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17 September, 2009

Term 3, Week 8

DATES TO REMEMBER

TACE Student Convention
Monday, October 5 – Thursday,
October 8
Casual Clothes Day
Thursday, September 24

TERM DATES

Term 3 Tuesday, July 28 -
Friday, October 9
Term 4 Tuesday, October 27 -
Wednesday, December 16

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“You can get almost everything accomplished if you don't mind who gets the credit.”
- Ned Hay



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Mrs Lavers and Jacqueline
on Saturday, September 19
Mrs Payne
on Sunday, September 20
Lewis, Mara-Fae & Luka
on Tuesday, September 22

CONVENTION COUNT DOWN

11 School Days Left!

PRAYER CORNER

~ Pray for the continued enthusiasm of teachers and students as they practice, practice, practice their music and platform events, as the work on their art and craft and especially for the senior students as they get all their judges forms and paperwork together.

GROWING FAMILIES

In most parents' minds are the thoughts, “Is what I am doing really going to help my child to be all I dream for her/him?” “Am I doing the right thing?” “Will it work?” We all need confidence with our parenting, because with confidence comes competence.

1. Learning Obedience

Obedience can literally save your child's life. If you saw your child about to step out onto a busy road and called out ‘STOP’ – would they respond straight away or when they felt like it? Many parents don't even realise that they are actually training their children not to obey them! We've all done it – ‘I'm going to count to 3... Come on kids, I really mean it this time!...I'll buy you an ice cream if you come now.’ These techniques are commonly used by most parents but we often don't stop to realise what we are teaching our children. There is a better way.

‘Yes Mum’ is great but why not encourage your kids to repeat back your instructions to them? That way you know that they have heard the entire instruction and when they hear themselves agreeing to exactly what has been asked of them, they are more likely to obey completely.

2. Developing Self Control

Self Control is a foundational skill we can teach our children. Physical, verbal and emotional Self Control prepares children for every aspect of life. It allows them to develop their talents to the fullest potential and, even more importantly, develop spiritual disciplines which require a foundation of Self Control. It takes time and effort to begin the development of Self Control. However, when it becomes part of our children's character, we have given them a valuable gift that will last a life time.

3. Taking Responsibility

Responsibility is the opposite of unreliability. Most parents would agree that one of their goals is to raise children who become responsible adults. Responsibility training is something that begins when they are young and can help our home to be more relaxed and an enjoyable place to be. In order to understand and explain to our children what responsibility is, it often helps to understand what it is not. Unreliability is a great way to describe the opposite of responsibility. Someone who is unreliable doesn't follow through when asked to do something or breaks promises over and over again. Being responsible requires us to take ownership of a task and to not only commit to doing something but following through and completing it without having to be asked numerous times.

The above excerpt was taken from a “Growing Families Australia” pamphlet.
Growing Families Australia
ph 08 83222 3770
web www.gfi.org.au



The Prep class learning some whip cracking skills! Looking good boys ☺

POWER OFF

Next Thursday, September 24, AURORA have informed us that the power will be off from 1.00pm - 3.00pm. As our phone system requires electricity we will not be contactable between those times. If you need to contact the school during that time please phone Mrs. Lincoln's mobile 0418 870 767.

CONVENTION COSTS

Everyone should be aware by now of what they owe for Convention. Just in case these are the following costs:

All Primary Students - \$30

All Secondary Students staying in Camp - \$190

All Secondary students not staying in Camp - \$40

This must be paid BEFORE Convention, so we ask that if you have not already paid that you do so within the next two weeks to school office or class teacher. A receipt will be issued.

PREP REPORT

Our literacy lessons this week have focused on the double sound "wh". Miss Martin showed us how to crack a whip and we were even able to have a turn by ourselves. We wore safety glasses and a wide brim hat to protect our face and eyes! Ouch! It stung when we accidentally hit our legs. Even though this sometimes happened, it really was lots of fun and we wanted to keep cracking and cracking. Our teacher was amazed that all of us picked up the correct technique and that some of us were even able to make the whip crack! We looked carefully at the whips and talked about where leather comes from. We are also painting a special flag that will be fluttering on the river bank at the Deloraine Craft Fair in early November.



Prep Medal Winners

Jordan – for clean hands/fingernails, shoes, hair, teeth and hanky

Bayden – for neat writing

Daniel – for paying attention in music

Joel – for neat work in his PACEs

Caleb – for being a diligent worker

GRADE 1&2

Medal Winners

Ben & Jacqueline – for a great start to cursive writing

Dalton – for working hard

Koby – for working hard towards Convention

GRADE 7-9

This week we officially welcome Michael Harrison who has joined us from Launceston and we hope that he will have a prosperous, fruitful and a blessed time with us.

DEVONPORT LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

Celebrating 25 years

Little Athletics is commencing on Saturday 3rd October, 2009 for all boys and girls aged between 5 and 14, at Girdlestone Park, John St, East Devonport. The program contains running, throwing and jumping events and caters for children of all abilities. Further information is available from the TLAA website (www.tlaa.com.au) or by phoning/messaging Debbie Pulford, President, DLAC, on 0437 213 248 or email the_pulfords@bigpond.com.

MST Workplace Solutions
Local Community Partnerships
presents

Your Future Your Options

Wednesday 23rd September
7.00pm - 9.00pm

Tasmanian Polytechnic
Don Campus
Multi Purpose Building
Watkinson Street, Devonport

FREE ADMISSION

*An opportunity to explore your
education, employment,
apprenticeship and training options*

Parents, Students, Job Seekers and any interested people are
encouraged to attend

DEVONPORT BASKETBALL COUNCIL INC

Registration for Spring Roster Basketball will be held at the Devonport Basketball Stadium on Friday 25th September from 5.30 – 6.30pm.

Roster will commence on Wednesday 7th October and run through until Wednesday 9th December.

Cost is \$45-00 for all new players and \$25-00 if you played in the 2009 Winter roster.

For further information please contact the DBC Office on 64242440 between 10 – 2 weekdays.