

Telopea Topics

Les Nouvelles de Telopea

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REPORT FROM PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Term 2! It has been good to see students and teachers alike this week eager to start the learning process for the term. Thank you to parents for supporting your children to accept the education they are being offered, to be dressed in uniform and to share the values of the school: Respect; Cooperation; Fairness; and Honesty.

ANZAC acknowledgement

We will be acknowledging the commemoration of 100 years since Australians landed at Gallipoli by a secondary assembly on Friday, week 1. A message from the Prime Minister will be read to the students and is attached to these Topics. I represented the school at the Embassy of France on ANZAC Day. It is notable that the first two Principals of the school fought in the First World War.

The War Memorial at the front of the school is in the process of being upgraded with the support of a grant from the ACT Government. This memorial is symbolic of the lives that were lost in all wars to protect Australia. We do acknowledge however, that many ex-students of Telopea Park School were lost in battle during the Second World War.

National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy - NAPLAN

Week 3 this term is NAPLAN week. Our students are prepared and we ask that parents be aware of the testing that will take place for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in literacy and numeracy. There will be several tests for each year group – Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) and Numeracy. These tests should not be daunting for any student as the school aims to make students comfortable to deliver their best work. Parents should encourage students to do their best.

Montgomery Playing Fields

Most of you will be aware that the land where the school's tennis courts are presently located has been transferred to the Land Development Authority (LDA).. Thank you to those members of the community who are working hard in the best interests of the school so that we can move forward. The P&C website can be accessed at:

<http://www.telopeapnc.org.au/>

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2015

Term 1

3 February – 10 April

Term 2

28 April – 3 July

Term 3

20 July – 25 September

Term 4

12 October – 18 December

IMPORTANT DATES

5 May	Secondary Cross Country
5 May 6.30pm-8.30pm	Year 7 2015 Information Night
7 May	Primary ACT Swimming Carnival
7 May	Year 10 Combined College visit
7 May – 10 May	Band Camp – all bands
8 May	Secondary ACT Swimming Carnival
11 May	Grenoble exchange returns
12 May – 15 May	NAPLAN
13 May	P&C Meeting
15 May	SW Primary Cross Country

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

A committee has been formed and is working with the school, under the leadership of Tom Spollard, The Head of Technology and The Arts, to progress BYOD. We will be starting this program in Semester 2, initially for Years 6 to 10. In the meantime the teachers, parents and students on the BYOD Committee will be writing the school's Protocols in line with the Directorate's ICT Policies to ensure that your children are safe on-line. They will also be recommending a device that will suit the needs of the school. We are excited by this step into a new learning environment and will keep you informed.

French Exchange Visit

The annual school exchange visit to France is going well. The students, who left Canberra during the Easter break, are accompanied by the Head of Languages, Patricia Blumstein, and French teacher, Baba Alhadji. A busy itinerary has been planned as well as time with each of their billets in Grenoble where they are attending school. They return to Telopea in Week 3 of term.

School reports

All reports were sent home with your children last term, Secondary Reports in week 9 ready for the parent/teacher meetings in week 10, and Primary Reports in week 10. If you did not receive your child's report, please contact the school office for another copy.

Road Safety

Again I ask that you take particular care in traffic around the school during drop-off and pick-up times. We acknowledge that this is a very busy school with very little parking for parents. Primary parents are asked to join the queue at the primary drop-off point, please do not park there and be patient for others to move ahead. ACT Police are supporting the school.

School times

There is supervision at the school for half an hour before and after classes.

School times are:

Primary - 9am to 3.15pm

Secondary - 8.45am to 3.15pm

Please ensure that your children do not arrive before supervision starts for the day and leave the school promptly after classes are finished.

Best wishes for a rewarding and happy term.

Warm regards
Kerrie Blain
Principal

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LE MOT DU PRINCIPAL

Bienvenue en ce deuxième trimestre! Quelle joie, cette semaine, de voir les élèves comme les professeurs impatients de se remettre au travail pour le trimestre. Je remercie les parents d'aider les enfants à accepter l'éducation qui leur est offerte, l'uniforme qu'ils portent et les valeurs de l'école qu'ils partagent avec nous: Respect, Coopération, Équité et Honnêteté.

Commémoration de l'Anzac

Nous commémorerons le centenaire de la bataille de Gallipoli lors d'une assemblée du secondaire le vendredi en semaine 1. Nous lirons aux élèves un message du Premier Ministre (que vous trouverez dans ce TT). J'ai moi-même représenté l'école lors de la cérémonie organisée à l'ambassade de France lors du jour d'Anzac. N'oublions pas que les deux premiers principaux de l'école ont combattu pendant la Première Guerre Mondiale.

