News from John ……

It's clearly evident the STEMWORKS construction is racing ahead. Last Saturday morning the outdoor learning area deck was poured and today steps are being put in place. Electricians are putting in additional power points, walls have been knocked down and we have plans for new windows to be installed in the near future. Students and teachers have been great dealing with the noise and inconvenience— that gets easier when we can see the works in progress.

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<td><strong>Recess</strong> - eat in class groups for ten minutes, play (not on oval) for 20 minutes</td>
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<td>Team chants on oval near shelter shed</td>
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<td>Classes move through last 4 stations. Early years 3 stations. Classes put away equipment from their last station, all equipment to the hall. Early Years classes move straight to the starting line ready for the sprints. Early years teachers to organise and run off their classes.</td>
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<td>R-3 Year level sprints (all students) 8m 9 sprints Year 4/5/6/7 Championship Sprints / Year 4/5/6/7 Championship hurdles <strong>ALL STUDENTS MUST BE SEATED IN THEIR TEAM AREA WHEN NOT COMPETING</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Early Years lunch</strong> Primary Yrs &amp; Middle Yrs students assemble in team areas to sit and watch/participate in marathon. 1. Girls 4/5/6/7 marathon (3 laps of oval) 2. Boys 4/5/6/7 marathon (3 laps of oval)</td>
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<td>Clean up of oval area</td>
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<td>Assemble in hall for the end of Sports Day - Staff v’s Co-captains Play is the Way Game</td>
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<td>Putting equipment away, students return to class</td>
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Torrensville Pre School are also seeking enrolment forms to be lodged for 2018 at their site.

Term 3 ends Friday, September 29th. Children will be dismissed at 2:10pm as is the case on the last day of each term.
Woolie’s Earn & Learn

Earn & Learn is on again 26 July to 19 September. Start collecting today!

- Earn one sticker for every $10 spent at Woolworths
- Complete Sticker Sheets
- Drop your sheets in the collection box just outside the school office.

Reminder: People’s Choice Raffle books and payment are now due!

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Host an International student!

Bring home a big brother or sister and bring French, Italian or Spanish culture to life. We have a small group of delightful students coming to Australia for 11 weeks to immerse in local Australian culture, experience our high schools, sports, environment and lifestyle. All these international students are around 15 or 16 years old, speak excellent English, have their own spending money, cover all school expenses, and we arrange all aspects of their program. They are looking forward to joining an Australian family for a short term cultural immersion stay. It’s fun and interesting to help these young people achieve their Australian dream. If you would like to know more, please email your interest to ICM on info@icm-education.com.au or call Georgie or Anja on 1800 500 501, or visit our website www.icm-education.com.

Remember be Sun Smart! We all need to wear wide brimmed or legionnaire hats at OSCH from October 1st to May 1st. NO HAT, NO PLAY!

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CIRCLE Preferred Stall: Any - BBQ cooking - BBQ serving - Cake stall - Hall stall (soup, popcorn)

CIRCLE preferred time: 9:10am - 10:30am, 10:30-11:50am, 11:30-12:50am, 12:30-1:50am, 1:30-2:50am

Name:

Child______________________ Class:______ Ph:

Email:

I can provide baked goods for the cake stall YES/NO

I would like to know more about TPS Parents and Friends YES/NO

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