

Newsletter

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Learning, Integrity, Honesty, Personal Best, Positive Relationships

Dear Taylors Hill Community,

Every Day Counts - The importance of regular school attendance.

At Taylors Hill Primary School, we prioritise regular school attendance. We will work with families to ensure students are in class with their peers and teachers and enjoying all the benefits that brings.

Attending school every day means experiencing what counts – the learning, friendship, fun and opportunities that can shape your child’s future.

So far this year, students at our school have missed on average **19** days of school.

We understand that there are times when your child will need to miss school but to ensure minimal disruption to their education, please consider scheduling family holidays or medical/dental appointments outside of school time. If your child is well enough to attend but is worried about friendships, schoolwork or exams, please encourage them to come to school. Avoiding school can make these feelings worse and can create a negative pattern of behaviour.

If your child is having difficulty attending school, talk to their teacher about getting support.

We know that parents and carers can be juggling challenges daily to get your children to school. If your child must miss school, notify us as soon as possible via Compass so we can work together to support them.

For more information about the importance of everyday attendance, see [Attendance and Missing School](#).

Remember, **Everyday Counts!**

Mother’s Day Celebrations

We hope that all the mothers, grandmothers, carers, and special people in our community enjoyed a wonderful Mother’s Day on Sunday. We also hope they loved the special gifts from our Mother’s Day Stall. A big thank you to everyone who joined us for our classroom activities on Friday afternoon. It was lovely to see so many special visitors spending time in the classrooms together. Congratulations to all students for preparing so well and warmly welcoming their guests. It truly was a very special day for our school community!

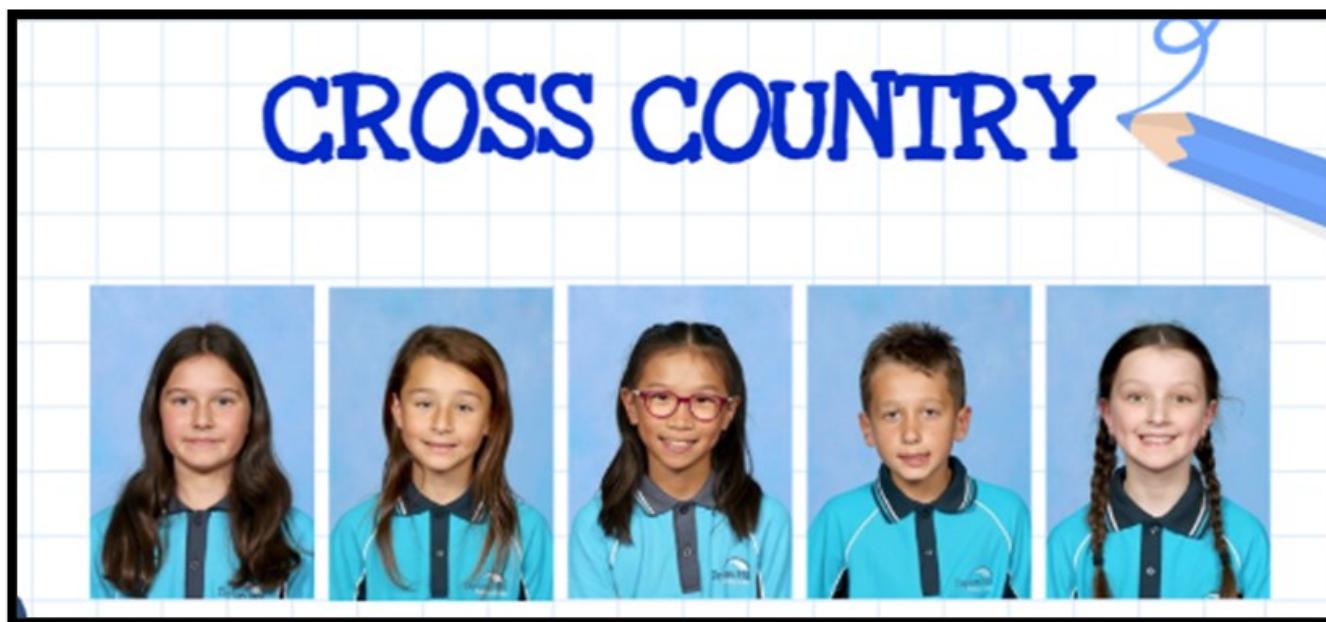


Dates to Remember

Fri 15 May	Grade 6 Interschool Sports Grade 2 Swimming
Wed 20 May	SVT Crazy Hair Day
Fri 22 May	Grade 2 Swimming
Mon 8 June	Kings Birthday Public Holiday
Tue 9 June	Professional Practice Day NO SCHOOL
Fri 12 June	PFA Trivia Night 6.30pm
Mon 15 June	Sunnystones Grade 3 Camp
Thu 25 June	Student Disco

What's Due ?