Le monument aux morts qui se situe devant l'école est sur le point d'être restauré grâce à une subvention du Gouvernement de l'ACT. Ce monument symbolise les vies perdues lors des différentes guerres pour protéger l'Australie. Nous nous souvenons également que de nombreux anciens élèves de Telopea Park School ont perdu la vie lors de la Seconde Guerre Mondiale.

Évaluations Nationales en lettres et mathématiques -NAPLAN

Les évaluations NAPLAN se dérouleront ce trimestre en semaine 3. Nos élèves sont prêts et nous rappelons aux parents que les élèves des années 3, 5, 7 et 9 seront évalués en Mathématiques et Lettres. Pour chaque niveau, il y aura différents tests en Lecture, Expression Écrite et conventions d'écriture (grammaire, ponctuation et orthographe) ainsi qu'en Mathématiques. Ces tests n'ont pas pour but d'intimider nos élèves car l'école fait toujours en sorte de mettre les élèves à l'aise afin qu'ils puissent faire de leur mieux.

Terrain de Montgomery

Comme vous le savez déjà probablement, le terrain sur lequel sont situés les courts de tennis de l'école a été transféré au Land Development Authority (LDA). Je souhaite remercier les membres de la communauté qui travaillent à faire promouvoir le meilleur intérêt de l'école.

Vous pouvez accéder au site internet du P&C en suivant le lien suivant:

<http://www.telopeapnc.org.au/>

Projet 'J'apporte mon propre ordinateur' (BYOD)

Une commission, présidée par Tom Spollard, responsable du Département de Technologie et d'Arts, a été créée, elle travaille en collaboration avec l'école afin de faire avancer le projet BYOD. Nous commencerons ce programme au deuxième semestre, dans un premier temps pour les élèves de Sixième à Troisième/Seconde. Dans le même temps, les enseignants, les parents et les élèves faisant partie de cette commission vont écrire le règlement de notre établissement dans le respect des règles du Département de l'Education afin de maintenir vos enfants en sécurité lorsqu'ils sont en ligne. La commission fera également des recommandations sur le type d'appareil qui répondra aux besoins de l'établissement. Cette étape vers un nouvel environnement éducatif nous ravit et nous vous tiendrons informés des prochaines évolutions.

Voyage d'échange avec la France

Le voyage d'échange avec la France se déroule parfaitement bien. Les élèves, qui ont quitté Canberra pendant les vacances de Pâques, sont accompagnés par Patricia Blumstein, la responsable du département des langues, et de Baba Alhadji, professeur de français. Nos élèves ont un planning de visites bien chargé mais ils passent également beaucoup de temps avec leur correspondant à Grenoble et pourront assister aux cours au lycée. Ils seront de retour à Canberra en semaine 3 de ce trimestre.

Bulletins scolaires

Les bulletins ont été distribués à vos enfants au trimestre dernier, en semaine 9 pour le Secondaire en raison des réunions parents professeurs organisées en semaine 10, et en semaine 10 pour le Primaire. Si vous n'avez pas reçu le bulletin de votre enfant, nous vous prions de bien vouloir contacter le secrétariat de l'école pour en obtenir un exemplaire.

Sécurité aux abords de l'établissement

Une nouvelle fois, nous vous demandons de rouler prudemment lorsque vous déposez ou récupérez vos enfants. Nous sommes conscients qu'il y a beaucoup d'activité aux abords de l'école et qu'il y a très peu d'emplacements pour se garer. Les parents du Primaire sont priés de faire la queue au dépose-minute situé du côté Primaire et d'attendre patiemment que les véhicules progressent.

Horaires de l'école

La surveillance des élèves à l'école est assurée 30 minutes avant et après les cours.

Les horaires de l'école sont les suivants:

Primaire: 9h00 à 15h15

Secondaire: 8h45 à 15h15

Nous demandons donc aux élèves de ne pas arriver avant le début de la surveillance et de quitter l'école rapidement après la fin des cours.

Tous mes meilleurs vœux pour un trimestre heureux et enrichissant.

