Dear Parents and Community Members...

Last week a small number of changes were made to our classes. Miss Emily Stevens is now the class teacher for 1/2R for the remainder of the school year. The class name has also been changed from 1/2R to 1/2S. As a result of Emily moving over to 1/2S, Miss Ashleigh Green is now job sharing 1/2A with Amanda Rowe. Disruptions were very minimal with these changes, and I appreciate the support our parents have provided over the last few weeks.

Miss Alison Rivett will be taking over the release from face to face (RFF) role on Mondays and Tuesdays, then moving into learning support and intervention support for the remainder of the term.

A reminder to parents/carers about grievances. If you have any concerns about what is happening at school with your child/ren, please contact their class teacher first for discussion. If you are still requiring further clarification, the Assistant Principal for that stage is available for you to speak with. Please make an appointment at the front office is you require an appointment with any staff.

Attached to today’s newsletter is a fact sheet for parent/carers about how you can support your child and their wellbeing. Some informative strategies and tips are listed if you have concerns for your child practically in cyber safety.

Anna Starcevic
Principal

Parent helpers

We are asking for parent helpers for the Zone soccer trial begin held at our school on Friday, March 4 2016.

When: Monday’s, 9:30-11am
Where: TSHPMP’s Primary Hall
Cost: $2 per child or $5 family (this covers a light morning tea for the children and running cost/resources)

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**Canteen Roster**

- **Wed** 24 Cheryl Duroux, Jenny Petrie, Help needed please
- **Thur** 25 Help needed please 12-1pm
- **Fri** 26 Help needed please 12-1pm
- **Mon** 29 Elaine Mannion, Charmaine Rankine
- **Tue** 1 Trudy Campbell
- **Wed** 2 Jenny Petrie, Help needed please

**Homebake**

- **Mon** 29 Cara Newton
- **Wed** 2 Candice Potter
- **Fri** 4 Kelly Coleman

**Donations (This Week)**

- Tomato Sauce: Lou Holley
- Mayonnaise: Lisa O’Brien
- Block Cheese: Sarah Nalder
- Mince: Tanya Larkin
- Sliced Beetroot: Terri Smith

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**PBL**

Positive Behaviour for Learning

The focus for this week’s PBL lesson was ‘lining up’. As a school we are encouraging students to line up quickly and quietly at morning, recess and lunch assemblies. Students have also been practising moving around the school in a sensible manner. This skill is imperative as it allows messages to be easily conveyed to students, provides students with time to focus and calm down before entering the classroom to learn and ensures students’ safety when moving around the school.

Students who display positive lining up behaviours will be awarded with extra Henrys this week!

How many Henrys do you have?

Regards,

PBL Team

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**CanteenHelpers needed**

We still have a few vacant spots on our help list. If you would like to assist the canteen in anyway please fill out the help form that was sent home, if you do not have this form please come see the canteen to collect a new one.

Thanks Jen, Canteen Manager.

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**Meal Deal**

“Hot Diggity Dog”
Hot dog in a roll with sauce & cheese plus a popper and a cup of ice cream with choc topping & mini marshmallows $5.50

Other Choices: Lasagne $4.00
2 mini pies $2.80

**PLEASE NOTE**

Other choices are NOT included in the meal deal.

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**Community Notices**

**Blue Light Disco-save the date**

Save the dates for the upcoming Blue Light Disco, 5pm - 6:30 at the Best Western Hotel Friday, 15 April 2016 and also the Blue Light Community BBQ on Sunday the 24 April.

**Junior Touch**

Junior Touch - the final afternoon and break up will be next Monday, 29th February.
4W have been hard at work learning lots of interesting things so far this term. We have all set learning goals for term one and are working hard to achieve them. In Literacy we have been looking at persuasive texts and have been debating some interesting topics. We are also loving our hands on maths lessons and have already measured the length of the oval and created artworks using our multiplication knowledge. Creative arts has been so much fun. We have made Lego people for our classroom door, bedroom artworks for the Tenterfield Show and hot air balloons to display our favourite things. There are so many exciting things in store for us this year like getting our pen licences and doing more science experiments, we can’t wait!
ZONE SWIMMING