Taylors Hill Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Taylors Hill Community,

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday, our school came together in the Gym to commemorate Remembrance Day. I would like to thank all staff and students for showing such respect and engagement during this important occasion, as we paused to remember, reflect, and give thanks.

At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, we honour the moment the guns fell silent on the Western Front in 1918, marking the end of World War I after four years of fighting. Over time, this moment has come to symbolise remembrance across the world—a time to honour all who have served and sacrificed in wars and conflicts, as well as those who continue to serve our country today.

On behalf of the RSL, I would like to extend my gratitude to our Student Voice Team and all students who purchased a red poppy to support the work of the RSL and Legacy. These organisations play a vital role in assisting returned service people and their families.

The Flanders poppy has long been a symbol of remembrance. It was among the first plants to bloom on the battlefields of France and Belgium following the war. Inspired by this, silk poppies were first sold on Armistice Day to raise funds for returned soldiers, and the tradition continues today. This enduring symbol was immortalised in Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae's famous 1915 poem In Flanders Fields, written after he observed the resilience of the poppies amid the devastation of war.





Walkathon Fundraising – An Amazing Effort!

A huge thank you to all of our students who participated in our Walkathon and helped raise money for our school. We are incredibly grateful for the generosity of your families and friends who supported this fundraising initiative.

We are very excited to announce that, together, we raised an incredible $20,243! As a school, we receive a percentage of the total raised, which means we will receive over $13,000. What an amazing achievement!

Combined with our other fundraising efforts throughout 2026, we are getting closer to reaching our goal of purchasing new furniture for our Learning Centre. Thank you to everyone who has helped make this possible!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tue 24 Nov	Italian Day Prep 2027 Parent Info NIght 6.00pm
Tue 1 Dec	Prep RACV Incursion
Thu 3 Dec	Grade 5 Sovereign Hill Excursion
Fri 4 Dec	PFA Meeting 9.15am
Mon 7 Dec	Live Assembly in Gym 2.45pm Secondhand Uniform Sale 3.15pm
Tue 8 Dec	2027 Prep Transition 4 - Final 9.15am
Thu 10 Dec	Carols Night Gates open 5.30pm Performance 6.00pm

WHAT'S DUE

Italian Day ~ Payment Due Mon 16 Nov

Sovereign Hill Excursion ~ Payment Due Wed 25 Nov

Final Fundraising Leaderboard: Congratulations to our top five individual fundraisers:

1. **Shelby** (PD) – $1,250
2. **Anastasia** (2C) – $1,060
3. **Sage** (2D) – $1,040
4. **Oliver** (3C) – $950
5. **Ava** (2B) – $740

A special congratulations to these students, who collectively raised an outstanding $5,040! The competition was certainly close, with some fantastic fundraising efforts across the school.

We would also like to congratulate **2D** and **4A**, who had the highest class participation, with 12 students in each class raising money online. Well done!



All prize orders have now been submitted, and we would like to extend a big thank you to Claire from our PFA for helping follow up and finalise everyone's orders. We look forward to the prizes arriving over the coming weeks.

Thank you once again to our wonderful students, families and wider school community for your generosity and support. Your efforts make a real difference, and we are so proud of what we have achieved together!

Learning Time is Important Time

As we move into the second half of Term 4, it is vital that both staff and students continue to maintain high expectations and consistent learning routines. The coming weeks are an important time for consolidation and growth, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to achieve their personal best.

Teachers will continue to deliver an uninterrupted literacy and numeracy program, commencing promptly at 9:00am each day. To maximise learning opportunities, please ensure your child arrives on time and is ready to begin their day with focus and enthusiasm.

We are also in the process of finalising our staffing and class placements for 2027. This is a thoughtful process that takes into account the educational and social needs of every student. Teachers make recommendations based on their deep knowledge of the students, and these are reviewed by the Leadership Team to ensure balanced and supportive class groupings.

For our 2027 Prep students, we have been working closely with local kindergartens, childcare centres, and families to ensure a smooth transition to school. Our final Prep Transition Session will take place on Tuesday, 8th December, when our new preps will spend time in their 2027 classrooms with their teachers and classmates.

If you have a child starting Prep next year and have not yet enrolled, please complete the enrolment process as soon as possible so your child can participate in this important final transition session.

Future Term Dates

For the list of school term dates until the end of 2030, refer to School term dates and holidays in Victoria.

Danielle Stella

Principal

Taylors Hill Primary School

TAYLORS HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

PREP 2027 INFORMATION NIGHT

DATE: Tuesday 24th of November

TIME: 6:00pm

LOCATION: Enter via front office on Loddon Drive

Taylors Hill Primary
YMCA OSHC







Date: 9th November, 2026

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO

Hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and the rainy weather.