Grade 3 Camp
Money Due ~ Mon 1 June



Cross Country

Last week, we took 38 students to the Melton Athletics Track to compete in the District Cross Country Carnival against 10 other schools. It was a fantastic day, and it was great to see so many of our students giving their personal best on the course.

All of our students showed wonderful sportsmanship, supported one another, and represented our school with pride. They encouraged their teammates throughout the day and showed great determination in every race.

A big congratulations to the five students who have now qualified for the next round—Sophia, Alina, Luka, Chloe, and Daisy—who will go on to compete at the Division Cross Country at Keilor Park on the 27th of May. We wish them all the best!

Well done to everyone who took part—you should be very proud of your efforts!

2027 Foundation (Prep) enrolments – ENROL NOW!

Starting primary school is an exciting time for children, parents and carers. In Victoria, the first year of primary school is called Foundation or Prep.

To start Foundation (Prep) in 2027, your child will need to turn 5 years old by 30 April 2027. School is compulsory for children who have turned 6 years old.

Victorian government primary schools follow the same timeline to enrol children starting Foundation (Prep) in 2027.

You are now able to apply to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) 2027 at Taylors Hill Primary School, **and we will have the capacity to take some students from outside our designated enrolment zone in 2027.**

What you need to do:

1. Visit the [Find my School](#) website to find your designated neighbourhood school (your local school) for 2027 and other nearby government schools.
2. Contact a government primary school to book an optional school tour and learn more about the school and the enrolment application process.
3. Download the [Foundation \(Prep\) enrolment information pack for parents and carers](#). This pack includes the application form.
4. The school may also provide you with a copy of the application form to complete or advise if they are using online enrolment.
5. Submit your enrolment application to the school by **Friday 31 July 2026**.
6. You will be notified of the outcome of your application between **Monday 3 August and Friday 14 August 2026**. The letter from the school will include the next steps. If you receive an enrolment offer, you should respond to the offer by **Friday 28 August 2026**.

Enrolment applications submitted after 31 July 2026 will be processed by the school as they are received.

Education Support Day



On Friday, we will be celebrating Education Support (ES) Day — a special opportunity to say THANK YOU to the wonderful Education Support staff in our school. All of the people you can see in the photos make an important contribution to our school and help make it a fantastic place for learning. Many of them work behind the scenes doing things we may not always notice, and we are very grateful for everything they do each and every day. Please remember to say a big thank you to these amazing staff members, not only on Friday as we celebrate ES Day, but every day for the care, support, and dedication they show to our school community.

Tuesday 9 June 2026 - Students not required to attend school.

This is another reminder that we will be having a Professional Practice Day on **Tuesday 9 June 2026** to enable our teachers to focus on the improved delivery of high-quality teaching and learning at our school. **Students are not required to attend school on this day**, and families will need to make alternative arrangements for the care and supervision of their child/children. The YMCA will be available for any families who require supervision, but places are limited so please book in early on 9307 5000.

Danielle Stella
Principal

THPS TRIVIA NIGHT

Bring your friends and your brain power for an unforgettable night of trivia.

FRIDAY 12 JUNE

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM, FOR A 7:00PM START

Hillside Football Club
Landscape Drive, Hillside

Adults only, BYO food, Drinks available at bar prices

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW IN TERM 2

Crazy Hair Day

Week 5 - Wednesday 20th of May

The Student Voice Team (SVT) are excited about our Crazy Hair Day because we can raise funds for a good cause.

The donations will go to **State School's Relief**. This is a not-for-profit organisation that improves the lives of tens of thousands of disadvantaged Victorian students and their families each year. They believe all children should get a great education. State School's Relief support families who cannot access school uniforms, school equipment, excursions and learning devices.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

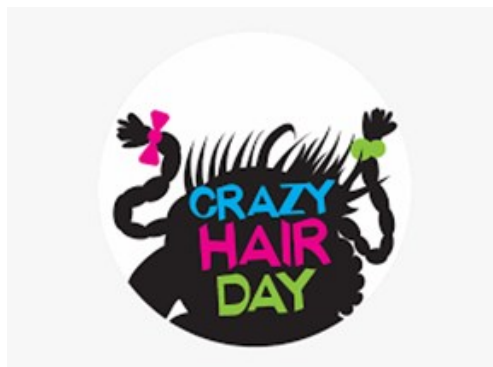
- ⇒ Wear your hair in a 'crazy' style on the day
It could be messy, creative, coloured or just different to usual
- ⇒ Donate \$ on the day

Please be generous and support this organisation with a **donation**.

If every student gave \$2 or more, we would raise over \$1000 and this makes a big difference to families in need.

We appreciate your participation and look forward to seeing all the crazy hairstyles.

