Our Vision is to:
* Promote positive relationships to strengthen our whole school community
* Maximise student engagement and learning
* Maintain a safe, caring and inclusive environment
* Work as a team and challenge ourselves to create success
* Encourage resilience, positive mental health and wellbeing

A few messages from the Principal’s desk. . .

Uniform
Thanks to our school community for working towards the uniform change over at the end of last year. Our students are looking fabulous in their blue t-shirts. A reminder that all students must have their hat at school each day to play outside. This is part of our sun smart policy.

School Council Elections
Every year at this time schools hold School Council elections. School Council is a very important body who, in consultation, with the Principal set the key direction of the school within statewide guidelines.

Nomination forms will be sent home on Monday. Please consider nominating for a position on School Council, there will be 4 vacancies. Elections will only be held if there are more nominees than positions.

Have a great week!

A Tribes Learning Community
* Mutual Respect, Personal Best, Appreciation, Participation/Right to Pass, Attentive Listening
Canteen

We are looking for volunteers to assist in the canteen in 2016. Mums, dads, grandparents, aunties, uncles... all are invited to help! Minette Perry has volunteered to take on the job of co-ordinator, however due to other commitments, the canteen will be run on a restricted basis for semester one. Lucy Wright, our previous co-ordinator will stay on to assist Minette during this transition period. Lucy has done an amazing job with canteen over the past few years which has led to a significant profit for the school.

We are currently planning a semester one volunteer list, so if you are interested, please let the office know as soon as you can. Without volunteers each week, the canteen cannot operate.

Thanks for your support!

Canteen will run on the following Fridays for term 1

- 26th February, 2016
- 11th March, 2016

Payment of Essential Educational Supplies

At book pack collection parents had the opportunity to elect to pay for their essential educational supplies on a payment plan. If you chose this method the second payment of

$60 per child is due on the 19th February, 2016

Payments can be made by direct deposit, cash, credit card or eftpos

Direct deposit information

Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 063 255

Account: 10048077

Please include family name and, if possible, what you are paying for eg 2nd payment
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef