PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Welcome back to Term 4 - a busy yet important time in preparing the school, staff, students and community for the following year whilst celebrating all we have achieved in 2014. Most of all, we want the Year 6 students to have a magnificent Term 4 - their last term with us at Tarwin Valley Primary School. This year’s grade 6 students have been a fantastic group of students who have shown great leadership and growth over the year. Usually Year 6 students start to disengage as their thinking moves to their transition to secondary college. This year’s group has kept on working and contributing to our school. Some have already approached me and other staff members regarding activities and improvements with proposals, solutions and maturity.

Principal’s Award
It was really great to come back to school refreshed and rejuvenated after my long service leave. I certainly had an action packed holiday which I thoroughly enjoyed and shared with students at Monday’s assembly. I was so grateful for the continued team work and supportive approach of the school community whilst I was away. I would like to thank the following people:

😊 Mrs Gabbi Boyd for her leadership and coordination of many community events.
😊 The staff for supporting Mrs Boyd.
😊 The students for making Mrs Boyd’s time enjoyable and memorable and leaving a lasting impression of what a great school and community we have.
😊 Parents who assisted with various events, procedures and generally making her feel welcome and supported.
😊 Parents and Friends for organizing and preparing hot lunches which the students enjoyed.

School Review
This term we will be conducting our School Review. This involves reviewing our student learning and wellbeing endeavors and performance data and projecting forward for the next four years. Staff, students and parents/carers will be invited to participate.

Next Tuesday 14th October our School Reviewer, Gaell Hildebrand, would like to meet with a group of interested and available parents at 9am over a cuppa. She will promote some discussion and feedback with some prompt questions. I would really like parents/carers to contribute so please feel free and welcome to attend and just let Mrs Opray or I know.

Years 4-6 Homework
Homework and homework expectations will start in Week 3 when all students are back from Somers Camp. We will be reviewing the school’s approach and policy to homework this term and will be inviting parent input via a survey.

Term 4 Calendar
The Term 4 Calendar will be on next week’s newsletter. We are currently trying to finalize as many dates as possible.

Red Cross Fashion Parade
Good luck to Matt, Hayley Y, Campbell and Claire who will be modelling MACS clothing at the Red Cross Fashion Parade next Thursday 16th October.

Brett Smith
2014 SWIMMING PROGRAM
The Grade 2 & 3 swimming program commences next Friday 17th October. Payment and consent forms are due tomorrow – Thursday October 9th. If your child is not participating in the program we would appreciate notification.

BUS ARRANGEMENTS
Please notify the school office as soon as possible if your child's bus arrangements have changed for this term. It would be appreciated if you could contact us by Friday morning if your children are going to basketball and NOT going on the bus on Friday.

PORTSEA CAMP
The Meeniyan RSL is kindly sponsoring two current Year 5 students to attend the Portsea Camp in 2015. Sponsorship will include camp and travel costs. The camp will run from January 19th-25th. If your child is interested please complete the expression of interest at the end of the newsletter. Successful applications are based on selection criteria. If you have any queries please ask. Please note that the school is helping to disseminate application information for the camp and the Meeniyan RSL, however this is not a Tarwin Valley Primary School organised or School Council endorsed camp.

SUNSMART
It's great to see so many students wearing their hats! Students without hats will be required to play in specific shade areas.
Hats are available for purchase from the school office. Bucket Hats - $10    Wide brimmed hats - $13

WANTED
Old scratched / unwanted CD's for an experiment for the senior grades.

ACTIVE AFTERSCHOOL COMMUNITIES
This term's Active Afterschool Communities activities are:
 Athletics - Tuesday afternoons starting 21st October
 Tennis - Wednesday afternoons starting 22nd October
😊 Sessions run from 3:30pm-4:30pm
😊 Pick up time is STRICTLY 4:30pm. Please see the supervisor when collecting your child/ren.
😊 The booking code is 8UKTP (Opens at 5:30pm today)
😊 Consent forms need to be printed and returned by 17th October (see confirmation email or TVPS website)
😊 Acceptance into an activity is confirmed by an email from www.schoolinterviews.com.au
😊 Good behaviour will allow students to attend all sessions

Expression of Interest
(due COB Friday 10th October 2014)

Year 5 Student’s Name:

Parent Signature:
School Performance Raffle: Thank-you to everyone who bought tickets and to all the prize winners.