Bien cordialement,

Kerrie Blain

Principal

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents and carers are encouraged to raise any issues or concerns about our school with their child's teacher, the principal or any staff member. If you would like further assistance you may also contact the Education and Training Directorate's Liaison Unit by phone on [6205 5429](tel:62055429) or via their online contact form: [www.det.act.gov.au/contact us](http://www.det.act.gov.au/contact-us) ↗

HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Australian Business Week (ABW) 2015

13th Year of ABW at TPS

Year 10 Parents and Carers

Year 10 students will be participating in **Australian Business Week (ABW)**.

It will take place in Week 10, Term 2 beginning Monday, the **29th June, 2015**.

Australian Business Week is an intensive one-week program. It gives students the opportunity to develop business knowledge, understanding and skills and will be an invaluable experience for all Year 10 students.

The backbone of the ABW program is a computer simulated business model which will require participants to take over an established company, assume the role of management and make all necessary business decisions to successfully run the company - as well as compete against other participant groups. Students will also be required to create a website and market the business. A trade show will take place on Friday 3rd July from 9.00am to advertise the business.

To run this program successfully we require assistance from parents and the community. Each group of students will require a mentor. We therefore extend an **invitation to you**, your colleagues and other representatives of the school community to assist as business mentors. This will involve being present at the school for as much time as you can give during ABW Week, especially from 29th June to 1st July.

You do not need business experience to be a mentor.

A mentors' meeting will be held at least two weeks before ABW and mentors will be given a booklet to guide them in the process.

The program will cost each student \$55 which can be paid to the Finance Office.

The code number is: ABW – 8221-000-00

On **Friday 3rd July** Year 10 parents and friends are invited to attend the **Trade Show** at 9.00am, and/or the **Board Report** from 11.00am and/or the **Company Videos** and **Final Awards** at 2.15pm. Please note this date in your diary.

Please email kylie.louis@ed.act.edu.au with your child's name and your name and contact details if you are able to be a mentor for ABW.

If you are unable to be a mentor please encourage a friend and/or a family member, e.g. a grandparent to take your place.

Please contact the Finance Office by 19th June on 61423363 or pay \$55

Via the Telopea Park School website under payments he code 8221-000-00.

SECONDARY NEWS

PE & Sport News

Wow, what a busy year it has been so far in PE & Sport. (And we're only one term down. Three more to go!) The following is a wrap up of all things PE and sport from term 1 and a look at what is to come this term.

Physical and Health Education

All students have settled well into their PE classes for the semester. So far students have engaged in a variety of sports focused around many of the sports on offer during term 1. Most classes have also completed their health unit. Health units for semester one are Personal Development (year 7), Human Sexuality (year 8) and Mental Health (years 9 & 10). At the end of last term, all students engaged in fitness testing and cross country running. This is in preparation for our school cross country carnival next Tuesday (see below).

This term, students are back to their main class groups and are engaging in various sports and health lessons (for those classes who haven't completed health yet). In weeks 7, 8 and 9 all classes will be doing social dance. As part of the social dance unit, students will be creating a movement sequence to music as part of their requirements for the Middle Years Program.

Finally, just a gentle reminder to all students that they are required to get changed for practical lessons. This includes the PE shirt (available for purchase through the finance office for \$25), navy shorts/trackpants and appropriate sneakers. While the majority of students are doing the right thing, there has been an increasing number of students coming to PE with unsuitable footwear. Flat soled shoes, such as Vans and other street style shoes, do not provide the required support and traction needed for the activities covered in PE. Students are also requested to bring a hat through the summer, autumn and spring months and a drink bottle. Sunscreen is available for students to use when outside, but are also welcome to bring their own, especially if sensitive to general sunscreen.

Swimming Carnival

Last term was the first of our three major sports carnivals for the year. Back in February, school relocated to Dickson Aquatic Centre for the day for students to race and have fun in a variety of aquatic events. A great day was had by everyone with an increased amount of free swimming time enjoyed by all who attended. This year saw a change in champion house. It is unsure how long it has been since their last carnival victory, but congratulations has to go to the Throsby house and their continual participation and determination to take out the swimming carnival for 2015. Well done.

From the school swimming carnival, a team of 40 students went on to the Southside Zone or South Weston Regional swimming carnivals. Telopea Park School competed well and finished fourth on the day. There were 11 students successful from these carnivals who have qualified for the ACT Schools' Swimming Championships to be held on Friday 8 May 2015 (13 & over). We wish these students well as they represent Telopea Park School against the best of the other ACT public and non-public schools.

