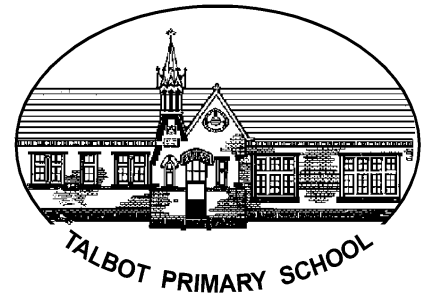


Talbot Primary School

Aspiration * Kindness * Safety * Tenacity
Term 1, Week 9 - 23rd March, 2026



Upcoming Events

Dear Families,

Firstly, thank you to all staff for their wonderful work over the two weeks of my long service leave. I had a fabulous time fulfilling the role of Executive Producer for Ballarat Lyric Theatre's production of *& Juliet*. It is always lovely to return back to school and see everyone's smiling faces though.

We have reached the final two weeks of Term 1, and as we head towards our School Council Annual General Meeting, I always reflect on the sheer amount of work that our school community completes over a term and indeed a year! The community that surrounds a small school is amazing at covering many roles, duties and volunteer slots.

Talbot Market BBQ ~ volunteering for school events/support.

Thank you to the amazing parents and staff who organised, purchased, picked up, set up, cooked, served, and packed up on our Talbot Market day. Special thanks to Kerriane who was the lead organiser for the day. It was lovely to catch up with parents, students and community members on the day.

In order for us to continue signing up for community engagement events, we need all hands on deck. We have working bees, bbqs, Welcome mornings, formal events such as the opening of the outdoor learning space, organising for pantry and, at the moment, a growing list of odd jobs around the school needing doing because of the building and construction going on. If you have even a couple of hours available, we would be so grateful for the support.

A gentle reminder that a current Working with Children check is required to volunteer at all school events on or offsite.

Easter Raffle and Bonnet Parade

We will hold our annual Easter Raffle on the final day of Term 1 ~ Thursday 2 April. As we are finishing at 2:30pm, we will draw the raffle at 2:15pm. Please feel welcome to come in and join in the fun.

We will also be having our Easter Egg Hunt and an Easter Bonnet Parade earlier in the day. Please send donations for the Easter Raffle in to the office where Kylie will keep them very safe until the day of the raffle!

Policy Updates

Throughout the year, there is a rolling timetable to update our school policies. If you have any questions about our policies or the schedule for updating, please contact the office.

This month we have updated the following policies:

- Child Safe Code of Conduct (School Council Approval Required)
- Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
- Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures
- Complaints Policy
- Statement of Values and School Philosophy (School Council Approval Required)
- Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy

All policies are available on our website and are kept updated throughout the year.

Mrs Kelly
Principal

We would like to acknowledge the Djaara People, the traditional custodians of the Dja Dja Wurrung lands where Talbot Primary School is situated. We would also like to pay our respects to their Elders, past and present.

Monday 22 March

Cluster Athletics Day

Thursday 26 March

School Council AGM @
3:45pm

Friday 27 March

Basketball Clinics 11:30-1pm

Monday 30 March

Assembly 3pm

Thursday 2 April

Last day of Term 1
2:30pm Dismissal

Monday 20 April

First day of Term 2

Monday 27 April

Assembly

Friday 1 May

Cluster Cross Country
Lunch Orders for F-2

Tuesday 5 May

Learning Conferences & SSGs

Wednesday 6 May

First Look at Foundation
Open Morning

Monday 11 May

Assembly

Thursday 14 May

GRIP Leadership Day



Congratulations to
Stevie for
placing 5th overall
in the Little Aths
State Championship
for shotput!



