



# TOPICS

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Principal: Mrs Annette Hollingsworth  
Assistant Principal: Mrs Amanda Bird  
Assistant Principal: Ms Jane Hudson

AST: Ms Corinne Leale  
AST: Ms Renae Martin  
AST: Ms Rhona Stevenson  
AST: Mrs Cate Walker

School Business Manager: Mrs Lyn Steel  
School Psychologist: Ms Amy Farrell  
Social Worker: Ms Bethany McDougall  
Speech Pathologist: Mrs Robyn Williams

## TERM DATES - 2017

Term 1	Wednesday 8 February - Thursday 13 April
Easter	Friday 14 April - Tuesday 18 April
Term 2	Monday 1 May - Friday 7 July
Term 3	Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September
Term 4	Monday 16 October - Thursday 21 December

## Student Free Days

Tuesday 7 February Thursday 13 April  
Monday 24 July Friday 3 November

## SCHOOL TIMES

9.00 – 11.00am

Morning session

11.00 – 11.30am

RECESS

11.30 – 12.50pm

Mid-morning session

12.50 – 1.40pm

LUNCH (Students are supervised whilst eating their lunch from 12.50-1.00pm)

1.40 – 3.00pm

Afternoon session

*NB: It would be appreciated if children do not arrive at school prior to 8.30am but we encourage children to be at school by 8.50am for the start of class*

**School Duty of Care is between 8.30am and 3.00pm**

## From The Principal

### Building update

The bulk out is now complete and footings and brickwork have commenced. Piers have been drilled. To date there have not been weather delays. Some wonderful rocks have been unearthed for future landscaping. Full steam ahead!

### Cupcake Day

Cupcake Day was a huge success. We are so appreciative of Phoebe Sutherland's efforts in leading this endeavour, the support from her generous family and the supportive team in 2R and student buddies in 5-6B. \$833.50 was raised by TPS and will be forwarded on to the RSPCA.

### Communicating with TPS

Class Teachers are the first point of call for students and parents when they need assistance in any way. We strongly encourage all parents to build a good working relation with the Class Teacher and keep communication going throughout the year. We also inform and remind students that they are to report any challenges requiring assistance in the playground to the duty teacher and we would appreciate you reinforcing this with your child/children. Before school there are two teachers on duty, at recess and lunch there are five and after school two teachers are outside. When on duty, high visibility vests are worn to assist students requiring support to make easy identification. We certainly encourage students to inform parents/guardians, but after, firstly a Duty Teacher and secondly a Class Teacher.

### School Psychologist

Our School Psychologist, Rebekah Mizzi began maternity leave last week. We wish Rebekah and her husband all the very best with the arrival of her third child.

Next week Amy Farrell will start a Term 3 and 4 assignment with us. Welcome to Amy and all the best as you settle in.

### Wizard of Oz

Today has been a great day of excitement with our children performing in and attending



The Wizard of OZ. What a wonderful production! The feedback was extremely positive. Congratulations to all our students involved for their impressive contribution.

### White Ribbon

This week, in our meeting time after school, staff have supported Department of Education vision for all women to live in safety, free from violence and abuse, by participating in workplace accreditation. Our Department has taken a zero tolerance stance and is driving changes in attitudes underpinning family violence and violence against women. This involvement is a commitment of our staff to further this cause and end violence against women.

**Annette**

## Parent Child Playgroup

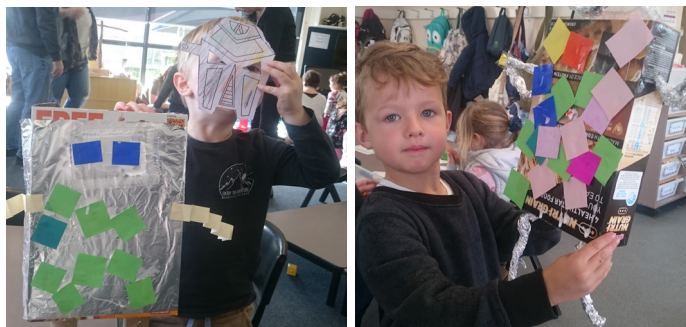
Parent Child (0-4) runs Friday mornings  
9:00 - 10:30am in the Kinder rooms.

### Friday 1 September - Father's Day

All welcome, come and join in!



