



Tinternvale Primary School

Tintalk

Principal's Comment

AWARDS Assembly tomorrow followed by a cuppa. Please come along.

Our annual awards ceremony is on tomorrow at 9:00am. Please come along and celebrate the achievements of our brilliant students.

Arrangements for the Last Day of the Year

Assembly on the last day will begin at 1:00pm in the Gym. At this assembly I will announce our new leaders for 2016. It will also be a time to say a final farewell to our Year 6 students and their families. Everyone welcome.

Canteen will operate on Tuesday next week and on Friday at recess only as there is no lunchtime break.

Christmas Carols

Come along and celebrate the Christmas season with a few carols and something yummy for dinner. Picnic commences at 5:30pm and carols at 6:30pm. The BBQ will be running with hamburgers and sausages if you would like to purchase these. Performances by the Choir, each year level and beautiful singing by YOU! See you all on the oval.

NICK W CHAMPION LONG JUMPER

Congratulations to our superstar long jumper Nick. He came 9th out of 18 at the National Championships in Canberra, only missing the final by 1 place. Nick jumped a personal best in his 2nd jump of 4.32m. We are so proud of you Nick. Well done!

Transition

There were lots of smiling faces last Tuesday when students met their new teacher and classmates. Students are now looking at transitions in such a positive way. Staff have been working very hard on this over the past few years, in particular the Wellbeing Team led by Ange Costigan and Lauren Heywood. Well done to all. Ms Costigan has included a piece on Transitions further on in Tintalk.



WOW Books

These are the big black covered books in which students display the type of work that makes you go 'WOW!' These will be sent home next week so that parents can peruse them with their children. As these books are continuous throughout your children's time at school THEY MUST BE RETURNED ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IN 2016 (29TH Jan). A good idea is, after you have finished looking at them; store them away with the new stationery items so they won't be forgotten.

Victorian School of Languages

The Victorian School of Languages (VSL) offers language programs to all students who do not have access to those languages at their home school. Their service extends the curriculum options of students and is aligned with the DE&T Languages policy. They deliver programs through face-to-face classes and through Distance Education. They also cater for international students. For more information visit their website at www.vsl.vic.gov.au

Kerrie

Lost Property

Please come in and look in lost property. We can only hold onto it until the end of the year.

Student Banking

There will be no student banking next week.

Student of the Week 04/12/2015

Prep A	Joshua G
Prep B	Tahlia K
Prep B	Billie—Jack T
1/2 A	Blake S
1/2 B	Jenny P
1/2 C	Damien F
1/2 D	Molly B
3/4 B	Isabelle W
3/4 C	Isabella J
5/6 B	Cole E
5/6 C	James S

Term Dates

Friday 18th December 2015 school year concludes at 1:30pm following Assembly at 1:00pm.

The 2016 school year commences for students on Friday 29th January, 9:00am.

Graduation Help

Any grade 6 parents who would like to help set up for graduation to meet in the Gym at 9.30am on Wednesday 16th December. We will explain what needs to be done & should hopefully be finished by around lunchtime.

Maths Challenge Answers

The solutions to last weeks Maths Challenge are;

P—2 Group Work:

$$7, 6, 2 = 15 \qquad 6, 1 = 7$$

$$8, 4, 3 = 15 \qquad 5, 2 = 7$$

$$9, 5, 1 = 15 \qquad 3, 4 = 7$$

3—6 Better than average:

A. Bill scored 19 runs in his sixth innings.

B. Bill must score 19 runs in his seventh innings.

TINTERNVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL CAROLS & FAMILY PICNIC EVENING

FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER

5:30PM

PACK A PICNIC DINNER AND COME ALONG WITH THE FAMILY TO OUR CAROLS & PICNIC EVENING HERE AT SCHOOL. HAVE DINNER WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHILE ENJOYING THE CAROLS.

WE WILL BE HAVING A SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE DINNER.

DINNER FROM 5:30PM



CAROLS COMMENCE 6:00PM

OSHClub News

Before School / After School Care Program



Program Update	Parent Information
<p>Hi everyone and welcome to another week of OSHClub News!</p> <p>Firstly we would like to announce the results from our recent Assessment and Ratings visit, we received an overall rating of Exceeding which is a fantastic result. Secondly just a few reminders leading up to the end of the year; Bookings are now being taken for 2016 so log on or create an account and manage your bookings for next year.</p> <p>Holiday Program planning is now underway and all brochures are available online. Please have a look at the various schools that run Holiday Programs and see what's on offer these coming holidays.</p> <p>That is all for this week. Have a great weekend!</p> <p>☺ The OSHClub team.</p>	<p>OSHC program phone: 0413 242 876 Coordinator: Joyce Go Assistants: Kaitlyn Robertson, Jack Rountree and Patrick Mastertoun</p> <p>OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000 Accounts Manager: Ambika Sivan (can be contacted through the OSHClub Head office number.)</p> <p><i>All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.</i></p>