Cross Country Carnival

On Tuesday 5 May 2014, all high school students will be taking part in the school's cross country carnival to be held on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin. Following an early recess, all students will be walked down to Bowen Park where the cross country course starts. Students will run in two mass groups, one for boys and one for girls. The course follows the bike path beside the lake up to Reconciliation Place where students will turn around and follow the lake's edge back to Bowen Park and the finish line. The boys race will start at approximately 11.20am and the girls race will be at 11.45am. Parents are welcome to come and watch their child run, although walking is also accepted for the less competitive students. Students finishing in the top 10 places in the 13, 14, 15 and 16 years age groups will qualify for the Southside Zone carnival to be held later this month. The 12 year old students will still be participating at our school carnival, however, a select group of students will be attending the South Weston Regional Cross Country Carnival at Stromlo Forest Park on the same day as our carnival. We wish all students will in whichever event they are participating in next Tuesday.

Following the school's carnival, students will return to school for an afternoon of fun and activities hosted by the SRC. There will many games and events for students to engage in. There will also be a sausage sizzle, run by the year 10 fundraising committee. Sausage sandwiches can be purchased on the day for \$2.50.

Other Sporting Teams

Over the past term, students at Telopea Park School have had the opportunity to compete in a variety of sports against other students from ACT and surrounding NSW schools. The sports that students represented the school in were, in no particular order, tennis, golf, basketball, water polo and rugby league. Congratulations to all participants in each sport for your outstanding efforts and sportsmanship. I would like to especially congratulate the 9/10 girls' basketball team who won the Southside Zone carnival. They went on to compete at the ACT finals day and finished a respectable third overall. Well done.

This term, once again, sees plenty of opportunities for students to represent our school in a number of different sporting events. Already we have had students play volleyball this week passed, but, in the coming weeks students will be able to represent Telopea Park School in Oztag, Aussie rules football, orienteering, futsal, rugby union and hockey. Students should keep an ear out for announcements of sign ups and trials for these sports through the term.

Finally, if you have any questions about your child's participation and progress in PE, Health and Sport, please feel free to contact myself or your child's PE teacher.

Regards

Ben Yuen (Executive Teacher – Health and PE, Sport)

PRIMARY NEWS

Welcome back to school for another busy and productive Term 2. Hopefully, everyone is well rested and ready to learn many exciting, new things!

Healthy and 'no waste' lunches

As part of our healthy eating and sustainability focus, we are encouraging students to become aware of what they are eating and to minimise the amount of waste created from lunches. When packing your child's lunch, please include them in the process by discussing the items to be included in lunchboxes and identifying whether there are healthier options available and how wrappings can be minimised or even eliminated. Younger students in particular find it difficult to open packaged foods and much of this packaging leads to litter around the school. Thank you for supporting us in teaching students the importance of a healthy lifestyle from a young age and how they can contribute to a cleaner environment.

Kindergarten 2016

The applications for Kindergarten 2016 are steadily flowing in to the school. If you are lodging an application for your child to enter Kindergarten in 2016, please ensure that all supporting evidence and relevant documents are supplied to the school no later than the closing date of Friday 5 June at 3.15pm. Please note that all applications; even for siblings, are considered individually and that evidence is required with each new application.

Sports News and Update

The Swimming and Cross-Country carnivals move on to the next level and the Athletics carnival is going to be held in Week 5. The student participation and effort is always very pleasing. We congratulate the following Year 3 students for their qualification to the ACT level of Swimming: **Isabelle Reed, Hannah Heaney, Joshua Coates** and **Quy Christie-Nguyen**.

At the South Weston Zone Swimming Carnival, the school squad achieved many personal best swims. **Georgie Barnes** entered the most events and gained second place in the 100m butterfly event.

The Cross-Country carnival is approaching the South Weston Zone level and we have a squad of fifty students representing our school at Stromlo Forest Park in Week 2 of this term. We wish them all the very best.

Our Year 6 student, **Amelia Dixon**, is performing exceptionally well in a number of sporting pursuits; ACT Athletics Championships Gold medal in the 11 yrs, 200m and 400m and a silver in the 100 m and Triple Jump. Her 400 m time broke a 30 year old club record! Amelia has also been accepted into The Australian Ballet School Interstate training program.

Thank you for the parent support and help with all of the sporting events. Your participation is very much appreciated.

Year 4 Camp

A very excited group of Year 4 students left for their camp to Cooba on Tuesday morning, 27 April. They were ready for 3 days/2 nights of fun-filled and exciting activities under the supervision of their wonderful teachers, **Cathy Marot, Susan Lewis, Anthony Duncan** and **Vincent Boutraud**. They returned to school on Thursday 30 April, very tired but thrilled with the excellent food, accommodation and activities at Cooba.

