## WHAT’S ON THIS WEEK

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### Industrial action:

All staff have informed us of their intention to take stop work on Thursday 14th February and so no classes will be running. Again, we reaffirm that we do not take this action lightly, and without much thought. We do regret the interruption to the children’s learning.

### Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our new Preps have had a great start to the year. Here are some of their thoughts so far:

**Allanah** – I like playing on the playground. I go down the slide. I like making food in the kitchen.

**Zara** – I like swimming. I like jumping in the pool. I have been learning how to write.

**Mercy** – I like doing maths. I can count to 10. I like playing on the playground.

**Madisyn** – I like writing. I play with my friends. I like playing outside.

**Archie** – I like playing maths games on the big board. I lie down and have a rest.

**Bailey** – I like playing cars. I am learning how to do maths.

**Angus** – I play in the playground. I can tidy up the room. I pick up the toys.

**Daniel** – I like playing in the playground. I have learning how to read.

**Malachi** – I have fun playing on the playground. I am learning how to sit on the steps nicely

**Harrison** – I learn at school. I have been reading books.

**Alice** – I like reading. I have fun playing on the playground.

**Brodie** – I like playing on the big board. I play games. I can draw.

**Ryder** – I like running around next to the playground. I like to play on the big board. I have learnt how to read and stuff.

**Arlen** – I enjoy playing maths games. I have learnt how to do lots of things like reading and I am a great dancer.

**Natalie** – I like going outside. I like playing where the chairs are. I have learnt how to play maths games. I have fun dressing up.

**Isabella** – I like playing with my friends and I like playing in the garden. I am like tapping on the big screen.

**Liam**

Did you see the lovely class photo on the front of the Tarrengower Times last week?

**Swimming**

The students have been enjoying their daily dips in the pool and have been working hard on their skill development. On Friday, 15th February from 9am to 12 noon we will be having a Super Swimming Carnival with all students Prep to Grade 6 involved. Children will be placed in four teams and will be competing against students from their swimming groups. Parents are invited to come along and cheer. Times based on lesson times:

- 4/5/6 - 9.15 to 10 am;
- Grade 2/3 – 10 – 10.45 am,
- Grade 1 /2 – 10.45 – 11.15 am.
- Prep – 11.15 – 11.45 am.

Prizes and awards given for all participants.
**Change of date : Reading information night**

Unfortunately we need to change the date of the reading information session to **Wednesday 27th February 3:30pm – 4:30pm**.

**Bookclub orders** – Brochures were distributed last week. If you wish to order books from Scholastic, please leave your order and payment at the school office by Friday 15th February.

**Thank Yous:**
… to those who volunteered to coordinate book club. The position has now been filled.
… to Felicity McGoldrick for defrosting and cleaning the freezer.

**Indonesian program:**
The Indonesian program has started well with Peter Kuckhahn, and with the room near the Science and Discovery area being set up with artifacts and resources.

With best wishes,

**Jodie Mengler and Liz Grainger**

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**School Council Meeting**

Wednesday, February 20th, 6.30pm.

Items to be agended for General Business must receive at the office by Friday, February 15th.

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**MEDICAL CONDITIONS UPDATE**

Has your child been diagnosed with a medical condition? If so, you should have an annual review with your child’s Doctor/Specialist so that an Emergency Action Plan can be provided to the school. Conditions to consider are: Asthma, Anaphylaxis – food allergies, insect allergies, Diabetes, Epilepsy etc. It is important for all School Staff to be aware of your child’s condition, so that plans can be put into place to care for your child.

**EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE**

See separate sheet with today’s newsletter. Please include a copy of your current card with application. (A copy can be done at school).

Closing date for applications is February 28th, 2013. Late applications will not be accepted by the Department.

**CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE**

Application forms are available from the school office. Closing date for first semester applications is February 15th, 2013. No late applications will be accepted by the Department.

**BUS ROUTE/ school bus travellers**

At the last School Council meeting, School Council authorized Bec Hamilton to investigate a change of bus route to include stops on the Bendigo-Maldon Road. If you would be interested in making use of the bus if this was possible, please contact the school office this week.

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**PARENT’S CLUB NEWS**

**FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY**

If you are able to help out with Fresh Fruit Friday this semester, please fill out the form that came home last week, and return to the office by Monday 18th February.

**CLASS LISTS**

Thank you to the families who have already returned their class list forms. To be included on your child’s class list for 2013, your form must be returned to the office by Monday 18th February.

**CLASS CONTACTS**

A big thank you to all the people who have volunteered to be class contacts for 2013. We have filled all the class contact positions.

Carolynne Spencer-Lizzul  Prep: John’s class.
Anita Mason  1/2:  Brett’s class
Rebecca Buchanan  2/3:  Helen’s class.
Janet Phillips  4/5/6: Bernadette’s class

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday the 18th February, Parent Club AGM, after assembly. It would be terrific to see as many people as possible!

**LOST PROPERTY**

We have a food processor left at the school from last year. If it’s yours, please see the office next time you are in, or contact me on 0419 988 860.

**CATCH UP AND COFFEE MORNING**

This is a casual, informal drop in / catch up morning that we have at Maldon Café, every Monday after assembly, open to all parents and caregivers. These will resume once swimming is over, and Monday assemblies re-commence.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

**Felicity McGoldrick**

Parent Club President

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**Car Parking Fundraiser**

Sat 16th/Sun 17th February 2013

HELP NEEDED

Please leave at office by Wednesday, February 13th. Help is needed to direct cars to parking spaces in the school grounds next Saturday and Sunday, from 8 am to 4 pm. Please indicate below the times you can assist.

- [ ] Saturday  OR  [ ] Sunday
- [ ] 8 – 10 am  OR  [ ] 10 – 12 noon
- [ ] 12 – 2 pm  OR  [ ] 2 – 4 pm.

Name: ..........................................................

Contact phone number ........................................