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Camp Reminder

We are still chasing some medical consent forms for camp so if you know you haven't sent them in yet please do so by the end of the week.

Some people are still unsure of camp costs so here's a reminder from the week four newsletter.

Final costs for camp run to \$281.35 per student. The cost of the bus will range between \$49.28 and

\$51.87 depending on the final number of students attending. As soon as we know the price we will let you know.

It would seem that the bus costs may raise slightly higher than the predicted \$51.87 as people who made the commitment to attend are now saying they can't go. I apologise to those who are sticking to the commitment they made but unfor-

tunately there isn't much I can do. I guess this is why we haven't been given a final cost for the bus.

I cannot describe how much fun the camp experience at Point Wolstoncroft is. I'm also a little jealous that I don't get to come with you for the fun and sun.

Only 54 sleeps to go!

Gymnastics

Tomorrow is our last day of gymnastics and I would remind everyone to come in their sports uniforms for ease of movement.



School Calendar

- **Thursday 1st September** - Gymnastics (please wear sports uniform)
- **Sunday 4th September** - Father's Day
- **Friday 16th September** - Footy Fever Mufti Day (gold coin donation)
- **Wednesday 21st September** - SPaCEXpo at Carr Confoy Park
- **Wednesday 21st September** - Years 5 and 6 speakers in the Eisteddfod
- **Thursday 22nd September** - Year 4 speaker in the Eisteddfod
- **Friday 23rd September** - 7 yr old and 8 yr old speakers at the Eisteddfod

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Items of Interest

Curriculum changes delayed in NSW

The implementation of national curriculum changes in English, maths, science and history for K-10 students will be delayed for NSW schools. The NSW education minister, Adrian Piccoli said more time was needed to ensure high standards were maintained. NSW schools can begin the planning phase for the new national curriculum by 2013, with the curriculum moving to the classroom teaching phase from 2014.

Free app for homework and study

Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practice their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? The free School A to Z app is an essential tool for every parent of school-aged children. Containing a range of fun applications including English, Maths, a spelling bee, times tables, technology A-Z and assignment starters, it's great

for parents *and* students. Download it for free at: www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications

Mixed bag

We are still collecting the vouchers from Coles and the receipts from Woolworths. Thank you to all those people who have brought them in or dropped them off. We are getting wonderful support from not only the school community but also the wider Tarago community. Thank you again.

We seem to have had a late cold and flu season this year. Our students all seemed to fare pretty well for most of the Win-

ter season only to have a lot away in the last few weeks with colds, coughs, tonsillitis and even a case of pneumonia! If your child is unwell please keep them at home so they can recover quickly and return in good health.

It's also a great time to remind the students just how important it is to wash hands, use tissues and to cover their mouth when they cough or sneeze. Good reminders for us all.

The school has new behaviour notification cards that are being sent home for poor behaviour. The idea behind them is that we want to keep parents notified of behaviour at school and let them know of the consequences to that behaviour. The cards have a section at the bottom that we would ask you to cut off and return to school so that we know the note made it home.