



Trevallyn Primary School

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 12 December

Grade 6 Presentation Evening

Wednesday 13 December

Reports go home with students

Thursday 14 December

Prep Excursion to Riverbend/Bunnings

Friday 15 December

Grade 6 Paver Laying

Monday 18 December

Grade 5-6 Gorge Excursion

Tuesday 19 December

Meet the 2024 Teachers

School Association Christmas on the Hill

Thursday 21 December

Last day for students

TERM DATES 2023

Term 4

Monday 16 October to Thursday 21 December

TERM DATES 2024

Term 1

Thursday 8 February to Friday 12 April

Easter

Friday 29 March to Tuesday 2 April

Student Free Day

Wednesday 28 February

Term 2

Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July

Student Free Day

Friday 7 June

Term 3

Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September

Term 4

Monday 14 October to Thursday 19 December

Student Free Day

Friday 1 November

TOPICS 18

8 DECEMBER 2023



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

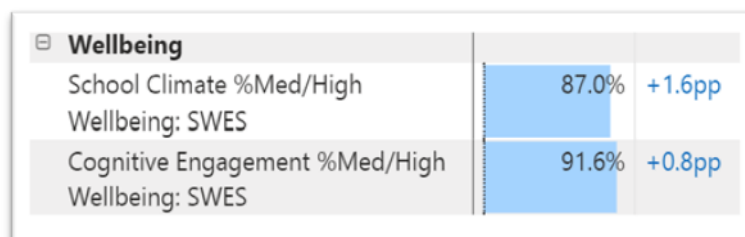
How did we go?

As we celebrate all things great about Trevallyn, such as Be Brave and Shave and our 2024 Student Leadership speeches this week, it is important to share some of our big data results with you.

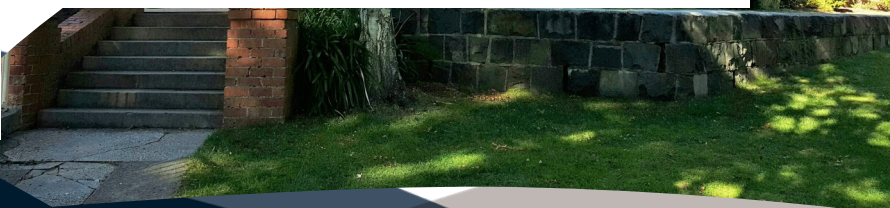
Over the past 3 years we have been focused on improving student engagement and student growth through:

- developing Inquiry teaching and learning practices in every classroom
- creating a learning environment using current positive psychology research and practice
- knowing where all our learners are at and determining a year's growth

Our results are in! Our aim is that every child at Trevallyn is connected to learning; we want them to have a sense of belonging and a strong voice. The 2023 Student Wellbeing data demonstrated our best improvements in Cognitive Engagement and School Climate (wellbeing).



Making gains in these areas is a fantastic result. Our next steps are to continue to focus on developing our work on regulation for learning, and connecting our students to the tools and resources they need to be ready for learning and able to take on any learning challenges with confidence. We will continue to focus on Learner Agency through developing our students' understanding of their role in learning through student voice, their interests and their ability to set goals for learning.

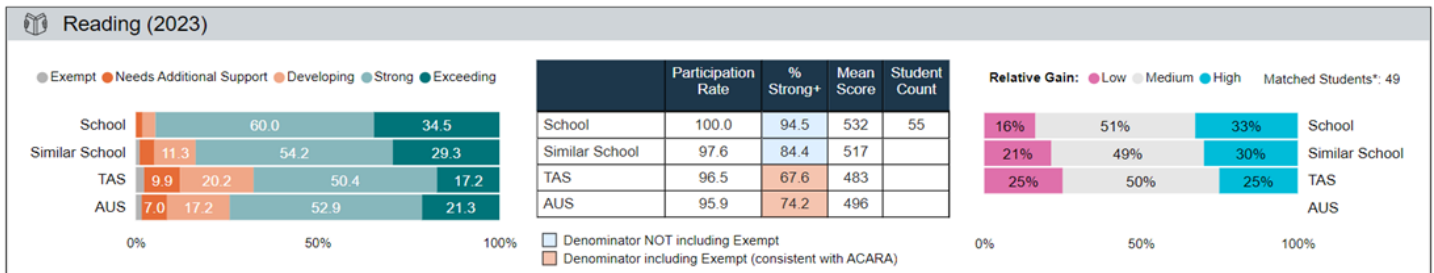


FROM THE PRINCIPAL..

