



TOPICS

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Principal (Acting): Mrs Rachel Brown
 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 4 Monday 16 October
 - Thursday 21 December

TERM DATES - 2018

Term 1 Wednesday 7 February
 - Thursday 12 April
 Easter Friday 30 March
 - Monday 3 April
 Term 2 Monday 30 April
 - Friday 6 July
 Term 3 Tuesday 24 July
 - Friday 28 September
 Term 4 Monday 15 October
 - Thursday 20 December

Student free days 2018

Tuesday 6 February Friday 13 April
 Monday 23 July Friday 2 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

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Tuesday 8:30-9:30am

Friday 2:30-3:30pm

From The Principal

With this being the last full newsletter for 2017 it is time to recap some of our highlights. At Trevallyn Primary School children have a wide range of opportunities to be involved in, both school and extra curricula activities. We are very proud of the behaviour and presentation of our students who always give their best. I would like to sincerely thank all staff, parents and other volunteers who have given up their time to facilitate these events, programs and achievements including:

- Sporting carnivals and house challenges. We have a hotly contested house competition between Jupiter, Zeus and Odin – who will take out the 2018 shield?!
- ‘The Taste Of Trevallyn’ an amazing event with delicious food and wine, great music and events for adults and children, bringing together the wider community.
- Father’s and Mother’s Day breakfasts, celebrating all who make up our families.
- Celebration of the Arts including the ‘Esk Band Extravaganza’, where almost 40 of our children from Grades 3 – 6 performed to a very high standard, Singfest where our choir sang beautifully and Dance Fever where dedication and practise came to fruition in an excellent performance.
- Our Kitchen Garden, providing wonderful opportunities for students to learn about growing and cooking healthy and nutritious food.
- A myriad of opportunities for our gifted students to shine, Maths Olympiad, Readers Cup, the Write Road, Robotics and the Tasmanian Science Talent Search.
- Fundraising for charities most recently Be Brave and Shave and Cupcake Day both events wonderfully supported by our school community.

These are just some of the extensive number of amazing learning opportunities for students. Our teachers give freely many extra hours to support children’s learning at Trevallyn Primary School and we thank each and every one of them for their dedication and commitment.

We also thank our wonderful School Association who underpin our Parent Community with their hard work, commitment and absolute care for our school.

Our school continues to achieve high whole school literacy and numeracy results and we have many individual children who achieve excellence both academically and on the sporting field. Our representative teams not only perform to a high

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standard but epitomise the values of Trevallyn Primary School.

I would like to acknowledge the highly professional work of all members of our team who strive to assist every student to achieve their very best. Thank you to our teacher assistants, office staff, cleaning and grounds staff, ICT and all other support staff who work together to make Trevallyn Primary the place of excellence that it is.

We farewell students who will not be with us in 2017 and wish you all success and happiness into the future.

We are also farewelling the following families whose direct association with our school concludes as their youngest child heads to high school, these include:

Baldwin-Case, Beausang, Burgess, Cook, Deans, deWit, Gibbons, Gregory, Hume, Jacobson, Kearnes, Keddie Gray, Kershaw, Matson, McLean, Meikle, Millwood, Mitchell, Penaud, Ransom, Redburn, Richardson, Scott, Shearer, Shirley, Sowell, Sturzaker, Tiffin, Tudor, Walsh, Warrener, Williams, Woodcock-Davis and Zehntner families.

Thank you for your outstanding and ongoing support of Trevallyn Primary School.

Classes for 2018

We are fast approaching the time when our students find out which class they are in for 2018. Mostly I am confident responses will be positive, yet it is not surprising that there will be mixed reactions from children and parents. To be direct, these reactions will vary from genuine, to valid, but too late and now difficult to accommodate, to a "first world problem."

This period is stressful for Principals and teachers. We are

blessed to have choices of classes and teachers at TPS, at the same time there are nearly 500 students across the school and at a grade level there are limited options. Students have nominated which friends they want but the children on this list may not nominate that person back. At times, there may be a range of competing factors or conflicting requests, adding to the complexity of the process.

The motivation is always the best interest of the child.

We have asked students to nominate students they would like to work with and are able to work well with in their 2018 class group. Every child has been placed with at least one of the students they nominated.

We cannot choose our colleagues and fellow employees in a work place, we cannot choose our parents, relatives or some people who are part of our lives. We can only choose how we go about managing these relationships and controlling our attitude and response. TPS presents an outstanding opportunity for students to have exposure to a large number of students and to develop a broad friendship group by the end of their primary years here.