A huge thank-you to the prize donors:

- Stony Creek Racing Club
- Meeniyan IGA
- The Antique Shuffle
- Bread & Pickles Deli
- Meeniyan Milk Bar
- Meeniyan Hotel
- Meeniyan Service Station
- Meeniyan Service Centre
- Lacy Jewellery Studio
- The Duck Hutt
- Meeniyan Pharmacy
- The Meeniyan Store
- Catherine's Hair Techniques
- Brown Wigg
- Meeniyan Post Office
- Moo's @ Meeniyan
- South Gippsland Ute Accessories

Next Meeting: Tuesday 14th October at 9:15am in the staffroom.

MACS ROSTER – October 2014

For any change in your shift please call – Maureen Graham on 5664 0038 / 0402 402 591

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Leongatha Little Athletics – Come and Try Day & Bring a Friend Day
Come and join the fun and fitness at Leongatha Little Athletics. Our season starts Saturday 11th September at 9.15am – 12 noon, at the Leongatha Velodrome. To find out more about the club visit www.leongathalac.com.au or to register online visit www.lavic.com.au and select Leongatha Centre. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Inverloch Community House Presents: UNDERSTANDING YOUR TEENAGER
Adolescence can be a particularly challenging time for teenagers. These information sessions with Psychologist Terry Guilford will equip you with information and strategies to deal with all kinds of behaviours. For information, bookings and credit card payments ph: 5674 2444 Please note: payment will not be accepted on the night.

The Inverloch Community House is situated at the Inverloch Hub. 16 Abeckett Street, Inverloch.

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Nerrena CC Junior Cricket Training
- Under 12’s: At the St. Lawerences oval at 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm starting Wednesday 8th of October. All new players welcome. Nerrena will provide playing tops &caps and have playing equipment like pads, gloves and helmets to use. Contact Ben Croatto 0431479675
- Under 14’s: At Nerrena rec reserve at 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm starting Tuesday 23 of September. All new players welcome! Equipment provided. Contact Damien Symmons 0418 623991
- Under 16’s: At Nerrena rec reserve at 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm starting Thursday 25 of September. All new players welcome. Contact Josh Trease 0408 109377

All players that train with us go into a draw to win a new bat!!
Mary MacKillop Grade 5 Discovery Day
Grade 5 students are invited to be part of a great Day of Discovery at Mary MacKillop CRC on Wednesday 22nd October 2014. For further information and consent forms, please contact TVPS school office. You are asked to register your attendance with the College by Wednesday 15th October on 5662 4255.

Leongatha Amateur Swimming Club
The Leongatha Swimming club invites you to ask a friend (or two) who you think may be interested in joining our club to come along to a free training session. Normal pool entry fees apply.
Junior Swimmers (8-12 Year olds) 6.15pm-7.15pm – Tuesday 14th October 2014
Senior Swimmers (13-17 Year olds) 7.15pm-8.15pm - Tuesday 14th October 2014
Pups (6-8 Year olds) 4.15pm-5.15pm – Friday 17th October 2014
More information @ www.gathasharks.com Click on ‘subscribe’ button to receive newsletters.

Toora Primary School – Halloween Disco
Toora Primary School together with Police Blue Light Disco are hosting a Halloween Disco.
* Friday 31st October 2014 at the Toora Community Hall from 4.30pm – 6.30pm.
* Cost $10 includes – snacks, drink & glow stick.
* Dress Up – Prizes for best dressed Boy, Girl, Parent
* All Primary School age children welcome – parents encouraged.
Enquiries to Kelly 0433 452 562 or Toora PS 5686 2283

Fairer World Bazar - An Alternative Gift Fair
Sunday 18th October 2014 – 9.39am-1.30pm @ Leongatha Uniting Church Hall, Peart Street.
On Sale: handcrafted goods from Asia and Africa.
On Show: information displays that explore ways to change the world one small step at a time.
Free Entry – Light refreshments available.

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg @ Mirboo North

SAVE THE DATE
Dr Michael Carr-Gregg is coming to Mirboo North...
He will focus his talk on parenting and the 5 greatest challenges for parents.

Wed 29th October
Mirboo North Shire Hall
7.30pm
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Phone 03 5667 9000
Parents/Carers of Mirboo North Primary and Secondary students: FREE (purple ticket)
Others: $5 door charge

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg is one of Australia’s highest profile psychologists who specialises in the area of parenting adolescents and adolescent mental health. He sits on the Board of the Young and Well Cooperative Research Centre, and is the parenting expert for Channel 7’s top rating Sunrise and The Morning Show and is a columnist for Girlfriend and New Idea magazines. He is also the psychologist on 3AW’s Morning Show with Neil Mitchell.