

# Tambo Upper PS

Term 3 - 15/07/2021

## Upcoming Events

- 16th July - Division Winter Sports
- 21st - Lunch Orders DUE
- 22nd - Lunch Order Day
- 23rd - Finance Committee Meeting

## Swimming Schedule P - 2

19th July  
26th July  
2nd August  
9th August

## Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term 3, families and friends! It has been wonderful to walk around the classrooms and see all the students happy and settled back in to school, and already totally engaged with their learning. There are lots of events happening this term including the Grade 5/6 Melbourne Camp, and we are in the process of finalising planning a Grade 3/4 Snow Camp. If you have any snow clothes that we would be able to borrow for this camp, please let me know. Also, please keep an eye out in the Opp Shops for any snow jackets that are sized between a child's 9 – 14.

### Pre-Prep Program

Our lovely Rainbow Room students return this Friday. If you know of a 2022 prep student thinking about enrolling at Tambo, please invite them to come along and try out our programs.

### No After School Care

On Friday the 20th August, Thursday the 26th of August and Friday the 27th of August, we will be unable to provide After School Care for students as Lisa will be on holidays. The Grade 5/6 camp is also on during that time, so we are unable to restaff the program. Hopefully this is sufficient notice for families to make alternative arrangements – we do apologise for the inconvenience.

## **Stormbirds**

Our bushfire practitioner, Kelly Duncan, will be returning this term to once again deliver the Stormbirds program. This program is designed to support students who may have been impacted emotionally due to drought, bushfire and/or Covid. The program assists students in understanding the various changes and feelings of loss associated with such situations. There is a parent information session that will be held on Wednesday the 21st July. Please read the flyer attached to this newsletter and come along to find out more about the program and see if your child might benefit.

## **Cooking**

Our Kitchen Garden is really beginning to take shape this season. Students have planted winter vegetables and we are eagerly and patiently waiting for our produce to be ready to harvest so that it can be used in the kitchen. Danielle is using the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program that focusses on using fresh home-grown seasonal fruit and vegetables. In the meantime, Danielle is calling out for any home grown produce that families may have excessive amounts of from their veg patches (or those of the neighbours, friends or families!), including fruit and citrus.

## **Lunch Orders**

Lunch order forms are coming home today and will be due in by next Wednesday at the latest. I have spoken to Trudi from the Blue Bee and she would very much appreciate us to tighten up the payments this term. Trudi is requesting that siblings have the correct money in each bag for each student, rather than all money from all siblings in one bag. Please ensure that the correct money is in each order bag as the school office does not have change. There are two easy ways to pay for orders. You can hand your order in to the Blue Bee in person and pay by EFTPOS in store before it is due on the Wednesday, or hand the envelope in to the school office with the correct money.

## **Book Week and Grandparents/Special Persons Day**

This year the theme for Book Week is 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds', and we will be inviting Grandparents and Special Friends to school on the 21st of August. This is also the date of our Dress Up day, so start thinking about your story character costumes!

## **Parent/Teacher Meetings**

We have rescheduled our Parent/Teacher Meetings from Week 3 of this Term to Week 8, to be held on Tuesday 31st August, and Wednesday 1st September. If you wish to make a time to see your child's teacher before this time, please do not hesitate to make an appointment. We will let you know through the XUNO app when bookings will be open.

We wish Marlee and Joe all the very best in the TUBBS Tee Ball Team as they compete in the Division winter Sports this Friday! We also have a Purple Room student heading to Lardiner Park in Warragul to compete in the District Cross Country competition. The next level is State – good luck!

## STORMBIRDS INVITATION TO PARENTS/CARERS



**stormbirds**  
Growing through natural disaster

### Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Because of drought/ bushfires/ COVID/ floods, we have all experienced various change and loss issues. Some of our students we feel would benefit from participating in the small group program called *Stormbirds: Growing through natural disaster*. This program was successfully implemented in Victoria following the 2009 Black Saturday bushfires. It was developed by Good Grief Ltd, an Australian organisation that has had long experience in grief and loss education, particularly through their *Seasons for Growth* program which is used extensively throughout Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

The *Stormbirds* small group program of 4 sessions of (50-60 minutes) aims to support children

- Manage the personal impact of the changes they have experienced
- Understand that their reactions are normal
- To “take charge” of their attitudes, feelings and behaviours
- Develop skills for coping, problem solving and decision making
- Build their support network with families, friends, teachers and others

Resilience building and strengthening supportive relationships are vital aspects of recovering from such large-scale change events as natural disasters and the challenges that have had to be faced in their wake.

***Stormbirds: Growing through natural disaster* will commence on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July** and will be facilitated by Kelly Duncan – Bushfire Recovery Practitioner and Kate Brown – Chaplain.

If you think your son or daughter would benefit from participating, we would encourage you to talk to him/her about this. Should he/she decide to participate, please fill in the tear-off section below and return to the school by **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. There is a parent Info session on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at Tambo Upper PS at 9.15am** that we would encourage you to attend. Morning Tea will be supplied ☺ If you would like further information about the program please contact Kelly Duncan on 51 988 310.

Tambo Upper PS is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

Carly Miller

### Consent form

I give consent for my son/daughter, Name .....  
To attend *Stormbirds* Growing through natural disaster program. I have discussed this with him/her.

Parent/Guardian Name.....Signature.....

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## Tambo Upper Primary School Strategic Goals

Improve Literacy and Numeracy  
for all students.

Develop self-motivated,  
responsible and curious learners.

Students will have the capacity  
and confidence to successfully  
interact with peers and the  
community.

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

Students who have been recognised for demonstrating the  
behaviours that represent the school values are:

Yellow

Brock  
Max R  
Matilda  
Arlo T

Blue

Harmony  
Jake  
Violet  
Ashlie

Red

Jesse  
Connor  
Max  
Zoe

Orange

Florence  
Iylah  
Matilda  
Tamenga

Purple

Chase B  
Cooper  
Tasmyn  
Harry

### School Council

Sharon Mehlert (President), Dave Butler (Vice President), Matt Roberts (Treasurer), Carly Miller, Jim Peachey, Sharon Gilbert, Eric Cerda, Jo Prior, Mellissa Baker, Tiana Felmingham (Secretary), Bec Campbell, Dee Gosow and Tyson Murphy