



4th Newsletter Publication, 14/03/2024

A message from the Principal



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A message from the Principal

Dear parents,

It is difficult to believe that there are only two weeks remaining in term one. I am very happy with how the school is travelling at this present time. Our Prep students have settled into great routines and the rest of the school is humming along.

NAPLAN

Our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students are currently undertaking NAPLAN. Our students have worked very hard to prepare for NAPLAN and I have no doubt they will perform well and try their absolute best. I think it is important that students try hard in all facets of their learning but it is all important to remember that working hard and trying your absolute best is the most important thing.

Easter Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Easter raffle. Please continue to return raffle tickets and donate Easter Eggs.

School Camps

Our Grade 6 camp is only a week away. Can I please ask that parents complete payment for the camp as soon as possible? I am sure our students will have a terrific time at camp.

School Tours

I am amazed at how many school tours for 2025 I am already completing. If you are an existing parent at our school all you need is to come to the office and pick up an enrolment form for a younger sibling to be enrolled. For all new prospective parents, we ask that they call the school on 9390 3388 and book a time for a school tour.

School Building Project

The school building site continues to be a hive of activity. We will have our roofing delivered early Saturday morning– there goes Mr Sevier's sleep in! The hardcourt area continues to take shape as well. The only hiccup we have had is some of the water pipes have been damaged and our school has had to go without water for a couple of 15 minute bursts.

Foodbank Fun Run

Our school will be heavily involved in the Foodbank Fun Run. Students are able to raise funds for Foodbank by being sponsored to complete a Fun Run on March 28th. During the Fun Run they will have to run through a bombardment of colour bombs and even a water hose! The children should have a whale of a time. Brochures went home last week regarding this event.

Thursday March 28th will be a casual clothes day and I advise that children do not wear their best clothes as there will be colour stains on their clothes. (I have been assured the colour washes off!) A towel will also be a useful item to bring. We hope every child brings a gold coin donation on this day. We will also be having a special lunch on this day with all profits going to the Foodbank as well. Notes for this lunch will go home next week. I would like to thank all of the parents who have volunteered to help on this day. Parents are welcome to volunteer to help on this day however they must have their Working With Children accreditation.

Last Day

Our last day of term one is Thursday March 28th and we will finish at 2.30pm on this day.

Regards Chris.

Term 1 2024

March 13th	NAPLAN begins
March 25th	Grade 6 Camp
March 28th Clothes	Food Fight Fun Run– Casual
	Last Day of Term 1– 2.30pm finish
April 15th	First Day of Term 2
	Grade 5 Camp
April 16th	Grade 4 Camp
April 25th	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
June 10th	King's Birthday Public Holiday
June 11th	PPD Day– Pupil Free Day
July 24th	Parent/ Teacher Interviews
November 4th Day	Curriculum Day– Pupil Free
December 18th	Grade 6 Graduation
December 20th	Curriculum Day– Pupil Free Day

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Held captive by the Dalek Pupils of Planet Slime, Mr Seviar escaped to ensure the Foodbank Fun Run @TLPS would be an event not to be missed!



Is it a new hair style or the next greatest green sunscreen? No! It's Mr. Seviar who was voted by our pupils for the Great Slime The Teacher event as a prelude to the Foodbank Fun Run on March 28th.

As Mr. Seviar gives it the "Thumbs Up" we are green-to-go, ensuring we have a great Foodbank Fun Run to help support Foodbank and the wonderful work they do for our school community.



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The Lead and Dream Conference

On behalf of the Taylors Lakes Primary School Leadership team, we are happy to reflect on our time at the Lead and Dream Conference. Our Leadership team were fortunate enough to be invited to the Lead and Dream conference at the Melbourne Convention Centre. The Conference was about teaching us young leaders to accomplish whatever we have our minds set on. There were some people there who shared their stories with us, those people were: Amanda, Wil, Trent and Bonnie. They taught us how to stay strong, make good decisions and achieve our goals with passion. Thank you, Miss Kalnis and Mr Cristiano for such an amazing and inspiring day!