From the **Student Voice Team**





EDUCATION WEEK 2026

Showcase your school

In 2026, Victoria will celebrate Education Week from Monday 18 May to Friday 22 May. Education Week is an annual celebration of public education in Victoria. This year's theme is Showcase your school, encouraging school communities to celebrate what's great about their school. Every Victorian school is great in its own unique way, whether it's the people, the place, the learning opportunities or the school community.

We will be celebrating Education Week by participating in a range of activities to celebrate the theme Showcase your school!

We look forward to sharing how we celebrate Education Week with you in our Week 6 Assembly. Learn more about Education Week at

Education Week | [vic.gov.au](https://www.vic.gov.au) #EdWeekVic

<https://www.vic.gov.au/education-week>



Stay well this winter

Influenza (flu) can be serious, especially for children.

Choose to protect yourself and your loved ones with an annual flu vaccine. The earlier you and your family get vaccinated, the better your protection heading into winter.

Keeping our school community well

We encourage parents and carers and students to:

- Wash and sanitise your hands thoroughly and regularly, particularly before and after touching your face
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow
- Stay home if unwell and consult your GP or Nurse-on-Call as needed
- Stay up to date with your flu vaccinations.

Flu vaccinations

Flu vaccination is recommended for everyone aged 6 months and older.

Some people are more at risk of severe illness from flu, especially babies and toddlers. They can get a free vaccination as part of the National Immunisation Program.

You can book a flu vaccine through your GP or pharmacy, or find a flu vaccine near you.

RSV vaccinations for mothers and babies

RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) is a common virus that causes colds and ear infections. In babies, it can cause severe illness like bronchiolitis.

The RSV vaccine is available for pregnant women as part of the National Immunisation Program. In Victoria, eligible babies can also get the RSV vaccine until Wednesday 30 September 2026.

You can speak with your GP or midwife about the vaccine.

Find out more

For more information about staying well this winter, refer to:

- The Better Health Channel – Don't risk the flu campaign, including information about flu and other vaccines. This information is available in different languages
- The Better Health Channel – RSV vaccine for mothers and infants
- The Raising Children Network – influenza, COVID-19, bronchiolitis and helping your child prepare for vaccination.

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Entries are open from
4 May to 10 July 2026

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Showcase your school **EDUCATION WEEK**

18-22 May 2026



Congratulations to our Students of the Week
Grade Prep to Grade 3 - Term 2 , Week 2

Prep A	Liam	For trying his personal best to stretch and read new words.
Prep B	Hannah	For displaying confidence by talking to her teachers about her likes and asking a range of questions. Well done!
Prep C	Rykar	For moving calmly and appropriately during classroom transitions.
Prep D	Mohammad	For always engaging in whole class activities and trying his personal best. Amazing effort.
1A	Oliver	For his growing confidence in reading and demonstrating his understanding through retelling key events. Well done!
1B	Murphy	For demonstrating the school value of learning and personal best by giving all tasks a go and helping others when they need it
1C	Wendy	For using a range of reading strategies to understand the text. Well done!
2A	Violet	Always contributing to class discussions and sharing her ideas. Keep it up!
2B	Henry	For showing his personal best when solving addition problems using the split strategy. Well done, Henry!
2C	John	For always engaging in whole class discussions and sharing his ideas to the class. Well done John!
2D	Sage	For demonstrating the value of learning by applying multiple strategies to solve addition problems. Keep it up!
3A	Sebastian	For being a trustworthy and caring friend to other students, keep it up!
3B	Serayah	For showing the THPS value of Learning by successfully completing subtraction problems using the vertical algorithm. Serayah you have shown persistence and determination throughout numeracy lessons. Keep it up!
3D	Frankie	For being resilient and having a positive mindset settling back in after the Easter holidays. Well done!
3C	Eva	Always demonstrating your Personal Best and challenging yourself in Reading. Well done!

Congratulations to our Students of the Week
Grade 4 to 6 and Specialist - Term 2, Week 2

