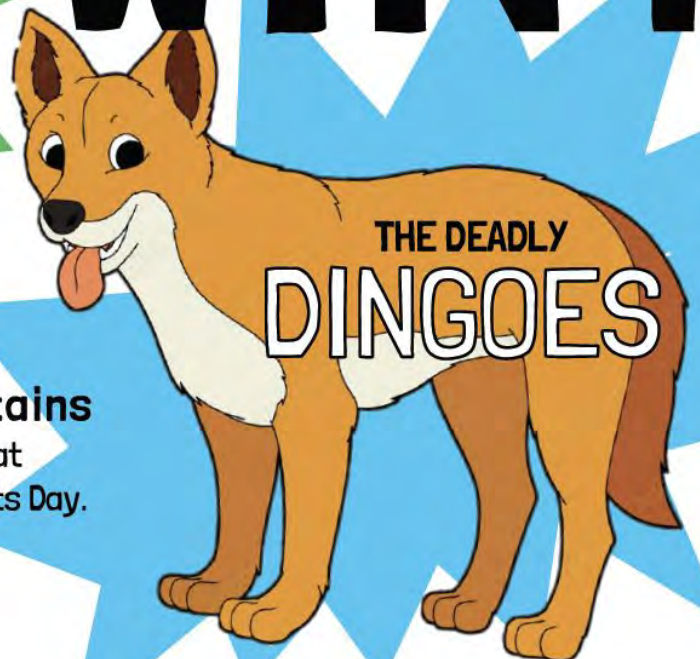
THE FEISTY
KOALAS

WHO WILL



THE WILD
WOMBATS

WIN?



THE DEADLY
DINGOES

We are **VERY** proud of the **Sports Day Captains** as they are working above and beyond, in great leadership, to prepare their house teams for Sports Day.

REMEMBER

You can earn house team points by completing your **HOMEWORK**.

DENTAL FOR SCHOOLS

Scan the QR code to fill out an online consent form instead

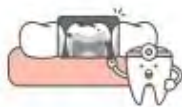


DFS is scheduled to visit Tailem Bend Primary School during:

Term 1: Week 10, 2025

Help us fight dental decay this year at Tailem Bend Primary School by getting your child to participate in our annual dental check-ups. Dental consent forms can be filled in online via the QR code or the link that will be provided.

Forms need to be submitted by the 17th of March.



Check-up & Clean

Have your child's teeth shining bright again! We will provide a check-up & professional clean. Here we will identify any concerns and let you know if there are any areas that require further treatment.



Take home pack + Report

Participants will receive a take home pack with dental essentials as well as a written report of details of your child's oral health and any concerns.



Visit with friends

Take the stress out of your child's dental visit while they visit with their friends and classmates. Our clinics are fitted with movies to watch while they wait.

