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*Please return the Fun Run money to the school office by Friday 19 September.*

SAFE
RESPECT
LEARN

SUPER HERO WINNERS WILL RECEIVE A $2 VOUCHER TO SPEND AT THE CANTEEN

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Congratulations! Another Term has come to an end, with many successes for both students and teachers.

Thank you to the P&C for organising the Fun Run last Tuesday. All staff and students had “FUN” walking, running or dancing around the track listening to some disco tunes.

This week we have introduced updated PBS procedures for lunch and recess. They are listed in the newsletter ‘Lunch Procedures and Recess Procedures’. These procedures have enabled us to open both the K-2 and 3-6 Play Equipment areas at recess. We have a variety of activities available for students to participate in, if they wish, during lunch time.

Please remember ALL students need to wear a Tarrawanna Public School (TPS) hat otherwise they play under the main COLA only. Hats can be purchased from the office or the uniform shop for a cost of $10.

Thank you for your support throughout this term. Have a fun and safe two week break. Students return to school on Tuesday 7 October 2014.

Relieving Principal
Melinda Dalli

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TERM 4 SPORT
Dance 2B Fit is the sport for term 4. A note has been sent home today. Payment of $25 is required up front, before Thursday 16 October 2014. Please send money and note in an envelope to Class Teacher.

PUBLIC SPEAKING
Congratulations Cassandra and Kaylem on first place at the NAIDOC Network Challenge in Nowra last Thursday 11 September. Cassandra and Kaylem will now participate in the NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge at Parliament House in Sydney on Monday 3 November.

SILVER AWARD DAY
To tie in with “International Talk like a Pirate Day” we are encouraging all students to come dressed as a pirate on Friday 19 September. Remember Tae Kwon Do is sport on Friday so you will need to be dressed appropriately.

“Leave yee Cutlasses an’ daggers at ‘ome and wear closed in shoes, for a safe day”

CANBERRA EXCURSION
A note has gone home regarding the overnight Canberra excursion 29-30 October 2014. Please see Mrs Privett-Nelson, Mrs Dalli or Mrs Sotiros if you have any questions.

The Korean Language program with Mrs Lim will close at the end of this term.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE
Chocolates are still available for sale. If you can sell an extra box, it would be greatly appreciated. Please ask at the Office.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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| Week 1 - Term 4 | Monday | 6th Oct | Canteen Closed |
| Tuesday | 7th Oct | Natalie Connolly |
| | | Mel Brooks |
| Wednesday | 8th Oct | Tracey Luke |
| | | Denise Kocass |
| Thursday | 9th Oct | Carlos Contreras |
| | | Catherine Contreras |
| Friday | 10th Oct | Canteen Closed |

| Week 2 - Term 4 | Monday | 13th Oct | Canteen Closed |
| Tuesday | 14th Oct | Raehleigh Kerr |
| Wednesday | 15th Oct | Belinda Davidson |
| | | Cassandra Gibson |
| Thursday | 16th Oct | Tanya Woods |
| | | Robyn Weston |
| Friday | 17th Oct | Canteen Closed |

- no chicken fingers or apple juice for the last week of term 3
**New Canteen Items**

- Garlic Bread $1.00
- Cheese & Bacon Buns $1.00
- Cheese & Bacon Pizza $1.60

**Lasagna Meal Deal** $4.50
Lasagna
Garlic Bread
Drink (juice/water)

**Pizza Meal Deal** $3.50
Pizza (Ham & Pineapple/Cheese & Bacon)
Garlic Bread
Drink (juice/water)

**SELL OUT- MAC & CHEESE** $1.00

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**Lunch Procedure**

- Collect all the things you need: lunch, hat, money, sport equipment
- Walk with your teacher to the eating area via the toilets
- Students, proceed with teacher to your class seating area
- Eat your lunch seated. Put your rubbish in the bin
- Wait for the teacher to check your area is tidy before walking to the play area
- If you are still eating remain seated in the COLA
- No food on the playground
- No school hat – play in the shade under the COLA
- Play safely
- If you are injured or sick see the teacher on duty and gain an ‘Office Pass’
- Stay in Bounds: COLA and 1st soccer field
- Out of bounds: behind sport / GA shed, 2nd soccer field, canteen if you are not purchasing items
- When the bell goes, walk to your class lines and sit down under the COLA
- When the second bell rings be silent
- Listen to announcements
- Walk in lines with your teacher to class

