



Principal's Report

Dear Families,

I would like to say a huge congratulations to our students, parents and staff for their efforts at the Tanjil Valley District Sports. Mrs. Abbott did an incredible job co-ordinating the entire day, and our staff and parent volunteers were amazing with running the events and ensuring age groups were where they needed to be. A special shout out goes to Mr Woodroffe for his running of the running, he certainly earned his "Champion" ribbon that he awarded himself!

Our students were all well behaved and demonstrated our core values throughout the day. It was fantastic to hear the cheering and see students running along with their peers from all schools to encourage them in the longer distance events.

Another special thank you goes out to our fundraising team, and community volunteers for their organisation of the BBQ.

Where in the World is Miss Halket?

I have been in meetings, off site, or unwell in the past fortnight, and the next is looking to be quite busy. If you would like to contact me about anything, please email me if you have not been able to catch me around the school. Please do not wait until I am "not busy". I am always happy to make time for our families – you are the reason I am here! I am looking forward to our BBQ where I can have a chat in a more relaxed setting, without being called away!

Playground Update

We are working as quickly as we can to get all areas of the playground back into action. We are hoping to have everything available again for the start of Term 2. If you would like to lend a hand to our Buildings and Grounds team, we would love to hear from you!

ANZAC Day:

We would like to provide advanced notice to families that due to the timing of ANZAC Day and our 5/6 Camp, we will be holding a ceremony as a school during the second week of Term 2. Unfortunately, we do not have any staff available to attend the community ANZAC Day ceremony. If your family are attending and would like to lay a wreath on behalf of the school, please contact us so that arrangements can be made.

Enjoy your fortnight,

Tamara Halket

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2023	MARCH
24	National Ride2School Day Casual Clothes Day
28	School Council AGM—7pm School Council Meeting—7:30pm
29	MARC Van
31	Term 1 Family BBQ—5pm Easter Raffle Tickets & Cash Return Date
2023	APRIL
4	Hot Cross Bun collection—2pm-4pm
5	Easter Fun Day—Tabloid Sports MARC Van Student Good Friday Appeal Cake Stall Easter Raffle Drawn at Assembly Last Day of Normal Classes for Term 1 PST Conferences—3:30pm-5:30pm
6	PST Conferences—9am - 1pm Last Day Term 1 for Staff
24	Term 2 Commences
25	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
26-28	Grade 5/6 Coonawarra Camp
30	Tanjil Valley Community Festival
2023	MAY
1	School Photo Day

Reminders & Notices

- **National Ride2School Day** is happening this Friday, 24th March at 8:30am. This is also a casual clothes day. Please donate a gold coin or Easter egg for our Easter Raffle if not in school uniform.
- Consent for the **Grade 5/6 Coonawarra Camp** is due this Friday, 24th March via Compass.
- Orders for our **Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser** need to be placed by Tuesday, 28th March via CompassTix. Details are included in the flyer attached to this newsletter.
- Please remember to register for our **Family BBQ** taking place on Friday, 31st March for catering purposes. You can register via CompassTix [here](#) by Friday, 24th March—10am.



TERM DATES 2023

Term 1	27th Jan (teachers start) to 6th April
Term 2	24th Apr to 23rd Jun
Term 3	10th Jul to 15th Sep
Term 4	2nd Oct to 20th Dec

Willow Grove Primary School Student Acknowledgments

GRADE P/1/2



Raymond W. & Jackson M.

For competing in all events at the Athletics Sports Day.

GRADE 3/4



William B.

For demonstrating good sportsmanship during the Athletics Sports Day.

GRADE 5/6



Jackson D.

For keeping going during the long distance races.

SPECIALIST

P.E.

Whole School

For your effort and achievement at the Athletics Sports Day and displaying quality sportsmanship.

RESPECT Resilience TEAM WORK COMMUNITY

Parent/Student/Teacher (PST) Conferences

We are pleased to invite you to our Parent/Student/Teacher (PST) Conferences for Term 1, 2023. These Conferences form part of our reporting of student progress, achievement and areas for future improvement to parents. As such, we strongly encourage all our families to attend.

Booking dates and times are as follows:

- Wednesday 5th April 3:30pm– 5:30pm
- Thursday 6th April 9:00am-1:00pm

Normal classes do not operate on Thursday, 6th April. Only students with a PST Conference booked will be required to attend with their parent/carer for their appointment time only.

PST Conferences will be held in your child's classroom for up to 10 minutes per child.

P/1/2 families— We have divided the class into two groups for the purposes of these conferences. When booking your conference you will only have access to either Mrs. McCartney or Mr. Woodroffe, not both.

How to book via Compass

From today, 22nd March, when the conference cycle is available, you will see an alert on your dashboard. Click the alert.