How does this translate to better outcomes for our students?

We want our students to be confident and capable learners who understand where they are at and what their next steps are to improve learning. We want to be able to show they are learning at least a year (if not more) for every year they are at Trevallyn.

In 2023, Trevallyn has shown growth across our focus area of Reading. As you can see in the Year 5 results, we have outstanding results with 94.5% of our students achieving Strong and Exceeding (At and Above). The area we are most interested in are the results in relative gain. Are our students growing at least (if not more) than a year? These results suggest that we are, with 84% of our students making medium to high gains! This is a remarkable result and something to be very, very proud of.



We are interested in our impact on student learning. Through our collaborative planning (PLTs) our teachers have been looking at a new assessment for reading (PROBE). This initial work has shown that we need to be introducing higher order comprehension strategies, understanding language features of texts and deepening vocabulary across the school.

From these results we also know that we have very good readers. Our next steps for improvement will focus on taking our “good readers” to being “GREAT writers”. Reading will play an important role in developing great writers and communicators across the school.

Let’s talk about the 2023 Satisfaction Survey:

You told us our best improvements over two years are:

- Staff at this school provide ideas to help me support my child’s literacy and numeracy at home.
- Student behaviour is well managed at this school.
- My child’s learning needs are being met at this school.
- Families have the opportunity to participate in decisions about their children’s education.
- I feel like I am a part of my school community.

Participation	
Parents:	Staff:
2021 – 62	2021 – 16
2022 – 125	2022 – 25
2023 – 113	2023 – 22

You told us these are the areas we can continue to improve on:

- Continue to engage with diversity and provide opportunities to celebrate diverse backgrounds.
- Staff encourage me to engage in literacy and numeracy activities.
- Continue to seek families’ feedback to inform decision making.

Our staff told us our best improvements over two years are:

- I receive useful feedback about my work.
- Staff are well supported at this school.
- My professional needs are met by the professional development provided at this school.
- Families at this school can talk to teachers about their concerns at this school.
- I have appropriate opportunities to be involved in decision-making about this school.

They told us these are the areas we can continue to improve on:

- To continue to encourage staff to pursue professional development.
- Focus on how all students’ learning needs are met.
- Continue to develop the structures and processes to support learning.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL..

That's A LOT of Data talk!!!

I wanted to share with you just how amazing Trevallyn Primary School educators are. These results are truly outstanding, and the result of a staff who are committed to ensuring your children have the best educational experiences possible. Next year we are focusing on embedding Learner Agency. You will see lots of information about Inquiry, lots of information about “good” readers to “GREAT” writers and lots of information about regulation and positive psychology. We are not only on the “right” track, we are achieving beyond our wildest dreams.

What can you do to support? Honestly... just appreciate every single educator at our school. Know that it is not one teacher or one thing that supports your child's learning experiences at Trevallyn. It is all of us. Send your child's teacher a message and thank them for all the work they have done to enable your child to have such a positive experience in their learning.

We are just like you, we know we don't get everything right, but boy we are getting a lot right and we are showcasing the best in education.

“Thanks” is all we need!

At this time of year, we know you are thinking of ways to show your child's educators appreciation. Please remember “thanks” is all we need. If gift giving is something you feel strongly about, then we would greatly appreciate very small gifts only. A picture drawn or a card written by your child, or a homemade item are often our most treasured gifts. As Department for Education, Children and Young People employees, it is inappropriate that we accept substantial tokens of appreciation.

We thank you for lovely year and have enjoyed working with you and your children.

Our community is so special and represents the true essence of “it takes a village”. Don't forget a “how are you?”, “it's great to see you” goes a long way.

Take care and thanks, Trevallyn!



Louise Corrigan

Principal

Trevallyn Primary

GRADE 3 - 6 CLASS AWARDS - WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2023

3-4A Flynn M, Zoe T, Maggie G

3-4BF Edith M, Lachlan P

3-4JF Max B, Edith G

3-4R Ellie A, Lily H, Archie B, Maeve L

3-4RF Mabel S, Eve W, Cloe M, Lily M, Layla B, Hazel M

5-6F Isla M, Max L, Jude C, Dylan W, Seth K

5-6H Blake M, Rosa B, Louie A, Gus P

5-6M Cooper A, Jacob H, Archie W, Michelle K

5-6PB Billy B, Milly B, Felicity M, Archie M

5-6P Amy G, Milla B, Griff W

Congratulations to all these students.

