

Tambo Upper PS

Term 1 - 01/03/2024



We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which Tambo Upper Primary School gathers, the Gunai Kurnai people. We would like to pay our respects to their elder's past, present, and emerging.

Principal's Report

School Council Elections

Our School Council AGM is fast approaching and during this meeting we will farewell long serving members and we invite you to join! The process for becoming a new member is quite simple, you can either self nominate or have someone nominate for you on your behalf. The nomination forms are in the office and only take a matter of minutes to complete. The requirements of a School Council member entails attending a meeting twice a term, usually one in the middle of the term and one at the end of the term. Furthermore you will be required to share your thoughts about policy development, financial matters, fundraising/community events, and building and grounds works. Above all else, if you have a passion for our school and want it to be the best it can be for the whole community we would love to have you onboard. Please touch base with me if you want to find out more about the role.

School Cleaning Job Vacancy

As of mid March we will have a vacancy for a part time school cleaner. We require someone to work Monday, Tuesday and Friday after school or before school, depending on what suits the successful candidate. Each shift ranges from 2.5 to 3 hours of work and the pay is \$40 per hour. Please touch base with me ASAP if you are keen, as depending on interest I will also place an add on Facebook next week.

Staff Professional Learning Update

Recently all of our staff participated in professional learning with Misty Andoniou about how to teach students to become better writers. Her premise is engaging students with rich and well written short stories and then unpacking how the author constructs each sentence with purpose and strategic word choice. Misty's ability to break down the science of sentence construction and providing teachers with the tools of how to teach the students this was an invaluable learning experience. In turn, our students will see themselves as budding writers and who know one day they could become the next Mem Fox or Margaret Wild!

NAPLAN- National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy

The 2024 NAPLAN Program is fast approaching and I just wanted to clarify some aspects of these assessment pieces. All schools around Australia are mandated to engage Year 3 and Year 5 students in this assessment. We believe that this is an opportunity for students to showcase their literacy and numeracy skills and we also understand testing students under these conditions is only one way to appreciate their ability. We also believe that there are many other very important aspects to schooling such as developing friends, being part of community, displaying empathy and care, setting goals and reflecting on them just to name a few. The testing schedule begins on Wednesday March 13th with students participating in one test a day thereafter until the following Tuesday. If you would like to clarify anything about NAPLAN please touch base with your child's teacher or myself.

Principal,
Mark Chandler.

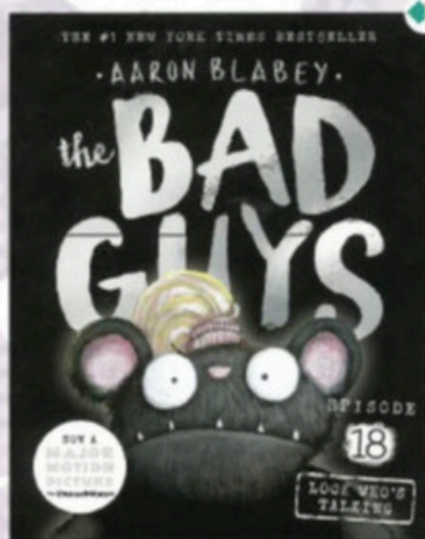
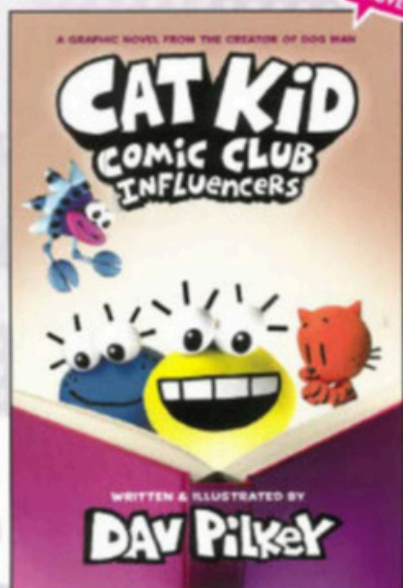


Be Safe, Be a Friend, Be Respectful, Be a Learner, Be Responsible



You're invited to our SCHOLASTIC Book Fair

Find these books and more at the Fair!



Date 12/03 - 20/03 Time 3:15 pm - 4:00 pm
Place Green Room

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL



SCHOLASTIC

CULTURAL STUDIES

TERM ONE OVERVIEW

AUSRTALIA'S NEIGHBOURS

PURPLE, ORANGE, RED

This term, the senior classes will explore the location of Australia's neighbouring countries and the diverse characteristics of these places. They will learn about the human and natural characteristics of New Zealand, Indonesia, East Timor, Papua New Guinea and the Pacific Islands.

What can you do at home?

Share your travel experiences and knowledge about these places. Ask them to share something interesting about the neighbour they were learning about.



GETTING TO KNOW AUSTRALIA

BLUE AND YELLOW

This term, the junior classes will explore Australia. They will learn about the six states and two territories and their location relating to Victoria. They will learn about capital cities, state flags, flowers, landmarks and features that make each state/ territory unique.

What can you do at home?

Talk to your child about places you've visited in Australia. Ask them to tell you something interesting about the state or territory they were learning about.



MARCH

2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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4	5	6 • Prep's Start Full Time	7 • Police Incursion	8 • Firefighter Visit
11 • Labour Day (Public Holiday)	12 • Book Fair Start (3:15 - 4:00 @ Green Room)	13 • NAPLAN START	14	15 • Tambo Cross Country @ School
18	19	20 • Last Day of Book Fair	21	22 • Cross Country @ Buchan
25	26	27	28 • Last Day of School (3:15 Finish)	29 • Easter Public Holiday