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Uniforms

After a recent push to ensure students are wearing their correct uniform we've had several students try the line "I didn't know I was supposed to wear that".

Our uniform expectations are outlined in the *Tarago Public School Information Pack*. If there is anyone out there who would like a reminder about uniforms or any other information about the school please feel free to see Mrs Watson in the office and ask for

a copy of the Information Pack.

Here are the relevant excerpts from the Information Pack for this term

Girls Uniform

Winter

- Winter tunic (available from the office) with sky blue shirt (with emblem) or skivvy, or
- Navy pants with sky blue shirt (with emblem) or skivvy
- Navy jumper (with emblem)
- Navy stockings or

white socks

- Black shoes
- School hat

Boys Uniform

- Navy pants or shorts
- Sky blue t-shirt (with emblem) or skivvy
- Navy jumper (with emblem)
- Grey / white socks
- Black shoes
- School hat

Don't forget that terms 1 and 4 are our summer terms, and terms 2 and 3 are our winter terms.

Kinder Orientation

It's nearly time to start thinking about kindergarten for 2012. This year has flown by and our current kinders are close to thinking about moving into year one.

Our orientation sessions will run over five weeks next term. More information will come out in the following weeks but if you know of anyone who is ready to start

thinking about kindergarten for next year please pass our contact details on to them so we can start the ball rolling.

School Calendar

- **Friday 16th September** - Footy Fever Mufti Day (gold coin donation)
- **Tuesday 20th September** - P&C Meeting in the library at 3:30pm
- **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

SPACEpo

There's not long to go now before this year's SPACEpo. In previous years there have been many and varied activities from wheelchair games to rock wall climbing and laser tag. Both classes will be attending on the last Wednesday of term. Please note that as both classes are going there will be no supervision at school.

The day is organised to show students the kinds of sports and activities are available to them in the Goulburn district.

We are extremely lucky to attend the day at no cost to the students; the activities are free, a BBQ lunch is provided at no cost and the school will cover the price of the buses to and from Goulburn.

Students will need to bring plenty of water to drink as well as some sunscreen. Sports uniforms will need to be worn on the day although we will send a reminder out closer to the day. As always school hats are a must.

Pack Extra Water

Our water filtration system is due for its six-month service next Wednesday.

Not knowing how long our filtration system will be out-of-action I would ask that you send your child/ren to school with extra water to drink.

Please pack extra water on Wednesday 14 September.

Items of Interest

Local schools, local decisions

The Department of Education and Communities is starting a process of consultation on empowering local public schools. "The current rules and processes can make it hard for principals and teachers to respond quickly to these issues. It can be very frustrating when a decision that is made in the best interests of a student is hindered

by a process that just doesn't quite fit. Parents can find this difficult to understand as well." said education minister, Adrian Piccoli. To find out more and to have your say go to: <http://bit.ly/nyzxX8>

Safe sparks

Electricity Safety Week (5-9 September) aims to teach

children how to stay safe around electricity both at home and outdoors. Through the special Electricity Safety Week curriculum, developed by the department and the NSW Science and Technology K-6 syllabus, students learn about a wide range of electrical equipment, from substations that power whole suburbs to everyday household appliances. For more info:

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 also to the very kind Woolworths staff member who donated a fist-full of discarded receipts to the school over the weekend. The small schools need all the help we can get when it comes to collecting vouchers and points.

Our Eisteddfod competitors were

lucky enough to have a special guest to practise with last week. Mrs Ann Baxendine came in on Wednesday and spent the two-hour morning session listening to and working with the seven students who have put themselves up to compete in this year's Eisteddfod. Thank you Mrs Baxendine for offering your time.

Last week Mr James risked life and limb and braved the cobwebs, the creepy-crawlies and who-knows what else to clean out two of our garden sheds. He made some incredible discoveries in the process of

cleaning out the sheds including a science kit dating back at least two decades. Mrs Watson was tasked with the job of taking the unused/damaged items to the tip. Thank you to Mr and Mrs de Ruyter who not only helped Mrs Watson load the trailer at school but also followed her to the tip to help her unload it all as well.

SAVE THE DATE!

Car Boot Sale at school on the **6th November**. Start collecting items to sell. More details to follow in further newsletters.