Principal's Message
We have had a very busy term and we are now fast approaching the holidays with only two weeks left of Term One. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge all of our staff for their hard work and dedication to our school and students. All Tanilba Bay PS staff are committed to providing the best possible educational outcomes for our kids. Thanks also to those parents volunteering in our classes, the canteen, and our uniform shop or at special events. The help that parents and community members provide is invaluable in the smooth running of a school and supports the great work being done by our students and staff.

All students and staff celebrated Numeracy Day last week with a wide variety of fun and interesting activities. It was a wonderful day and loads of fun was had by all. I was particularly impressed with the efforts of our teachers who made some very interesting maths inspired hats. Thanks to the Numeracy team for their organisation and to all teachers and students who helped to make it a fabulous success.

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Easter
Remember that the last Friday of Week 10 is Good Friday which is a Public Holiday and the start of the school holidays. The last day of school is Thursday 2nd April which is our annual Easter Hat Parade starting at 9.30am with the raffle being drawn at 10.30am. I have heard that the Easter Bunny may make an appearance again this year.

Staff News
Congratulations to Miss Ashlea Schmahl teacher of 1/2S who was recently married on the 7th March. Now we all have to get used to calling her by her married name which is Mrs Wolfe. Congratulations also to Mr Gattenhof who celebrated his wedding last weekend.

Have a great weekend.

Stuart Wylie
Principal

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The children and teachers had a wonderful session participating in fun maths games last fortnight. With maths taking place outdoors, in classrooms, on ipads and in creative art there were so many things to keep mathematical minds active!

**Quicksmart:** Congratulations to our first team of Quicksmarters who graduated from their course this week. Miss Alyssa, Miss Sherree and Mrs Coupe are very proud of all of their students. It is wonderful to see how much every child has grown in confidence!

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### Calendar of Events

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### WINTER UNIFORMS

The Uniform Shop will be open longer hours on Wednesday 25th of March and the same the following Wednesday, 1st of April. They will open from 2.30pm until 4.00pm so you may come and purchase Winter Uniforms.

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### PARLIAMENT

This fortnight our school leaders and representatives talked about appointing environmental officers in classrooms to lower the costs of electricity and reduce our environmental footprint. Each class will now have a student responsible for making sure lights, projectors and fans are turned off when teachers and students leave the room.

Another point that the children raised as being important was safety with bikes and scooters. Our leaders are noticing many unsafe scooter behaviours within the school and on buses. Scooters are to be walked in and out of our school grounds and should definitely not be used in bus aisles.

Well done to all our Ministers and Shadow Ministers who did a wonderful job of being group leaders during our Maths Fun Session.

Congratulations to this fortnight’s “**Pride in Our Uniform Banner**” winners – **KS**

### Kindergarten

We have all been enjoying our first term at ‘Big School’ and can’t believe it’s almost over! As the weather is starting to change and the mornings are becoming cooler, we would like to remind parents to label all items of clothing in particular jumpers. We
have had several lost hats already and would like to return these to their owners. This would be easier if all items of clothing were labelled. If your child is bringing in containers for their lunch, we would also appreciate that these are labelled. At recess, these containers go into the black lunch order tub and are often left behind at the end of the day.
We would like to thank parents for using Kiss and Drop in the mornings. We can already see the independence of our students growing as they become more comfortable within the school environment.
The Kindergarten teachers love seeing the enthusiasm when it comes to homework. If your child finishes their homework early, please revise their sight words. There is a copy of this in their homework books.
Don’t forget, blue folders are to come to school everyday!

**Stage 1**
What an exciting term one we are having! Stage One has been very busy working our brains and bodies, enjoying many fun activities and learning new skills. We have been studying Australian picture books by Mem Fox and Thelma Catterwell, practicing Australian songs and learning about Australian weather and environment. What an amazing country we live in!
Well done to all our runners who completed the 2-6 cross country! It was a great day enjoying the beautiful Tanilba Bay habitat. Great job to our helpers who had fun counting the laps of the K-2 fun run. It was so nice to see everybody dancing and singing their way around the oval!
Last fortnight, Stage One students joined in on the Maths Fun Day. This was a very exciting way to learn the importance of numeracy, whilst having loads of fun. Each Stage One teacher provided a unique and interesting lesson for students to complete, before rotating to the next classroom for another activity.
With only just over two more weeks before Easter, Stage One will continue to work hard, making this a very successful and exciting term.