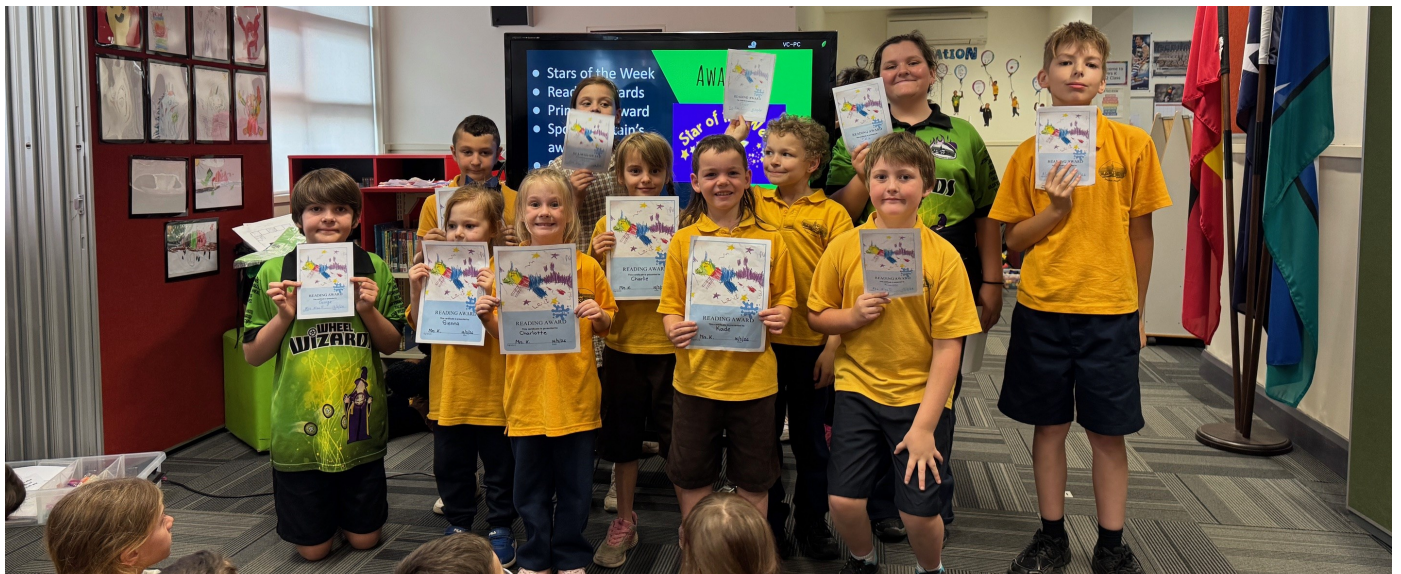
Just some country kids
watching some sheep...

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the students who completed NAPLAN assessments recently and thank you to those families and students who supported the school at the Talbot Market on BBQ duty.



Stars of the Week



25 Nights Reading Awards

Thank you to these students who are putting in wonderful efforts to read often at home.

Basketball with the Miners

Every term we apply for extra funding through the Sporting Schools Grants portal. When we are successful, we look for programs that our students may not always have the opportunity to do locally. This term we have welcomed Ethan and Xander from the Ballarat Miners Basketball team, who are sharing their expertise and enthusiasm for Basketball. What a fabulous way to appreciate our newly covered space.