This quote below really inspired us because as young leaders and people, we should be able to have the right to achieve anything and everything.

"My age does not determine my ability to achieve extraordinary things."

By Zahra, Eloise and Rosanna on behalf of the Student Leadership Team.



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House Captain & Vice Captain Voting – Last Friday 14th March, 2024, the Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6 students met in their House meeting rooms to listen to the well prepared and presented speeches of over 70, grade 5 and 6 students, who were nominated to be part of our House Meeting Elections. It was a delight to listen to their amazing speeches and all the students then voted for their chosen candidates.

Congratulations to those who participated for all your organisation and hard work. We definitely have a lot of articulate, confident students displaying wonderful leadership skills and many of the results were very close. Our final winners were-

Green House Captains - Billi & Gabriel	Green House Vice Captains Ava & Talen
Red House Captains - Lamiss & Nate	Red House Vice Captains Evie & Marcus
Blue House Captains - Maggie & Nani	Blue House Vice Captains Selena & TJ
Gold House Captains - Preston & Esther	Gold House Vice Captains Jasmine & Calibre

Grade in Focus: Grade 4 with some great holiday recounts to share.

My fun holiday

Remember when we went to the Australia Open. We watched 2 matches that China played, sadly they lost twice 😞. We ate lots of chips and nuggets. It was so fun. That was summer.

Remember when we went to Luna Park with my family friends. We went on the 'Speedy Beetle, Supernova, Dragon Boat, Ghost Train and Cony Drop. We got ice-cream because it was very hot. I got vanilla ice-cream. It was so much fun! I wish I could go again. That was summer.

Remember when we had a sleepover for 2 nights at my family friends house, I was so excited. We played basketball, hide and seek, sardines and rode bikes. We also built Lego. We ate peaches, watermelon, strawberries, apples, pears and mango. We watched movies. That was summer.

Remember when we went to the 9:30pm New years eve fireworks. We went at 3:00pm and had lunch and dinner there. My siblings and I played games while we waited for the fireworks. We saw the beautiful fireworks. They were so pretty. That was my spectacular summer.



By Chloe 4CK 😊

My Summer Holidays

Remember when I won that foot ball match?

I was so happy I even got a medal! That was summer.

Remember when I watched that tennis match?

We ate lots of food. I had lots of fun we even fell asleep on the way home! That was summer.

Remember when we went to climb the hanging rock? We were gasping for air, we were so high up we could barley breath! That was summer.

Remember when we went swimming? We went down so many water slides. It was **crazy**! That was summer. By: Ashton 4CK

THAT WAS SUMMER



KEYAN ACD

Remember when we went into the deep water
with big waves
and it was getting in our eyes?
When we thought we were going to die
so we swam back as fast as we could?
When we sat on the warm sand,
ate snacks and just relaxed?
That was summer.

Remember that time when someone's bag
flew off in a bush
and when I went to go get it
all the sand flew off my back?
When we followed the GPS in our car
and it took us through a narrow passageway
near a train station?
We had no idea where we were!
When we finally got to a shop and bought an ice cream?
That was summer.



THAT WAS SUMMER

Remember when me and some of my family went to Ocean Grove. There were strong rips and it was making my sister roll in the water. It was kind of funny but also dangerous. That was Summer!



Remember when it was mum's birthday and I tricked her. I said that no one was coming over for her birthday but then lots of people came and she was really excited and happy. That was Summer!



Remember when I went to Luella's house for her little brother's 1st birthday. Luella and I were playing outside with water balloons and we also enjoyed doing tricks on her trampoline.

That was Summer!

Remember when it was Christmas and the WHOLE family came over. It was really fun opening up my presents.

I had so many but I saved my mum and dad's ones till because there's are usually the best and they were. 😊 That was Summer!