## Things We have Been Doing At Playgroup



## Singfest 2017 - 27 September

Our school choir will be busy this term as they prepare for Singfest 2017. Tickets for Singfest will be available from the Princess Theatre box office in Brisbane Street from Monday 7 August or by phone using credit card (with a small charge) on 6323 3666. There will be limited door sales on the night, cash only as there is no EFTPOS available. Tickets will be \$10 per person. Concession tickets will be available for children two and under who sit on a parent's lap, or a companion cardholder for anyone in a wheelchair.

The concert will start at 6:30pm on Wednesday 27 September at the Albert Hall and conclude at about 8:00pm. This year we will be performing alongside Norwood Primary School. It will be a wonderful opportunity to meet and work with new people.



## Primary Class Awards - 21 August

3-Claxton	Oliver Howe	Meadow Hunt
3-de Boer	Teacher Absent	
3/4-Radosavljevic	Tom Scambler	Shona Ower
4-Brandsen	Charlie Hulse	Briely Martin-Shepherd
4-Partridge	Cooper Gleeson	Liam Bate
5-Johnston/Hudson	Sasha Anglesey	Natasha Williams
5-Petrohilos/Leale	Jasmine Cai	Madie Faulkner
5/6-Brown	Whole Class	
6-Price	Tess Hume	Tori Davis
6-Stevenson/Johnson	Riley McLean	Kayley Penaud

**Congratulations to all the students above.**

## 5/6 Sport - Friday 1 September

Football	vs West Launceston at Trevallyn with Ms Hudson
Soccer	vs West Launceston at West Launceston with Mr Johnson
Netball	vs Summerdale at Summerdale with Mrs Price
Hockey	vs Riverside at St Leonards with Ms Stevenson
Kingball	bye with Mrs Petrohilos
Bootcamp	at Trevallyn Oval with Mrs Brown

## Skip-a-thon

The Skip-a-thon is coming. Students will bring home more information and donation forms next week. The skip-a-thon is an initiative of the Students Leaders aiming to increase fitness with our students and raise valuable funds for our school.

## City Park Radio

Our Student Leaders, Ella McArthur, Salvador De Michiel-Burnham, Kara Smith and Sam Ransom, had the opportunity last night to take over the airways at City Park Radio Station for a half hour segment. We used this time to promote our amazing school, talk about initiatives and upcoming events.

## Bullying No Way Project

A group of our Students Leaders and some Grade 4 students have been involved in a Bullying No Way project. A grant to fund teaching and learning resources was secured. Thank you to our amazing parents Bec Reedman and Angela Shipp who are working with the students.

To date:

- Grade 6 Leaders have developed scenarios.
- Five scenarios have been recreated – playground, classroom, cyber, bus, cross country/sporting events – with photograph sequences taken.
- There has been a focus on being better bystanders.
- Students will be involved in the editing process and final productions.

## TPS School Yearbook

This year we will be taking pre orders for the 2017 Yearbook. The price will be \$25 per book. Please pay at office to place your order.

# 4 BRANSDEN

We have been very busy so far this year. We have been on an excursion to the Mole Creek Caves, started creating our silk screen prints, participated in tree planting day, recording the progress of the new classroom and much, much more!



## Wizard of Oz

This week, 25 of our Trevallyn Primary students across Grades 2-4 are performing in Newstead College's The Wizard of Oz production.

We have students in the Wednesday school performance, the Saturday Matinee and Saturday Evening performances.

We wish them all the best. The classes watching on Wednesday enjoyed the production greatly.



## TPS School Yearbook

The Trevallyn Primary School Yearbook is a high quality, full colour magazine which is professionally published by Master School Portraits.

Each year we offer local businesses the opportunity to advertise in our school yearbook and continually receive positive feedback from these business owners.

Your business can reach an extensive target audience for as little as \$110 a half page and \$165 for an A4, gloss, full colour page - these costs are inclusive of GST.

Our school Yearbook is a keepsake for all families and will include: class pages, sporting moments, student's contributions, music and art achievements and much, much more.

If you are interested in advertising your business in our school yearbook please contact Ms Jane Hudson on 63319657 or [jane.r.hudson@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:jane.r.hudson@education.tas.gov.au) by Friday 29 September for a booking or any further information.

## The Environment Matters

I feel very strongly about caring for our environment and ensuring we maintain our beautiful environmental sights. I also know that these trees are keeping us alive, so we should keep them alive and healthy for our Australian animals and us.

