Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a rather chilly start to the term. It is excellent to see so many students in their winter uniform, as the start to the day is certainly cold.

Thank You

I would like to sincerely thank all the staff at TRCS for their work as a team to achieve the best possible outcomes for our students. The work Mrs Higginson has achieved in the four months that I was on leave certainly needs acknowledgement, as she lead the school in initiating or implementing a range of programs from: the Middle School Initiative (that commences next week, How to Learn training and implementation, as well as completing the Annual School Report, the School Plan and managing the day to day organisation of the school. Thank you Mrs Higginson for a fantastic job.

I would also like to thank Mr Kotzur, who relieved in the Assistant Principal’s position. Mr Kotzur also did a fantastic job in leading and supporting the primary/infants staff, as well as working with the executive to further improve the outcomes for the students.

Emily Gardens Morning Tea

Last year the P&C organised a morning tea at Emily Gardens. This was such a wonderful community event that they have decided to have another one next Wednesday at 10.15am. Last year I met a number of grandparents and community members and I look forward to doing it again next week.

Kinder & Year 7 Enrolments for 2016

It is that time of year where we start to look at the number of students enrolling into Kindergarten and Year 7 for 2016. The Kindergarten class only has a few places left, so it is extremely important that the school be contacted if you have not already done so, as transition to school programs would like to include as many students as possible.

For Year 7 students, the secondary curriculum structure and timetable needs to be designed to cater for students’ needs. Year 7 transition to high school will also commence shortly, and once again, we would like as many students involved as possible.

Spelling Bee

Students from Years 3-6 had the opportunity to compete in our school Spelling Bee held last term. Jazmin Ross and Shamilah Camin (Stage 2) and Lucy Bennett and Tom Manning (Stage 3) will represent TRCS at the Regional finals to be held later in the term. We wish them all the best and maybe we will see them on the TV program ‘Spelling Bee’ one day.

Kid’s Corner

We have introduced a Kid’s Corner to our newsletter each week. A student will be randomly picked and their teacher will be asked to describe them in four words. Students selected will receive a $2 Canteen voucher.

Donna Rockley
Principal
As mentioned in the last newsletter of last term, Taj Louttit (Year 3) and her dad, Andrew, have been looking at alternate technologies that can be used in cooler and lunch bags. Our photos below show what they are using to enable this process to happen.

In Science last term, Year 7 & 8 were investigating energy in food. Students burnt different food products and calculated the change in heat (changing water temperature). From this experiment, students then compared the calories on the packets with what they had calculated to determine which food was the healthier (lower GI) compared to a food that wasn’t.

Jade Tinney, Science Teacher
The Rock Central School is now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2016.

Please ring the office on 6920 2132 or call in to the school to collect an enrolment form.

P & C News

If anyone would like to donate items, please contact Bec Kingston on 0427208328 or drop goodies off at Emily Gardens at 9am on the morning.

10 things teachers wished you knew......

8. How to manage school bugs.
   Unfortunately creepy crawlies are a part of school life. There are many guides that offer information and advice; this may include sun care, teeth, growing pains, coughs/colds, nits and worms. Pharmacies offers free advice if you have any concerns.
   Bedwetting—20% of five year olds wet the bed.
   Nightmares—up to 50% of children under seven have nightmares.

KID'S CORNER

... INTRODUCING ...

Bridey (Year 2)

Caring, bubbly, creative, playful

Joke of the Week

What do chickens grow on?

(answer next week)

Students featured in Kid’s Corner receive a $2 Canteen voucher.
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- School fees are **NOW DUE**.
- Tea towels still available at the front office—$2 each
- Deposit for Year 4/5/6 Canberra excursion due by Friday 24th July.

These dates can change without notice. We do apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.