

# Tailem Bend Primary School

## Wednesday 19th November 2025 *Newsletter*

Issue 18

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

The past few weeks have been incredibly busy, and while this is usually the time of year when things begin to slow down, we're gearing up for an even busier final few weeks. There is plenty happening across the school as we head toward the end of term.

### Remembrance Day

On 11 November, it was wonderful to see our whole school community represented at the Tailem Bend Remembrance Day service. A small group of students proudly participated in the ceremony, and we commend them for their maturity and respect. More details from the event can be found later in the newsletter. Thank you to the Tailem Bend RSL for once again welcoming our students.



### Swimming Carnival

This Friday is our annual Swimming/Splash Carnival. The day will be split into two sessions, with the Junior Primary events running in the morning and the Middle and Upper Primary events taking place in the afternoon. We're looking forward to a fun and energetic day for all.

### Welcome to Our 2026 Reception Students

Tomorrow marks the beginning of transition visits for our new Receptions starting in 2026. This is an exciting milestone as our newest learners begin getting to know their teachers, classmates, and school routines. **We warmly welcome these children and their families to our Tailem Bend Primary School community** and look forward to supporting them as they settle in over the coming weeks.

### Staffing and Classes for 2026

We are in the process of finalising staffing and class structures for next year. These decisions are guided by our annual budget and, importantly, our enrolment numbers. If you know of any children who will be joining or leaving Tailem Bend Primary School in 2026, please contact the front office as soon as possible. This helps us plan accurately and support smooth transitions for all students.

### Student Free Day – Next Friday

A reminder that next Friday is a Student Free Day. Staff will be using this time to review our 2025 priorities and begin setting clear targets and directions for 2026.

Have a great week!

Travis

Don't Forget...

28th November Student Free Day

12th December Last day of the year, early dismissal



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## Diary Dates

20/11	Little Eagles 9-11am, Parent mtg
21/11	Swimming Carnival
27/11	Adelaide 500 Yr 34 & Yr 45 Excursion Little Eagles, 9-11.45am
28/11	Student Free Day
4/12	Little Eagles 9-12.30am
2/12	Year 6 MB High School Transition Day
3/12	Year 6 Coomandook Transition Day
3/12	Blue Light Disco 5 - 7pm. Xmas theme
10/12	School Concert
11/12	Yr 6 Graduation
12/12	Last Day Term 4
27/1	Term 1, 2026

***"To Be Positive & Successful"***

# Tailem Bend Primary School Newsletter

## Wellbeing News

### Remembrance Day

On the 11th of November our whole school community attended the Remembrance Day Service at the war memorial in Tailem Bend. Some of our SRC Executive members participated in the service and through their efforts, performed their tasks with utmost respect. Thanks to Mrs Kluske for organising a sprig of rosemary for every person in our school community to lay at the war memorial as a mark of respect.

We are, once again, honoured to work in conjunction with the Tailem Bend RSL.

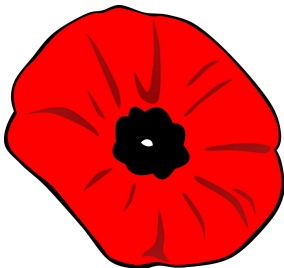
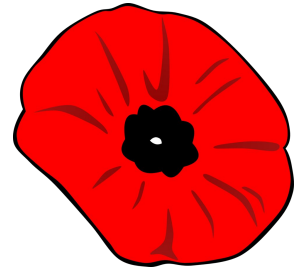
Congratulations and well done to:

Anthony (speaker)

Mia (speaker)

Bella and Milly (wreath layers)

Nic and Vinny(flag bearers)



## SRC News

The SRC wish to thank everyone who participated in and made a donation towards our 'Bright Colours Day' fundraiser today. We managed to raise \$170. These funds will go towards early intervention services, therapy and support programs to assist children with hearing loss to listen and speak, enabling them to connect, communicate and thrive. Well done everyone!

**Dani Schubert**

**Wellbeing Leader**

## Bright Colours Day



## ***World Kindness Day!***



Thursday the 13th of November was World Kindness Day. The Reception showed kindness by making fruit skewers for the WHOLE school and also these gorgeous rainbows to remind them to sprinkle a little bit of kindness everyday. ❤️



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## *Health & PE Week*



Last week was Health and PE Week....



We ran, walked, skipped and health hustled our way through the week. Thanks to those that joined us. We loved moving with you 😊



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19/11/2025

## RE: Coloured Sand Recall

Dear parents and carers,

As you would be aware, there has been a nation-wide recall of certain coloured sand products due to asbestos concerns.

While the risks of those products are low, **we are pleased to advise that our site does not have any of the recalled coloured sand products on site** and therefore site operations will continue as normal.

Please don't hesitate to call if you have any concerns or require further information.

