

# Tarlee Primary School

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# Newsletter

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Issue 1

Week 2 Term 1

## From the Class rooms

Welcome to 2018!

It is great to be back for another fabulous year. The R-2 children have named themselves "The Smart Pancakes".

Some children have already started to move forward with their reading. Unfortunately I am hearing from some children that "we don't have time" at home. I encourage everyone to put aside 10 minutes a day to read with their child. It not only supports their education goals but makes them feel valued as well. Next week I will be sending home our rewards chart. Feel free to pop into the classroom in week 3 to see the reading rewards chart to see where you child is. They are really excited about the rewards program that they created themselves. Their reading record is to be used for recording any reading that is done with your child at home. You can also pop a note in there about absences or communication to the staff at the school.

The Smart Pancakes have been showing off their ability to read, write and their understanding of number this week. I look forward to helping them progress over the year.

We have started a gardening project this term. If you have any excess veggies, seedlings or a spare Wednesday afternoon, we would appreciate your help to dig holes, plant seedlings and care for our vegetables. We are planting an assortment of vegetables so that we can cook some healthy snacks once they have grown.

If you have any questions, the door is always open. Please pop in, or make an appointment. I am always more than happy to chat about your

children. My working days are Monday to Wednesday.

Kylie and The Smart Pancakes.



### Dates to Remember

#### February

- 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Swimming Lessons
- 12<sup>th</sup> Mon Governing Council 6:00pm

#### March

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri LMN Swimming Carnival
- 12<sup>th</sup> Mon Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
- 19<sup>th</sup> Mon Governing Council 6:00pm
- 30<sup>th</sup> Fri Good Friday

#### April

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon Easter Monday
- 13<sup>th</sup> Fri End Term 1 Early dismissal 2:15pm

Current Attendance Percentage 95.1%

### Enclosed with this newsletter

- School Dental Brochure
- Tips for Healthy Teeth
- Fire Danger Season Brochure

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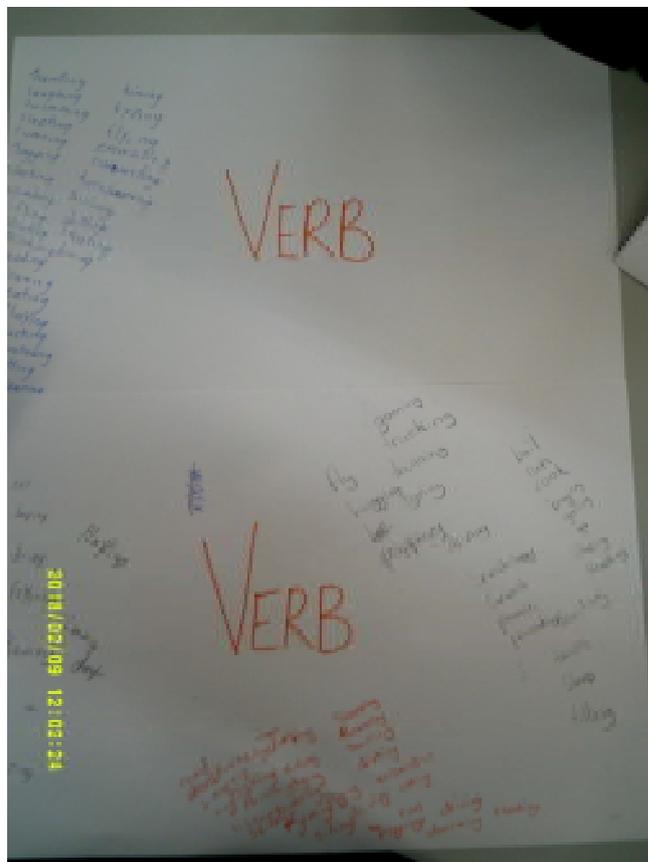
Firstly I would like to welcome all the Upper Primary Students into their new year levels and roles this year, as well as welcome back families, and also our new Junior Primary Students.

We have had a fantastic start to the year. The Upper Primary Students have named themselves the 'Kingdom Crushers' which is based around our rewards theme of 'Candy Crush'. This year in the Upper Primary classroom, students will be rewarded for their academic efforts, moving up the Candy Crush chart, and be rewarded with 15 minutes free time when they reach the check points. Good behaviour will be rewarded verbally and also a choice or job of the moment.

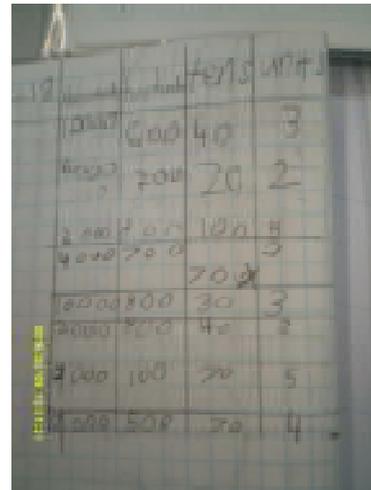
Students are already moving up the rewards chart, showing their determination and persistence of learning, helping others to learn, and reporting their learning verbally.



In Literacy, we have been settling well into routines and beginning our work on grammar. This week we investigated verbs and adverbs, shown on the poster below.



In Maths, the Kingdom Crushers have been re-visiting and learning concepts of place value. Below is some of their book work. We have also used place value cubes to create and deconstruct numbers and their values.



## From the Principals Desk

As this is the first newsletter for 2018, I would like to officially welcome Butter family to our school community.

We start the year with 21 students with 10 in the junior grades and 11 in the primary levels. This balance of numbers shows a promising trend for the future as at this time last year we only had 17 students. This represents 12 families at our school.

We are also very fortunate to continue with the same staff at Tarlee as we had at the end of last year. Marie Schwarz is working Fridays in the Library while Sue Chase is continuing in her front office and finance role 3 days a week. Marie Cutting will be supporting Sue in the office on a Monday, continuing to offer ICT support and also providing classroom support. Karen LeBherz will also be providing classroom support 4 days a week. As we have had a number of students that attracted additional school support funding leave our school, classroom support has had to be reduced.

Kylie Steed will be taking the junior primary class, 'The Smart Pancakes' in the mornings Monday to Wednesday and I will take them on Thursday and Friday. I will take the primary class, 'The Kingdom Crusher' on Monday and Tuesday and Brooke Evans will take them Wednesday to Friday. The main focus for these sessions will be Maths and English. All the students will continue to work together as a whole group in the afternoons undertaking subject specific activities.

The year has started well as, with the same staff, students know the accepted processes and there have only been slight variance to practises from last year. Checking on school policies it appears that there will be a significant number that require review so this will be a major focus in 2018 as well as our ongoing work on, mathematics, feedback and mindsets. It looks like another supportive and challenging year for the students at Tarlee.

## From the School Yard

### NEW SHADE WORK COMPLETED

Our new shade sails look fantastic! Bright and colourful they are a great addition to our play areas. The work on these was finally completed during the school holidays. Now our students have access to better sun protection for the years to come.



### 2018 Term Dates

	Start	End
Term 1	29/01/2018	13/04/2018
Term 2	30/04/2018	06/07/2018
Term 3	23/07/2018	28/09/2019
Term 4	15/10/2018	14/12/2018

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**MICK LINDSAY**

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