Tambo Upper PS

NEWSLETTER: 20/3/2026

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.

Important Dates- March

Fri 20th - Cross Country @ Buchan- Whole School
Tues 24th - School Council meeting @ 6:00pm
Thurs 26th - Orange and Purple Rm Buchan excursion

Important Dates- April

Thurs 2nd - Easter Raffle draw @ 9:00am
Thurs 2nd - Last day Term 1- 2:15pm finish
Mon 20th - First Day Term 2

Principal's Report

Industrial Action- Stop Work Strike

Victoria's public school teachers will be participating in a planned stop work action on Tuesday 24 March as part of ongoing negotiations with the Department. While some staff across the state will be attending the stop work meeting, Tambo Upper Primary School will remain fully operational, with no staff participating in the strike, and our teaching and learning program will continue with no disruption for students. We appreciate the professionalism of our staff in ensuring that student learning remains a priority, with appropriate supervision and engaging learning activities in place. We also acknowledge and value the broader intent of advocating for improved working conditions for all staff across Victorian schools, recognising the important role this plays in supporting quality education. Our focus remains on providing a safe, supportive and engaging environment for all students. Thank you to our families for your understanding and continued support of our school community.

Easter Raffle

Our annual Easter Raffle is just around the corner and this continues to be a fantastic fundraiser for our school community. Thank you to the families who have already begun sending in donations – it's great to see the prizes starting to roll in. We still require many more items to help make the raffle a success, so if you are able to contribute Easter-themed goods or prizes, please send them to the school office as soon as possible. Raffle tickets came home with students this week and are $2 per ticket or 3 for $5. We encourage families to support the raffle where possible and return tickets promptly. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 2nd April at 9:15am. Thank you for your continued support of this important school fundraiser.

Parking for pick up and drop off

We kindly ask families to please avoid completing pick up and drop off beyond the school hall in the driveway area. When vehicles travel further up the driveway, it creates congestion, limits available parking for staff and increases potential health and safety risks. As a reminder, the designated pick up and drop off point is at the front of the school and using the driveway parking up to the hall.Your support in following this process helps us maintain a safe, calm and well-organised environment for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

District Cross Country event at Buchan Reserve

We were looking forward to our Interschool District Cross Country event at Buchan Reserve on Friday 20th March, and it certainly proved to be a hugely successful day for our school community. Students travelled together by bus and represented Tambo Upper PS with great pride, enthusiasm and determination. The event promoted perseverance, sportsmanship, with students encouraging one another and giving their very best effort. It was wonderful to see so many parents and guardians in attendance, cheering on our runners and contributing to the positive atmosphere of the day. Your support makes these events even more special for our students. Congratulations to all participants, and a special mention to the many runners who have qualified for the Regional Finals at Nagle College next term. We wish them the very best as they represent our school at the next level.

Newsletter Maths Activity

We are excited to introduce a fortnightly Maths Activity in our school newsletter to support families in developing their child's numeracy skills at home. Each newsletter, a simple and practical number-based activity will be shared, using everyday situations such as shopping, cooking, travel and games. These activities are designed to be quick, engaging and easy to implement, helping children see that maths is all around them. Building strong numeracy skills is essential for your child's confidence, problem-solving ability and success across all areas of learning. We encourage all families to take part, adapt the activities to suit your child's level, and most importantly—enjoy the experience together. Learning through play and real-life contexts makes maths meaningful, builds positive attitudes, and strengthens the connection between home and school learning.

Supermarket Maths

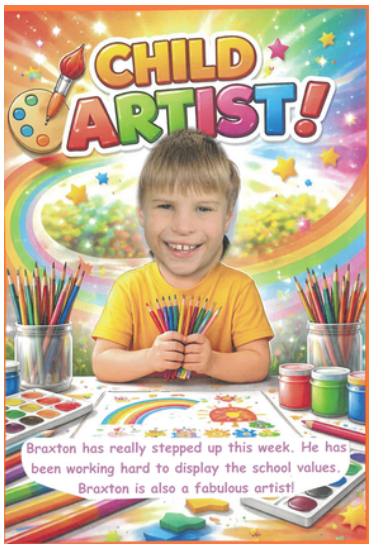
Game: While shopping, ask your child to estimate the total cost of 3–5 items, then compare with the receipt.
Why it helps: Builds number sense, estimation and mental addition skills, helping children understand money, practise rounding and connect maths to real-life financial decisions.

TUPS- Targeting Unique Personal Strengths

School Values- Be Respectful, Be a Learner, Be Responsible

School Council Members: Office Bearers- President-Paul Andrews, Vice President & Treasurer- Simon Murrell. Parent Members: Lucy Thomas, Jack Larkins, Mark Burnett, Sam Prazza, Deb Long, Claire Ricardo and Sam Steenholt. DET Members: Erica Blake and Mark Chandler

Golden Frame Award Winners



Rowan has been working so hard on his narrative writing and has been giving it his best every writing session. Well done on your resilience, perseverance and grit! Your writing has improved due to your dedication!

for his excellent work in history and making great connections! Van has been super focused on all his learning and ensuring he gives 100% to every task! Well done Van!!

for his awesome use of WOW words in his Writing and for always providing lots of interesting facts in his Reading Group. Well done Floyd!!

Maeve is a wonderful learner who shines brightly in our classroom. She is kind, curious, and confident, always trying her best and showing great determination.

Hazel has settled into life at Tambo Upper Primary School so well! She always tries her best and is polite and kind to everyone! Thanks for joining us, Hazel!