



# Tinternvale Primary School

## Tintalk

ISSUE NO. 11

Thursday April 30th 2009

### SCHOOL TOURS

Recently, I have had the pleasure of taking many pre-school parents on a tour of our school. It is very difficult to tell people in a short space of time exactly what it is about Tinternvale that makes it so special. Although I am sure it is helpful to describe our programs and to answer individual queries, I think the most effective way for people to get a "feel" for our school is for them to actually see it in action.

It is important to really SEE what happens in our classrooms. The classroom programs that are offered here are second to none! The staff at Tinternvale is one of the most professional, dedicated, enthusiastic groups of people I've ever seen! Their curriculum knowledge and their strategies for planning and evaluation are exceptional. The teachers at this school are also known for their outstanding teamwork and all of these wonderful qualities are evident the moment you step into their classrooms. Visitors are always impressed with the way our children are so engaged in their programs and the fact that they look like they are actually enjoying themselves!

Visitors are also captured by the physical lay-out of our school. Not only are our classrooms larger than usual and very well equipped, but our buildings have also been beautifully maintained over the years. We are extremely lucky that very soon we will be upgrading our buildings with large grants of both federal and state funding which will result in even better facilities! Our attractive outdoor environment is another feature that attracts many positive comments from visitors.

No matter what day of the week a tour is conducted, visitors also take note of the many parents who are volunteering in the school in many different capacities, whether it is as literacy assistants, canteen helpers, and sports umpires or laminating experts.

I have no doubt that by seeing all of these things first hand, Tinternvale visitors would be sure to understand what it is that makes this such a fabulous learning environment for children, teachers and parents. The only thing that they may not quite "feel" during a one-off visit is the incredible community spirit that exists here. The benefits of this are probably only appreciated when you actually become a part of it! It is this "spirit" that makes it such a special place.



### DIARY DATES

**2009**

### MAY

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>**

Finance 5:30

School Council 7:30

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>**

Level 2 Local Walk  
around the Community

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>**

School Cross Country

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Mothers Day Stall

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>**

Sausage Sizzle

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

School Photos

### CANTEEN

Canteen is open,  
Monday, Wednesday  
and Friday



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## **EDUCATION WEEK**

Tinternvale P.S. will be hosting various activities during Education Week which begins on May 18. There will be school tours for Preps 2010 and, a Prep Information Evening. If you know anyone who is intending to send their preschooler to our school next year, please let them know about the dates which are on the attached flyer. The school will also have an open morning on Wednesday, May 20 at 10.00 am-11.00 am. You are invited to visit your children's classrooms at this time.

## **PREPS 2010**

Enrolments forms for next year's Preps are available at the office and are required by June 26. Please let your friends and neighbours know this important information.

*Lorraine Gamble*

## **DISTRICT SPORTS**

Congratulations to the following Level 4 students who participated in the District Sports Trials this week. All students represented themselves and the school in a fantastic manner. The students should be proud of their efforts.

Basketball – Dylan and Reece

Soccer – Tarran

Netball – Courtney, Amber and Odette

Football – Matt, Luke and Jack

Well done to Courtney, Luke and Jack who all progressed through to Zone.

We wish them all the best!

Kris Bardon  
Sports Coordinator

## **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUBS**

### **ISSUE # 3**

Students have received Book Club pamphlets. All orders for **Issue # 3** are due back at school by **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May**.

If paying by cash, please include exact payment. Also ensure that envelopes are secure to prevent loose coins from escaping.

Please note that late orders will **not** be accepted.

Thank you.

## **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

1A

Peter

1B

Jarrold

1C

Ailin

2D

Ethan

3B

Ciaran

4C

Charity

## **LEVEL 3 SPORTS AWARDS**

Lachy H

Aaron

Annie L

Hayden C

Nyalat T

Emma J

Kelly S

Ben R

Thomas B

## **OSHCLUB**

### **WEEK STARTING 4<sup>th</sup> MAY**

#### **INSIDE**

Pipe Cleaner Crafts

Mummies

Bubble Painting

Mothers Day Crafts

Disney DVD

#### **OUTSIDE**

A.A.S.P

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Dodge Ball

Jump Rope

Ring on a String

## **SAUSAGE SIZZLE APOLOGIES**

Sorry we put the incorrect date in last week's Tintalk. The date is **Sunday May 24** at Bunning's Croydon (Maroondah Highway). For this to be a success we need lots of volunteers for an hour or so. If you need to escape the kids/husband/wife for a little while on the day it would be greatly appreciated. This is one of the schools best fundraisers for a little effort, and to have a bonus one is fantastic. Please complete the form below if you could assist and return to the office as soon as possible. Even an hour of your time will be appreciated. If we don't get enough volunteers we cannot run this event and we miss out on valuable funds.

Fundraising Committee

Time	Preference	Name Contact number
8-10am		
10-12pm		
12-2pm		
2-4pm		

## **MOWING GROUP FOR WEEKEND**

### **2-3 MAY:**

Scott Wiseman  
Kevin & Rhonda Neligan  
David & Elisabeth McLellan  
Alex & Veronica Vandebroek  
Matt Turner  
Collin O'Loughlin

Please note Scott Wiseman will be submitting subsequent Mowing Group articles in the future.

Many thanks  
Ross Gerin

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

JJ Chicken Crackers and Double Deckers are now 80c each.

Slushy's are available on Fridays only in Term's 2 and 3.

Thank you, Jenny J

### **EMA**

Education Maintenance Cheques have arrived, and need to be signed for at the office

### **DEAR PARENTS:**

You will have recently received an invitation for your child/children to participate in a study being conducted by RMIT University. We are interested in how people perform movements and how the strategies people use change as they age. We are also interested in finding out the reasons why some people have more difficulty performing movements than others. Some children may have participated in a similar study that we undertook last year, and these children are again invited to participate. As is outlined in the letter that was recently sent home, those children who participate would be required to do some computer-based tasks which would take roughly 30-45 minutes to complete.

If you are interested in your child participating in this study, please read the information statement that was sent home and complete the attached consent form and return it by Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of May.

Kind Regards,

Christian Hvde

## **CONNECTIONS UNITINGCARE EASTERN FAMILY SERVICES GROUP WORK SCHEDULE FOR TERM 2 2009**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Positive Parenting Program	12 May (for 4 weeks)	Tuesdays	6.30-9pm	Blackburn office
Surviving the Teen Years	21 May (for 4 weeks)	Thursdays	6.30-9pm	Croydon office
Positive Parenting Program	27 May (for 4 weeks)	Wednesdays	6.30-9pm	Croydon office

**Referrals to groups can be made by families or by professionals**

**All enquiries to Donna Freeman, Group Work Co-ordinator**

**Eastern Family Services 9271-0800**