Next Week's Activities

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before Care	Paper Chains Zap Zap	Junior Monopoly Dead Fish	Uno Games Heads Down Thumbs Up	Santa Clause Paper Plate Silent Ball	Christmas Songs Basketball Hoop Game
After Care	Reindeer Cookies Table Tennis	Crazy Hair Afternoon Number Soccer	Strawberry Santas Knockout	Lego Challenges Rock Paper Scissors Relay	End of Term Party Dress Up Relay



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December 2015


Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Whole School Transition #3	Assembly 9:00am Cuppa with Kerrie & Jo	Ringwood East Carols	

7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Parent Helpers morning tea in the Gym 11:00am	Whole School Transition #4 Senior Choir to Ferndale School Council Dinner	Curriculum Day 2016 Book Pack Collection Day	Whole School Sports Day 	Awards Assembly 9:00am Cuppa with Kerrie & Jo Prep Buddies Lunch Carols & Picnic Evening		

14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Whole School Transition #5 Level 3/4 Big Day In	Reports go home Year 6 Graduation 	Level 1/2 shared lunch	Last Day of Term  5/6 Excursion Assembly 1:00pm 2015 Finish 1:30pm!!!!		

21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			Christmas Eve	Christmas Day 	Boxing Day	

28	29	30	31			
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Transition; what is it all about?

Lately you may have heard the word 'transition' being bandied around the school. Many of you may think it is all to do with new Preppies coming to school from kinder. Or you may think about the Year 6 students taking their next big step into secondary college. Yes, transition is about those things but it is also about all the changes that happen in between.

At Tinternvale, our number one priority is the students in our care. We want every single student to feel comfortable and happy with their class and their teacher. That is the best way to ensure that great learning can occur. To this end, we think very deeply about the way in which we place children for each new school year.

This year, our students have worked with and visited their 2016 classmates and teachers on four occasions, the last being on Tuesday, 8th December where everyone found out their exact class and met their new teacher. The staff have observed closely how the children have interacted with each other and we take this into consideration, as well as our previous experience and parent information, when we compose the class lists.

For the first time this year we are having a fifth transition session, and this one is where parents are invited to come along or to help out.

Next Tuesday, 15th December, students will be visiting their new classroom and teacher to find out things like:

- ◇ Where do I line up?
- ◇ Where do I put my bag?
- ◇ What time do I enter my classroom?

And all those other important questions about the first day next year.

Level 1/2 will be asked to go into their new classes at 8.50am. Teachers will be there to help remind students of what to do. The students will stay with their new class and teacher until 9.30am. Parents are welcome to visit during that first half an hour.

Level 3/4 students will line up in the courtyard outside the Level 3/4 classrooms at 9.00am. There will be signage on the ground to show where each class should stand.

Level 5/6 students will be asked to go into the open area of the 5/6 classrooms at 8.50am. Teachers will be on hand to explain to the children what to do.

As said before, the whole point about transition is to help our children feel comfortable, safe and able to cope with change in their lives. Your calm, reassuring manner during this time is also much appreciated.

After this year's transition program, we can look forward to a happy, relaxed yet exciting beginning to 2016.



Building parent-school partnerships

WORDS Michael Grose

It's a (Christmas) WRAP!

How will you close up the school year and set the scene to make next year your child's best year ever?

It's that time of year again! The school year is almost over. The Christmas holidays are just around the corner.

"Where did the last twelve months go?" That's the adult viewpoint. Kids think, "What took so long?" Different ages, different perspectives.

Kids generally want to plunge into holidays, leaving schoolwork, timetables and teachers behind. That's only natural.

But before they get too far into holiday mode, consider how you'll round out the year, and bring it to a close. If your child is finishing primary or secondary school then there will be a graduation ceremony that signals the end of one phase of their school lives.

The greater importance given to school graduation ceremonies over the last few decades is recognition of the human need to bring closure to one stage of life, and prepare for the next.

Kids of all ages benefit from parental recognition of their achievements and successes as it sets the stage for the coming school year.

Here are a few ideas to help you close off the old year to prepare for the year ahead:

1 Discuss the highlights and the lowlights of the year:

Ask kids to name their highlights, favourite times or most memorable moments of the year just gone. Use age appropriate language and questions that will open them up, rather than shut them down. At the year's end I would ask my school-aged kids to rate the year from 1 to 5, and to identify their best memory, their favourite subject and something new that they encountered. These questions worked for me, but each parent needs to find their own approach.

2 Celebrate improvement and success:

Identify one or two areas where they excelled, improved or overcame some challenges. Broaden the focus away from just academic performance and recognise achievement in social, sport or arts areas. It's important for kids who struggle academically to understand that you value success in a variety of areas.

3 Show appreciation:

Consider how they can show appreciation to teachers, coaches or other people who may have assisted them during the year. Not only is it good manners to show gratitude, but some kids need reminding that other people contribute to their achievements.

4 Look forward

It maybe beneficial to give your kids a chance to vent about some aspect of the year that they didn't like, found difficult or challenging. Try to limit this type of discussion so that it doesn't end in a whinge session and point them toward a better future next year.

5 Now relax

It's time for them to set the previous school year aside, put their feet up and chill out over the school break. Remember, if the previous year wasn't one of your child's best, the five to six week break gives him or her a chance to make a fresh start next year.

So it's a wrap! The slate has been wiped clean. Enjoy the break and see you next year!



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