Principal’s Report

It is hard to believe we are over half way through Term 3 - the year seems to be flying by. I am sure, with the number of activities that are scheduled over the next four weeks, that the rest of the term will disappear equally as quickly.

Athletics Day

Congratulations to a large number of students who competed in yesterday’s Athletics Carnival at Nuriootpa High School. The students’ behaviour was exemplary throughout the day, and all students were very competitive in their respective events. There were also a number of outstanding individual performances from TPS students, and we are awaiting the official release of results to see how many of our students will have an opportunity to participate in the state championships later in the term. We will publish this information in our next newsletter. Many thanks to Steve Lubcke, Hayley Spaans & Julie Modistach for supervising our athletes, and special thanks to the parents who attended and offered their assistance during the event.

School Uniform

Many parents and students have noticed a small number of students wearing an alternative school shirt over the last three terms. This has been part of a trial, initiated by our governing council, looking at options for updating our school uniform polo shirts. Our current uniform shirts were first adopted when we moved to the Research Road site. However, student and parent feedback suggests that there is support to move to a more durable and more modern style.

Over this year, we have trialled a number of different shirts, and compared them on the basis of durability, visual appeal, cost and ease of care. This trial has indicated that a shirt produced by a local company, Bandicoot Clothing, has proved to be the best value for money and is an easy care and visually appealing garment.

The Governing Council is suggesting that, from the beginning of 2017, we phase in a new TPS uniform shirt, as illustrated in the photograph below.

A sample of the shirt is also on display in the front office.
The proposed change to the new uniform would occur gradually, with a two year period allowing for the adoption of this new uniform item.

This shirt would be approximately $25.00 per shirt, which is cheaper than our current uniform shirts. Our trial has indicated that the new shirts are less prone to staining, and do not require ironing. We would also have the logo embroidered onto the shirts, to ensure that the logo doesn’t deteriorate in the wash.

The decision to change any part of the school uniform is never made lightly, and one that requires the support of the school community. As a result, the Governing Council is keen to hear your views regarding a change to our school uniform shirts. We would appreciate you taking the time to complete the reply slip at the end of this newsletter to share your views regarding the proposed change to our school uniform.

Sports Day
As was discussed in our last newsletter, we have been very concerned about the state of our oval and our ability to run sports Day in Week 9 of this term. The huge quantity of rain received on Tuesday has again saturated our oval and made it impossible for us to begin our Sports Day preparation. As a result, we have decided to postpone our Sports Day until next term and will hold the event on Thursday 10th November, with a back up day of Tuesday 15th November. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by this change of date.

Hats
Just a reminder that our "No Hat, No Play" policy begins today.

Our school hat policy states that: “The wearing of broad-brimmed hats is compulsory between the 1st of September and the 1st May”. Outside of these times, it was agreed that students should be encouraged to wear their hats for sun protection. There is sufficient evidence to suggest that even on overcast days UV damage can be sustained. We would appreciate parents reinforcing this policy with their children.

Please note hats need to be a School wide-brimmed or ‘bucket’ style hat in Navy Blue, the wearing of hats/caps other than the school hat is not allowed

SCHOOL HATS are available for purchase from the Front Office each day between 8:30 and 8:50am or from our uniform shop between 8.30am - 9.00am each Friday, located in the computer room.

Illness
We have recently had reports of a number of cases of influenza within our school community.

As a precautionary measure we would like to remind families:
- If your child is ill, please keep them at home until they have completely recovered.
- Wash, wipe, cover, don’t infect another. Teach children about cough and sneeze etiquette:
  - Cough or sneeze into your inner elbow rather than your hand
  - If you used a tissue to cover your nose or mouth when sneezing or coughing, put the tissue in the bin straight away.
  - Clean your hands

Kind regards, Michelle

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Wanted

We are collecting ice-cream containers to be used in the Arts Room. If you have any to donate please bring them to the Arts Room. Many Thanks, Claire Gaston.

Emergency foster carers needed

Foster care agencies are currently seeking emergency and short term foster carers.

What is emergency foster care?

Sometimes children need urgent placement with a foster carer because there are concerns for the child’s immediate safety. These placements can occur any time, day or night, including after hours and on weekends.

‘Emergency’ does not mean you start today. All foster carers receive thorough training and assessment to ensure the children placed with you are safe and that you have the skills needed to provide quality care.

For more information, visit the Families SA website. Contact: Program Officer, Foster Care Services, Maria Krahling, phone 8226 6617
News from LA2

LA2 have been enjoying a great Term 3. Students have been participating in the Amazing Race and learning about Australian Animals and features of the Australian environment along the way. We have also spent some time learning about the Olympics both past and present, along with the values that the Olympics represent.

In Maths we have been learning about fractions-parts of a whole, halves and quarters. We have also been learning about time, using the language of quarter past and quarter to, minutes past and minutes to. We have just started subtraction and are learning to use a number of different strategies including counting on, rearranging and partitioning to solve problems.

Our Art this term has revolved around the Amazing Race and we have made some awesome Opera Houses using paper plates. We have also put together some Numbats and Australian Devils.

Jordan with his Opera House. 

Vlora with her Numbat.
Change to Uniform Polo Shirt

Please could you complete the reply slip below and return it to the front office by Monday 12th September.

Name: ______________________________________________________

☐ I support the proposed change of uniform polo shirt at Tanunda Primary School (with a transition period of 2017 to 2019).

☐ I do not support the proposed change of uniform polo shirt at Tanunda Primary School (with a transition period of 2017 to 2019).

Any other comments: __________________________________________

Thank you