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**Recess Procedure**

- Collect all the things you need: recess, hat, equipment for approved small ball activities
- Walk with your teacher to the eating area via the toilets
- Students, proceed with teacher to your class seating area
- Eat your recess seated. Put your rubbish in the bin
- Wait for the teacher to check your area is tidy before walking to the play area
- Teachers to dismiss students after approximately 10 minutes of eating time
- K-2 may walk to K-2 playground equipment (near Hall)
- 3-6 may walk to 3-6 playground equipment (near COLA)
- Be safe and respectful when using the equipment
- If you are still eating remain seated in the COLA area
- No food on the playground
- Play safely
- No school hat – play in the shade under the COLA
- If you are injured or sick see the teacher on duty and gain an ‘Office/Sick Bay Pass.’
- Stay in bounds: COLA and concrete area and fixed play equipment (leave sticks, shrubs and trees alone)
- When the bell goes, walk to your class lines and sit down under the COLA
- When the second bell rings be silent
- Listen to announcements
- Walk in lines with your teacher to class
Schools play a vital role in the social and emotional development of children.

Regular attendance enables students to develop a sense of belonging to a peer group and assists in building important coping and friendship skills. Confident children are less likely to engage in anti-social behaviour.

If students miss out on the basic skills in the early years of school, they may experience learning problems in later years. Ultimately, unsatisfactory attendance at school may affect the awarding of the school certificate.

Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff, as a part of their duty of care, monitor part or whole day absences. Parents and schools have specific responsibilities concerning children’s attendance at school.

**Responsibilities of the principal**

Principals are legally responsible for maintaining accurate records of student attendance. When reasons for absences are provided to the school by parents, principals are accountable for their decision to record a student’s absence as justified. Principals may decline to accept as satisfactory an explanation for an absence and will record that absence as unjustified. Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when absences explained as being due to illness are frequent or prolonged.

**Responsibilities of parents**

The education act 1990 requires that parents (including carers) ensure that children of compulsory school age are enrolled at and regularly attend school, or are registered with the office of The Board of Studies NSW for home schooling. The New South Wales department of education and training may take legal action against parents and carers who do not send their children to school without a valid reason.

**What is a justified reason for being absent from school?**

Justified reasons for absences may include the student:
- having an unavoidable medical or dental appointment (preferably, these should be made after school or during holidays)
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- being required to attend an exceptional or urgent family circumstance (such as attending a funeral)
- being sick, or having an infectious disease.

Advice from NSW Health indicates that there is no need for students to be sent home or excluded from school because of head lice. Having head lice is not a justified reason for prolonged absences from school.

Absences for reasons such as some of the following may not be justified:
- shopping
- sleeping in
- working around the house
- minding younger siblings and other children
- minor family events such as birthdays
- haircuts.

It is important to realise that parents (including carers) may be prosecuted if children have recurring unjustified absences from school.

**Keeping the school informed**

If your child has to be absent from school, it is important to tell the school and provide a reason for the absence. To explain an absence parents and carers may:
- send a note, fax or email to the school
- telephone the school, or
- visit the school.

Whenever possible, parents and carers are encouraged to provide an explanation for absences before the absences occur.

The principal of the school has the right to question parents’ requests for their child to be absent from school. They may also question an explanation given for a child’s absence from school.

**Arrival on time**

Arriving at school and class on time:
- ensures that students don’t miss out on the important learning activities scheduled early in the day when the students are most alert
- helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- gives students time to greet their friends before class and therefore, reduces the opportunity for classroom disruption.

Lateness is recorded as partial absence and must be explained by parents or carers in the same way as other forms of absence.