**3B**
Where has this term gone! Easter is just around the corner! The students in 3B have settled into Stage Two well and are developing the skills needed to be independent learners. Everyone is striving to do their Personal Best.
This term we are focusing on learning our 2, 5 and 10 times tables thoroughly. We are also working on producing quality handwriting and using correct spelling and punctuation in our writing tasks.
We have been preparing for NAPLAN which is in Term 2 and have done some very good persuasive writing tasks. Now we are working on writing narratives.
The students have enjoyed the Footsteps Dance classes this term, as well as the Swimming Carnival and Cross Country. We have some promising athletes in 3B. Well done everybody!
I would encourage all students to remember to do their homework and homereading each day, as this extra effort at home supports the work being done in class.
Don’t forget to bring in recycling to use in building your cities with Miss Colegrave next week 3B! Have a fantastic week!
Mrs. Burr and the students in 3B

**3M**
3M have continued to make an excellent start to the semester and students are working hard in preparation for NAPLAN in term 2. In particular, I have been extremely impressed with the way in which the students’ narrative and persuasive writing skills have been developing during term 1. The children have greatly enjoyed working in class on a range of engaging topics.
Thank you to all parents and carers who have provided tissues and paper towel for the class over the past few weeks. Your contributions are greatly appreciated particularly with the colder months approaching.
Well done to those students who are showing excellent commitment to learning by completing all components of their homework each week, including home reading. I would like to thank parents and carers for their ongoing support with this endeavour.
As always, if you have any questions or concerns in regards to your child’s schooling please do not hesitate to contact me. I am available in the afternoons either in person or over the phone. I can also be contacted via e-mail if this is more convenient.

Regards

Mr Marchant

4/5S
Hello Friends and Families of 4/5S.
We have had a brilliant term so far in 4/5S. We are learning all about persuasive arguments in literacy. Miss Schofield is very proud of our efforts thus far. In H.S.I.E we are focussing this term on British Colonisation, the class is really enjoying learning about how Australia was discovered. We did some amazing bubble artworks which are so realistic that Mr Wylie tried to pop them!!!

Please remember that students are to bring their homework back on Friday. Home reader books may be brought back any day.

I am very impressed by the beautiful behaved students and all of their hard work this term! Well done 4/5S.

Miss Schofield

Request for donation of board games sets
Dear Parent and Caregivers,
I have a school social group which meets every day during recess time. We would love to have some new games to play with during this time. I am asking for donations of complete board games, card games or complete puzzles that are no longer wanted. If you have any board games that you would like to donate, please send them to Miss Schofield’s room (HB16).

Thank you so much,

Miss Sarah Schofield

5D
The term has progressed so fast and we have shown remarkable improvement in our writing skills. We have been very focused on learning to write well-structured paragraphs using elaboration to support our ideas.

Our novel this term, Hating Alison Ashley, highlights issues of interpersonal relationships and emotions such as jealousy and envy. We have been using our visual literacy skills to explore contrasting characters. Some of the children have been designing a new clothing label for one of the characters and writing newspaper reports on the resident bullies.

In Creative Art with Miss Fitzgerald we have been taking a great deal of pride in completing our Picasso Cubism display.

The children should now be working on their science project and speech. If you have any questions about your child’s progress please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Lisa Dovey
6K
It has been an eventful term so far and it continues!!
We know the cost of the excursion and we are
starting to pay the money off. We are designing the
emblem for our Year 6 memento shirts which we
can wear from next term. Our Science project is due
soon about animals and their adaptations and we
now know lots about the rainforests and the plight of
the orang-utan! Mathematically, we are learning
about fractions and our English lessons are
challenging us as usual.
Our weekly sport is so much fun; netball, softball,
hockey and Oztag!
Most of us have returned our Expressions of Interest
for high school but this a reminder that they are due
back to school by 20<sup>th</sup> March.

News from the Scripture Teachers -2015.
Once again Scripture lessons are well underway at Tanilba Bay Public School. This year we have
new teachers in Pastor Anthony Gentle from the Baptist Church and Mrs Gail Trowne from
the Christian Reformed Church. Mrs Jean Ward and Mrs Dot Mashman have returned as
helpers. We use “Godspace” material which is approved for use by the local ministers, and all
teachers are fully authorised. Our lessons explore Christian scriptures, core Christian beliefs
and examine how the teachings of Jesus call us to make good life choices in our relationships.

This year our Combined Scripture Assemblies will be held on Wednesdays 24<sup>th</sup> June and 25<sup>th</sup>
November. Parents and friends are very welcome to join us for these occasions. If you have any
questions or comments regarding Scripture lessons at Tanilba Bay please contact me as below. I
have also listed the local churches with a contact person and phone number:

Lachie McKinnon (Scripture Co-ordinator) 4982 3363

Local Churches.
Anglican Church – Mallabula – Rev’d Bryce Amner – 4982 9173
Baptist Church – Tanilba Bay – Pastor Anthony Gentle – 4982 3022
Catholic Church – Mallabula – Rev’d Father Kevin Kiem – 4987 1888
Christian Reformed Church – Tanilba Bay – Pastor David Trowne – 4984 3442
Church 4 Life – Tanilba Bay – Pastor Richard Nesh – 0466 320 370
Uniting Church – Tanilba Bay – Rev’d Stephen de Plater – 4987 2041

P & C

Uniform Shop
Our uniform shop, located in the AV room is open
Mondays 9am – 10am and on Wednesdays 2.30pm – 3pm.
We will be opening on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>
March and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April until 4pm to
allow families to try on and order Winter
uniforms.
Don’t forget if you can’t make it on these days, you
can also leave an order at the office and we will put
it together for you next time the uniform shop is
open and these can be sent home with your child.
If you have any unwanted uniforms at home, we
would be grateful to receive them for the
Second Hand Uniform Pool.

