

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for term 3. We have a very exciting time ahead with some significant changes being made regarding staffing. As mentioned at the end of last term, I will be leaving Traralgon South and moving on to Briagolong Primary School with my last day here being Friday 24th July. I have enjoyed my time here at Traralgon South and have really appreciated the relationships I have developed over that time with staff, students and families. I have mixed emotions at the moment as I am well aware of the great school that I am leaving and the unknown of a new school community that I will be stepping in to will move me out of my comfort zone. All being said I am looking forward to the new challenge that waits. I would like to thank all staff, students and their families for the large amount of support that I have been afforded as I believe this has contributed to the overall success of our school.

Matt Snell will be taking over my role until the end of term 3, with the selection process for a new principal to be undertaken during that time. A new substantive principal is expected to be in place for the beginning of term 4 this year. Matt has had several years' experience at the principal level at a number of schools and is well equipped to continue to lead Traralgon South Primary School.

Class Letters

All students will be receiving a class letter by the end of next week which will outline student expectations for the term. Parents are also reminded to speak with their child's teacher if they are unsure about these expectations or would like clarification on what their child will be learning over the course of the term.

Parents are reminded to schedule a Parent/Teacher interview for the 29th July if they have not already done so. Please remember that we are using a new appointment booking system online. Details in regard to accessing the system are available on our school website or from the school office. Parent/Teacher interviews are an important part of your child's education to keep communication between school and home open. Research also shows that students have better learning outcomes as teenagers when their parents engage in their learning.

Afternoon Tea Tomorrow – Darren Chester and Russell Northe

Please remember Federal Member for Gippsland Darren Chester and State Member Russell Northe will be in Traralgon South on tomorrow

Wednesday 15th July 2015. Come along to Traralgon South Primary School to share your views on local issues and ideas to improve the local community. The event is open to all and is an informal opportunity to meet your local MP. It is also a chance for Darren and Russell to hear first-hand what's happening and what more they can do to represent the Traralgon South community. Join them for afternoon tea from 2:30pm.

Joel Fraser – Principal

BOTTLES NEEDED FOR ART ROOM

The Art room is in need of 1.25lt soft drink bottles. If you have any, please send them along to school.

~ Yvonne Game ~

TRARALGON SOUTH BOOK FAIR 2015

This year the Junior School Council will be holding a Book Fair that will run over 5 days. The Book Fair will commence on Tuesday July 28th and end on Friday July 31st 2015. During our 5 day Book Fair week parents, students, staff and all other community members are cordially invited in to peruse and purchase the selection of items for sale. Students will be bringing home a wish list with their book selections the week before our Book Fair starts. Our school gets a 30% commission from all sales in new books for our library.

During our Book Fair week we will have a special evening where parents and students may attend after school hours. This will be held on Tuesday July 28th from 3.30pm to 6.00pm. The Junior School Council will be running a colouring in competition on our Book Fair theme: The Sea. There will be prizes given out to the winners of this competition. One winner will be selected from each individual grade level, six prizes in all.

There will also be a special dress up day on Thursday July 30th to celebrate the importance of literacy in our school. A letter will be sent home next week with Book Fair times and a lot more information. Posters will also be placed in main office area/foyer and in the middle area of school listing the dates and times of our Book Fair.

If you have any questions or queries with regard to our Book Fair please do not hesitate to contact me in person or via email. My edumail address is allen.catherine.c@edumail.vic.gov.au

~ Catherine Allen & Junior School Council ~

CALLIGNEE WILDLIFE SHELTER

The Junior School Council would like to ask parents and the community to help and support Callignee wildlife by donating some money to help rescue stranded animals and to look after them when they get sick. We have a lot of animals in Traralgon South and Callignee and some of them need our help. The Callignee Wildlife Shelter is asking us to help them to help the animals. We have placed a blue tin with pictures of animals on it where people can place their donations.

Thank you for your support.

~ Penelope Matthews & Billy Wheatley (Junior School Councillors) ~

DATES TO REMEMBER		
15 th July	Wed	Informal meeting with Darren Chester & Russell Northe – 2:30pm
21 st July	Tue	Grade 4/5 & 5/6 excursion to Sale Art Gallery
27 th July	Mon	Parents & Friends Meeting – After assembly
28 th – 31 st July	Tue-Fri	Book Fair
29 th July	Wed	Parent/Teacher Interviews 1:00pm-6:00pm
30 th July	Thu	Book Fair Dress Up Day

WANT TO LEARN AN INSTRUMENT?

Red Tree Music is holding an information evening. Try an instrument, hear our teachers perform and learn about online music lessons.

- Where: Traralgon East Community Centre
- When: August 6, 7pm
- How much: **Free**

Places are limited. For more information and to register your interest go to www.redtreemusicsschool.com.

PARKY'S WONDERLAND – DISNEY EXTRAVAGANZA!

Parky's Wonderland is holding a Disney Extravaganza on Sunday 26th July 12:00-4:00pm. Dress up as your favourite Disney character and join us for some fun! Disney story time, Disney craft table, Disney sing-a-long, sausage sizzle, face painting and a special visit from Parky. Tickets \$7:00 up to 2 years old or \$12.00 ages 3 and above. Tickets available now or purchase from reception on the day. For further information phone 5174 6749.

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Maths Challenge

Our winner for the Maths Challenge at the end of term two was Teagan Schoolderman.

Isobel McAllister received an award for 100% participation each week in our Maths Challenge during term 2.

This week's challenge is a brainteaser:

How Old is Granny?

Tom asked his Granny how old she was. Rather than giving him a straight answer, she replied:

"I have 6 children, and there are 4 years between each one and the next. I had my first child (your Uncle Peter) when I was 19. Now the youngest one (Your Auntie Jane) is 19 herself. That's all I'm telling you!"

How old is Tom's Granny?

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