This is an invitation that parents need to support their child to take up, and for us, as a school to support students to achieve.

Throughout this process, the Principal, after appropriate consultation, reserves the right to make the final decision regarding the placement of children.

I am sure 2018 will be a great year.

Mrs Rachel Brown



Grade Six Paver Laying 2017

What a wonderful celebration the 2016 Grade Six Leavers and their families had on Sunday.

It was fantastic to see so many students and families enjoying their time together with sports, BBQ and of course the laying of the students pavers which are funded by the School Association. On behalf of the School Association, I would like to say a big thank you to Farrah and Nick Wigg for their time and effort in arranging the paving supplies and their expertise. Thank you also to Jane Hudson for the ongoing coordination of the pavers and help with planning as well as her hard work on the day.

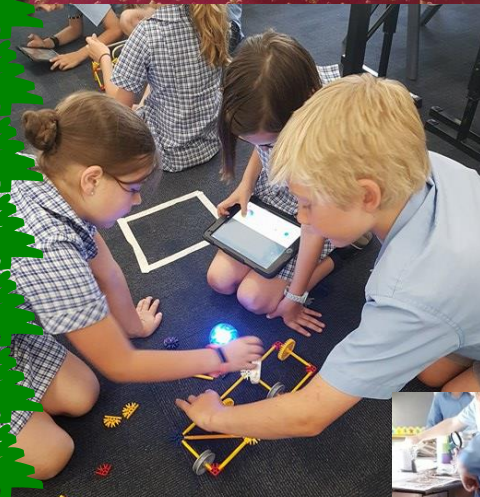
Thank you to Tas Native Landscape and Paving who donated the materials. The pavers look amazing, we hope the students enjoy their last few days at school.

Deb Mitchell on behalf of the School Association



4 Partridge

A glimpse of our busy year! Sphero challenges, science experiments, experiencing virtual reality, foam printing and an excursion to the Mole Creek caves.



State Basketball Championships

Congratulations to our Grade 5/6A Grade team who represented Trevallyn at the State Schools Basketball Tournament on 2 and 3 December.

The girls had very close matches all throughout the competition and played brilliantly as a team. We are extremely proud of your efforts. Well done.



Robotics Expo

Robotics was a very fun and enjoying time. Sometimes it was very stressful because I wasn't really sure how to do the programming. At the competition we lost the first battle because our battery went flat, but we put new batteries in it and we won every battle after that even though our robot was broken it still won. We wouldn't fix it though because if it's already broken what's left to break? We got into the final and Wil and I were so amazed that we got that far, then we won!

Grade 2 Swimming Program

From Monday to Thursday this week, our enthusiastic Grade 2 students embarked on their orientation Swim Water Safety Program in preparation for their first year of the Grade 3-5 program.

Throughout the four days students learnt basic and key swimming skills that will help them get underway perfectly next year. A big thank you to Ms Alexander and Mrs Rodrigues for all of their hard work and also to the parent helpers that gave up their time to assist with the running of the program.

We have some keen and eager swimmers ready for next year.

Well done all,

Mr Johnson

Uniform Shop January 2018

We will be open on the 29, 30, 31 January and 1 February from 9am - 2pm

People can leave orders to be filled and collected. Forms are available at the office.



Pacific School Games

Zane Z represented Tasmania at the recent Pacific Schools Games in Adelaide.






Zane swam out of his skin, achieving personal best times in all of his swims. In the 100 backstroke he slashed 4 seconds off his previous best.





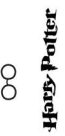
The Pacific School Games provides opportunities for school-aged students to participate in 11 different sports at the highest level. It is the flagship event of School Sport Australia, which provides educational opportunities for Australian and international students through the conducting of games in a range of sports.







Abacus - January 2018 Vacation Care Program

The times listed below are excursions: they indicate when the bus is scheduled to leave Trevellyn Primary School and when the bus is scheduled to return to the school.