NAPLAN

Our students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting for their NAPLAN assessment during Week 3 this term. Please ensure your children arrive at school on time so that they are ready to begin and are able to receive all their instructions. The results will be available later on in the year and reports will be sent home.

Parent Helpers for Reading in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 required

I would like to warmly thank all our wonderful parents who come in to the school to support our students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 with their reading program. We are always extremely grateful for this valuable help! Unfortunately, sometimes we do not have parents who are able to assist in this important role. If you are able to provide any time through the school day; preferably in the mornings, to support our young readers, please contact your child's teachers. Please note that a Working With Vulnerable People (WWVP) card is required before volunteering in our school. You are able to apply for a WWVP card free of charge by applying through this website:

http://www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working_with_vulnerable_people_wwvp

Thank you to everyone who contributes time and effort to make our school so successful. We truly appreciate your support.

Until next time,

Kathy Solomko

Executive Teacher for K-2 (Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2)

NOUVELLES DU PRIMAIRE

Bienvenue en ce deuxième trimestre qui s'annonce chargé et productif. Espérons que tout le monde se soit bien reposé et soit prêt à apprendre plein de nouvelles choses !

Paniers déjeuners sains et sans déchets

Comme nous portons, sur le plan pédagogique, une attention particulière à une alimentation saine et au développement durable, nous encourageons nos élèves à être attentifs à ce qu'ils mangent et à minimiser les déchets générés lors du déjeuner. Lorsque vous préparez le déjeuner de votre enfant, essayez de l'impliquer dans la préparation en discutant des aliments le composant, de repérer les alternatives saines disponibles et de voir comment les emballages peuvent être réduits ou même éliminés. Nos plus jeunes élèves en particulier ont beaucoup de mal à ouvrir les emballages scellés qui finissent à terre. Merci de nous aider à montrer aux enfants dès leur plus jeune âge l'importance d'un style de vie sain et comment ils peuvent contribuer à un environnement plus propre.

Entrée en Maternelle 2016

Les inscriptions en Maternelle pour la rentrée 2016 ont débuté à l'école. Si vous effectuez une demande d'inscription en Maternelle pour votre enfant pour la rentrée 2016, nous vous demandons de bien vouloir fournir les pièces justificatives ou tout autre document nécessaire à l'école au plus tard le vendredi 5 juin à 15h15. Toute demande d'inscription, même pour les frères et sœurs d'enfant déjà scolarisé, est traitée individuellement, les pièces justificatives doivent donc être fournies pour chaque nouveau dossier.

Nouvelles sportives

Alors que les Olympiades d'athlétisme auront lieu en semaine 5, les Olympiades de natation ainsi que le Cross passent au niveau supérieur. La participation des élèves et leurs efforts font toujours plaisir à voir. Nous pouvons féliciter les élèves de CE2 suivants pour leur qualification aux compétitions de natation de l'ACT : **Isabelle Reed, Hannah Heaney, Joshua Coates, et Quy Christie-Nguyen.**

Aux Olympiades de natation de la zone South Weston, l'équipe de l'école a accompli de beaux exploits. **Georgie Barnes** a participé à la plupart des courses et a obtenu la seconde place au 100 mètres papillon.

Le Cross de la zone South Weston approche et cinquante de nos élèves représenteront l'école au Mount Stromlo Park en semaine 2. Nous leur souhaitons bonne chance !

Notre élève de Sixième **Amelia Dixon** a obtenu d'excellents résultats dans des épreuves variées : elle a obtenu une médaille d'or aux championnats d'athlétisme de l'ACT (catégorie 11 ans) aux épreuves des 200 et 400 mètres, ainsi qu'une médaille d'argent aux épreuves du 100 mètres et du triple saut. Elle a d'ailleurs battu le record du 400 mètres vieux de 30 ans ! Amelia a également été acceptée au programme inter-états de l'Australian School Ballet.

Un énorme merci aux parents qui nous soutiennent et nous aident lors de ces événements sportifs. Votre participation nous est très précieuse.

Camp des CM1

Les élèves de CM1, très enthousiastes, sont partis mardi matin en camp à Cooba, prêts pour 3 jours et 2 nuits d'activités amusantes et passionnantes sous la surveillance de leurs merveilleux enseignants **Cathy Marot, Susan Lewis, Anthony Duncan et Vincent Boutraud**. Ils sont rentrés jeudi 30 avril, très fatigués mais ravis des bons repas, du logement et des activités de Cooba.