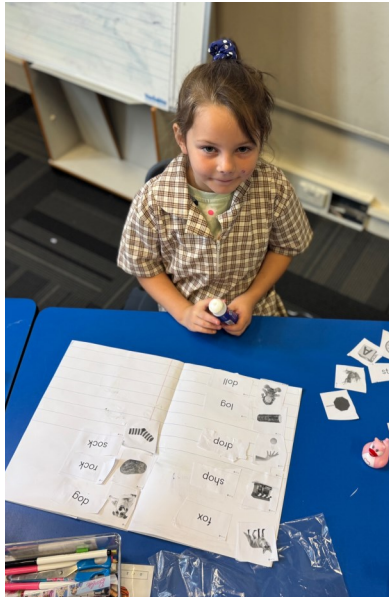
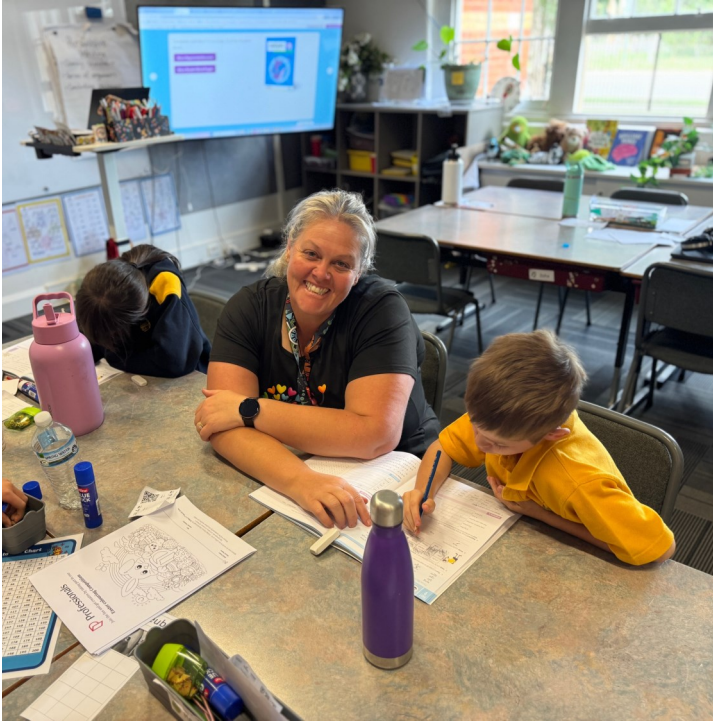
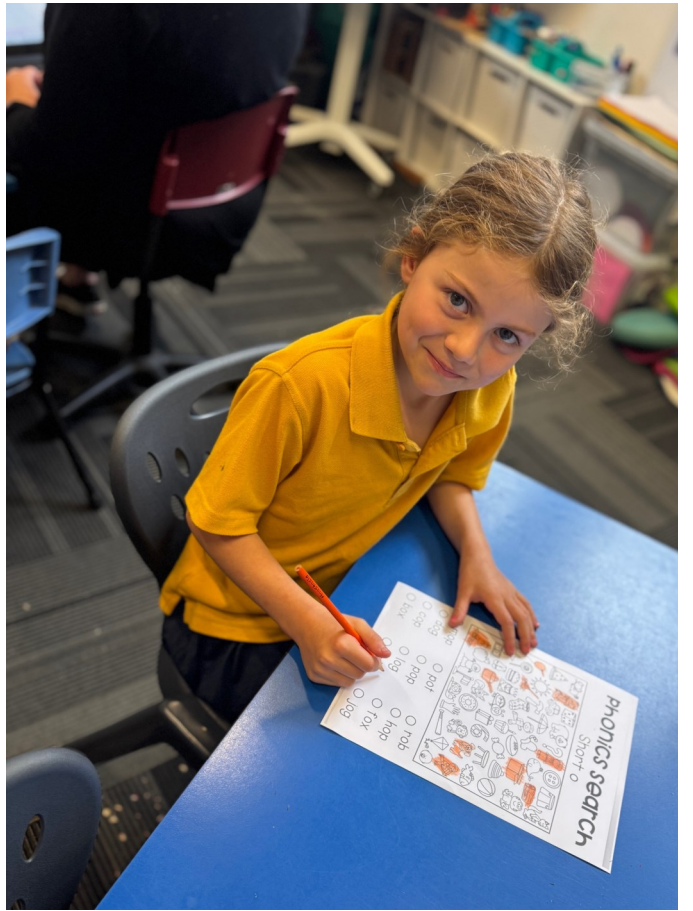
Basketball



Explicit Phonics Learning @ Talbot PS



Talbot Primary School has been implementing a synthetic phonics program for nearly 3 years now. We prioritise this time in our timetable so that every teacher and Education Support staff member is available to provide support and differentiation. Every student is making learning gains everyday.



Explicit Phonics Learning

@ Talbot PS

March Birthdays

~ Thomas ~ Mrs Kelly
~ Zoha ~ Liam
~ Anastasia



Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

Talbot Primary School is a proud Respectful Relationships school.

Respectful relationships education is part of the Victorian Curriculum and delivered by all Victorian government schools. It supports students to develop the knowledge, attitudes and skills needed for respectful relationships, and helps to build respect and equality across the entire school community.

Research tells us that providing respectful relationships education at school can lead to positive impacts on students' academic outcomes, their mental health, classroom behaviour and relationships.

Our school uses the Department of Education's evidence-based teaching and learning resources to teach our students about Respectful Relationships from Foundation to Grade 6.

The Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships resources have 8 topics that teach students about emotional literacy, personal and cultural strengths, resilience, problem-solving, stress-management, help-seeking, gender norms and stereotypes and positive gender relations.

This fortnight in class we are working on Topic 2 which helps students to learn about Personal & Cultural Strengths. The activities from this topic are below.

Foundation ~ Personal Strengths & Families are different

Year 1/2 ~ Valuing differences & the Anyone Who Game

Year 3/4 ~ Using strengths to grow respect & Respecting diversity

Year 5/6 ~ Role-playing strengths & Talk can harm, Talk can Heal

**RESILIENCE,
RIGHTS &
RESPECTFUL
RELATIONSHIPS**

Teaching for Social and Emotional
Learning and Respectful Relationships

If you have any questions about Respectful Relationships education, you can contact Mrs Kelly and visit the Victorian Government's Respectful Relationships page: <https://www.vic.gov.au/respectful-relationships>

At Talbot Primary School, we are a connected, caring, and inclusive learning community where every student is empowered to thrive. We are committed to enhancing learning outcomes for all students by delivering high-quality, evidence-based teaching practices that cater to the diverse needs of our learners. Our teaching is not just guided by our beliefs—it is reflected in the actions we take every day.