Easter Raffle
We are now taking donations for our
upcoming Easter raffle. Any donation is greatly
appreciated and can be left at the front office.
Easter raffle tickets have now been distributed to
each student; tickets are due back Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>
March and will be drawn Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April straight
after the Easter hat parade; all welcome to attend the
draw! Please ensure all tickets are returned with
your child’s name; sold or unsold.

Next Meeting
Our meetings are held on the last Thursday of each
month at 3:15pm. Our next meeting will be on 28<sup>th</sup>
May in the library. All are welcome to attend.
Neil Kearns - SAVERS OPTICAL - Optometrist
Children’s Eye Examinations
1059 Lemon Tree Passage Rd.
TANILBA BAY
EYE TESTS are BULK BILLED
Phone: 4982-3999

How to know if your child has a vision problem that is affecting reading.

The most common age visual problems begin to affect reading & learning in years 2 to 4. This is a time when most children have “learnt-to-read” and are now more and more “reading-to-learn”.

The amount of reading has now increased.
The required speed of reading is higher.
The print in the books is now smaller.

It can be a very “stressful” transition from learning-to-read to reading-to-learn.
The eyes are under a lot of stress trying to cope and can get tired easily and so there can be difficulty focusing, pointing in the right place and working together.
The following checklist will indicate if your child’s eyes are under visual stress.

If some of these symptoms are happening then it is time to have their eyes checked.

1. The child reports blurry print or sees words moving around.
2. They have to blink or screw up their eyes to focus.
3. The are skipping words or lose their place on the page.
4. They re-read the same line.
5. They use their finger to keep place on the page.
6. The have trouble looking from the book to the board.
7. They have sore or itchy eyes or eyelids after reading or at school.
8. They rub their eyes after reading or computer.
9. They find the page too bright.
10. The child dislikes reading or reads hesitantly.

IF A CHILD IS EXPERIENCING SOME OF THESE SYMPTOMS THEN AN EYE EXAMINATION IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Reading glasses are designed to help the eyes from getting stressed out. Reading glasses don’t do all the work for the child’s eyes, but they make it easier for the child’s eyes to cope with reading.

Eye exercises are used to strengthen the child’s visual system.

All children should have regular eye examinations by an optometrist each 12 to 18 months.

Neil Kearns Optometrist. Phone: 4982-3999
NSW Tarilba Bay Public School Holiday Club
1A King Albert Tarilba Bay NSW 2318
0450 276 314 (07:00-18:00)

Monday 6 April 2015
No program

Tuesday 7 April 2015 $53.88
Heroes Through the Ages
Who is the greatest hero of all time? Let’s take a journey into the past to find out!

Wednesday 8 April 2015 $57.88
Heroes of Hollywood
Lights, camera, action! Strike a pose and act out a scene because today, we are making a movie!

Thursday 9 April 2015 $57.88
Creative Genius
Move aside Einstein and Michelangelo, there’s some new Creative Geniuses in town! Let’s get our creative juices flowing...

Friday 10 April 2015 $53.88
Family Heroes
The best heroes are right in your living room... your family! Let’s discover family heroes in disguise!

Monday 13 April 2015 $68.88
Super Sidekick
Just as Batman has Robin, you can have a sidekick too! Even better - you get to build them.

Tuesday 14 April 2015 $53.88
Rockstars
We love rock ‘n’ roll! And today we are the Rock Stars.

Wednesday 15 April 2015 $78.88
Intergalactic Heroes
It’s a bird, it’s a plane, no, it’s an Intergalactic hero! Who said heroes only come from Earth?!
Note: Please arrive by 045pm.

Thursday 16 April 2015 $53.88
Sports Heroes
Hey batter batter! Today we get active, taking inspiration from some of our favourite sporting heroes.

Friday 17 April 2015 $68.88
Top Secret
Put on your invisibility cloak because today we are on a top secret mission! Ready to solve some tricky mysteries and discover what it’s like to be an investigator?

* Daily Requirements: Children must bring their own lunch and refreshments (no nut products please) wet weather gear, art smock and suitable clothing for an active and sunsmart day.
* An afternoon fruit snack will be provided.
**NSW Tamala Bay Public School Holiday Club**  
1A King Albert Tamala Bay NSW 2599  
0439 179 514 (03) 9311-1809

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**Join our Easter Family Night**

**FREE**

**Thursday 26th March 6pm–8pm**

Bring the family along for a great night of fun!

- Easter D.I.Y. Workshops
- Visit from Easter Bunny
- Fun Easter egg hunt
- Easter activities for the whole family
- Light refreshments provided

Bookings recommended – for more information or to book speak to a team member in-store or go to www.bunnings.com.au and locate your nearest store.