4B	Castiel	For demonstrating his personal best during numeracy lessons. Keep it up!
4C	Ali Saleh	For progressing to the next level in reading. Well done, Ali!
5A	Seyhan	For contributing meaningful ideas during his reading group and his progression in reading. Keep up the fantastic work, Seyhan!
5B	Alam	For her excellent work effort and for producing quality learning tasks in all areas. Keep up the awesome work!
5C	Luka	For always displaying a positive attitude to learning and demonstrating personal best in all that he does. Keep it up!
5D	Ishika	For demonstrating resilience and consistently striving to do her personal best in numeracy.
6A	Darlene	For having a positive mindset towards her learning and always trying her personal best. Keep up the fantastic work!
6B	Cruz	For demonstrating his fantastic learning when paraphrasing a text and demonstrating his Personal Best within class discussions. Great work!
6C	Jauch	For his amazing work ethic through participation in class discussions, approaching tasks with a positive attitude and striving to achieve his personal best. Great work!
SCIENCE Prep - 3	Lisa 3A	For identifying sources of heat on a walk around the school and then identifying their source of energy
SCIENCE 4 - 6	Chloe 5A	For brainstorming natural and artificial light sources and for drawing ray diagrams to show how we see objects
THE ARTS Prep - 3	Hunter 2C	For his outstanding drumming patterns on the electric drum kit when playing rock 'n roll music!
THE ARTS 4 - 6	Mason 5A	For his wonderful technique of blending colours to create vibrance in art!
PE Prep - 3	Zac PA	For displaying honesty when playing Musical Hoops.
PE 4 - 6	Ryder 4B	For showing his personal best when his group was trying to maintain possession of the soccer ball.
ITALIAN Prep - 3	Manraaz 6B	For displaying a positive attitude to his learning, confidently sharing his Italian knowledge. Bravo!
ITALIAN 4 - 6	Eva 3C	For showing a positive attitude when working during Italian, always willing to have a go. Brava!

Congratulations to our Students of the Week

Grade Prep to Grade 3 - Term 2, Week 3

Prep A	Mila	For always displaying a positive attitude to learning and taking pride in her work. Well done Mila!
Prep B	Kai	For demonstrating his personal best during phonics. Well done!
Prep C	Ciarna	For demonstrating her personal best when undertaking handwriting in Phonics.
Prep D	Abby	For always listening and building positive relationships with her classmates. Well done Abby!
1A	Siana	For the hard work and effort she has put into developing her reading skills. Fantastic work!
1B	Jaxon	For demonstrating the school value of learning by achieving his learning goals in the classroom. Keep it up!
1C	Alessia	For demonstrating a range of decoding strategies to read and understand the text. Well done!
2A	Akenese	For trying her personal best to stretch out the sound when spelling words in Phonics. Keep it up!
2B	Enzo	For showing his personal best when drafting his information report. Well done, Enzo!
2C	Ameera	For always being a helpful classmate and showing kindness to others. Well done!
2D	Remi	For demonstrating her personal best while researching facts for her information report. Well done!
3A	Olivia	For attending school each day during the week to maximise her learning, well done!
3B	Isaac	For demonstrating the value of learning by sharing his thoughts and ideas during whole class instruction. Keep it up, it has been wonderful hearing and watching your confidence grow.
3C	Cale	For demonstrating great creativity to design a sustainable form of transport in Integrated, Well done!

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Grade 4 to 6 and Specialist - Term 2, Week 3

4A	Achan	For demonstrating excellent behaviour at camping, showing great kindness, learning attitude, and collaboration. So proud of you!
4B	Eva	For demonstrating THPS values at camp and being an excellent and positive role model. Keep it up!
4C	Issa	For demonstrating outstanding behaviour at camp, showing teamwork, responsibility, and being a positive role model. Excellent work, Issa!
5A	Justin	For his increased focus during independent tasks, completing the activities in the set time and ensuring he has tried his personal best. Fantastic work!
5B	Zayd	For working hard to achieve his Numeracy goal. Keep up the great work!!
5C	Adesh	For his amazing start to Term 2 and his persistence to demonstrate the value of personal best. Keep it up!
5D	Hailey	For demonstrating a strong can-do attitude toward learning and fully engaging in all learning activities.
6A	Kevin	For always being willing to take on a challenge in the classroom and demonstrating his personal best with his learning. Keep up the awesome work Kevin!
6B	Isaac	For sharing his insightful knowledge with the class about his Information Report on Sharks. Keep up the fantastic effort!
6C	Kanika	For always displaying a positive attitude to learning and demonstrating personal best in all that she does. Keep it up!
SCIENCE Prep - 3	Hassan 3B	For recording predictions, results and conclusions for the 'Heat Transfer Investigation'
SCIENCE 4 - 6	Luka 5C	For providing great answers during discussions light and shadows
THE ARTS Prep - 3	Lisa 3A	For her wonderful knowledge in sharing how to represent the 7 elements of art with her class
THE ARTS 4 - 6	Rhiaan 5A	For his fantastic understanding in representing surrealism, realism and abstract art within an artwork
PE Prep - 3	Savas	For always demonstrating excellent listening skills and carefully following all instructions during Physical Education.
PE 4 - 6	Omar 5B	For always demonstrating his personal best in Physical Education, showing enthusiasm, teamwork and a positive attitude.
ITALIAN Prep - 3	Zarah A 1A	For enthusiastically sharing her knowledge of Italian colours during class. Brava!
ITALIAN 4 - 6	Sarah N 5C	For consistently putting in effort when working during Italian. Brava!