

Tarago Public School Newsletter

Week 5, Term 1, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to an exciting school year at Tarago Public School! We are very happy to see our students ready for a year filled with opportunities for learning, personal growth, and enjoyable experiences. We welcome our new Kindergarten students and their families, our new teacher Miss Judy Taylor and our Senior Administration Manager (SAM) Mrs Debera Seymour. Our dedicated teachers have planned a variety of enriching activities and lessons that cater to different learning styles, ensuring that each student can reach their full potential. Thank you for your support and involvement in our school community. Your participation is crucial, whether it's through volunteering, attending events, or staying engaged with your child's education. Miss Jones (Principal)

Classroom Highlights

Kindergarten & Year 1

Dear Families,

We are excited to welcome you and your little ones to Kindergarten! This is a wonderful time of exploration, learning, and making new friends. We are here to support your child's journey as they begin this exciting adventure at Tarago school.

Throughout the year, your child will engage in a variety of activities designed to spark their curiosity and develop their skills in a fun and nurturing environment. We encourage you to be involved in your child's learning and to communicate with us about any questions or concerns you may have.

Important things to note!

1. Crunch and Sip – Students have crunch and sip every morning in class time. This consists of small pieces of fruit or vegies plus a drink of water. Healthy eating habits are encouraged with packing nutritious lunches and snacks for your child.
2. Weather can be 4 seasons in one day, so a jumper is handy in their bags.
3. Homework will commence when students have grasped learning routines in the class room. This will consist of sight words, sound knowledge and readers.
4. Kinder students may come home extremely tired after a day of learning and activities. This is quite normal.
5. Daily Routines: To help your child transition smoothly into school life daily routines are important for Kinder students to establish a consistency in the morning and evening.
6. Attendance - The importance of regular attendance and punctuality is crucial for your child's learning and social development.

Thank you for being a part of our school community. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead!
Miss Everton

Year 2 & Year 3

We are excited to share that our class has settled well into the new school year! In mathematics, students have been actively investigating and developing their knowledge of counting sequences, two-dimensional shapes, and number bonds. Their enthusiasm for learning and engaging with these concepts has been wonderful to see.

In literacy, we have been focusing on enhancing our spelling strategies and honing our story-writing skills. The creativity and effort displayed by the students in their writing have been impressive, and we look forward to seeing their stories evolve. Overall, it has been a fantastic start to the year, and we are proud of the progress our students are making!

Miss Taylor

Year 4, 5 and 6

The new year is looking very exciting with 2 new students in the class! Welcome to Harper and welcome back, Lucas! All of us will be challenged from day 1 to improve in as many aspects of our school lives as possible. Ms Jones teaches the class every Tuesday; Mr McCartney teaches the class every Mon/Wed/Thur/Fri. Here is an outline of our weekly routines and special days -

HOMEWORK – comes home Monday, bring back to school Friday (Spelling – copy list words once each night, Reading – read for 5-15 minutes and record the book name in the homework book under the spelling lists & Maths – a revision worksheet; do a little each night)

LIBRARY – Fridays (must have a bag to bring books home)

SPORT – Fridays (fitness & skills lessons on Wed & Thurs as well)

Each newsletter will have a summary of what has happened so far in the term with our classroom learning and special activities like excursions, special school activities or special visits to our school.

Mr Mack

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Tarago students did very well at last week's TREC swimming carnival and the District Carnival. Congratulations to all students who participated and earned points for the team. A big congratulations to Peter L, Lara, Millie G, Elijah, Jack H and Harper who all qualified for last week's District Carnival. A special congratulations to Harper, Jack H, Millie and Elijah who qualified for the Regional carnival, which includes our school 4x50m relay team!



HEALTHY HABITS FOR 2025

HATS – students **MUST** wear a hat whenever they are in the playground this term. The Skin Cancer Council is warning that coverage of skin should happen between 9.20am – 5pm each day during summer. A school, broad brim hat is compulsory, caps are not acceptable for sun protection.

WATER – all students are strongly encouraged to have a full water bottle each day. They are provided opportunities through class time to take a sip as well as their lunch and recess breaks.

HEALTHY FOOD – at Tarago PS, we aim for students to choose healthy foods for their lunches and recesses. Raw, unprocessed fruit and vegies are the best option for snacks along with the simple old sandwich with a healthy filling are a great option for lunch. If kids are involved in the making and chopping up, they are more likely to wolf it down at school! The less packaged food we eat, the less salt, fat and sugar we consume, which is a good thing!!! And less rubbish as well!!!

CRUNCH & SIP – Students will be offered the chance to have a 5 minute snack break at around 10.15am each day. This little break is called CRUNCH & SIP. Students are strongly encouraged to have a few mouthfuls of water and around 10 mouthfuls of some fruit or veg. It is best to pack this in a separate container so students can just bring a small container into class at this time. The food should be bitesized and not messy.

Upcoming Events

2nd March Tarago Show

The Tarago Show is on at the Tarago Show Ground this Sunday. Come and say hello as we will be at the show!

6th March Seniors Day

Our school will be attending Seniors Day at the Tarago Community Hall. We are looking forward to entertaining the ladies from the CWA and spending time with them during the morning.

12th & 13th March NAPLAN

The annual NAPLAN assessments for Year 3 and Year 5 will take place at school. Please make sure your child has a restful night's sleep beforehand and enjoys a nutritious breakfast so that they can perform their best!

17th March Harmony Day

Celebrate Harmony day with us from 10:20am in your child's class. Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy with your child/children in our playground.

9th April TREC Cross Country

Tarago P & C

The P & C welcome you to our next meeting on Harmony Day 17th March at 12:15pm in the school office. Below are the projects that the P & C are hoping to raise funds for in 2025, to support the school.

- Relocate existing Bus Stop from the busy Braidwood Road to Boyd Street road.
- Turn the existing COLA into an indoor/outdoor learning space by fully enclosing, insulating and sound proofing with sliding or roller doors for access.
- New boundary fence.

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Tarago Show



Kindergarten