



School News



Aim High, Achieve Together



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Responsibility

FEATURE
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Doing Your Best



Care and Compassion

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Supervision Times: 8:15 Mornings Duty

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Assembly: Wednesday 3pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

THE MYTH OF LAZINESS

Unfortunately, laziness and learning are sometimes linked together. At TVPS, we see laziness as a myth and it is important that our parents understand why.

All through my life, I still remember the label of laziness being thrown at different individuals and sometimes myself. "They're not doing what I asked - they must be lazy." "They are just sleeping in, doing whatever they like – they must be lazy". This view rarely leads to any positive change in individuals, it is a form of blame from which little growth can occur. Instead, labelling someone as lazy creates a stigma that isolates them and generally leads to more of the same behaviour...*If we hear it often enough we tend to believe it.*

Truly understanding learning means understanding that it is not linear. There are times in our lives where we make great gains. For many reasons, the stars align in different areas and nothing can stop us. At other times, progress is slow and is what we call at school 'Being in the Pit'. For some of us, this may present as being stuck while for others we might look like we are going round in circles. This is life and it's an important step in our learning and lives - knowing how to get out of it. If we don't, we never truly learn.

When you see someone in this stage you have choices in how to act:

- You can let them work it out for themselves
- You can give them hints and ideas
- Or you can jump in with them and work it out together

All three are important in life and it is critical that our students experience a mixture of all three. What is not useful is:

- Blaming someone or something else such as labelling them as lazy

So often in life we look for the quick solution because our lives are busy enough and we perceive that we don't have the time to delve a little deeper. However, I guarantee if you take the time, sit and talk in a calm manner, find out the reasoning behind their actions then you will be a lot closer to helping your child see the value in what they are doing.

Gene VanderZalm, Principal

HEAD LICE SEASON

We have had several cases of head lice reported to school in the last few days. Please check your children regularly and treat accordingly if lice/eggs are found. It is highly recommended that all family members are checked if head lice are found on a sibling. Thank you to those families who have informed us. We understand that stopping head lice requires all families working together, something not easily achieved. Perhaps that's why the little critters have managed to survive for so long.

LOST PROPERTY

As we are nearly at the end of the term, lost property is about to be sorted. When we clean out the lost property:

- If named->returned
- Unnamed->displayed for students -> washed by parent volunteers-> sent to MACs

If you are missing uniform items, please check in the lost property baskets located in the shared space and the foyer of the Heritage building as soon as possible.

CALENDAR

This week 27/3– 3/8

Mar 29th – Woorabinda EOI due

Apr 1st - 3-6 Athletics day at Foster

Apr 3rd - Mothers Day orders close 9am

Upcoming

Apr 4th – Final Camp Installments due

Apr 5th - Last day Term, 2.20 dismissal

Apr 22nd – Easter Monday (pupil free)

Apr 23rd – Term 2 commences

Apr 25th – ANZAC Day (pupil free)

Apr 29th- May 1st Yr 3/4 Rumbug Camp

May 1st-3rd – Yr 5/6 Urban Camp

May 10th – Curriculum Day (pupil free)

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

The newsletter is compiled on Monday afternoons. All items need to be submitted by 1:50pm to be included



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- ☺ **Lloyd C** for showing kindness by including his classmates while learning and playing each day.
- ☺ **Nikita Z** for her kind, thoughtful contributions to our class. She is always looking out for others.
- ☺ **Cael S** for making improvement with his attendance at school.
- ☺ **Evelyn W** for ensuring all tasks are completed to a high standard through self-management and reflection.
- ☺ **Josie S** for excellent editing of her persuasive writing.
- ☺ **Angel A** for tremendous persistence during a Maths lesson last week, where she found a way out of the dip.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

- ☺ **Darcy K** for being a supportive friend to members of his class and turning his attendance around completely. 100% so far, keep it up.

HOUSE POINTS

Week 6 winner: Bluegum

Overall Winner: Bluegum



STUART'S CUP



MOTHER'S DAY BY COB Wednesday 3rd April, 9am

- I would like my child/children to participate in the Mother's Day crafty present activity @ \$5 per child.
- My child/children will not be participating.

Child's name:..... Grade.....

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Total Enclosed \$

COMMUNITY NEWS

The following Community News articles promote community connections and communications.
They are not considered school activities



**MEENIYAN & DISTRICT RSL SUB
BRANCH**

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS
&
SERVING STILL**

This year Meeniyah RSL will have served for 100 years. We will acknowledge this milestone in conjunction with the ANZAC Service on Thursday 25th April. Assemble 9.15am for 9.30 am March

We are planning a bigger Commemoration Service and gathering at the Meeniyah Hall afterwards. We hope to have Memorabilia, Music and reminiscing of our branches history.

We invite the whole community to attend. We encourage descendents & community groups to march and make it the largest March ever. We are looking for all types of memorabilia from all theatres of war. This will be on display at the hall.

Any suggestions and enquiries welcome
Contact Tarnya 0427 647 473 or taryawilson@bigpond.com



CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS

WHAT WE EXPECT AT TARWIN VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

- ❖ Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
- ❖ We have zero tolerance of any abuse of children.
- ❖ We have policies and procedures in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children.
- ❖ There are clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with our students.
- ❖ The new Child Safe Standards go further than child protection arrangements did in the past.
- ❖ The Child Safe Standards apply to school staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors and students' family members.
- ❖ Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility.
- ❖ We want to ensure you know how we are keeping your children safe at school, and how we would like you to support us.
- ❖ Unsupervised contractors will be asked about their child safety arrangements as a condition of working with us if they work with children enrolled in the school (or children can reasonably be expected to be present while they are at the school).

Please see further information on Child Safe Standards on our school website.
Community members are encouraged to raise any concerns about child abuse with the Principal or report directly to Child Protection / Police.