My first vital point is that scientists proved many, many years ago that trees provide oxygen for us, which is keeping us alive. Without these trees we would be just like the dinosaurs. Extinct! So really, this is a life or death situation. Be very careful how you treat our trees or you will have to make a decision between life and death. Furthermore it would be completely outrageous for you to pick to kill our trees and eventually kill us. Think about this long and hard. Are you really willing to kill billions of people and millions more innocent animals?

My next crucial point is to do with Australia and its wealth. First let's note that every year, Australia has 37.7 million people coming here from other countries as tourists and about 9 million of those are coming to see our great environmental sights. Do you know how much money Australia is getting from tourists going to national parks and reserves? No, you probably don't, so let me tell you now that each year, about a quarter of the money Australia is making is from national parks, reserves and environmental sights.

## Maths Relay

On Sunday 20 August, eight students from the Maths Olympiad program participated in the annual Mathematics Association of Tasmania Maths Relay at Scotch Oakburn College.

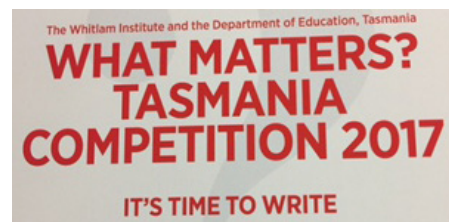
The students did an amazing job and demonstrated persistence and determination throughout the challenging relay.



## What Matters - Writing Competition

Congratulations to the following Grade 6 students for their entries in the 'What Matters?' writing competition at the end of Term 1.

Jared Matson  
Kara Smith  
Willem de Wit  
Keira Richardson  
Miranda Gregory  
Poppy Jacobson  
Sam Geoghegan  
Arwen Koesmapahlawan  
Evelyn Keddie Gray  
Ellie Shearer  
Kuba Meikle  
Lauren Walsh.



Below is Lauren Walsh's entry to the competition.

My last critical reason why the environment is so important is for the Australian animals and their habitats. Meaning, like I stated in my first paragraph, are you really willing to kill animals for no worthy reason? Or perhaps you just can't be bothered to maintain their habitat. For example, there are orangutans in Indonesia that are nearly extinct because people are using their homes as palm tree plantations. Would you like it if someone came to your home and started growing trees? No!!

To conclude my argument I would, once again, like to state that the least we could do for the trees keeping us alive, is not to kill them so they don't kill us. Also, do you really want to give tourists less of a reason to visit our great country? If we start caring for our environment now, they'll continue to go home and tell their friends and family how great it is. Then they will come here and buy souvenirs, book accommodation and go to national parks and reserves. That money helps Australia stay great. So please, remember next time you go to cut down a tree, you are killing trees, animals, yourself and seven billion other people, one tree at a time.

By Lauren Walsh - Grade 6 SJ

## Class Placement and Classes 2018

Trevallyn Primary School is committed to meeting the educational needs of all students. A great deal of thought, planning and time goes into placing children into classes each year. Every effort is made to place each child in a learning environment that is happy, safe, productive and successful.

While in 2018 we will not be taking requests for students to be in particular classes or with specific students or teachers, we are happy to receive information above what the class teacher is currently aware of from parents/guardians relating to their child.

Parents/guardians wishing to forward information are asked to contact the following people by the end of Term 3 (September 29).

Please be mindful that Term 4 and end of year contact re class placement is outside the shared timeframe. These classes refer to 2018.

K-2 Renae Martin – [renae.martin@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:renae.martin@education.tas.gov.au)

(Amanda Bird on Leave at the end of the Term)

Grades 3-6 Jane Hudson – [jane.r.hudson@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:jane.r.hudson@education.tas.gov.au)



## Class Placement Policy

Trevallyn Primary School is committed to meeting the educational needs of all students. A great deal of thought, planning and time goes into placing children into classes each year. Every effort is made to place each child in a learning environment that is happy, safe, productive and successful.

### Factors influencing class structures are:

- The projected number of students in each year level
- The number of teachers employed at the school and available facilities

### Factors which are considered in the placement of students include:

- The educational needs of the students
- Work habits e.g. ability to work independently, within groups
- Behaviour
- Gender
- Social networks
- Students with High and Additional Needs – e.g. required learning adjustments, Teacher Assistant allocations, Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) & Individual Learning Plans (ILPs).

This policy supports the school to organise classes to cater for a range of academic abilities, opportunities for new social connections, work habits and to foster diversity.

Parents are invited, in a defined timeframe, to outline educational requests for class placements. Requests in relation to choice of teacher will not be considered as a placement factor.

