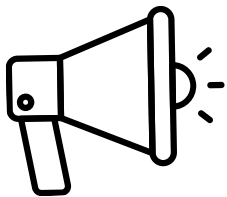


# TYRRELL TIMES

May 2, 2025  
 Issue 012



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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**Dear Tyrrell College Community,**

### Reading

One of our goals at Tyrrell College is to improve our students reading and it has been great to see so many of our students meeting milestones in reading at home. Parents can assist this by reading with your child. Reading at home each day is an invaluable activity with multiple benefits; kids can practice their fluency, build confidence, learn about the world, and spark their imagination.

The table below provides some expectations for our primary students around reading at home.

Year Level	Subject	Goal
Foundation	Literacy	1. 50 nights of being read to or reading with an adult per term
1 & 2	Literacy	1. 50 nights of being read to or reading with an adult per term
3 & 4	Literacy	1. 50 nights of reading with an adult or independent reading per term
5 & 6	Literacy	1. 50 nights independent reading per term

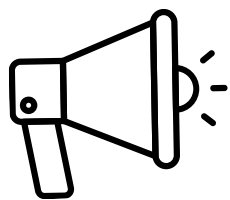
Some advice on how to make reading at home successful include:

- Set a regular time for reading each night.
- Ensure a relaxed, happy atmosphere with no distractions.
- Give lots of praise and focus on enjoying the process rather than just progress.
- Discuss the book before reading—look at the title, cover, and illustrations. Guess what the book might be about.
- Read to your child to show good reading habits and share your love of books



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### Attendance

Consistent school attendance is essential for student success. Every day in school is an opportunity for valuable learning experiences. Students who attend regularly are better able to stay engaged, perform well academically, and build meaningful social connections with their peers and teachers. These interactions are crucial not only for academic development but also for cultivating skills like teamwork, communication, and problem-solving.

### No Parking Zones

A reminder to all parents, carers, and the community to be mindful of the no parking zones around the college, specifically along Sutcliff St and Complex Dr, when picking up or dropping off students.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Craig Kelly

**Acting Principal**

### Bus Travellers

*As per school policy all students that are not marked off the bus roll, with a note from the parent at the General Office, will be expected to travel home on the school bus.*

*We have several students that are not marked off the school bus roll and then not turning up to go home on the bus, the bus must wait for us to find out what is happening.*

*If your child is a bus traveller and staying in for sports training, you must let us know to change the bus roll to reflect the days that they are using the bus service. This can be done with a call to the General Office 03 5070 2106 or a note in the student's diary.*

*Bus captains are not to mark students off the bus if asked to do so by another student. It must be done at the General Office.*

*This is the school's duty of care to make sure that all students are arriving to and from school safely.*

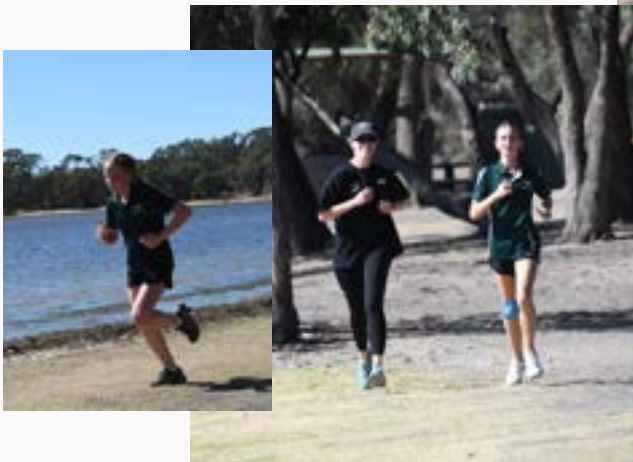
*Thank you in advance for your support in this matter,*

Kind Regards  
**Tyrrell College**





# Secondary Cross Country



# Secondary Cross Country



On Wednesday April 23, some of our secondary students participated in the Cross Country at Green Lake. The majority of those participants gave it a real crack and punched in some fantastic personal times. The weather was absolutely amazing and the track offered a variety of terrain. Thanks so much to all staff who either ran alongside the students or helped out on checkpoints. Due to the small number of participants the results were very close. Congratulations to Banyan who defeated Springfield with 680 points to Springfields 630 points.