GRADE 6 EXCURSION TO HOLLYBANK



GRADE 6 EXCURSION TO HOLLYBANK CONT...



CHRISTMAS ON THE HILL VOLUNTEERING

Many hands make light work! Please sign up to supporting the School Association with the running of Christmas on the Hill. If every family signs up for one half hour slot, we will have more than enough volunteers on the night. Thank you all in advance.

Time:	Set up/ Pack up	Ticketing/ gate	BBQ Serving	First Aid	Rubbish Bins
1:00pm –					
4:00pm –					
4:30pm –					
5:00pm –					
5:30pm –					
6:00pm –					
6:30pm –					
7:00pm –					
7:30pm –					

Cut and past the timetable, add your name to a task and send back to the School Association tps.association@outlook.com.au. OR cut off the bottom of the page and hand back to the Front Office as soon as possible.

HELLO FROM YOUR SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The School Association held its final meeting of the year on Thursday 30 November. We have had a busy year including:

- Events – Movie Night, Dance Party, Mother's & Father's Day Stall, Referendum BBQ
- Dad's Group Events – Barefoot Bowls, Bonfire Night, Gorge Walk & Talk
- Improving our governance and procedures
- Assisting the school with the School Master Plan
- Providing financial assistance to the school and student led activities such as the Bookworm Buddies

But we aren't done yet! Next up is the "Christmas on the Hill" event on Tuesday 19 December (see the attached flyer). Each class will be performing so make sure you purchase your tickets and join in the fun.

We would like to take this time to thank Ms Corrigan, Mrs Stenton, Miss Birtwhistle and all the staff who have supported our activities and ideas during the year. We appreciate all that you do for the school and your passion and dedication to making Trevallyn Primary a great place to learn.

We would also like to thank the student leaders – you have done a fantastic job and we have appreciated you coming to our meetings, keeping us updated about what is important to the students and asking for our help where needed. We hope you enjoy the end of year celebrations and we wish you all the best for High School. We are sure you will shine as brightly there as you do at Trevallyn Primary.

If you would like to make contact with us, attend meetings or offer to volunteer at an event we would love to hear from you at tps.association@outlook.com.au

Merry Christmas!

GRADE 1-2 EXCURSION TO KIM ROE "THE GOLDEN TICKET" PANTOMIME

On Tuesday 5 December students in Grade 1-2 attended the 33rd Kim Roe Christmas pantomime. "The Golden Ticket" is an adaption of Roald DAHL'S famous story of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and included a special emphasis on technology and life that we associate with our world today. We loved all the costumes and songs and especially the audience participation.

After the pantomime we walked to the City Park and enjoyed a sausage in bread, kindly cooked up by our parent helpers. It was an enjoyable day for everyone including our wonderful parent volunteers.



QVMAG AND RIVERBEND EXCURSION

On Wednesday 22 November, Grade 5 students went on an excursion. They walked to Riverbend Park for lunch and activities before continuing to the Queen Victoria Museum at Inveresk to experience a variety of exhibitions and complete a scavenger challenge connected to recent inquiry-based learning. This included the brand-new exhibition *Illuminate: How Science Comes to Light*. It was great to have an opportunity to experience concepts explored in class through this interactive exhibition.





TREVALLYN PRIMARY SCHOOL
& SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Christmas on the Hill

BBQ • Food Vans • BYO Picnic • Trevallyn Cricket Club Bar

Celebrate the festive season and end of school year with an evening of songs, food and fun on the Trevallyn Oval

- 4.30 - 6pm Trevallyn Primary School Students
Including Dance Fever and Esk Band
- 6.30pm Santa Visit and Raffle Draw
- 6.30 - 8pm Christmas Dance Party with DJ Dan

Tuesday 19 December

Tickets: \$10 Family or \$6 Single via QKR





Christmas on the Hill

Music

Trevallyn Primary School students have been hard at work on some amazing Christmas songs for us. They will be followed by Esk Band and Dance Fever, and a Christmas dance party with DJ Dan.

Food

Bring a blanket and stretch out on the grass while you enjoy the performances. A BBQ will be available, along with Little Devil Donuts, or you can bring your own picnic to enjoy. The Cricket Club bar will also be open for adults.

