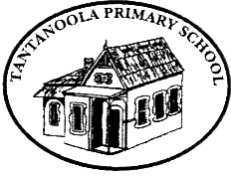


TANTANOOLA PRIMARY SCHOOL



Newsletter



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Term 4

Week 2

23rd October 2019

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DATES TO REMEMBER

25th Oct 9.15am:

Finance Committee:

28th Oct 3.45pm: Governing
Council Meeting

6th Nov: School photos

Thursday 7th Nov: Student free
day (School Priority planning)

Friday 8th Nov: School Closure-
Millicent show:

Monday 9th Dec 6pm:

End of Year celebration

11th Nov Reports Home

13th Dec: End of Term 4

**BOOK CLUB CLOSING
DATE**

Monday 28th October 2019



Homework

Dear Parents

We have started to have some absolutely beautiful days this term so it has been pleasing to see all students wearing hats.

As a Sun Smart school we use multiple measures across the year to support students' sun awareness and safety. In Terms 1 and 4 board brimmed hats are expected whenever students are outside and also any day in term 3 when the UV reading is 30 or above.

We also encourage sunscreen use and whilst we have some here at all times, we would encourage parents to pack personal sunscreen in student's bags. Talk to them at home about how you would like to apply this. Cancer Council recommends they apply 20 minutes before going outside. While we try to remind students of such things, we cannot guarantee we actively do so regarding sunscreen daily, therefore we hope this becomes a personal habit encouraged by you at home.

When students do not have appropriate hats, clothing or sunscreen, our school has multiple undercover areas where they can play shielded from UV.

Open day

Today we held an Open Morning supported by Governing Council, to give an opportunity for any interested to see what our school offers their children. 4 families attended and toured our site. Our class worked as they would normally during this time, giving an insight into how our teachers work with a multi-year level class. Thank you to Emma Reppin for enabling this to occur.

We shared morning tea with the Play Centre and some of our visitors were most appreciative of the delicious slices and sponge that Colleen Roberts provided.

Reading and Homework

Our school has one expectation of students with regard to homework, that being that they read at home regularly, and when possible, to an adult. We know that this reinforces their learning at school and is the source of great improvement.

It is sad to see how rarely this is occurring for some children. Starting regular home learning habits whilst in Primary School means they are able to meet the requirements at Secondary School with ease.

Make a regular time a few times a week to read with your child...please!!



Our School CORE VALUES are: RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY AIMING FOR PERSONAL BEST

Warm-up Lunches

Please read the policy/procedure overleaf carefully as some changes have been made to ensure safety of all. In particular note that reheating on the next day will not be allowed eg reheating an unfinished lunch order.

Recently, in an effort possibly to be eco-conscious, lunches have been sent to be warmed up in glass/pyrex containers. Unfortunately these get extremely hot and are a risk of causing severe burns so we discourage their use also.



School Photographs

Due to circumstance outside of Frank Monger's control, our school photos will now be taken on the morning of **Wednesday 6th November**.

Play Centre parents should aim to arrive at 9.30am to be a part of this.

LONG Weekend for students 7th-11th November

A reminder to families that on Thursday 7th November staff are meeting to plan school priorities for 2020 and to moderate student work. The following day, Friday 8th November is a school closure across our Partnership in line with Millicent Show day.

Transition

Next week we welcome potential Reception students for 2020 as we hold our first transition visit. Emma Reppin has prepared a busy morning for them, to help them get a feel for school life.



Christmas Appeal

The Millicent Combined Churches organise a Christmas Appeal each year to make up Christmas Hampers for families in need. Our school has a reputation for generosity which I call upon yet again. We would welcome donations of non-perishable food items to be brought to school to place under our Christmas tree in the front office.

I thank you in advance.



Kind regards

Lesley

End of Year Celebrations, Presentation and Graduation evening

You are invited with your families to join us for this fabulous event to celebrate the end of a great year of learning at Tantanoola PS.

Please book into your diaries **Monday 9th December from 6pm**.

More details will follow closer to the event.



Lunch 'Warm ups' Policy/ Procedure **September 2019**

While the student population remains below 30 the school is able to facilitate warming of lunches for students each day.

It is critical that food safety and handling procedures are adhered to, to ensure food is not spoiled.

Ensuring safe use of the oven and its operating temperature is imperative and therefore must be supervised by an adult. An operating procedure is documented and can be found by the oven.

STUDENT PROCEDURE

- Any food for warming must be labelled with child's name.
- Food must be in heatproof containers or wrapped in alfoil. (The school does not provide alfoil except to repair wrapping if required) Unfortunately glass or pyrex containers are unsuitable for this purpose as they cause significant risk of burns.
- Food for warming must be placed in plastic box in the small fridge in the classroom prior to classes commencing.
- If food for warming is frozen, it can be placed on top of the fridge to thaw prior to placing in the fridge.
- No food can be reheated for a second time at school eg left over lunch orders, ½ eaten pasta
- Food will be placed into oven at 120 degrees Celsius for approximately 30 minutes.
- Warm ups will be delivered to the class at 1.10pm.
- The microwave will NOT be used to warm student food under ANY circumstances as the risk of burns from uneven heating is too great.

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITY AND PROCEDURE

- The school will provide refrigeration for student lunches needing to be warmed.
- Administration staff members (Debbie on Mon/Tues, and Joy on Wed/Thurs/Fri) will have alarms set on their phones at 12.30pm and 1.05pm as reminders to put lunches in the oven and to remove them.
- The administration staff member will unlock the kindy and leave the keys in the door.
- The oven will be turned on to 120 degrees Celsius only.
- At 1.05pm an administration staff member (Debbie on Mon/Tues, and Joy on Wed/Thurs/Fri) will bring lunches to the students
- The oven must be turned off, lights turned off and kindy locked by the adult prior to leaving at 1.05pm
- Students must under NO circumstances remove food from the oven unsupervised.
- If lunches have not been delivered, the class teacher will send a child to the office to get assistance.
- If Debbie or Joy are going to be absent they will organise for the Principal or a class teacher to take this role.

COMMUNITY NEWS




VACSWIM

2019/20 VACSWIM online registrations **now open!**

www.vacswimsa.com.au

Is someone in your family taking drugs and/or alcohol? ¶
Are you working in the AOD sector and supporting families? ¶



Family Drug Support presents ¶
STEPPING FORWARD ¶
 Millicent Soccer Club ¶
 211-285 Plunkett Terrace, Millicent ¶
Thursday 31st October 2019, 9.30am - 4.30pm ¶
 Funded by the Department of Human Services ¶
 & brought to you by **Substance Misuse Limestone Coast ¶**


Free - register at ¶
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/millicent-stepping-forward-tickets-75243720995> ¶
 or call: - Sophie 0429-342-175 or Angela 0428271743 ¶

Educational and interactive sessions for families, friends and workers providing information and support relating to alcohol and other drugs ¶

There are three sessions covering: ¶

- Stages of change for users and families - what goes on ¶
- Basic communication - what works and what doesn't ¶
- Drugs and alcohol information ¶

You are welcome to attend one or more sessions. BYO Lunch, Tea & Coffee provided ¶



FREE Halloween FACEPAINTING

Thursday 31st OCTOBER

3pm - 5pm



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