

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## TYLDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 4 Week 4

Friday 27th Oct 2023

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### NOVEMBER

##### Monday 6th

Curriculum Day

No students at school

##### Tuesday 7th

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

##### Tuesday 14th

2024 Prep Information 7pm

##### Friday 17th

P-2 Excursion  
Melbourne Zoo

##### Tuesday 21, 28 Nov & Tues 4, 11 Dec

2024 Prep transition visits  
1:30—3:30pm

##### Monday 27, Wed 29

Swimming program

#### DECEMBER

##### Fri 1, Mon 4, Wed 6, Fri 8

Swimming program

##### Thursday 7th

House swimming Sports  
Gr 3—6 only

##### Friday 8th

Family Fun Night

##### Thursday 14th

Xmas Carols - Visit to nursing  
homes

##### Friday 15th

Gr6 Big day out

##### Monday 18th

Grade 6 Graduation 7:30pm

##### Tuesday 19th

Last day of term 4.  
3.30pm finish

##### Wednesday 20th

Curriculum Day  
No students at school today.



Angus

### Principal's Message

Dear parents and carers

We had a fantastic day yesterday at our House Athletics Sports. It was certainly a cold and windy day, but that did not dampen the enthusiasm of our competing students or the visitors who came along to watch.

Congratulations to Sam H who won the 2023 paper plane challenge. There were some ingenious designs for the paper planes this year, but Sam's flew the furthest. It was a great start to the day!

In the Athletics Sports, students compete against standards for their age group and they accumulate points for their house in each event. It was a very close competition this year. The Dingoes were victorious in 2023, closely followed by the Dolphins and then the Wedge Tailed Eagles in third place. Well done to all students for their participation and thank you to the staff and parents/carers who supported them.

The second day of our School Review, which was to have been on Monday, has been postponed because our reviewer is unwell. I will advise you as soon as the new date is settled.

With summer fast approaching, I encourage you to read the information in this week's

newsletter about what the school will do on days of high fire danger. Our emergency plan has been updated and bushfire maintenance is being completed to make our school site as safe as possible through the bushfire season. The CFA advises that now is a good time for all families to update their own emergency plans prior to the start of the hot weather. Please note in your planning that our school will close on days of catastrophic fire risk. If you have any questions about the school's emergency planning, please contact me.

Today is World Teachers' Day. We have an amazing staff team at Tylden PS, and it is wonderful to have a special day to acknowledge their fantastic work and thank them. I am grateful every single day for everything they do and extremely proud to work with them.

Have a lovely weekend!

Lee MacDonald

Principal

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### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Pictured:

L-R Back: Holiday &  
Lucinda Front: Dolly,  
George & Charlie

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Holiday**— For a great return to school. It's fantastic to have you back and your attitude towards your school work is great to see. Keep it up!

**Lucinda**— For displaying the school value of 'Personal Best'. You always put 100% into everything you do and it is such an amazing trait to have.

**George**— Well done on a fantastic week! I am extremely proud of your dedication towards your learning. You are reading so well. Keep up the great work!

**Charlie M-C**—For showing the school value of kindness. Charlie is a great friend who is always willing to help and encourage others.

**Dolly**— For being a fantastic friend and always showing kindness to others. You are a wonderful role model in our class.

**Monday 6th November –Curriculum day**  
**No students at school**

**Tuesday 7th November —Melbourne**  
**Cup Public holiday**

## NEW SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

Good news for our school is that there will be a new school counsellor available for consultation in November. Ms Margaret Bailey, an experienced counsellor who currently works at Streatfeild Psychology, will extend her practice to our school starting on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Please contact the office for more information and referral documents.

## MARY ANNE THOMAS VISIT



Last Friday, Ms Mary-Anne Thomas MP visited our school to deliver some new books for our library. Three excellent readers from our school, who read widely for the Premiers' Reading Challenge, accepted the books from Ms Thomas. Pictured above: Lucas, Elsie & Elliot with Mr Bracher and Ms Thomas.

## STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM

This session we made Orecchiette Broccoli Garden Salad and Bruschetta. It was a busy time in the kitchen with lots of things to do. We chopped, whisked, kneaded, zested, toasted, blended, peeled, marinated and formed 'little ears' to make the orecchiette! There was a lot of garlic used so lots of bad breath but hopefully it knocked out a few cold germs as well. A great Italian meal was enjoyed by all.





## SPORTS DAY

Some action shots from this year's sports day. Sam was this year's paper plane champion and the Dingoes were the overall winners.





## School preparations for the bushfire season

Each year, to prepare for bushfires and grassfires, schools and early childhood services complete a range of activities.

The Department of Education runs an annual fire risk assessment of schools and early childhood services. They are allocated a category of risk (categories 0 to 4) and are published on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR).

All schools and early childhood services listed on the BARR and Category 4 list will also close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district.

When the Bureau of Meteorology provides public fire danger rating forecasts or fire weather warnings, they use fire weather district areas. In Victoria, there are 9 fire weather districts, which are based on Local Government Area boundaries. Our school is in the **Central** fire weather district.

As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan and completed works that will prepare our school site for the threat of fire.

