

Dear Parents and Carers

The term is progressing well and we are so proud of our children and the incredible learning gains they are making. It feels like only yesterday that we started school, and here we are in May! Term two is a busy term for teachers as they write the children's midyear reports. **June 1<sup>st</sup> has been set aside as a pupil free day** to assist in the report writing process. **Children will not be required at school on this day.** Reports will be sent home in the last day of term.

**We are currently running school tours every Tuesday morning for families wishing to enrol in 2019. School tours begin at 10.00am from reception.**

It gives us great joy to be able to showcase our school.

Please remember that our **mothers' day stall** will be held next Friday, so children may buy their mums or grans or carers a small gift. A separate note has gone home about the mothers' day stall.

**Subway lunch** will be on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately we will not be able to accept late orders for this special lunch. We will be having more Subway lunches on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 22<sup>nd</sup> this term.

We have had a few queries about the **school photos**. We have contacted the photographers and unfortunately there has been a delay due to technical issues. We are anticipating the photos will be ready within the next two weeks.

### Extra Curricular

The **Aussie Hoops Program** has been extended to two days a week due to the incredibly large demand we have had. It's great to see so many of our students participating in after school sporting opportunities. Following on from the footy clinics last term, we also have a number of students beginning **Auskick**.

Well done Tarneit Rise!

### Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is progressing well. The library is opened every Friday morning at 8.30 for story time, so children can join in and have books read to them that will go towards completing the challenge. We are confident that ALL children will complete the challenge.

Nadia and Sarah

### Prep Community News

Wow! What another great week of learning within the Prep community. In numeracy, students have been introduced to 2D and 3D shapes in their environment. We have been on shape hunts within and outside our classrooms. The Preps have been working hard to distinguish features of shapes and sorted them into 'same' or 'different' categories based on their properties. Please talk about the number of sides and corners of basic 2D shapes with your children at home. In writing, the Preps have been learning to put an upper case letter at the beginning of a sentence and a full stop at the end. They have also been using capitals for the beginning of names. Students are encouraged to use their hands to finger spell: each finger representing a sound, and recording this as letters on their page. In reading, students will begin to retell stories that they have read. When reading with your child at home, please encourage conversation about what happened in the text.

## 1/2 Community News

As we move further into term 2, it has been great to see the Grade 1/2s becoming more confident in their learning and eager to take on more responsibility around our school. In numeracy, we are continuing our focus on time, as the students are now comparing the duration of events in minutes, hours, days and months. Soon, the students will work together on making a classroom calendar, where they will add important dates throughout the year. Next week we look forward to beginning our work on addition and subtraction. In reading, the students have been practising reading with fluency and they are already showing great improvement! We have also been focusing on building comprehension by rereading and checking for meaning. The students have begun writing their procedures and we are looking forward to publishing them around the school.

Just a friendly reminder, teachers are available to meet with parents after school on Thursdays and Fridays. We have scheduled team/staff meetings every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays.

Thank you for your support,

The 1/2 Team

## A Message from the office.....

### Student absence

If your child is absent an explanation must be provided to the school. There are a few options for providing this information;

- Call the school on 7002 6580 and press option 2 to leave a message. Clearly state your child's name, class and reason for absence.
- On Compass. Log in and select "Attendance Note/Approval" and enter the relevant information.
- Email: tarneit.rise.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

### Returning notes and permissions

- Notes that get sent home with your child via the classroom need to be returned by your child via the classroom. Teachers need to keep track of the notes being returned and this also builds independence and responsibility in your child. Therefore we will no longer be accepting notes at the office.
- Notes with money must be returned in an envelope or zip lock bag with your child's full name and class clearly written on the front. We do not keep cash in the office therefore no change can be provided so please **always include the correct amount.**

### Hot Lunches

Please ensure your child always has their lunch and snacks provided in their bags before school. We cannot accept hot food or take-away meals at the office. If you would like your child to have hot food then please use a thermal container so it can stay warm until lunchtime.

## Lost



At the end of last term one of our students lost this necklace in the school yard. If you have found it could you please return it to the office. It is a very sentimental item that he has had since a baby so it would be great if it was returned.

## Safety around our school

We have had parents raise concerns about parents parking in the staff car park. We would like to remind families that the car park near the gym is for STAFF ONLY. Parents can park at the reserve near the playground which offers a safe walking path directly to our school. Families and children should also not be walking through the car park.

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Zooper Doopers for sale (50c each)</b>
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Mothers Day Stall</b>
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Subway Lunch</b>
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>2019 Prep Information session 6pm-7pm</b>
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Subway Lunch</b>
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Pupil free day</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Queen's Birthday (Public holiday – no school)</b>
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Subway Lunch</b>
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Parent helper course 12.30-3pm</b>
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Last Day of term 2 (2.30pm finish)</b>

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## Mother's Day Stall

Bring your hard earned pocket money and pick up a special gift to thank Mum and/or Grandma.

When: Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 2018  
Students will be escorted to the stall by their Teacher during class time.

How Much: Gifts range from \$1.00 to \$4.00

### INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

If your child would like to purchase a gift, please send money safely secured in a clearly labelled envelope (name, class, amount enclosed).

Please **do not send more than \$10.00** as children will be encouraged to spend what they bring.

Please remember to **bring along a gift/shopping bag** to ensure items make it home safely.

Warm Regards,

TRPS Fundraising Committee



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## Calling for Mother's Day Stall Helpers!

We would appreciate your help at the stall.

If you are available, please return this form to the office by Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 or email [tarneit.rise.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:tarneit.rise.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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I am interested in making myself available to join the TRPS Fundraising Committee:  
Yes/No