Monday 8 th January	Tuesday 9 th January	Wednesday 10 th January	Thursday 11 th January	Friday 12 th January
P C Y C 	Superhero Day 	Spirit of Tasmania and Devonport Bluff 	Mind and Body Day 	Cable Hangliding 
Time to flip out on the trampolines, sink some basketballs and get flexible on the gymnastics mats.	* Masks * Dresses * Games * Face paint * Superhero training * Superhero themed crafts.	Heading down to Devonport to get a tour of the new and improved Spirit of Tasmania. Go behind the scenes, look over the ship and see how it works. <i>(Chn. must be wearing suitable footwear - NO thongs please).</i>	Get stretchy with Germaine and come along for a relaxing day filled with nature inspired experiences.	Today we are heading up the back of Trevellyn to fly off a cliff..... Then we are off to the Hoo Hoo Hut for lunch
9.45-12.15	Trevellyn	Devonport 8.30 - 4.30	Trevellyn	10.30 - 2.30 Trevellyn

Monday 15 th January	Tuesday 16 th January	Wednesday 17 th January	Thursday 18 th January	Friday 19 th January
AFL and Game Heaven 	Beaconsfield Mine and Greens Beach Park 	Pizza and Pasta Day 	Museum and Planetarium 	Harry Potter Day 
Wear your footy Colours and learn Some footy skills With Jack. Also: * group games * team building * treasure hunt * mind games	Let's go back in our own history and play with treasures from our past, pan for some gold and learn about mine rescue. Then we are off for a play at the park.	Today we are going back to basics! Make your own pasta and pizza from scratch and then sit down and enjoy the yummy rewards.	Come explore and experiment at the Museum. Lots of exciting things to see and do. What will you discover!!	We are off to Hogwarts! What House will you be in? Let's make our own wands, mix up some potions and make our very own butterbeer.
Trevellyn	Beaconsfield 9.30-2.30	Trevellyn	Invermay 10.15-12.45	Trevellyn

Monday 22 nd Jan	Tuesday 23 rd Jan	Wednesday 24 th Jan	Thursday 25 th Jan	Friday 26 th Jan
Wet Wet Wet Day 	Tasmazia & the Village of Lower Crackpot. 	Australia Day 	Sport 'n' Skate and Heritage Forest 	Australia Day Holiday 
Bring your own towel, swimmers and a change of clothes because we are going to be getting Wet, Wet, Wet all day long. Enjoy water games, water balloons and of course the sprinkler.	Come with us to explore the model village. Try your luck at venturing through the 8 mazes without getting lost.	Aussie, Aussie, Ausziel! Don your green and gold and experience all things Australian: * Customs * Culture * Cooking, * crafts, * sports and games	Let's have a skate filled day of rolling around on wheels. We are then off for a visit to Heritage Park.	We are closed Today.
Trevellyn	Promised Land 8.45-4.30	Trevellyn	Mowbray 9.45-2.15	Abacus Closed

Monday 29 th Jan	Tuesday 30 th Jan	Wednesday 31 st Jan	Thursday 1 st Feb	Friday 2 nd Feb
Billy Carts 	Techno Day 	Bike Centre 	Mad Hatter Day Tea Party 	Surf Life Saving and Party Day 
Scott will be joining us today and we will be building not 1 but 2 billycarts. Then we will be testing them and perhaps even having some billycart races.	Get your tech on with: * singstar * movie * heads up Make your own technology from box craft	Bikes, scooters, skateboards or skates, time to ride. Don't forget your helmet! BBQ lunch provided.	Come and join the silliness with our Mad Hatter Tea Party. Dress up in costume and make a wacky hat, face paint, make a clay tea cup and enjoy a yummy afternoon tea.	Today we will be joined by Surf Life Saving - Tasmania to learn how to stay safe in the surf. We will finish off the week with a party and let our hair down.
Trevellyn	Trevellyn	South Launceston 11.15-1.45	Trevellyn	Trevellyn

School Yearbook

Pre orders of the Trevallyn Primary School 2017 Yearbook have been sent home with students.

The office has limited copies for sale at \$25.00 each.

Thank you to all involved including the Student Committee, Mrs Ange Shipp and Ms Jane Hudson.



Lost Property



Lost property is overflowing. Please check to see if anything may be yours!

*** Latest Community News ***

See the school noticeboard for more details

* Christmas Eve at The Park - Bain Terrace Park.

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: Rachel Brown (Acting) Jane Hudson Amanda Bird Naomi Brown

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 18 December	Grade 6 Leaver's Dinner. Tailrace Centre, Riverside. 5:30-8:30pm
Monday 18 December	Grade 3/4 End of Year Excursion
Tuesday 19 December	Whole School Assembly. Max Fry Hall. 1:40pm
Tuesday 19 December	Meet the Teacher. Kinder
Wednesday 20 December	Meet the Teacher. Prep - Grade 5
Tuesday 19 December	Kinder Excursion
Thursday 21 December	Final Day for Students

2018

Monday 29 January - Thursday 1 February	Uniform Shop, open 9am - 2pm.
Wednesday 7 February	Students return to school for 2018
Friday 23 March	Taste of Trevallyn 2018