



# Tarlee Primary School

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# Newsletter

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Week 8 Term 1

## From the Classrooms

### The Smart Pancakes

#### Lego, Building and Construction.

Students had a fantastic time today learning all about, making walls and walls with corners. Learning and trying different methods of how to make them stronger. Overlapping bricks to make strong joins with the Lego worked the best..



strategies this week to assist them in becoming great readers. These strategies include pointing to each word and looking at the picture for clues about what the text may say.

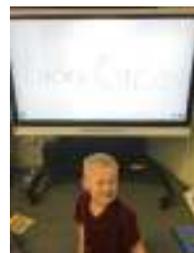


### Literacy



Children using white boards to write the letter sounds they could hear from the Jolly Phonics Program. They are

starting to learn to decode the shapes of the letters of the alphabet and are really proud of themselves when they get the letter formation correct.



Children are working on forming letters in their name.

Students are working well with their reading skills. We have been learning some reading

Children in Reception are learning the basic number. They are learning to read, write and say numbers. They are doing a great job at making sense of number and have made a great amount of progress across the term.

### Dates to Remember

March	
29 <sup>th</sup> Thurs	Kyttons Bakery order pickup
30 <sup>th</sup> Fri	Good Friday Public Holiday
April	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Easter Monday Public Holiday
11 <sup>th</sup> Wed	School Assembly
13 <sup>th</sup> Fri	End Term 1 Early dismissal 2:15pm
30 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Start term 2 Student Free day

Current Attendance Percentage 92.2%

## From the Classrooms

Last week our students made signs to show the community where to go to vote for the polling booth held at the school.

Here are some of the students work that we put up around the school to assist the community.



## Message from Tracey

### Pastoral Care Worker

During the week I saw a media report about dental health for Australian children. It was quite an alarming story of dental decay and how it was one of the leading health issues requiring dental surgery for children. It was reported that reducing sugar in student lunch boxes and brushing teeth twice a day would greatly help this rising problem for Australian children. We also have available the dental clinic free service in Clare, Nuriootpa and Evanston.

It was great to welcome a new family this week to playgroup and coffee morning. Marie has been organising some terrific activities and setting up different areas of play and storytelling. The children and parents are really enjoying these sessions and the JP class are having lots of fun too.

I have noticed the demand for toast has been welcomed during these cooler mornings, a nice tummy warmer at the beginning of the day.

As Easter long weekend nears I wish all students, parents and staff a relaxing happy break.

Enjoy the cooler night weather as we notice the school bulbs coming back to life Autumn is here.

kindest regards

Tracey.

## *From the Principal's Desk*

### **Why Public Education?**

*excerpts taken from 'Public Education in South Australia'*

Public education is based on at least 3 foundational Concepts which are unique to it:

- It is compulsory and free of tuition costs,
- Universal – meaning that they are available to every local community and
- Secular meaning that they cannot be based on a particular religious or cultural group.

So what are the characteristics of public Education?

Quality - The relentless pursuit of the highest quality education for all.

Equity - The South Australian public education system and its schools pursue equity through such strategies as providing focused support in teaching and learning and additional resources for students from educationally disadvantaged backgrounds or with special needs

Diversity and Cohesion - International research shows that the greater the social mix of a school the better the educational outcomes, so the diversity of public schools enhances achievement for all.

Collaboration and Trust - Education is one of the major vehicles through which our society develops people who are capable of working together to achieve benefits for the whole community. Thus collaboration and trust are central features of a public education system.

Community - Public schools exist within the local communities from which their student population is drawn, creating a bond between schools and their communities which fosters a powerful community spirit.

Democracy - Education is one of the major vehicles for the development of capabilities for active participation in civic life. Public schools seek to exemplify and practise democracy at all levels by creating structures and processes that give an authentic voice to all in the school community.

#### Late arrival and Early pick up of students

If students are late to school or leaving early the sign in/out book in the front office needs to be filled out. This requires the date, name of student, name and signature of parent/guardian dropping them off or picking them up and reason for late arrival or early departure.

If there is no adult dropping of or picking up your child you will need to provide a dated and signed note in your child's communication book or diary.

Please assist office staff by ensuring that your child is signed in and out correctly.

# From the Playgroup

## Week 7

Animal Play in Playgroup this week with new animals to play with and a great story called 'At the Zoo'.

With stencils and tracing templates at the craft table, farm and zoo animals on the table and floor and even some dinosaurs made an appearance.

We read a strange story about a family who went to the zoo, but that wasn't the strange part. The strange part was that they were dinosaurs; stegosaurus to be exact and they went to the zoo to see all of the animals just like we would. There were lions and bears, meerkats and giraffes just like we have at the zoo.