By Ada G 4AA

THAT WAS SUMMER

Remember when we opened Christmas presents?

There were so many delicate presents inside the thick wrapping.

It was so hard to get the wrapping off our hands as they turned red?

And how it was so nice hugging our family members because of the amazing gifts.

That was Summer.

Remember when we celebrated New Year?

There were **SO** many people smiling and having fun at Uncle's BBQ.

Lots of hugs and kisses? Fireworks blasting into the sky?

That was Summer.

By Avery 4CD



THAT WAS SUMMER - BY AVA.W4AA

Remember when we went to our cousin's house for New Year's Eve! We met up with friends, cousins, aunts, uncles and grandparents.

We all had glowsticks and a dance party and William and I ran to the park. We got there just in time for the fireworks!

That was Summer!

Remember when we were bored out of our brains and just sat down and played video games. We played for so long that we got a headache but was only because of the horrible weather. That was Summer!

Remember when it took ages to get to Delilah and Haidee's house. When we finally got there, we started screaming like mad. We all went into their pool and had so much fun, even though I cut my heel. That was Summer!

Remember when we went to Adelaide with Mum, Dad and Zoe. We ate lots of takeaway and slept in a dodgy motel. 😊

We spent most of our time at the beach and the water was very clean. That Was SUMMER!!!



I went there!

THAT WAS SUMMER

Remember when....

We went to the beach.

*All the people were jumping
from the pier and
You were making a
Sand village?*



That was summer

Remember when....

We got Ice cream.

The weather was boiling and you went inside?

The ice cream melted on your fingers?

That was summer.

Rosie 4CD



That was summer! BY ANITA.F

Remember when I fell asleep early on Christmas but
ended waking up late.

That was summer!

Remember how I still woke up late to go to the beach but
got there early.

That was summer!

Remember the time I went to the Movies in Wood Groove
and watched Beekeeper.

That was summer!

Remember the time I went to the swimming pool and
made a big splash.

That was the end of summer!

By Anita Fagota

That was summer

1. Remember the time I put sparkling water in my bottle, and I opened my bottle and it splashed in my face.

That was summer!

2. Remember when I went to my dad's restaurant and I ate all the yummy food they had.

That was summer!

3. Remember the time I got three fish, that wouldn't stop pooping; so I got another fish.

That was summer!

4. Remember when I was at my cousins pool with my cousins and her friends, but I didn't come with my big sister!

That was summer!

By Siana Kiole

That was Summer By Sebastian Boyden 4AA

Remember when we went to see Wonka at the cinema.

My favourite part was the opening song and the zoo.

That was Summer!

Remember when we went to Melton Waves. I swallowed water on the first wave and went in the deep end with my aunty. We did laps like squad training.



That was Summer!

Remember when Aunty and Uncle took me to BRICKVENTION. It was amazing with all the Lego creations and even my own ones. There was even a guy from Lego masters there, but unfortunately the line was sooo long to see him and I missed out 😞. It was still fun and unbelievable.