The screenshot shows the Magic P-12 College Portal dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for home, calendar, edit, grid, users, and star, and a user profile for Mrs Sable BROOKS. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a welcome message and two user profiles: Stephen CORNFOOT and Euan ABERCROMBIE. Each profile has a list of actions such as 'Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)', 'Send email to [name]'s teachers', 'Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)', 'View Academic Reports', and 'Order Photos'. The right column is titled 'Compass' and contains a 'My News' section with several alerts: 'Order your MSP school photos', 'Opt-In Event Invitations', 'Course Confirmation/School Payments', 'Parent Student Teacher Conference' (highlighted with a red box), 'Event Consent/Payment Required', and 'Attendance: Attendance Note Required'. At the bottom, there is a 'Magic High's School Fete' announcement.

This will take you to the conference cycle and you will see the Welcome message from the school that will include details about the conference.

Click the 'Show me how to book' option for guided instructions on how to secure your conference booking.

Bookings can also be made by phoning Cindy at the school office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Grade P/1/2 News—Police Visit

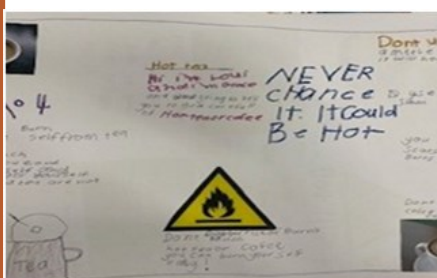
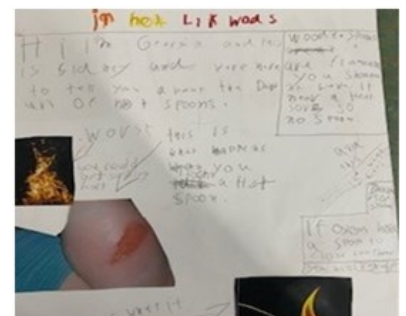
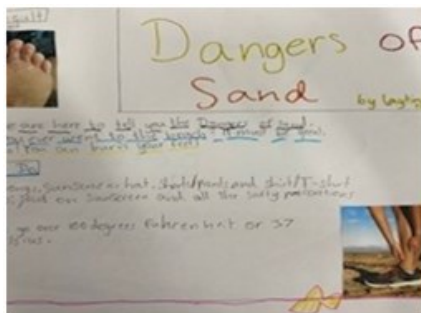
On Friday Senior Constable Jeremy White came to the school in his Highway Patrol car to talk about how the Police keep us safe. The students got to put on his vest, Mr Woodroffe got breath tested and Ollie got handcuffed. After looking at the car, Heath O rode his bike through the car park and his speed was checked with the speed camera. He got to 20km/h.

Thank you Jeremy!



Grade 3/4 News

As part of our Inquiry Unit "Heat" the students produced a poster warning people of the danger of: Hot sand, hot drinks and hot things on the stove. They used their collaboration skills to work in pairs and produce their posters. Here are a few examples of some of the class posters.



Grade 5/6 News

I have just asked the 5/6 grade for the highlight of the week, and they inform me it's Minecraft for Education! Just another aspect of our STEM work. We would all like to acknowledge and thank Brad, our technician, for all the assistance he gives us. He downloaded Minecraft for Education whilst reimagining all the laptops last week. Without his assistance I could not offer such a varied STEM curriculum.

We are continuing our work with motors this week and have begun 3D printing again. We have adopted the theme of Easter to support Charlie and Matilda with their bake sale. We thought the odd bunny here and there might increase sales! Well done to the girls for their initiative.



TERM 1 FAMILY BBQ

WHEN—FRIDAY 31st MARCH

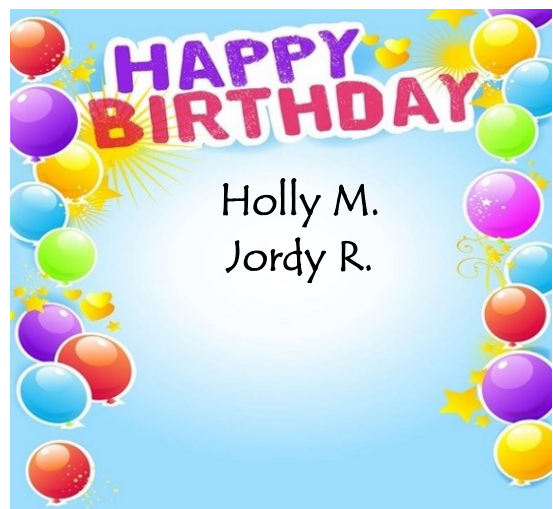
TIME—5PM TO 7PM

**WHERE—OUT IN THE SCHOOL
GROUND**

**SAUSAGES, BREAD & SAUCE PROVIDED
BYO- CHAIRS, RUGS, SNACKS, NON-
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS, BIKES, SKATE-
BOARD, HELMETS, ETC**

PLEASE REGISTER VIA COM-
PASSTIX [HERE](#)

Reminder—This is an alcohol free event



Holly M.
Jordy R.

