## Newsletter

Developing Lifelong
Powerful Learners

8th March 2023, Term 1, Week 6


## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,
Welcome to the middle of the term. What great timing for a Public holiday! I hope everyone is finding a way to escape the blistering hot weather that we have in store this weekend.
Just a reminder to all families of Year 3 and 5 students next week NAPLAN begins. NAPLAN provides schools with a 'snapshot' of student learning and is one of many ways we map student growth and then use this data to inform our teaching and learning.
Students are all reasonably used to the NAPLAN testing but if any of your children are experiencing any anxiety, please if any of your children are experiencing any anxiety, please
let their class teacher know so that your child can be best supported.

Denise Squire

# Diary Dates 

MONDAY II MARCH PUBLIC HOLIDAY ADELAIDE CUP DAY SCHOOL CLOSED

MONDAY 18 MARCH PUPIL FREE DAY

MONDAY 19 MARCH GOV COUNCIL MEETING

## FRIDAY 29 MARCH

 GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAYMONDAY I APRIL EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

# OUR THREE PILLARS 

## LITERACY

At Modbury South we are always tracking and monitoring student learning and growth. In Reading we assess for a range of things. In JP we focus on assessing phonological awareness and phonics (the building blocks for beginning readers). As students progress we focus on assessing for fluency, vocabulary and comprehension. These assessments help us tailor learning and identify students requiring intervention.


## NUMERACY

On the 18th March we will have a Pupil Free Day. The purpose of this day will be to develop our understanding of how we support students to
'think mathematically'. This moves beyond students just being able to recall number facts and looks at what we need to teach to enable students to identify the components of maths problems and be able to apporpriately choose and use a range of thinking strategies. It is also about supporting students to have a positive disposition to Maths and their ability to think mathematically.

## WELLBEING

Parent-Teacher interview notes have gone home this week. We encourage all families to make a time to meet with their child's class teacher, this can be in person or over the phone. These meetings are important for learning about the routines and expectations for your child's new classroom and unpacking where your child is at in their learning and together setting directions for their learning for the year. We appreciate families returning these forms as soon as they can so that we can schedule in the interview times.

## Room 11

In weeks 1 and 2 room 11 focused on ready to learn activities and we used a flower template to show different ways we can show kindness to each other.


In maths, we were learning about multiples and factors so we played a few games to help us learn our factors and multiples from our time tables.



## TEA TREE GULLY JUNIOR FC

## 2024 Junior Vacancies

Footy season is just around the corner and we're looking for Junior players to join the Club in 2024 in the following grades

Boys - U7 U12 U13 Girls - all grades from U8

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