Important Dates

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Message from the Principal

With the arrival of spring the weather is starting to warm up and the grass is starting to grow in our school grounds at long last. Hopefully we will be able to use the grass area beside the gymnasium for playing in term four. This will give the children a lot more space to run around and play sports and thus take pressure off the asphalt areas of the playground.

This term, the library has been operating and each class is allocated a time in the library to browse and borrow books. It is really pleasing to see the enthusiasm and interest the children show when they visit the library and borrow a book. When your child brings home a library book ask them why they chose that book and get them to read it to you or with you. If the children see that you are interested in what they are reading it builds their confidence about books and reading.

Next term the students will be required to wear the college broad brimmed hat or bucket hat when outside or during sport. During the warmer months we encourage our students to be sun smart and to wear appropriate clothing to school.

A special thanks to our Parents Club for organising the highly successful Movie Night on Friday 23 August. There was a very good turnout of parents and students and they all enjoyed the night. It was a great community building event. Well done to all concerned.

Peter Devereux
Principal
**Grade 3 & 4 Excursion**

The grade 3’s and 4’s recently visited the Melbourne Aquarium. Below is a report from Taylor green in 4SW

On Friday, August 23, Tarneit College’s Grade 3 and 4’s went to the Melbourne Aquarium.

In the morning everyone was so pumped and excited. There were so many people that we had to have two buses.

When we arrived, we went to a place called the Amazon. There were sea snakes and small fish. Next we went to the rock pools and touched the sea life. There were starfish, shark eggs and shells.

By then, we were all so excited to see the sharks and stingrays. I also saw a turtle in the tank. It was so cute. Then we sat down and watched the diver swim with the sharks.

On the way to the penguins, we stopped and saw some seahorses. They were awesome.

My favourite part of the day was seeing the sharks. Overall we had a fantastic time.

By Taylor Green.

**Instrumental Music Program**

The Instrumental Music Program has been up and running for three weeks now and feedback from both students and parents has been very positive.

The lessons are being conducted by music teachers provided through Jason Coleman’s Ministry of Dance – Music School and will continue next term. We are currently offering lessons in Guitar, Singing, Piano and Drums and students can choose to have their lesson during class time or after school. The cost for lessons is $15 for a half hour group lesson consisting of no more than 4 students or $35 for a half hour private lesson (one to one).

If you would like your child to participate in Instrumental Music Lessons next term please contact school reception.

**Use of Digital Technologies at Tarneit P-9 College 2014**

The school is currently planning for student learning in 2014 in particular the use of technology across the school. As a member of our School Community we value your feedback and input in future planning for the school.

Please take the time to visit the survey monkey website below and complete the questionnaire on future use of digital technologies in our student learning.
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/tarneitp9technologies

The closing date for this survey will be Monday 9th September.

The ICT Working Party
Science with Smarties

5IM recently carried out an experiment to observe the concentration of sugar in smarties compared to a sugar cube. The students were told of the apparatus being used in the experiment and were asked to make a prediction of what might happen to the smarties. Students placed four different coloured smarties into four positions in a petri dish and filled it with water. Students observed what was happening and drew a diagram of what they saw.

Mr Murdoch asked each student to place a sugar cube in the centre of their petri dish and observe what happened. The children then drew another diagram of what had happened.

Students discovered that each smartie had the same concentration of sugar in the colouring which created the four quadrants of colour in the petri dish. When we placed the sugar cube in the middle the concentration of sugar was much higher than in the smartie forcing the colours to the edge.

Here are Darsneet Kaur’s and Deeya Joshi’s explanations of what they observed.

**Darshneet’s explanation:** The smarties have the same concentration of sugar in each one; this makes the colours of the smarties form into quarters. So when the sugar cube comes in it moves all the quarters to the edge because it has a higher concentration of sugar. The sugar cube takes very little time to dissolve.

**Deeya’s explanation:** There is the same concentration of sugar in each smartie. That’s the reason why the colours formed a fraction of quarters. When I added the sugar cube in the middle it collapsed. After it had completely dissolved in the water and considering that it had stronger concentration of sugar than the smarties, it pushed all the colours backwards. (Towards the edge)

Message from the Canteen

We are looking forward to helping the Parents Association and SRC with the end of term Footy Day. Please fill out and return your Food order form as soon as possible. Halal options are also available for both Hot dogs and Meat Pies on this day.

Maggi Noodles, which are Halal, are also now available for lunch orders at $3.00, they come in Chicken, Beef or Oriental flavours. Please mark your lunch order ‘Halal’.

Always include name of Child and Grade on lunchorder, as we put name tags on drinks and jelly’s. **Remember** if you order a frozen item your child will find a sticker on their lunch order and they need to bring it back to the canteen window to collect their frozen item.

Thank you
The Parents Association would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came along and supported the school at our recent movie night fundraiser, making the night a great success. We were very pleased to see so many families sharing a fun evening watching Despicable Me 2 and enjoying some treats from the Candy Bar. It was really nice to get such positive feedback from our school families.

Without Ted and his team the evening would not have occurred so we need to give them a huge thank you.

We need to acknowledge all of the kind donations we received from local businesses with prizes coming from McDonalds Wyndham Waters, The Sun Theatre Yarraville, The Phoenix Hotel Point Cook, Hi-Jinx Play Centre Point Cook and The Indoor Bowling Centre.

We would like to thank those parents who stayed back afterward the event to help clean up. We would also like to thank Ms Anderson, Ms Corben and Ms Qualls who offered invaluable support on the night. It was great to see the staff coming along to support the school out of hours.

Organising the fundraising this year has involved lots of volunteer time and effort and whenever we have a success it makes it all worthwhile. All of our fundraising events are benefiting our school and we are edging closer to being able to make a big purchase for the children, which is why we are doing what we are doing.

Keep an eye out for the Footy Day flyer and order form which will be coming home this week.

On the last day of term Friday the 20th September, the Parents Association in conjunction with the SRC are having a Footy Day where your child can pay $1 to wear AFL clothes (or other codes like soccer, rugby union or league) to school, participate in some fun AFL activities being organised by Mr Teazis and order a special AFL lunch deal from the canteen.
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