Message from the Principal

On this very windy day we are moving out of the summer season and heading into the colder months of the year. From the end of April we expect all children to be wearing their winter uniform as identified in our College Uniform Policy.

Over the last few weeks we have been collaborating with students and teachers to establish a clear set of values across the college. These values will form the foundation of how our school operates and how people within our school community relate to one another. The discussions we have had with the students and teachers, has been exciting and very informative. Early next term we will be providing the parents with an opportunity to contribute to this discussion.

This week students from Grades 2 & 3 were asked to help us choose an adventure playground which they could use during recess/lunch breaks. Hopefully this playground equipment will be installed along with some shaded area late in Term 2 or early Term 3.

Our new library is currently being established and we have purchased hundreds of quality books to stock the shelves. During Term 2 we will require some parents to help us cover and process these books. If you have some time available please see reception staff as we would appreciate your assistance.

During the last school week, teachers will be planning for Term 2. This planning will be based upon the information they have gathered throughout the assessment process and the work they have completed thus far. This planning time will enable teachers to plan an education program that meets the range of needs of our wonderful students attending the college.

School will be dismissed on Thursday at 2.30pm for the Term 1 holiday/Easter Break.

Best wishes for a happy and safe Easter.

Peter Devereux

Important Dates

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Gymnasium Now Open

It has taken almost 6 weeks but the gymnasium has finally opened!

It is a wonderful facility that will see the Physical Education and Sport program fully implemented.

A reminder that students must wear their sports uniform and most importantly, appropriate footwear on days they have Physical Education.

Chris Teazis
Physical Education and Sport Coordinator

Congratulations to our Students of the week!

Casual Clothes Day

Thursday 28 March
is the last day of Term 1
AND it’s also OUT OF UNIFORM DAY.

There is a theme and students have to come in your favourite sports team colors, or as your favourite sportsperson.

You can spray your hair in your team’s colors and even paint your face in your team’s colors if you wish.

The cost to participate in this fun day is a gold coin donation.

Thank You – Easter Raffle

The College would like to thank all of our families who were so generous in donating Easter Eggs and supporting our Easter Raffle.

Winners of the raffle will be announced on the last day of school. We have some fantastic hampers being put together by parent helpers and our SRC.

Numeracy Parent Information Session

A big thank-you to Mrs Markham who held our Numeracy Parent Information Session for our Prep-Grade 2 families.

The session was a great success with a number of families attending.

For those parents who were unable to attend but would like to read the information booklet handed out during the session; please see Reception.

School Banking

Dollarmite accounts for students will be made available at the beginning of Term 2.

If you are interested in starting a Dollarmite account for your child please see Shirley at reception.
Nutrition – Lunch Box Ideas

A healthy breakfast is essential to getting your child off to a good start in the morning.

Children need plenty of food packed in their lunchbox to ensure energy levels are maintained throughout the school day.

Please ensure a water bottle is always filled up with fresh water and put in your child's school bag everyday.

The common white-bread sandwich isn't the only lunch box option. Here are some variations:

- a wholegrain-bread sandwich with a cheese and grated carrot filling.
- pita bread pockets, roll-ups or turkish bread with lean meat or falafel and salad.
- dips such as hummus, along with pita or crackers and vegetable sticks for dunking.
- potato salad, chickpea salad, tabbouleh as well as rice and noodle dishes that can be eaten cold.

Other healthy options for a lunchbox may also include fresh fruit, dried fruit, yoghurt, cheese, rice cakes, pikelets and crackers all make nutritious snacks.

For more information about children's nutrition and lunch please visit www.raisingchildren.net.au

Parent Helpers – Tabloid Sports

On Wednesday 27 March, Tarneit College will be conducting a Tabloid Sports Day for all students.

The day will be broken up into two sessions with the Prep - Grade 2 students participating in the morning session from 9.00am to 12.30pm and the Grade 3 - 6 students will compete in the afternoon session from 12.30pm to 3.30pm.

Parents who are interested in helping make the day run smoothly please contact reception.

Staff Carpark – Student Safety

The College reminds parents not to park in the staff car park while dropping off or picking up their children.

For the safety of our students we ask parents to use the parking available on Brinbrook Street and Crossway Avenue.

REMINDER:
With colder weather fast approaching please ensure your child has the College's winter school uniform.

Rushfords Schoolwear can be contacted on 9741 3211
Math’s Puzzle

Please submit your answers (with working out) to Mrs Markham and be in the draw to win some maths prizes at the following assembly.

Q1.

Six oranges fit into a medium box. A small box holds \( \frac{1}{2} \) that many. A large box holds double the number of oranges of a medium box. I buy one small and two large boxes. How many oranges will I get?

Q2.

1 Continue each pattern.

a  

b  

c  

d  

e  

EXCITING APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAM!

We are very excited to be launching our **BRAND NEW HOLIDAY PROGRAM** at Tarneit College these April school holidays!

We have some fantastic activities planned for your kids, including the 3D Imax and Melbourne Museum, Galactic Circus, Watermarc indoor waterslides, Hoyts movies... and our extreme fun house with show rides, jumping castles and more.

This week is your last chance to book in and take advantage of our special discounts of up to 10% on multiple bookings.

You can find out more and download a booking form from our website www.world4kids.net or by contacting our OSHC program at the school.

**CONTACT US:** Phone: 0415 869 654 // Email: tarneit@world4kids.net // www.world4kids.net