EASTER THEMED BAKE SALE FOR THE GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

On Wednesday the 5th of April there will be a fundraiser for the Good Friday Appeal. Charlie Warren and Matilda Marino will be organising it and baking it all. On the 5th of April at recess you can buy a treat with a gold coin donation. So on the 5th of April please bring a gold coin to donate and in return you can pick a sweet treat. All money raised will go to the Royal Children's Hospital for the Good Friday Appeal.



Charlie
Warren
Matilda
Marino

good
Friday
appeal
THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Thank You

- Thank you to the Klein Family for donating the bread for the Athletics Day BBQ Fundraiser.
- Thank you to all of the volunteers who assisted with the smooth running of the Tanjil Valley Athletic Sports Day.
- Thank you to the Cumming family for collecting and disposing of the unwanted old school furniture.



MATSURI まつり

Festivals are important in Japan. A 'Matsuri' (Japanese cultural festival) is held to show thanks for nature, for life, and for growth in a community. Japan hosts over 200,000 festivals each year!

This term our junior students have celebrated Setsubun and Hina matsuri.

Setsubun means 'seasonal division'. This festival is held on the day before the beginning of spring according to the Japanese lunar calendar. Rituals take place on this day to drive away evil spirits and welcome good fortune. In grade 1/2 we made 'Oni' (ogre) masks.



Hina matsuri, also known as Dolls Day, wishes for the health and happiness of female children. It is tradition to arrange a display of beautiful dolls, representing the Imperial Court of olden-day Japan. The Emperor and the Empress dolls are placed at the top of the display.

Here are some of our own Hina Doll craft from the Prep grade.





Tanjil Valley Athletic Sports

We would like to acknowledge the following students who were crowned Age Group Champions. These students achieved the highest score for their age group across the 5 events:

Eli B.—5/6 Years	Grace D, Sidney C & Ryan W.—9 Years
Lockie M.—7 Years	Addison D., Dakota O. & Jobe G.—10 Years
Tommy M.—8 Years	Lily B., Alex G & Callum M.—12+ Years

WILLOW GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

\$8
PACK 6

HOT CROSS BUN

FUNDRAISING BAKE SALE

-TRADITIONAL FRUIT
-CHOC CHIP
-STRAWBERRY WHITE CHOC
-BUTTERSCOTCH
-MOCHA

\$8/BAG OF 6 HOT CROSS BUNS

PURCHASE ONLINE VIA COMPASSTIX LINK
<https://compasstix.com/e/jetuailxc5>

ORDERS NEED TO BE PLACED BY 9AM ON TUESDAY, 28TH MARCH

ALL ORDERS WILL NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM WILLOW GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL BETWEEN 2PM - 4PM ON TUESDAY, 4TH APRIL

HOT CROSS BUNS SUPPLIED BY BELLA'S BAKEHOUSE, TRAFALGAR

SAVE THE DATE

Tanjil Valley Community Festival

Sunday 30th April 2023
10.00am to 2.00pm
Old Tanjil Road Picnic Area
Willow Grove
(near the boatramp)

Please Note at 9.00am

YOU ARE ALSO INVITED TO THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE WALKING TRACK EXTENSION OUT TO THE BLUE ROCK ROAD POINT
(Includes a Traditional Welcome and Smoking Ceremony)



Tanjil Valley Landcare in partnership with Hill End Community Inc. present a community and environmental festival – a celebration of the place that we live, and the clubs and organisations that support our community.

Activities include:
Track planting, Bug Blitz activities, Landcare display, Birdlife Australia activities and display, Wildlife activities and display, Cubby Building, Environmental art activities, Treasure hunt activity, Live Music, Lions BBQ, Frothy Frog Coffee cart, Bee display, Renewable Energy Display and demonstrations, Raffles.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROMOTE YOUR ORGANISATION OR CLUB AT THIS EVENT PLEASE CONTACT THE TVCF ORGANISING COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER DETAILS
tanjilvalleylandcare@gmail.com

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JUNIOR BASEBALL PLAYERS WANTED

Moe/Newborough Dodgers are seeking junior (and senior) players to join their 2023 sides.



Moe/Newborough Baseball Club

Training Thursdays 5pm - 6pm
Location: Burrage reserve,
John Field Drive, Newborough

Games Sundays
U13s and U16s play 9:00 - 10:30
U10s (teeball) play 11:15 - 12:15

Season April - September
League teams: Moe/Newborough,
Morwell, Traralgon, Churchill and Sale

More Information Eric Robinson (President) 0457316798
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Follow us Moe/Newborough Baseball Club Inc 

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