After our story we roared like lions, growled like bears, howled like wolves and neighed like horses and Marie told us about a great new game called 'Keeper Says' it's a bit like 'Simon Says' but you have to act like the animal and make animal noises. Hopefully we can play it another day as we were so busy today we ran out of time.

## Week 8

Play dough and fun and game this week in playgroup. We even got to make a different kind of play dough called cloud dough. It was messy and great fun. The cloud dough was sticky when we were making it but to was really smooth when we finished and it was even stretchy and it smelled good too.

### Cloud Dough

#### **What you need**

Large bowl

Spoon to mix with

1 cup Scented Conditioner

2 cups Corn flour

Optional few drops food colouring

#### **Method**

Pour conditioner and food colouring in a large bowl mix well

Add 1 cup of corn flour mix until all combined

Add 2<sup>nd</sup> cup corn flour and mix and knead with hands until soft and smooth dough

Recipe amounts may need small adjustments depending on how thick conditioner is.



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Coles Sport for Schools

Only 2 weeks left keep collecting we have almost 3000 vouchers so far and the more we collect the more we can get for the school.



The banner features a blue background with a white silhouette of a person running. On the left is a red circular logo with 'coles SPORTS for SCHOOLS 2018' and a ribbon graphic. In the center, the text 'SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND GET COLLECTING' is written in large white letters. On the right, a male athlete in a grey singlet with 'PEARSON' on it is shown in a dynamic pose, and a female athlete in a grey singlet with 'PEARSON' on it is holding a tennis racket and a yellow ball. At the bottom left, there is a white text box with a blue border containing the message: 'We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.' The 'coles' logo is in the bottom right corner.

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The flyer has a white background with a yellow and blue border. At the top left is the Tarlee Primary School logo. At the top right is the logo for the Department of Health Australia, Department for Education and Child Development. The text reads: 'Proud, Positive and Supportive Tarlee Primary School Playgroup'. Below this is an illustration of two children sitting on the floor with toys. The text continues: 'Mums, Dads and Children under school age (Including Grandparents and Caregivers) Come along and have some fun at Tarlee Primary School Playgroup. Session every Thursdays at 9.15am to 10.00am during school term, followed by parent morning tea'. Below this is the word 'Enjoy' in blue, followed by a photo of a child with colorful handprints. The words 'Fun' and 'Play' are written in yellow and red respectively, with a photo of a child playing with colorful balls in between. At the bottom, it says 'Support your child as they learn about themselves, their environment and their place in it. It doesn't matter which school your child will attend come along and join the fun at Tarlee Primary School Playgroup.' and the 'All for Kids' logo in colorful, bubbly letters.

Proud, Positive and Supportive  
Tarlee Primary School  
Playgroup

For Further Information  
Please Contact:  
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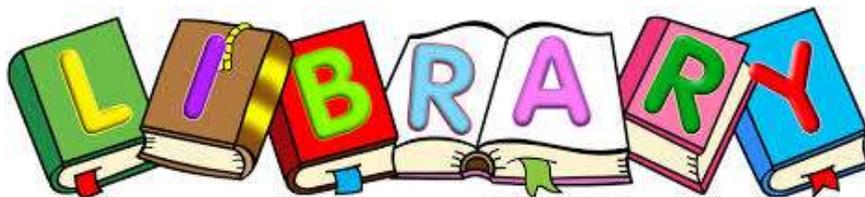
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Play

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All for Kids

# RIVERTON SCHOOL COMMUNITY



Hello everyone! Elaine and I at the Community Library hope you and your family are happily settled in to the new school year by now. We'd like to let you know about what your local library can offer you and all the tribe.



**Don't miss out!** To keep up to date with what's going on in the Library, and to get all sorts of other interesting bookish news, follow our facebook page: **Riverton School Community Library**. Posts and photos are updated regularly. We also promote our events on the Council website and through school and kindergarten newsletters. Let us know if you would like to be on an **email list** to get information direct to your inbox.

## [DID YOU KNOW?](#)

- Library membership is **FREE**. It takes only a few minutes to register. Just bring photo ID such as your driver's licence.
- We are part of the state-wide library network. This means you can **access around 4 million items** — books, magazines, DVDs for all the family. All our services are **FREE!**

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## [LIBRARY OPENING HOURS](#)

Closed Mondays

Tuesday 2pm to 6pm

Wednesday to Friday 9am to 5 pm  
(closed 12.50pm to 1.40pm for lunch)

Saturday 9am to 11am

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