Raffle

The School Association is holding a raffle and there are some great prizes on offer. All proceeds go to supporting our students and the school. Tickets can be purchased through the QKR app or on the night for \$2 each or three for \$5.

Santa

Santa will be visiting from 6.30pm and will help us draw the raffle. Following this he will be available to meet your family and have photos.

Get Festive!

Get in the festive spirit and come dressed in your best Christmas outfit!

Parking

Parking will be limited. If you live nearby, we suggest walking to the event.



Raffle

Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5 and can be purchased through the QKR app or at the event. All proceeds go toward supporting our students and school.

Prize	Value	Donated By
2 Adult Cruise Tickets	\$310	Pennicott Wilderness Journeys
Games Pack	\$220	Little Wishes Toys and Games
Trevallyn Grocer Voucher	\$200	Shelley Spencer, Harcourts
Gift Pack	\$140	Trevallyn News and Post
Toys Pack - Jurassic World	\$135	Toyworld Launceston
Family Pass	\$112	Beta Park
Paint and Sip Sessions	\$100	Paint the Town Red
Family Gorge Cruise	\$99	Tamar River Cruises
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Cheesecake and Savouries	\$90	Valley Bakehouse
Lawrence Mooney Double Pass	\$70	Stewart Bell - Fresh Comedy
Wine and Chocolate Hamper	\$65	Newton and Henry
T-shirt, Cap and Beer	\$50	Morrison Brewery
Voucher - Golden Brumby	\$25	Susi Cai, Golden Brumby
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Thank you to our amazing community and businesses for their generous support!



ESK BAND END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE

On November 30, the City Park was filled with the harmonious melodies of our very own Esk Band. It was a day of music, joy, and celebration as our talented students showcased their musical prowess.

The band played a variety of pieces, demonstrating their versatility and skill. The audience was captivated by the rhythm and harmony, and the applause that followed each performance was a testament to the band's talent.

It was heartwarming to see our students continue their musical journey. Each note they played echoed their dedication and passion for music. Their performance was a reflection of their hard work and the countless hours they have spent practicing.

The Esk Band's performance at City Park was not just a concert; it was a celebration of music and the talent of our students. It was a proud moment for our school and a delightful experience for all who attended.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Esk Band players for their outstanding performance. We are incredibly proud of what they have achieved and look forward to their future performances.

Let's continue to support and encourage our students in their musical journey. After all, music is a universal language that brings us all together. Here's to more music and joy in the future!

Both of our Esk Bands (Beginning and Returning Players) will be performing in the Multipurpose Room on December 12 at 10:15am. This is to give Esk Band Parents the opportunity to hear their children perform.

Yours Musically, Mr Lamb



DANCE FEVER 2023

On Thursday 23 November around 25 grade 5/6 students from TPS performed in Dance Fever 2023. The theme for this year was *Dream Big, Be Grateful, Live Simply* which I think means doing the things that make you happy and appreciating the things you do have in life rather than worrying about the things you don't have. We were lucky enough to do 2 performances including the matinee and the night show. We danced 3 dances in each performance including our contemporary piece, our Rock this Party jazz piece and our fun finale. It was great to finally get to perform these to packed out audiences, including our 5-6 peers, after months of lunch time and some weekend rehearsals. We will miss Dance Fever next year and encourage all of this year's Grade 4s to consider it for 2024.

Ava C and Molly B

On behalf of Dance Fever Participants



3-4 BENDER/FLETCHER ART

In 3-4 Bender Fletcher we have been painting flowers. They make us feel calm, content and proud.



CELEBRATING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Ollie Youngs and Amelia Van Est were both nominated for the Tom Strickland Foundation Scholarship - a soccer scholarship to help develop young players - the winner is chosen after being nominated by their clubs (Amelia by Launceston City, Ollie by Riverside Olympic), and interviewed by a panel consisting of NTJSA Committee members as well as members of the Strickland family. The award is based on players sportsmanship, work ethic, ability to take on advice and their love of the game. There were 7 nominees across all the junior soccer clubs, Ollie was awarded the prize. Congratulations!



NATIVE FLOWER DONATION

We are seeking donations of native flowers for the Grade 6 Celebration Evening on Tuesday 12 December. Donations can be left at the office from Monday 11 December. If you have any skills in flower arrangement please let Miss Birtwhistle know via email alix.birtwhistle@decyp.tas.gov.au



Kinder are seeking donations of school trackpants in sizes 4 or 6!

Please drop any donations at the office.

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