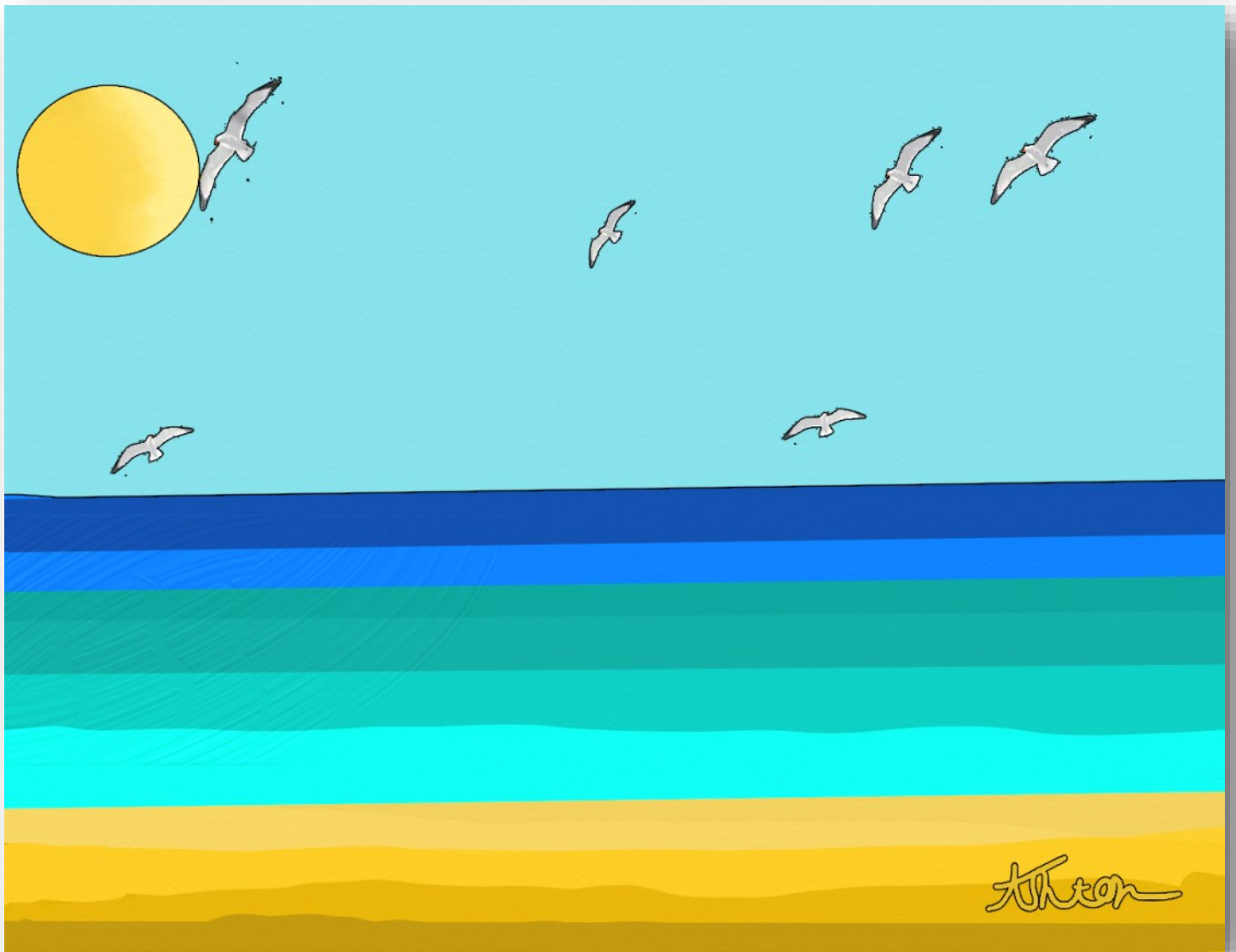


THAT was Summer!

Remember when Pa and I saw Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom.

It was a great movie. We went to Hogs Watergardens and the best part was that we got a Large Popcorn and a Mint choc top. THAT was Summer!





Grade 4. Digital Art in Grade by Ashton.

Summer Vibes

Essential Reading

READING ADDS UP!

WHAT A DIFFERENCE READING FOR 10 MINUTES A DAY MAKES...

A student who reads for 10 minutes every day typically has a broader range of vocabulary and an increased level of spelling. Reading exposes children to new ideas, facts, and cultures, helping to expand their knowledge and understanding of the world around them. Not only does regular reading help make students smarter, it can actually increase brain power.



365 minutes in one year
2555 minutes by year 6
8000 words in one year!



3650 minutes in one year
25,550 minutes by year 6
600,000 words in one year!



7300 minutes in one year
51,100 minutes by year 6
1,800,000 words in one year!



