



Tarneit College Newsletter

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Goodbye from Michael

After seven years as Principal of Tarneit Senior College, I will be leaving at the end of Term 2. I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the many families and students I have been involved with over the past 7 years. I have been very fortunate to work with parents who have been supportive of our College and their child.

TSC began with 75 students, 6 staff and 2 permanent buildings in 2012 and has grown in the last 7 years to over 570 students & 60 staff and while the building program has been a constant battle for us, we are now well on the way to completing the magnificent structures of Stage 2.

Starting a school from scratch is a rare opportunity and I have been lucky enough to be part of that experience. Having the chance to hand pick our staff has been a privilege. The office and teaching staff at Tarneit Senior are second to none. Their enthusiasm and dedication to ensuring they get the best from every student is evident every day. I feel honoured to have been able to work with such a hardworking and professional team.

I would like to thank two of our original parents in particular, Andrea Mansell & Norma Bertram who have been members of our College Council since construction began in 2011. Their dedication to our school has been amazing, and their support of the staff at the school as we have grown has been amazing and highly valued.

My Principal colleagues, Rosa, Suzie and Martin have also been amazing. Committing to a new school is a huge challenge for teachers, support staff and principals. Without their drive and commitment, creating our school would have been impossible. Our Business Managers, Ann and Kathrine have also been pivotal to our school's successful creation and development.

I wish all families the very best this year and look forward to hearing about future successes.

Acting Principal Term 3

Suzie Gerada will commence as Acting Principal at TSC whilst the education department completes the principal selection process. Suzie is an original Tarneitian, known to everyone, and will lead the school well during the transition period.

Q&A Stars

Yr12 students Aisha, Khaled and Raiane attended an episode of ABC's 'Q&A' program as part of their work on the Youth Parliament.



WRICA CAREERS EXPO

Year 12 students headed to the WRICA Careers Expo on the 17th of May.

- "I found the breakdown of exactly what my course consisted of in regards to the learning criteria. Both ACU and SWINBURNE offer new courses..." - Saye

- *“Now I sort of know what I want to do when I’m older.” - Ibrahim*
- *“...The Expo allowed us to view these careers in person and not online, yet also speak to people who are experienced in their fields, who encourage us to pursue in the career you are interested in by elaborating on the ins and outs of the job. - Jack*
- *“I enjoyed how I had interactions with people with the same passion and dream as me. I enjoyed how they explained...I found out a lot about nursing and how to help people. - Ayen*
- *“I discovered that it takes a lot of potential to become a police officer, you have to be focused and determined and ready to face difficult challenges. I also discovered that when faced with traumatic events the police force has services that are there to help individuals or their families.... - Jumess*
- *“I enjoyed there was a wide range of different stalls for both VCE and VCAL students. But what was best that it was actually people from those universities or trades there to provide the best advice.” - Karlee*
- *“I discovered which university I want to go to and what course I want to do.” -Adnan*



Reports

Semester One reports have been mailed home to all families. The reports are the summary of your child’s work during semester one at TSC. Many students have excelled whilst some have not achieved as well as they, or we, would have hoped for at the start of 2018.

It is vital that you discuss the report with your child. There are always reasons behind every result. Have they worked hard enough? Did they stay back for help after school? Did they ask questions when unsure of a topic in class?

Use your child’s report as the basis for their work in Semester two – keep up the good work or reflect and come back for term 3 with a focus on improvement.

Holidays & Year 12

Holidays are about to start of all students. For our Year 12 students this is really the last ‘holiday’ they will have until exams finish in November. It is a time to relax...but to also keep brains ticking over. Reviewing Unit 3 work is important as is getting ahead in Unit 4 work. Hard work now pays off in November...

School Holidays

Term 2 concludes at 2.20pm on Friday 29 June. Term 3 commences on Monday 16 July. We wish all our students a safe holiday!

Michael Fawcett, Suzie Gerada & Martin Mielimaka
Principal Team