Kind regards,



Travis Schenke

**PRINCIPAL**



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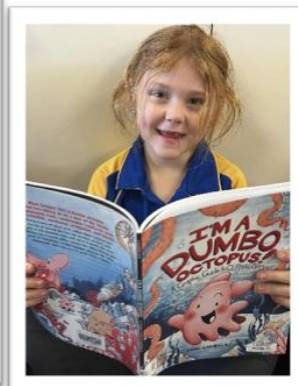
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# Library News



# NEW BOOKS



TAILEM BEND  
SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

# CHILDRENS BOOK SALE!

Books 5c each, students only between  
8.30am–8.50am and 3.10pm–3.30pm

**WEEK 7,  
24-28 NOVEMBER 2025**

## Week 4 Class Awards

### Year 6 Mrs Richter

**Anthony**

Respect for Community: For being a courteous and helpful member of our school.

### Year 4/5 Ms Reeves

**Maddie**

For Teaching and Learning: Always putting in 100% contributing to academic tasks and discussions, actively participating in her own learning and demonstrating empathy towards others.

### Year 3/4 Mrs Schutz

**Savannah**

Showing respect for self by not giving up when faced with challenging tasks and remaining positive when the "going gets tough" - this was evident while on camp.

### Year 2/3 Miss Trembath

**Milly**

For showing respect for teaching and learning by creating an amazing poster about teamwork! Amazing effort, Milly!

### Year 1/2 Mrs Kluske and Mrs Bruce

**Leah**

Teaching and Learning: showing motivation to complete tasks and persisting with her story writing.  
Well done, Leah!

### Reception Mrs Paech

**Levi**

Respect for Teaching and Learning; a great start to school at Tailem Bend with excellent participation in all areas.

## Week 5 Class Awards

### Year 6 Mrs Richter

**N/A**

### Year 4/5 Ms Reeves

**Ruby**

Respect for Teaching and Learning:  
Respect for Others: Demonstrating positive and mature behaviour to visiting teachers. Being a great leader and showing empathy for others.

### Year 3/4 Mrs Schutz

**Savvy**

For showing respect to others by being a great, supportive friend and for always helping others in need.

### Year 2/3 Miss Trembath

**Leo**

For Teaching and Learning: by showing enthusiasm when learning new maths concepts and doing a brilliant job with arrays and multiplication.

### Year 1/2 Mrs Kluske and Mrs Bruce

**Harper**

For Teaching and Learning: for consistently and confidently applying herself during phonics lessons and using the learned strategies with great success!

### Reception Mrs Paech

**Grace**

Respect for teaching and learning - outstanding improvement in segmenting and blending in phonics testing.



## Community News



**Blue Light**  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

**WED 21 JANUARY 2026**

### Summer SPECTACULAR

**VENUE**  
Murray Bridge South School  
54 Joyce Street, Murray Bridge  
Meet at the undercover basketball court.

**TIME** 10am - 1pm    **AGES** 7-14 years    **COST** \$10

Cost includes: water strategy games and play, water pistol to take home, lunch.

**CONTACT**  
Further details please phone: 8535 6345

**TICKETS**  
Scan QR code for tickets or visit:  
[www.bluelightsa.org/event-details/summer-spectacular-murray-bridge](http://www.bluelightsa.org/event-details/summer-spectacular-murray-bridge)

**INFORMATION**  
Supervision provided with maximum capacity of 60 children (adults are not to remain on site).  
Be quick as ticket sales close 10pm on 19 Jan 2026.

**BRING**  
Hat, drink bottle, sunscreen, towel, footwear, dry clothes.

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## A TRIBUTE TO THE FARMERS "PETALS TO PERSEVERANCE"

### A Christmas Display

**10-21 DECEMBER 2025**  
**141 RAILWAY TERRACE**  
**TAILEM BEND 5260**

**OPEN HOURS**  
10AM - 2PM DAILY

**FREE EVENT**

**TAILEM BEND Community CENTRE INC.**



The illustration features a golden wheat field background. At the top, there are hanging silver and gold Christmas ornaments. In the center, a green tractor is parked in a field. To the right, a small green tractor is also visible. At the bottom, there are several farm animals wearing Santa hats: a pig, a cow, and several sheep. Large pink flowers with yellow centers are placed on either side of the central text area.

PLANNED ABSENCE NOTIFICATION TO TALEM BEND PRIMARY SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME:- \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR LEVEL:- \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER NAME:- \_\_\_\_\_

The above named student will be absent from school on:

\_\_\_\_\_ (please list date/s)

Reason:- \_\_\_\_\_

Signed:- \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Caregiver)

Please send this notification in with your child to give to their classroom teacher

Please also note that extended leave needs approval by the Principal Travis Schenke with an exemption form

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