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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

And just like that, we are in Term 4! Welcome back everybody to what promises to be a busy finish to the year like they always are. These next 8 weeks are an important time for students and teachers as they sort their way through a range of concepts, topics and tasks that may need revising or have been missed throughout the year. Teachers also see this time as critical to their final assessments before sending students on their next year of schooling. To complicate things, Term 4 is filled with a range of other activities including swimming, transition days for Year 6 and kinder students, Dental van visits and of course our end of year celebration events. Please keep track of all these events through the newsletter.

Other happenings this term include the construction of our new administration area. You will have noticed that over the holidays the demolition took place without any issues and we look forward to moving in early next year. In the meantime, there are a few logistical changes around the school this term:

- The buses will operate on the top side of the school and access the school through the large gate near the chook shed.
- The staff car park area is out of action this term too as the tradesman require this space. The only traffic permitted in this area are the MARC Van and cars accessing the disabled parking space.
- All other movement in and out of the school needs to take place at the crossing near the stadium.

Later this term Mrs Opray will be taking some much deserved long-service leave. If you have any pressing issues regarding finances at the school I suggest you come in early this term to sort them out.

Principal, Gene VanderZalm

MACS

Thank you to our lovely parent and community volunteers at MACS who through their time volunteering over the last few months, enabled us to receive a cheque for \$1274.97

SCHOOL RIDE/WALK/BBQ – FRIDAY OCTOBER 18TH

Before the chaos of term 4 really sets in, let us all gather on the Rail Trail for another bike ride. This was a big hit in May and we will have daylight savings on our side this time. We will meet at the Rail Trail with bikes or walking shoes at 3:45pm and the BBQ will be sizzling by 5pm. Looking forward to getting together and enjoying the outdoors together. The cost is \$10 per family. A sausage order form can be found at the end of the newsletter. Please direct any questions to Donna Giliam via email giliam.donna.d@edumail.vic.gov.au.

SWIMMING

A reminder that Years 3-6 swimming commences next Tuesday. Consent forms for Prep-2 swimming will be sent home with next week's newsletter.

CALENDAR

This week 9/10 – 16/10

15-18th Oct – Yr 3-6 Swimming

Upcoming

15-18th Oct – Yr 3-6 Swimming

18th Oct - Rail trail walk/ride & BBQ

21st Oct – Dental van visit

24th Oct - Book Club orders close 9am

28th Oct – Dental van visit

29th Oct – P-2 Swimming consent due

30th Oct - Information night for 2020 prep parents, 6.30pm

31st Oct - 2020 Yr 6 uniform orders due

4th Nov – Pupil Free Day

5th Nov – Melbourne Cup (pupil free day)

8th Nov – Yr P-2 swimming commences

8th Nov – Yr 6 Fruit cake and cash due to school

19th Nov – School Council 7pm

10th Dec - State Wide Orientation Day

10th Dec – School Council EoY

12th Dec – Yr 6 Graduation Evening

16th Dec- End of Year Celebration

17th Dec - Christmas Bake up Day

18th Dec – Class parties

20th Dec – Last Day of Term 4

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

The newsletter is compiled on Monday afternoons. All items need to be submitted by 2:20pm to be included.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY BAKE UP DAY

Tuesday 17th December will be a bake up day for Grade 4, 5, 6 students with goods distributed to school families in need. If anyone would like to help the students bake, please contact Kath Gilbert.

YEAR 6 CHRISTMAS CAKES

Fay Sinclair will be coming in again this year to work with Year 6 students to decorate Christmas cakes. These lessons will commence Tuesday 12th November. Students will be required to bring in a fruit cake and \$12 **cash** by November 8th. A consent form with further information has been distributed today.

BOOK CLUB

The Issue 7 Book Club catalogue will be distributed over the next few days. Please place all orders via the LOOP app on your phone, or via the Scholastic website by 9am Thursday 24th October. Please **do not** send orders into the school office.



Prep School Concert Writing

Yesterday at the hall we danced and sang a caterpillar song. **Bentley**

Yesterday we sang the caterpillar song and the butterfly dance. The people were sitting and the preps were **fantastic!** **Max**

I got to wear the caterpillar costume. I loved that my mum and dad came. **Hudson**

Mrs Guy thought that we were **incredible!** I thought that I was a little scared, then I was excited. **Louie**



I liked the butterfly dance and the caterpillar song. **Caleb**

Yesterday at the hall I was a pickle and we did a butterfly dance. **Blake**

I had butterfly wings for the dance. **Alyssa**

Yesterday everyone did a dance at the Meeniyan hall. I liked the witches. I did **incredible** dancing! **Jordyn**

We went to the concert. I did incredible dancing. I saw kids and grown ups. **Wyatt**

I was scared at the front, then I was happy and proud. **Walker**

The whole school went to the whole school concert and I liked the witches the best. I felt **incredible!** **Joseph**

On Thursday we went to the concert and we did a caterpillar dance. **Sarah**

I had so much fun at the school concert to do the butterfly dance and caterpillar song. My favourite one was the grade 4s. **Cody**

On Thursday we had a school concert. I had a **wonderful** time. We sang a caterpillar song. We danced a butterfly dance. We got to stand on the stage, it was cool. I liked the witches the most. **Tessa**

I love the concert and we danced at the Meeniyan hall. **Destiny**

On Thursday we went to the school concert. I was **excited!** We did the caterpillar song and the butterfly song as well.

I liked the witches song. It was creepy. **Indie H**

I danced to the butterfly dance. **Jonathan**

On Thursday we went to the concert, it was fun. My favourite was the caterpillar. **Indi D**

Yesterday I was excited, I was impressed with myself. At the concert I liked the witches. **Lloyd**



SAUSAGE ORDER for Rail Trail ride and BBQ on October 18th
Return to school with cash payment by 9am Friday October 11th.

Family _____ Number of Sausages _____

I have enclosed \$10 cash Yes



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