The Mallee Division Cross Country is in Ouyen on Wednesday May 14.

The results are as follows:

Age Group	Age Champion	2nd	3rd
13 Girls	Indy Landry	Arli Roberts	Milana Barry
13 Boys	Milton Bailey	Finn Austerberry	Max Conlan
14 Girls	Elise Barry	Phoebe Bailey	
14 Boys	Hamish Landry	Aydan Smith	
15 Girls	Abby Smith		
15 Boys	Ryder Newick	Cooper Symes	Oscar Conlan
16 Girls	Zaida Tait	Darcey Hodgson	
16 Boys	Jacob Cox	Archie Alday	
17 Girls	Scarlett McGarry	Georgia McClelland	Jada Symes
17 Boys			
18-20 Girls	Jenna Alday	Dayna McKenzie	Ellie Stacey
18-20 Boys	No competitors		





# ANZAC DAY



School captains, Scarlett and Ellie, along with Primary school captains Randy and Oscar attended the ANZAC day ceremony at Apex Park, Sea Lake on Friday March 25. Randy and Oscar read out poems written by 2 Year 9 students Phoebe and Mia (poems below). Scarlett and Ellie then spoke on their recent trip to Darwin and Singapore, along with a video presentation. The school captains laid wreaths also. Mrs Amos and Miss Cook were in attendance. All four school captains did an amazing job in representing Tyrrell College.



## Poppies

*In Flanders Fields, the poppies grow,  
Swaying back and forth, even in the snow.  
It was so long ago, and now  
They lie united, row on row.  
We will remember them, we know,  
A red poppy, a caring symbol of what we owe.  
Lest we forget.*

*By Mia Austerberry – which was read by Oscar McKenzie*

## A Day at Gallipoli

*The sun breaks over the horizon  
As we wake,  
Heads aching at the thought of another day,  
Prepared to partake in the day ahead.*

*Gun shots break the silence  
Quaking the soil below.  
Soon another day is over  
As the Last Post echoes throughout the trenches.*

*By Phoebe Bailey – which was read by Randy Bailey*



Brody Kelly, Charlie Mitchell and Cooper Kelly attended last Fridays 9am Anzac Day service at Woomelang and presented an informative recount on their recent trip to Singapore and Darwin. Their presentation focused on World War II and their attendance at the Darwin Military Museum and oil tunnels and visit to Fort Siloso and Kranji Cemetery in Singapore. Featured in the photo are service Woomelang Anzac Day presenter and organiser Gwen Michael with Brody Kelly, Charlie Mitchell and Cooper Kelly of Tyrrell College.

