



Trawalla Primary School NEWSLETTER

Respect, Good Choices, High Expectations

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Dates to remember:

FEBRUARY

Mon Feb 9 th to Fri Feb 27 th	Miss Van on leave
Mon Feb 16 th to Fri Feb 20 th	Kate on Long Service Leave
Tue Feb 17 th & Wed Feb 18 th	Miss Cara & Sam - F-6
Wed Feb 18 th	Pyrenees Library Van 1.15pm - 1.45pm
Thu Feb 19 th	Cynthia CRT - F-2 Room
Fri Feb 20 th	Cynthia CRT - 3-6 Room
Mon Feb 23 rd & Tue Feb 24 th	Cynthia CRT - F-2 Room
Tue Feb 24 th	School Council 7pm
Wed Feb 25 th	Cluster video workshop morning F-6
Thu Feb 26 th	Cluster Day at Moonambel (filming day)
Fri Feb 27 th	MARC Van 9.30am - 2pm

MARCH

Mon Mar 2 nd	Cluster Day at Moonambel
Wed Mar 4 th to Fri Mar 6 th	Year 3-6 camp at Warnambool
Wed Mar 4 th	Pyrenees Library Van 1.15pm - 1.45pm
Mon Mar 9 th	Labour Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Wed Mar 11 th	NAPLAN writing
Thu Mar 12 th & Fri Mar 13 th	Kate away - Network Conference
Fri Mar 13 th	MARC Van 9.30am - 2pm
Wed Mar 16 th	PUPIL FREE DAY, Staff Training
Mon Mar 23 rd	Cluster Day at Moonambel
Fri Mar 27 th	MARC Van 9.30am - 2pm
Mon Mar 30 th	Cluster Day at Moonambel

Trawalla School Values Awards - 13.02.2026



Freddie Whyte – For showing **Respect** by always having such lovely manners when talking to his teachers.



Camille Huggett – For making **Good Choices** by speaking kindly to her classmates and all Trawalla staff.



Thomas Hadfield – For exhibiting **High Expectations** by working hard and trying his best in Literacy and Maths.



Reminder - School Hats for Term 1

As we have commenced Term 1, please remember that all students are required to wear their school hats when outdoors.

If students forget their hat, they will need to remain in the undercover area during playtime.

Sunscreen is also available for students to apply before going outside.

If your child needs a new school hat, please contact Kate.





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Cluster Days

This term we will be attending Moonambel PS for our Cluster Days. They will be held on Monday 2nd, 23rd and 30th of March. In addition, there will also be a special Cluster Day at Moonambel PS on Thursday 26th February, where we will be filming our Cluster Video. We will be travelling by Avis Bus. Cluster Excursion Consent and Medical forms were attached to last week's newsletter for parents to complete. **REMINDER - Please return to school by Monday 23rd February, if you haven't already.**

2026 Cluster 3-6 Camp

Cluster students have the opportunity to attend Warra Gnan Coast camp (Warrnambool) from Wednesday 4th March to Friday 6th March. Some of the activities that will be happening at Warra Gnan include Surfing, mini golf, bike riding and beach walks to name a few. Camp forms were attached to last week's newsletter.

REMINDER - Please complete the BLUE camp forms and return immediately if you haven't already.

MARC Van

The next MARC van session with Mr Morgan will be next week, Friday 27th February from 9.30am to 2pm. Please bring a sturdy bag for borrowing library books.

School Council

Our first School Council Meeting for 2026 will be held on Tuesday 24th February. Our AGM is held in March; at this meeting we elect office bearers and welcome new members to our School Council. I would like to invite you to join council. We meet twice a term for about one hour. It is an opportunity to be involved in your child's school and get to know other parents. Contact Kate if you would like more information.

School Fees

All students have been issued with stationery, books and computer subscriptions for 2026. The cost to families is \$80 per student. Attached to last week's newsletter was the itemised Parent Payments 2026 letter which outlines the charges and methods of payment. Please let us know if you require a new form.

Annual Privacy Reminder

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' privacy policy](#) and the [Schools' privacy collection notice](#). For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' privacy policy: information for parents](#).

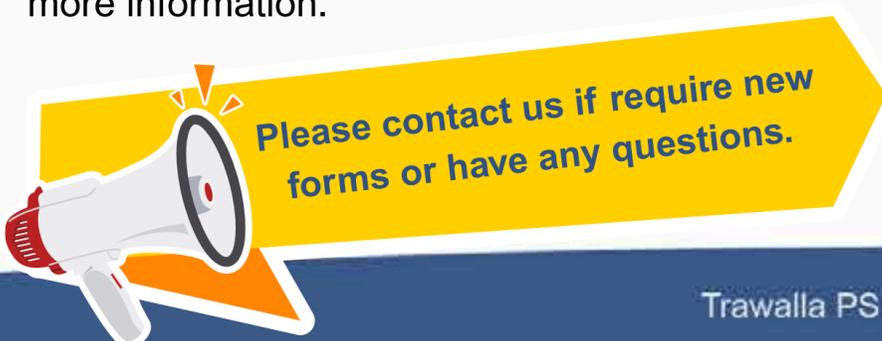
Photographing, Filming and Recording Students

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students policy (attached to last week's newsletter), describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn. **REMINDER - Please complete the consent form and return to school ASAP if you haven't already.**

Pyrenees Cluster Movie

Trawalla is joining with the other cluster schools to participate in the creation of a movie. The movie will feature a song written by the students of the 6 Pyrenees Cluster schools along with footage from each of the schools involved. Josh Arnold, musician, will be leading this opportunity. Josh will be at Trawalla on Wednesday February 25th filming and working on the song lyrics with the students. On Thursday February 26th we travel to Moonambel to do whole cluster filming and singing of the song.

