## Tambo Upper PS







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

Term 1 - 02/02/2024

### Principal's Report

#### **Welcome Back**

Welcome back to our families, students and staff to the 2024 school year, it's great to see everybody back looking healthy and well, and full of excitement after the holidays. The students have made an excellent start learning about their new classroom routines and unpacking the behaviour expectations. This Year Mrs Carson is teaching Prep, Mrs Blake is teaching 1/2, Mr Cerda is teaching 2/3/4, Mrs Gould is teaching 4/5 and Ms Kennedy is teaching 5/6. Mel will be supporting Prep to 2 classes, Riveena supporting the 2/3/4 class and Megan will be supporting the 4/5 and 5/6 classes. We also have Mr Gould teaching PE on Friday, Mrs Murrell teaching Art on Monday and Mrs Tripp teaching Language and Culture on Tuesday and Thursday. This year we are also running, for the first time, Science and Technology which will be led by Mr Cerda and will occur on a Friday.

#### Parent Meet and Greet Thursday 8th February

We are very much looking forward to hosting the Parent Meet and Greet this coming Thursday from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The structure for this evening will look a little different compared to previous years. From 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm we encourage you to go into your child's class to touch base with their teacher who will have some information on hand about the teaching and learning program for your child for the remainder of the 1st Semester. You will also have the opportunity to ask any clarifying questions. Following the class visit we are also inviting all families to stay for a picnic until 7:00 pm, giving everyone the chance to catch up and to also mingle with our new families. This is a BYO picnic, so bring along your blanket, chairs, and food and beverage supplies.

#### Welcome to our little Prep Champs

What an exciting week for our new preps who have experienced a huge first week of school and have done an amazing job settling into school life at Tambo. This is our first year in a while that we have a straight grade Prep, so no doubt Mrs Carson will have her hands full. Well done also to our first time Prep mums and dads who navigated an emotional rollercoaster ride dropping their child off to school for the very first time.

#### **Rainbow Room Commences**

Our pre prep program is up and running today and will continue to be held every Friday. This year we have Mrs Murrell leading the program. The Rainbow Room program is designed to give pre school aged children the opportunity to transition into school life at Tambo. This is a played based literacy and numeracy program that introduces children into school routines and also gives them a taste of our visual arts, sports and cooking programs. Please touch base with me or Mrs Murrell for further details.

#### **School Assemblies**

Our school assemblies are always a fun and exciting time to celebrate student achievements each week.

Assemblies this year will be held on Thursday afternoons straight after lunch at 2:20 pm. We welcome parents/ guardians and friends to join us each week.

Principal, Mark Chandler.







Join us to meet our teachers and learn about your child's upcoming year. Teachers will be in your child's classroom from 5:00pm to 5:30pm to share information and answer questions. Following will be a BYO picnic near the hall for families and children to catch up.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY

5-7 PM

# Art News

Beginning of Term 1 2024

Welcome to the Art Room for 2024!

Art this year will be on a Monday again this year – what a great way for our students to start their week!

We will be starting our year by completing artworks inspired by Australian artist Pete Cromer and/or First Nations artist Bronwyn Bancroft. All rooms will also be working on collaborative 'Front Fence Fish'. We will hopefully have these collaborative artworks hanging on our front fence by next term.

Folios: As with last year students will each have a folio where their completed 2D Art pieces will be placed. Their work will remain at school until the end of the year. Students will then be able to take their artwork home to share with you.

Smocks: The Art Room can be a messy place! Students will continue to be required to wear smocks at times in the Art Room – especially when we are doing painting, ceramics or printing. If your student is in Yellow Room this year, it would be wonderful if you could send in an old shirt – button-up shirts are great or even an older t-shirt that is a bit big for them. These smocks will remain in the Art Room for the duration of the year, and I will wash them as necessary.

Donations: The Art Room would love the following items donated if you have some spare at home: newspapers, assorted patterned paper (the type used for scrapbooking that students can use for collage) and paper craft items such as paper crimpers or paper punches and empty Bega peanut butter jars – the plastic 780 g jars. If

you have any empty ones please send them along to school. Thank you.

If you think you have something at home that the Art room could use throughout the you think you have something at home that the Art room could use throughout the

I am looking forward to another year of being creative with the students at Tambo Upper PS.

Please contact me via the school office if you have any questions or concerns.

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