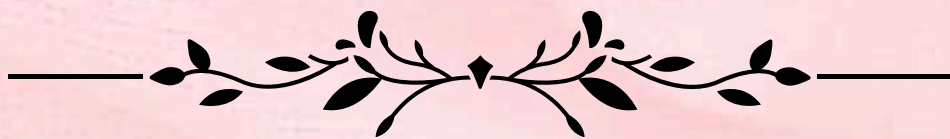


YOU ARE INVITED TO

*Mother's Day*  
**BREAKFAST**

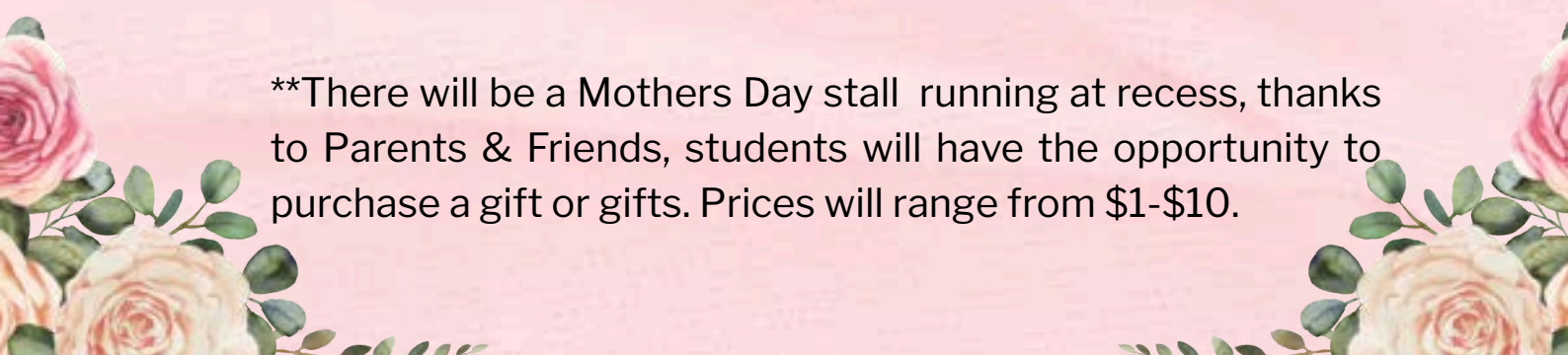
**MAY 9**

**FRIDAY - 8AM-9AM**



**TYRRELL COLLEGE SECONDARY PERGOLA**  
CROISSANTS AND COFFEE/TEA PROVIDED  
ALL MOTHERS, GRANDMOTHERS AND SPECIAL  
FRIENDS ARE INVITED

\*\*There will be a Mothers Day stall running at recess, thanks to Parents & Friends, students will have the opportunity to purchase a gift or gifts. Prices will range from \$1-\$10.





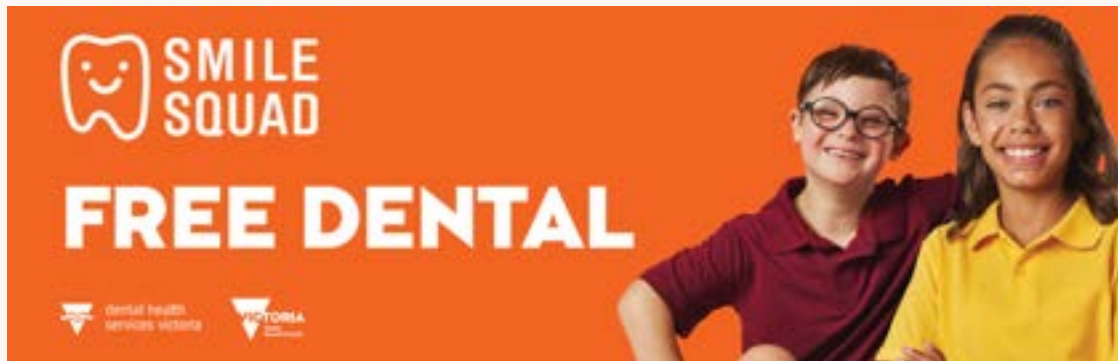
# Tyrrell College School Bags

\$65 Small

\$75 Larger



Tyrrell College school bags are available to purchase. They have a lifetime guarantee. Please contact or call in to the Front Office if you would like to purchase one.



Reminder that RFDS Smile Squad have been at the school this week, they will be back in a weeks time on the May 12. Treatment is free and onsite at school, so no travelling or appointments. Please take advantage of this service while it's here. If you can't scan the QR code please contact the school for a paper copy of the registration form.

All secondary students have the unique opportunity to have a custom made mouthguard, made on request, at no cost!



Custom made  
mouthguards available!



Happy Birthday to the following students  
who celebrated a birthday this week...



May 1- Rachael McClelland

## READING Awards

25 nights

Amelia

50 nights

Violet

Will



Congratulations to these students and  
keep up the great work!