### What is the process for placing students into classes?

Based on the criteria listed above, teaching staff will meet early **Term 4** to establish class groupings for the following school year. Teachers of the current year level and school leaders meet with the other year level colleagues to create the class lists. (E.g. Year 2 teachers and school leaders decide Year 3 placements etc.)

Throughout the process, changes and adjustments are made. Each change triggers a chain reaction of other changes. It is acknowledged by all that friendships are important. However, to ensure balanced classes as outlined above, friendship groups are NOT the primary determining factor in class placement. Proposed class lists are submitted to the Leadership Team for final input and endorsement.

2018 enrolment – please keep us informed of any future enrolment information. If you will not be at Trevallyn next year or you know of any families moving in, please let us know. Our staffing is based on student numbers, so this information is crucial for our planning.

You will also see below a copy of our Class Placement Policy outlining the class placement process and the factors teachers take into consideration when organising classes to cater for a range of academic abilities, opportunities for new social connections, work habits and to foster diversity.

This policy has been endorsed by our School Association in 2017.

# TREVALLYN SCHOOL GARDEN SPRING DIG



**FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER**  
**BRING A PLATE TO SHARE** AND YOUR OWN DRINKS  
**5:30PM • 7PM**

Spring is nearly here! To celebrate we would like to invite all our Trevallyn School Garden community to a down to earth get together on Friday, 1st September. There will be some gardening jobs for willing hands, or just come for the company and a relaxed evening with friends. Bring a plate to share, or BYO, or come as you are!

RSVP to Karen Palmer [thepalmers@internode.on.net.au](mailto:thepalmers@internode.on.net.au) , ph. 0407 717 034

### 3C, 3D and 3-4R Excursion to the Art Gallery

Students are researching for our HASS unit in the exhibit photos at the 'First Tasmanians' exhibit and also sketching old landscapes around Tasmania in the main gallery.



### RSPCA Cupcake Day



## Father's Day Breakfast and Stall

The Father's Day Breakfast is on Friday 1 September from 7:30 - 8:45am at Max Fry Hall. Order forms were sent home this week, \$5 per person for either a hot breakfast or crepes and a drink.

Beat the rush and get your tickets from the school office by Thursday 31 August.

This is an opportunity for the children to bring their Dad/ Grandad/Pop/older sibling/s to school and celebrate all things Dad and then visit classrooms!

Normal classes will begin at 9:00am.

We are also looking for donations for our Father's Day Stall, to be held in conjunction with the Father's Day Breakfast.

Donations of items suitable for gifts will be gratefully accepted at the office.

The stall is available for anyone to purchase from and will run until recess. Items up to \$5 will be available.

## Kindergarten 2018

# KINDERGARTEN

Do you live in the Trevallyn area and have a child turning 4 years old this year?

Do you have a friend who has a child who turns 4 years old this year, living in the Trevallyn area?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, then they are old enough to start Kindergarten in 2018.

**We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2018, please see the administration staff in our school office.**

## Trevallyn Primary School Association

Chairperson: Chris Elliott Vice Chairperson: Deb Mitchell Treasurer: Angela Shipp

Correspondence Secretary: Joanne Beswick

Parent Representatives: Brian Wightman Nicole Willcox Phil Gregory Carolyn Saunders Gail Martin

Student Representatives: Ava Gleeson Olly Woodcock-Davis

School & Teacher Representatives: Annette Hollingsworth Jane Hudson Amanda Bird Naomi Brown

## Dates For Your Diary

Friday 25 August	6SJ Excursion to Rugby 7s. UTAS Stadium. 11:30am
Friday 25 August	4B and 4P STEAM Day Excursion to Launceston College
Friday 25 August	North-South Exchange. Various locations in Launceston
Monday 28 August	Prep-2 Assembly. Hosts 2 Alexander. Multipurpose Room. 1:40pm
Thursday 31 August	1-2A Excursion to PCYC. 11:45am
Thursday 31 August	School Association Meeting. Staffroom 7:00pm
Friday 1 September	Father's Day Breakfast. Tickets available at the office. 7:30am - 8:45am
Friday 1 September	Trevallyn School Garden Spring Dig. 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Monday 4 September	3-6 Assembly. Hosts 3 Claxton/3-4 Rado. Multipurpose Room. 1:40pm
Monday 11 September	Prep-2 Assembly. Hosts 1/2 Andrew. Multipurpose Room. 1:40pm
Thursday 21 September	Art Open Evening
Wednesday 27 September	Singfest. Albert Hall from 6:30pm - 8:00pm