### ***What does this mean for our school?***

**Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 3 school.**

**Our school will close on a day forecasted as Catastrophic fire danger rating in the **Central fire district**.**

### ***What is the department's policy?***

The department's [Bushfire and Grassfire Preparedness Policy](#) requires all schools and early childhood services on the BARR and the Category 4 list to close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district. All school bus routes which travel in or through a district with Catastrophic fire danger must also be cancelled.

### ***When will our school be closed due to Catastrophic fire danger?***

Our school will **close** on a day forecasted as **Catastrophic fire danger rating in the Central fire district**.

Closure of the school due to a forecast Catastrophic day will be confirmed on the day prior and we will provide you with this advice before the end of the school day. Any information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by the XUNO app.

**Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, even if the weather forecast changes.** This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to be aware that:

**No one** will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day.

Out-of-school-hours care will also be cancelled on these days.

All bus routes that travel through the Catastrophic area will be cancelled.

School camps and excursions will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

Families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan on Catastrophic fire danger rating days. **On such days, children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when Catastrophic days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Catastrophic day.

### ***What can families and the school community do to help us prepare?***

Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers.

Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, checking the XUNO app, by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.

Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed due to a Catastrophic fire danger. Further information can be found on the [CFA's website](#).

You are advised to enact your family's bushfire survival plan if your own triggers are met. Our school community may be spread out across many areas and some families may be at higher risk than others. Your family's safety is critical, so please let us know if you are enacting your bushfire survival plan and if your children will be absent on these days.

If your child is old enough, talk to [them about bushfires](#) and your family's bushfire survival plan.

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here: VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226) Website <https://emergency.vic.gov.au> Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency/>) Twitter (<https://twitter.com/vicemergency>) ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters



## COMMUNITY NEWS



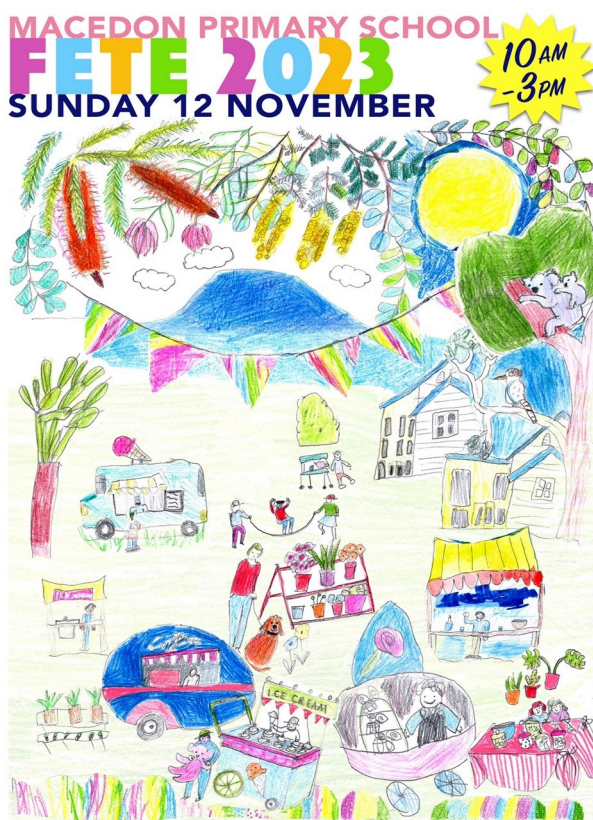
**Garage Sale Trail**

**Woodend Community Yard Sale**

WOODEND NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE  
47 FOREST STREET, WOODEND

**SAT 18 NOV 2023 • 8AM UNTIL 1PM**

**SELL YOUR PRE-LOVED TREASURES**  
BOOK A STALL ONLINE VIA [WOODENDNH.ORG.AU](http://WOODENDNH.ORG.AU)  
OR VISIT THE HOUSE OR CALL 5427 1845  
GARDEN STALL (OUTDOORS): \$10  
TABLE STALL (INDOORS): \$5



**MACEDON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**FETE 2023**  
**SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER**

**10 AM - 3 PM**

## You Are Invited to a Local Community Breakfast & Children's games

(Including those living in Tylden, Fern Hill, Spring Hill,  
East Trentham, Trentham, North Blackwood areas)

**On 4th Sunday of each month  
during daylight saving months**

(except December)

(October 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 26<sup>th</sup>, January 28<sup>th</sup>, February  
25<sup>th</sup>, March 24<sup>th</sup>, April 28<sup>th</sup>.)

**Starting at 9:00am until 11am.**

**At Tylden BBQ Shelter,  
Tylden Public Hall**

**Further Enquiries ring  
Bronwyn on 0409 260 397**

Also

**Morning Tea each week at Tylden  
Uniting Church 10:30am**

**Following our service at 9:30am**

**All Welcome**

**&**

**Join with a group of locals for a meal at  
a nearby Eatery**

**Further Details to be announced**

Plus

**We are working towards holding another  
Car Boot Sale**

**on Labour Day Holiday in March 2024**

Pop a date in your calendar

**Carol Service Christmas  
Eve 7:30pm**

**Please Note:** None of the above events shall take  
place if a  
Total Fire Ban/Extreme Weather event is predicted/  
takes effect for that day.

*We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Victoria*

*and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.*

**Our School Values are: Integrity—Personal Best—Respect—Friendliness—Resilience—Teamwork—Creativity**