# Book Fair



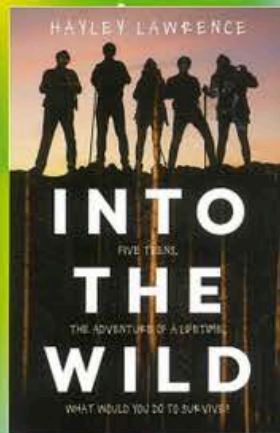
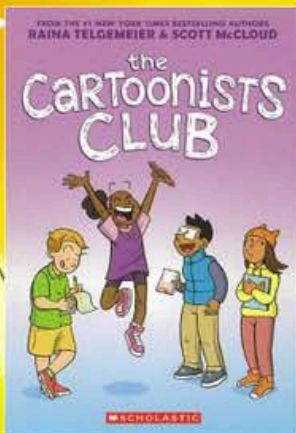
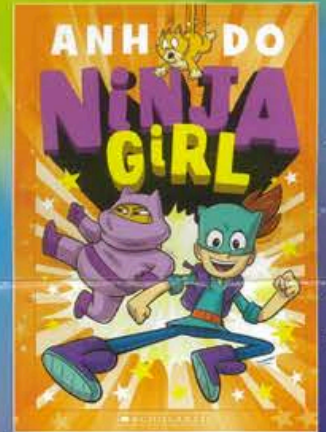
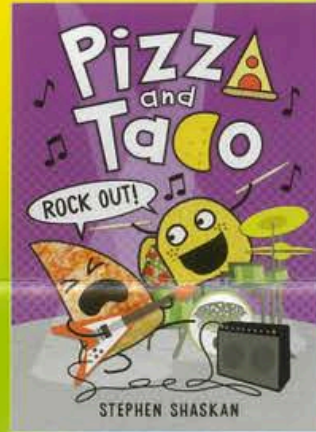
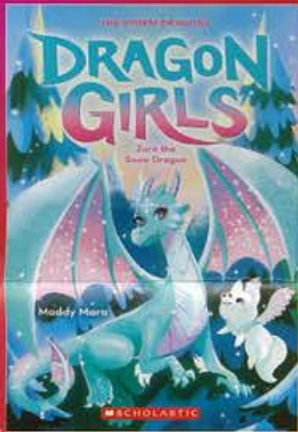
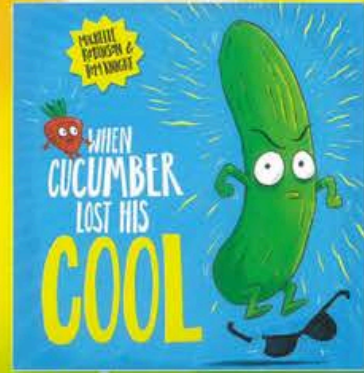
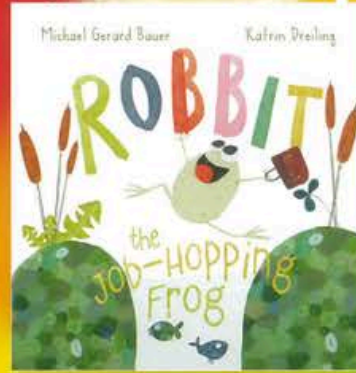
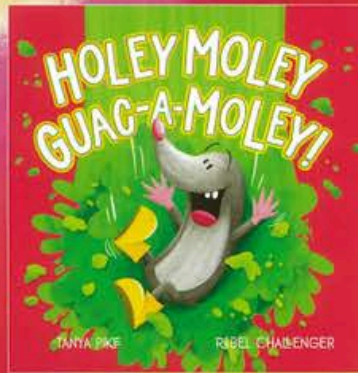
The Book Fair starts today and will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday at half bell lunch time in the Library. Please see Selina if you have any questions.