We provide a dynamic and challenging curriculum within a safe and supportive environment, designed to equip every student with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed for success in learning and life. Our goal is to develop confident, curious, and capable learners who are not only academically strong but also socially responsible and emotionally resilient.

Students at Talbot Primary School are encouraged to take ownership of their learning, set meaningful goals, and approach challenges with persistence and courage. We actively nurture student voice and agency, ensuring that every learner feels valued and heard.

We place great emphasis on strong, respectful partnerships between home and school and recognise that working together with families and the broader community is essential to student success.

Our values - Tenacity, Aspiration, Safety and Kindness - are at the heart of who we are and what we stand for. They guide how we learn, how we treat others, and how we grow together.

Talbot Primary School Vision **The Future Begins Here...**

CULTURAL OBSERVANCE

Mar 29 ~ Palm Sunday - The final Sunday before Easter Sunday marks the beginning of Christian Holy Week and commemorates the story of Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem before his crucifixion.

Apr 1 ~ Kha b-Nisan - the beginning of spring in the Northern Hemisphere

Apr 1 ~ Hanuman Jayanti - Hindu religious festival that celebrates the birth of the Hindu God Hanuman

Apr 1-9 ~ Passover - Passover is the first and most significant of the Jewish pilgrim festivals.

Apr 3 ~ Good Friday - Good Friday is a solemn Christian remembrance of the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Apr 5 ~ Qingming (Tomb Sweeping Day) - Qingming is time for Chinese people to show respect to their ancestors by visiting and cleaning their ancestors' tombs

Apr 5 ~ Easter Sunday - regarded by Christians as the day of the resurrection of Jesus Christ

Apr 6 ~ International Tartan Day - Celebration of Scottish heritage. It commemorates the repeal of an English law in 1782 that banned the wearing of tartan.

If you have any cultural dates you would like us to showcase please contact the office.



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Free support for children and their families



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PARENT SUPPORT AND EDUCATION SESSIONS TERM 2, 2026

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM TERM ONE 2026

These programs offer parents and their children 7-11 support with mental health and wellbeing. The one-hour sessions are run by mental health staff from the Loddon Children's Health & Wellbeing Local. Sessions are fun, educational and interactive. **Groups are small: five children with one parent per child attending.**



TOPICS

10am Handling Feelings learn to name feelings, identify the zone they are in and practice ways to handle feelings. Age group 7-11

11.30am Magnificent Me Age group 7-11 will explore what is unique to you and how you can appreciate yourself more every day.

2pm All about Anger learn what is going on in the body when your child is angry, and how to handle it differently. Age group 7-11

DATES AND LOCATIONS:

April 8th Maryborough, The Nest

April 9th Kyneton Omnia Community Health

April 13th Castlemaine, Delkaya Health

April 14th Echuca, Echuca Health

April 17th Bendigo, The Local

Bookings are essential:

Please call 1800 433 977 or email us with your child's name, which sessions you want to attend, your name and contact details icfhwlocals@bchs.com.au

We will be in touch at least two weeks prior to the session to confirm details including how to access the venue.

The Loddon Children's Health & Wellbeing Local offers free weekly education sessions that address mental health and wellbeing. The sessions are run by a mental health or allied health clinician at the Local.

Sessions are open to any parents or carers of children aged 0-11.

Why join in?

- Talk to Local staff about your child.
- Ask any practical questions you have about parenting now.
- Gain support for yourself as a parent.

Where: The Loddon Child and Health Wellbeing Local, 19 Helm St KANGAROO FLAT 3555. Enter via the green porch at the back of the site.

Dates and topics: Wednesdays (Face to face)

WHEN	TIME	TOPIC
Apr 22	9.30am	ADHD What is it and How Can I Help?
Apr 29	9.30am	What is Autism and How Can I Help?
May 6th	9.30am	Parent Wellbeing
May 13	9.30am	All about anger
May 20	9.30am	Managing Big Feelings
May 27	9.30am	Tech Troubles
Jun 3	9.30am	Anxiety in kids
Jun 10	9.30am	Family rules and consequences
Jun 17	9.30am	Sleep

If you have any Questions, please contact Annette Clemmets on 1800 433 977 Book in via email icfhwlocals@bchs.com.au. Please state your name, your child's name and the session you wish to attend.