READING IS A WORKOUT FOR YOUR...

READ FOR AT LEAST 10 MINUTES EVERY DAY TO EXERCISE YOUR BRAIN



Reading is a positive habit that has life-long impacts on your knowledge and your health. It's like exercising or eating your vegetables!

HEART

Research shows that reading about a character's thoughts and feelings make you kinder.



MEMORY

Reading exercises the brain, improving your memory (maybe you'll stop forgetting your lunch at home!)



IMAGINATION

Books can help you see vivid pictures in your mind so you feel like you're actually immersed in another time or place. The whole world comes alive as your reading journey continues through each page!



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Dear Parents & Carers,

In 2024 your child/children will be participating in Inform & Empower Cyber Safety & Digital Wellbeing program. This means that your child/children will be tuning in to live streamed incursions (with their teachers) every term that focus on healthy and safe digital habits. The incursion content is all written and delivered by qualified teachers who are endorsed by the eSafety Commissioner as a Trusted eSafety Provider.

These sessions aim to help children better navigate the online world and become more aware, clever, brave and kind. They will focus on topics including navigating unwanted contact, cyberbullying, help-seeking strategies, unsafe content, balancing screen time with "green time" and sharing personal information.



You, the parents and carers, will also be given resources to support conversations with your children at home. You will receive a concise "tip sheet" each term that outlines what your child learned about in class and how you might open up these important conversations.

Student Surveys

In Years 3-6, Inform & Empower will invite students to complete anonymous surveys asking them about their digital habits. No identifying information, such as name or school, is collected. This survey is optional. You or your child may choose to opt out at any stage, please inform the school if you do not wish your child to complete these surveys. Questions examples include: What online games do you like to play? How many hours do you spend online each day/week? What are the best/worst things about the internet? The survey data will be used by Inform & Empower to help improve their programs and may be published online.

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LEAP INFORMATION EVENING 2024

Wednesday, 20th March 2024 at 7pm
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FOOTBALL ACADEMY INFORMATION EVENING 2024

(Australian Rules & Soccer)
Wednesday, 20th March 2024 at 6pm
Register at the College on 9390 3130



Music & Picnic Day!


Sunday March 24
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10:30am - 3:30pm

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PROGRAM



10:30	Tork
11:30	Miss Lou's Blues
12:30	Sidetrak
2:30	Double Life



KID'S PROGRAM

11:00	Craft activity
11:30	Dance Presentation
12:00	Dance Class
12:30	Disco
1:00	Dance presentation
1:30	Disco #2
2:00	Balloon Twisting

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Rural Heritage of Keilor Region

Event

Saturday 16 March 2024
Harricks Cottage & Police Hut
12.30pm - 5.00pm

LOCATION:
Harrick's Cottage & Police Hut (152 Harrick Rd, Keilor Park VIC)

A chance to learn about some of the market garden families who had lived and worked in the Keilor region. The families had come from many different parts of the world. They had contributed to the farming history of this region

Local information and stalls and Food Available on site





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Learning with games and rewards is motivational and engaging and therefore more effective. Game based learning should be within a controlled environment that guides the student to appropriate resources that are both structured and multi-sensory (doing, hearing, seeing simultaneously).

Concepts should be introduced with strategies and develop the 5 core elements of language in a structured progression. Learning rules and strategies explain the core concepts of language allowing students to understand the spoken and written information.

There are many important elements to reading development:

- Phonological processing
- Sound-letter correspondences
- Decoding
- Encoding
- Synthesising
- Spelling
- Orthographic mapping
- Morphology

Your child will be using an online reading and spelling program called **Nessy Program**, in the classroom this year. The **Nessy Program** is designed to help children learn letters and sounds which further supports their reading and spelling. This content is taught through a range of games on the online platform.

- Learning happens when it is fun and motivational
- Learning happens when it is structured and guided
- Learning happens when it is explained in a way that uses learning strengths



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