We are continuing to have a leader's board for all children who wish to participate in running games and activities with support of our educators.

Children supporting and helping each other in planned activities, spontaneous activities, homework and readers, with support from our educators.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Each afternoon our educators run an art and craft activities with the children which they enjoy, making poppies for Remembrance Day and kindness activities for World Kindness Day, DIY pins, wooden sport ball shape magnets, foil art, wooden etched wooden hearts, wind chimes, stem play, card games, down ball, balancing games, ball games, group games and more!!! As well as a variety of board and card games, block construction, recreational activities, imaginary play opportunities are available.



REMINDERS

Don't forget your bucket hats and slip slop, slap sunscreen, as UV rays are getting higher

Congratulations to our Students of the Week
Grade Prep to Grade 3 - Term 4 , Week 4 & 5

Prep A	Liam	For taking on feedback to improve his writing. You're amazing!
Prep B	Lillian	For being an amazing member of Prep B by always having a smile and using her manners. Well done!
Prep C	Rykar	For demonstrating his personal best when undertaking dictation in Phonics Plus.
Prep D	Lachlan	For being a kind and helpful classmate. Keep it up!
1A	Maddison	For her fantastic and detailed written recount on Grade 1 Dinner. Amazing work!
1B	Sienna	For building positive relationships with her peers by encouraging and supporting them. Keep it up!
1C	Xavier	For applying his knowledge of phonics when reading and showing a strong understanding of a text.
2A	Leo	For trying his personal best when publishing and sharing his persuasive advertisement. Keep it up!
2B	Isabelle	For using her knowledge of persuasive techniques to write a letter to her parents. Well done, Isabelle!
2C	Kyam	For trying his personal best when writing a letter to his parents. Great work Kyam!
2D	Aturjong	For trying his personal best when spelling new words during Phonics. Keep it up!
3A	Lisa	For her dedication to learning by demonstrating her knowledge of multiplication facts! Well done!
3B	Emily	For displaying the THPS value of Personal Best by always ensuring she is ready to share her thoughts and ideas during whole class discussions. Keep it up!
3C	Daorsa	For trying your Personal Best to read with expression during Reader's Theatre. Well done
3D	Charlize	For responding to feedback and trying your personal best in Writing and Spelling. Well done!

Congratulations to our Students of the Week
Grades 4 to 6 and Specialist - Term 4 , Week 4 & 5

4A	Zoe	For using emotive language to strengthen the arguments in her persuasive text! Amazing work, Zoe!
4B	Gabriel	For making a great effort to follow instructions, listen attentively to his teachers and make positive choices in the classroom. Keep it up!
4C	Jeffrey	For using engaging vocabulary to communicate his ideas and make his arguments more convincing. Keep up the great work, Jeffrey!
5A	Osika	For always following instructions, being respectful and trying her personal best in all learning tasks. Keep up the amazing work!
5B	Zayd	For focussing on his learning and making good progress in multiplication and division. Keep it up!
5C	Daisy	For demonstrating persistence when solving multiplication and division problems using an efficient strategy. Well Done!
5D	Sofia	For demonstrating her personal best and taking the initiative to complete her work. Keep up the amazing work!
6A	Olivia	For demonstrating her personal best within the classroom to add to discussions and share her knowledge. Awesome work!
6B	Jade	For her dedication and commitment to her learning and showing great improvement in her writing. Well done!
6C	Minnah	For showing persistence by taking on feedback to improve the quality of her work. Well done!
SCIENCE Prep - 3	Louis PA	For demonstrating confidence when sorting materials according to their properties.
SCIENCE 4 - 6	Elena 4A	For confidently presenting her ideas to her class about how rain is formed. Well done!
THE ARTS Prep - 3	Ethan 1B	For always helping others with their artwork and keeping the artspace clean and organised!
THE ARTS 4 - 6	Harry 5B	For always showing positivity and great enthusiasm when playing, reading, listening and composing music.
PE Prep - 3	Ruby 1A	For taking the time to focus on developing her jumping technique, showing patience and determination to improve her skills.
PE 4 - 6	Zac 5A	For showing patience and leadership when providing helpful feedback and encouragement to a fellow student during cricket activities.
ITALIAN 4 - 6	Gabriella 4B	For reading and writing plural words in Italian with accuracy and confidence. Brava!
ITALIAN Prep - 3	Elena L 2D	For demonstrating enthusiasm and confidence in Italian lessons, always approaching learning with a positive attitude! Brava!