CAR PARK AND SURROUNDING AREAS – SAFETY ISSUES
There have recently been several incidents in the staff car park that have put the safety of the students at risk. Children being dropped off on the road need to walk through the car park to access the school grounds through the gates. Parents who disregard the staff only car park signage and use the area to drive through and drop off their children cause an added risk for students entering the school. Although we understand the parking difficulties parents must not use this car park due to the risk to student safety. Alternative parking is available on Vine St and the adjacent car park. We have contacted TTG Council who will be coming out next week to assess the school in terms of possible traffic solutions! We will keep you informed.

Fenced Play Area Opening!
It was with much excitement the children gathered to share in a mini ceremony today as we formally opened the newly completed fenced area in the Junior Primary area. Hamish proudly cut the ribbon and became the first gate monitor to offer his services, ensuring mainstream students can move freely in and out of the area. Students supported by SSOs at play times now have a very appealing and secure space to interact with their peers and support staff.

Sports day
It is only two weeks until the teams’ battle it out at Sport’s Day to see which team takes out the winner’s trophy! Congratulations to our Team Captains for 2016.

- **Green Crocs**
  - Captains: Tahlia and Mitch
  - Vice Captains: Ryan and Zac

- **Red Dingoes**
  - Captains: Jasmine and Nick
  - Vice Captains: Seth and Kyna

- **Blue Sharks**
  - Captains: Hudson and Fraser

Please note the next two Newsletters will be in Weeks 9 & 11 due to Sports Day and the public holidays.
OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTS/CARERS

FREE seminar 1:
Toddlers and touch screens: what should I do?
Touchscreens have become part of our everyday world. Parents are amazed at how quickly toddlers become adept in using them and how easily they hold a child’s attention. However, they are also unsure if it is safe for toddlers to use touchscreens regularly.

Come and hear nationally recognised parenting speaker, author and researcher Dr Justin Coulson talk about:
• the pros and cons of the digital age for children 0 to 5 years
• how and when to introduce touchscreens and games
• how to manage electronic media use.
The event will be webcast to accommodate parents and carers who cannot attend in person.

Date and time: Tuesday 5 April, 7.00 to 9.00pm
Venue: City Rooms, Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace
Register online at http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au to attend, or to view the webcast.
For more information, visit http://www.decd.sa.gov.au/parentingsa/seminars.htm or phone Parenting SA on 8303 1660
Contact: Senior Health Promotion Officer, Parenting SA, Dorian Marsland-Smith, phone 8161 7159

FREE seminar 2:
Children, teens and pornography: what every parent should know
The online is filled with risks for children and families. Come and hear nationally recognised parenting speaker, author and researcher Dr Justin Coulson talk about:
• the alarming statistics regarding children’s access to online pornography
• the impact on boys and girls
• how parents can guide their child or teen.
The event will be webcast to accommodate parents and carers who cannot attend in person.

Date and time: Wednesday 6 April, 7.00 to 9.00pm
Venue: City Rooms, Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace
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For more information, visit http://www.decd.sa.gov.au/parentingsa/seminars.htm or phone Parenting SA on 8303 1660
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Easter Raffle donations
Thank you to everyone for your generous donations towards the Easter raffle. We especially would like to thank Rachael from the Modbury Bunnings store for the esky and picnic rug donation.

More Pictures from the Sandpit Opening

Reminders
- Easter raffle tickets are to be returned by Tuesday 22nd March.
- We still have spare tickets in the Front Office if you would like some more. Donations for the Raffle can still be left at the Front Office.
- Hot Cross bun orders are also due by Friday the 18th March (next Friday).

Change of Details
Please advise the Front Office if you have changed any of your details (ie address, phone contacts)
Room 6 have been talking about bullying.

We all got a Bullying. No Way! bracelet and wore them proudly as we put our hands together and made a pact that Room 6 will not stand for bullying!
Once upon a time a hare and a tortoise lived in a forest. One day, the hare made fun of the tortoise for being so slow. The hare felt very proud about its speed and continued laughing at the tortoise. The tortoise felt very bad. He dared the hare to a race. The hare was very confident about his great speed. He agreed to the race with a teasing smile. They decided on the start and finish points for the race.

The race began. The hare ran very fast. In just a few minutes he was out of sight. The hare turned back to see if he could see the tortoise. He knew the tortoise would be far behind him. Since it was very hot that day, the hare felt tired and said to himself - "It's very hot. I am already half way through. I think I'll have a small nap under that tree". So he sat under the tree and closed his eyes. Very soon the hare was in a deep sleep.

The tortoise was slow but he continued to persevere. On he walked and guess what! He passed the sleeping hare and reached the finishing line first.

The hare woke up. He couldn't see the tortoise anywhere. He thought the tortoise would be still be far behind and he started running again. When he reached the finish line, he was amazed to see the tortoise had already won the race. He felt very ashamed and apologized to the tortoise for teasing him.

You see, the tortoise didn’t give up even though the hare was far ahead. He just kept persisting and he reached his goal.

A big thank you to everyone for supporting the Pancake Breakfast on Wednesday. Together we raised $251.05 This will assist Uniting Care Wesley to support many people within our community. Also a special thanks to those who helped make the morning run smoothly, especially Nolene and Claudia for helping to set up and serve, and the girls from Trinity North East and Trinity Golden Grove who prepared the pancakes and cooked up a storm. Yum, yum and a great example of persistence. ☺

Barb Page
CPSW

Be like a postage stamp – stick to one thing until you get there – Margaret Carty.