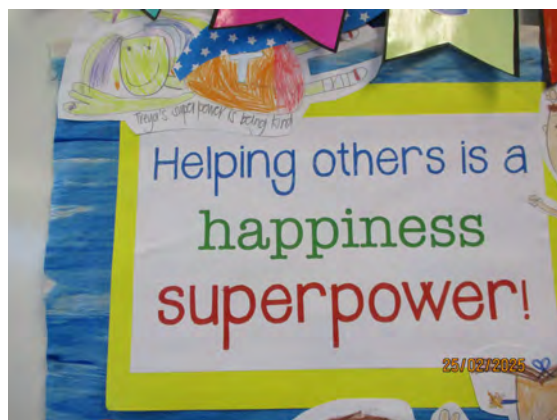


W. dentalforschools.com.au P. (08) 7225 8142



Don't forget - next week!
Public Holiday - 10th March
School Photos - 12th March

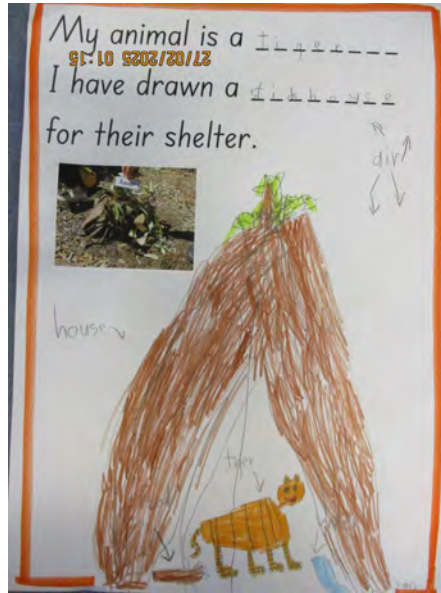




From the Year 1 / 2 Class

During the Resilience Project, we have been learning that we all have the ability to be like superheroes and help others in need. When we can recognise that others are in need of help, this is showing empathy. When we are kind and helpful towards others, it helps build positive, caring communities and friendships. We drew ourselves as superheroes and created our own super powers.

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During Science, we have been exploring the needs and wants of humans and animals. Throughout our chats, we learnt that humans and animals need the same things to survive. One of those 'needs' is a shelter/habitat. We went outside and used the natural environment to create a shelter/habitat for our chosen animal. Some of us chose to create their shelter/habitat out of playdough.



Week 4 Class Awards

Year 6 Mrs Richter

Sebastian

For his focus and effort in completing his science experiment this week.

Year 4/5 Ms Reeves

Zain

For consistently applying himself in lessons, staying focused, joining in discussions, working positively with others, and sharing his "sense of humour" with us.

Year 3/4 Mrs Schutz

Mia O

For using some adjectives to create noun groups in Literacy when exploring language used to develop characters.

Year 2/3 Miss Trembath

Olivia

For working collaboratively with her peers during GRM and providing many thoughtful examples of feelings and emotions.

Year 1/2 Mrs Kluske and Mrs Bruce

Tennessee

For writing creative and detailed sentences using different emotions. Well Done, Tennessee!

Reception Mrs Paech

Lucas

For showing a massive improvement in number writing. Amazing Effort!



Week 5 Class Awards

Year 6 Mrs Richter

Vinny

For his insightful responses to the discussion questions in our science learning this week.

Year 4/5 Ms Reeves

Violet

Teaching & Learning: Demonstrating good team and cooperation skills when working with a partner or in a small group.

Year 3/4 Mrs Schutz

Tanaeyah

For showing persistence in all areas of learning. Her dedication and commitment to attempt all tasks with a positive attitude is to be commended.

Year 2/3 Miss Trembath

Milly

For showing dedication and enthusiasm to her learning by making an awesome start to her Premier's Reading Challenge!

Year 1/2 Mrs Kluske and Mrs Bruce

Lucas

For writing creative sentences using nouns and adjectives, you showed a lot of concentration and confidence. Well done!

Reception Mrs Paech

Aylarah

For an amazing development in speech - you can make the 'C' sound now! Clever kid!

Community News



RESILIENCE FIRST AID™

2-Day Resilience First Aid accredited mental health certification.
Learn critical skills to proactively support mental health in others.

Why Resilience First Aid?

9 out of 10 people can benefit from increasing resilience skills which protect against mental illness such as depression and anxiety. Throughout the pandemic, this need has only increased.

This is why we need to take a **preventative approach** to mental health. Rather than waiting until people need professional treatment, we can start supporting each other to connect and build mental wellness proactively.

Resilience First Aid (RFA) as a mental health certification teaches you **strength-based skills** to build resilience in others. You will learn how to spot signs of low resilience, learn language to talk proactively, and skills that build resilience.

This is a new approach to put **trained mental health champions** in place who actively boost the resilience and mental health in their communities.



Dates: 22nd & 23rd May, 2025 9am to 5pm Daily

Location: Tailem Bend Community Centre

Trainers: David Moran & James Chenoweth

Cost: \$50 All Inclusive, Heavily subsidised

Apply now: admin@mentalhealthpartners.com.au or 0402 749 850



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Join the movement for proactive mental health.

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PLANNED ABSENCE NOTIFICATION TO TAILEM BEND PRIMARY SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME:- _____ YEAR LEVEL:- _____

TEACHER NAME:- _____

The above named student will be absent from school on:

_____ (please list date/s)

Reason:- _____

Signed:- _____ (Parent/Caregiver)

Please send this notification in with your child to give to their classroom teacher
Please also note that extended leave needs approval by the Principal Travis Schenke with an exemption form

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