# You're invited to our SCHOLASTIC Book Fair



Date: Begins Thursday May 1

Time: Half bell at lunchtime (after school session time to be advised)

Place: Tyrrell College Library

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL





# Being HEALTHY

In Term 2 we have a focus on “Being Healthy”

With planned visits from **“The Smile Squad” team who are a Government funded team of dentists.** The Sea Lake team will be provided by the Royal Flying Doctor Service. This is a free service, with parental consent, for all students. The Smile Squad will be here from **Monday April 28 to May 2** conducting student dental examinations and will return May 12-16 to carry out any treatments required. ALL that is required is for parents to **scan the QR code or press on the link on the Smile Squad page below and complete the consent form**, however if you would prefer a paper consent form please contact the Front Office to arrange for a copy to be sent home or completed at school. Please note this preliminary visit in April is a free dental health check for all students whether under private dental care or not. No treatment will take place until the return visit in May.

**Wednesday, July 30 (NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)** we will also receive a visit from **Blue Star Eyecare** who are Government funded to provide **free vision assessments** for all Foundation to Year 3 students. This is the first time this service has been made available to Tyrrell College and it is a welcome addition to our students learning journey. **More information is to come.**

I would encourage all parents to participate in these free services by fully qualified practitioners who will be coming to us, instead of having to travel long distances for similar services. Consent forms are as simple as a QR code scan or call the office at Tyrrell College ph 50702106 if you need assistance or would like to know more.

**Carol Elliot - School Nurse**







Dear Tyrrell College families,

The Smile Squad Team have arrived, the team will have some paper consents for parents/guardians that prefer to sign up this way, as well as a laminated QR code poster for easy online sign up.

**The Smile Squad team from RFDS** are returning to our school soon. Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program. This means ALL students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school. They will return on Monday May 12 to Friday May 16. How to access free dental care? We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian. Sign up to Smile Squad at: \_\_\_\_\_

<https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

OR use the below QR code:



**Smile Squad oral health packs-** All children deserve a healthy smile, and the Smile Squad free school dental program is working hard to help make sure this happens. Your child(ren) will soon receive a free oral health pack to bring home. The pack contains a toothbrush, full sized toothpaste, and an oral health brochure. Please take the time to read the brochure. It's full of helpful hints and tips to help your whole family eat well, drink well and clean well – for life.

**Standard strength toothpaste-** Smile Squad provides standard strength fluoride toothpaste that is generally used by ages six and over, unless recommended by a dental or trained health professional. If your child is under six, please talk to a dental or trained health professional to find out if your child might benefit from using this toothpaste. You can also choose to put the toothpaste away until they turn six or give it to someone else in your family to use.

**Do I need to attend my child's appointment?** No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment. You can attend if you would like to, and you can take your child to the community dental clinic if you prefer.

**Custom made mouth guards-**

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The RFDS Smile Squad look forward to seeing you soon.

**SOLUTION.**

PSYCHOLOGY

Assessments

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Solution Psychology's

# Swan Hill Outreach Program

May 19 - 23 & September 2 - 5 2025

Solution Psychology is coming back to Swan Hill — and we're here to support your whole community.

We're a warm and experienced team of psychologists who work with children, teens, and adults to provide high-quality therapy and assessment services. Whether you're looking for support with mental health, learning needs, or developmental concerns, our team is here to help. We believe in practical, compassionate care that makes a real difference — at school, at home, and in life.

## Assessments - Children & Adults

- Cognitive Assessments
- Autism Assessments
- ADHD Assessments
- Educational Assessments (Dyslexia / Learning)



Book your intake  
assessment via  
telehealth now



## Solution Focussed Sessions

Solution Focused sessions are one-off appointments for you to meet with a psychologist and bring along one or two difficulties that you would like assistance with. Your psychologist will provide information and explore possible solutions with you in a safe and supportive space. If necessary, recommendations for ongoing therapy or other referrals will be provided at the end of the session.

Book Online Now!



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Have you logged into the School Saving Bonus Portal

## **ACTION REQUIRED**

Please login to the parent and carer online system to allocate how you would like to spend your \$400 bonus.

Please find instructions on how to login and allocate your SSB funds on the attached System guide for parents and carers.

**Or contact the Tyrrell College General Office and they can log in for you!**

## **MUSIC LESSONS**

Please remember if your child is attending a music lesson here at the school, that regular payments are to be made.

We appreciate your co operation.

