August 2016 Newsletter

Cultural Performances at Tarneit P-9
Students from our college performed their traditional songs and dances at Tarneit P-9 recently. Lovey and Sam sang Pacific Islanders songs and taught the primary students some simple dance moves. They were a big hit; with the crowd singing and dancing along. Vimbai and Nyasha performed an African dance that had the crowd up and cheering! Thank you to Malia and David for all their work in preparing these students, and a huge congratulations to the students for their bravery and showmanship!

2017 Enrolments
Enrolments for the 2017 school year have commenced. It is anticipated we will have approximately 550 students at TSC in 2017 meaning spaces will be limited. Families considering enrolling at TSC for 2017 need to act fast. Priority is given to families for whom TSC is the closest school to home. We ask existing families with friends or neighbours planning on enrolling to urge them to contact the college as soon as possible to avoid potential disappointment. Early enrolment ensures students can select from a wide range of subjects on offer; late enrolment may limit a student’s subject choices.

Year 12 Working Hard!
We’ve had the pleasure of welcoming a number of visitors to Tarneit Senior College this year as part of the Year 12 English program. Our last speaker Abdi Aden visited recently to share his story and encourage our students to continue working hard as final assessment approaches.
Student/Parent/Teacher Conversations – 23 August
Last week’s Parent/Student/Teacher Conversations were fairly well attended by families. Big thanks to those families able to come on the day/night. Our change to the new ‘Compass’ booking process did seem to have an impact however for families. We will continue to work with all our community to support families moving to online processes such as Parent/Teacher bookings. These days form a vital part of your child’s education and we thank those parents able to attend on the day.

2016 Arts Evening
Our biggest annual event is coming soon. The 2016 Arts Evening showcases the amazing work of our students. We hope to see everyone come along for a night of art and culture – TSC style. **Thursday 1 September from 6pm.**

Super Athletes
On Thursday 18 August our most elite athletics competitors travelled to Victoria University for the Wyndham Division Athletics Carnival. Our students competed in a variety of events from the track to the jumps and the throws to relay events. Our school was very successful on the day! We not only won many events but also broke records! Well done superstars!

Division Athletics
**1st Place (23!!!!!!!!!!)**
- 20yr F Shot Put- Caroline
- 16yr M 100m- Saye
- 20yr M 100m- Boikai
- 20yr F Discus- Shanya
- 20yr M Javelin- Peleti
- 17yr F Discus- Suzanna
- 16yr F 800m- Amie
- 17yr M 800m- Deon
- 20yr M Triple Jump- Boikai
- 17yr M Shot Put- Sam
- 14yr F Discus- Laukau
- 16yr M 200m- Saye
- 20yr M 200m- Boikai
- 20yr M Discus- Peleti
- 16yr F 400m- Amie
- 20yr M High Jump- Paleti
- 16yr M Discus- Lewis
- 16yr F Triple Jump- Amie
- 17yr M 1500m- Ben
- 17yr F 1500m- Amie
- 17yr M Discus- Sam
- 20yr M Long Jump- Boikai
- 20yr M 4x100m- Deon, Peleti, Saye, Boikai
2nd Place (4)
17yr F Long Jump- Chantelle
20yr F 200m- Bakic
17yr F High Jump- Chantelle
17yr M 1500m- Mohamed

3rd Place (5)
15yr F Shot Put- Laukau
16yr M 800m- Mohamed
17yr F 800m- Chantelle
17yr F Shot Put- Suzanna
16yr M Long Jump- Lewis

We broke 3 records
- 20yr M 4x100m- Deon, Peleti, Saye, Boikai
- 20yr M Triple Jump- Boikai broke the previous record of 11.93m with a jump of 12.61m
- 20yr M Long Jump- Boikai broke the previous record with a jump of 6m.

Year 12 - Exam Preparation
We have 9 weeks until the first VCE Yr12 Exam.... Is your child revising? It is vital that Yr12 students not only complete set work in class at the moment but that they are also studying hard and revising their work. End of year exams test students on all the work they have completed during yr12. The next three months must be the hardest your child has ever worked – both at school and at home.

Yr12 High Achievers
Over the last few weeks each of our year 12 English students have been invited to attend an intensive English session. This has offered students the opportunity to focus on extending their understanding as they begin preparing for their exam. We welcomed back Aamina, Jade, Mohammed, Yannick, Steven, Lyzyll, Keith and Amanuel to share their experiences in 2015. Thanks to our guests and students who participated.
**Yr11 Psychology**
Students in Year 11 Psychology have currently been learning about Sensation and Perception. We have been testing our five senses to determine whether any of us have a heightened sense of smell, taste, touch, sound or sight. This has involved taste testing skittles blindfolded, smelling different scents in bottles and putting our hands in ‘mystery boxes’. Recently we dissected a bull’s eye to get a better understanding of visual perception.

**Year 12 Outdoor Education – Ski Camp**
Suzie and her Yr12 Outdoor Ed class travelled to Falls Creek recently for their last ever camp together. After three years the group has become experienced Outdoor Edders! Suzie will miss this group of students – they have been fantastic!

**Wyndham Pet & Animal Expo 2016**
Wyndham City will once again host its annual Pet & Animal Expo on Sunday 11 September 2016 to be held at the Civic Centre in Werribee from 10am to 4pm. The Pet & Animal Expo is a fun, ‘family and pet’ friendly day where all activities and entertainment are FREE; this event is one not to be missed.

*Come along and enjoy the many activities including;*
- Dog obedience displays and education workshops in the Rainbow Solar Look & Learn Arena.
- The PETstock Stage will feature entertainment including stage shows with PAW Patrol.
- Greencross Vets Kids Passport Challenge will keep the kids entertained and active.
- Pet displays including exotic cats, dogs, ferrets and more.
- FREE children’s activities such as a farmyard, face painting, and reptile encounters.

**Holidays** – *Term ends Friday 17 September 2015 at 2.00pm.* Holidays are an important time for students to relax and recharge. For our Year 12s however – this last ever school holidays needs to be a time of work – revising for exams which start in late October **must occur.** Teachers will also be organising holiday classes in a number of subjects that we recommend your child attends.
For our Yr10 & 11 student holidays need to be holidays! – but it is also great time to catch up on work not done.

*Term 4 commences – Monday 3 October.*