A Media consent form has previously been sent home for parents to complete. **REMINDER - Please complete and return to school immediately if you haven't already.**





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Trawalla Code of Conduct

Staff and students have reviewed our Code of Conduct and discussed the contents. Attached is the Code of Conduct Student Agreement form. Students are to sign this and return it to school. Contact Kate know if you have any questions.

Before and after School Supervision

Yard duty teachers are on duty each morning from 8.30am. The start of school is 9.00am, when the bell is run. All children are expected to arrive at school each morning between 8.30am and 8.55am. Children are not to arrive at school before 8.30am, unless their is a prior arrangement due to special circumstances between the school and the parents.

Yard duty teachers will be on duty from 3.30pm to 3.40pm daily. Students not picked up by this time will be taken to the office for supervision.

Term 1, 2026 Calendar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 4 16/02/26 to 20/02/26	Kate away on Long Service Leave from 16/02 to 20/02 Cynthia CRT - F-2 room	Miss Cara & Sam - F-6	Miss Cara & Sam - F-6 Pyrenees Library Van 1.15pm - 1.45pm	Cynthia CRT - F-2 room	Cynthia CRT - 3-6 room
Week 5 23/02/26 to 27/02/26	Cynthia CRT - F-2 room	Cynthia CRT - F-2 room School Council 7pm	Cluster video workshop morning F-6	Cluster Day at Moonambel (filming day)	MARC Van 9.30am - 2pm
Week 6 02/03/26 to 06/03/26	Miss Van returns Cluster Day at Moonambel		3-6 Cluster Camp at Warrnambool Pyrenees Library Van 1.15pm - 1.45pm	3-6 Cluster Camp at Warrnambool	3-6 Cluster Camp at Warrnambool
Week 7 09/03/26 to 13/03/26	Labour Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL		NAPLAN Writing	Kate away - Network Conference	Kate away - Network Conference MARC Van 9.30am - 2pm
Week 8 16/03/26 to 20/03/26			PUPIL FREE DAY NO SCHOOL		
Week 9 23/03/26 to 27/03/26	Cluster Day at Moonambel				MARC Van 9.30am - 2pm
Week 10 30/03/26 to 03/04/26	Cluster Day at Moonambel		Pyrenees Library Van 1.15pm - 1.45pm	Last day of Term 1 2.30pm dismissal	Easter Good Friday



Trawalla Primary School Policies

A reminder that Trawalla Primary School and DET policies can be viewed on our website – <https://www.trawallaps.vic.edu.au/policies-and-forms>



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MATHS - 'Wall of China'



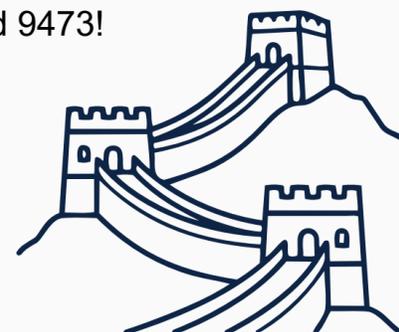
We began by building individual MAB Place Value block replicas of the 7 Wonders of the World. Students could choose between Chichen Itza, Mexico; the Colosseum, Italy; Petra, Jordan; Great Wall of China, China; Taj Mahal, India; Christ the Redeemer, Brazil; or Machu Picchu, Peru.



Students then built one as a class, and it was the Great Wall of China.



Students each made an estimate of how many blocks they thought would be used, then at the end the students had to take it apart and count all the blocks used - we counted 9473!



Beaufort & Skipton Health Service

Beaufort & Skipton Health Service provide a large range of services locally at Beaufort and Skipton. For more information or to make a booking, contact (03) 5349 1600 or visit www.bshs.org.au

NATURE AND RANGE OF SERVICES



Beaufort and Skipton Health Service is committed to delivering a range of health and community services to improve the health and wellbeing of the Beaufort and Skipton communities.

CLINICAL

- Acute Inpatient Unit
- Infection Control Services
- Palliative Care
- Urgent Care
- Bed-based Transition Care Program

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

- Residential Respite
- Beaufort Hostel
- Beaufort Nursing Home
- Skipton Hostel
- Skipton Nursing Home
- Leisure and Lifestyle

SKIPTON MEDICAL CLINIC

- General Practitioners
- Practice Nurses
- Vaccination Clinic
- Cancer Screening
- GP Primary Nurse Program

VISITING SERVICES

- Maternal & Child Health (Skipton)
- Speech Pathology
- Drug and Alcohol Counselling (Beaufort)

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Chronic Disease Management
- District Nursing
- Community Transport
- Commonwealth Home Support Program
- Diabetes Education
- Dietetics
- Exercise Physiologist
- Health Promotion
- Healthy@Home
- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Podiatry
- Social Support Groups
- Social Work
- Support at Home Program
- Transition Care Program
- Orange Door Virtual Outpost