NAPLAN

Nos élèves de CE2 et CM2 vont passer les épreuves du NAPLAN en semaine 3. Merci de veiller à ce que votre enfant arrive à l'école à temps pour recevoir toutes les consignes sur le déroulement des évaluations. Les résultats seront disponibles plus tard dans l'année et vous recevrez un bilan des scores obtenus.

Nous recherchons des parents volontaires pour la lecture en classes de Maternelle, CP et CE1

Je voudrais remercier chaleureusement tous les merveilleux parents qui viennent aider nos élèves de Maternelle, CP et CE1 dans leur programme de lecture. Nous sommes toujours reconnaissants pour l'aide que vous nous apportez. Cependant nous manquons parfois de parents pour nous aider dans ce rôle important. Si vous pouvez consacrer un peu de votre temps pendant les heures de classe, de préférence le matin, pour aider nos jeunes lecteurs, merci de bien vouloir contacter les enseignants de votre enfant. Veuillez cependant noter qu'une carte Working With Vulnerable People (WWVP) est nécessaire pour pouvoir se porter volontaire dans notre école. Vous pouvez en faire la demande gratuitement sur le site internet suivant :

http://www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working_with_vulnerable_people_wwvp

Un grand merci à tous ceux qui donnent de leur temps pour rendre notre école si attrayante. Nous apprécions énormément votre soutien.

A bientôt.

Kathy Solomko - Professeur en charge des classes de Maternelle à CE1

P&C NEWS

Next P&C Meeting – Wednesday 6th May @ 7pm Secondary Staff Room

Fundraising – Campaigning for our playing fields – Improving Traffic & Parking ..and that's just for starters. There's so much you can get involved with this term... Come along and hear what's happening within your school community at the first of our Term 2 meetings.

Reminder: Next Fundraising and Sponsorship Meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th May at 6pm (before the P&C meeting).

TPS Playing Fields – Campaign Update

As most of you are already aware, we are actively working towards getting the best outcome for Telopea Park School in the ACT Land Swap. We believe the best outcome is for the School to retain the land where the tennis courts stand. The ACT Government wants to redevelop it into a childcare centre. As a landlocked school with on-going traffic and parking issues, we are concerned that this decision will create difficulties for the school to deliver its sporting curriculum, reduce the open space our children have for play, and make parking even more difficult for both parents and local residents.

Please sign our petition (if you haven't already) and follow the campaign online:

www.telopeapnc.org.au/saveourplayingfields

www.facebook.com/telopeaaction

www.twitter.com/TelopeaPNC

Community Information Meeting with representatives of the Land Development Authority (LDA)

There will be a meeting held at the Secondary Staff Room on **Wednesday May 13th at 7pm** to hear from representatives of the Land Development Authority. They will inform us of the process regarding the transfer of land from Telopea Park School (tennis courts) for redevelopment as a childcare facility and they will answer questions from the school community.

School reports: have your say

The Education and Training Directorate is proposing a uniform approach to student report cards across the ACT public school system in a bid to provide more consistent information to parents. They would like to hear from parents on what information about student performance you value and how you would like to see it presented in school reports. The online survey will be available until Friday May 15th. <http://www.timetotalk.act.gov.au/consultations/?engagement=public-consultation-reporting-student-achievement-in-act-public-schools>

Native Bilingual Writer Wanted

The P&C would like to increase the bilingualism of its communications. We are seeking someone who can work with the Communications Officer to ensure all P&C communications to the school community are accurately presented in French and English. Please contact Debbie (debstaroz@hotmail.com) if you are interested.

Buy shoes at The Athlete's Foot and raise money for Telopea!

If you are buying school or sports shoes from The Athlete's Foot, a \$5 donation will come back to our school! This is a major fundraiser for our school in 2015.

What?

Any shoes for anyone in your family: Sport, School or Casual

Where?

The Athlete's Foot - Canberra Centre, Tuggeranong Hyperdome, Westfield Woden or Westfield Belconnen.

How?

When purchasing, just tell the staff at Athlete's Foot that you are from our school. Then every pair of shoes you purchase will generate a \$5 donation back to the School. Plus it also contributes towards a reward voucher for your family as well.

Got something on your mind?

The P&C is a communications channel between you and your child's school. If you have any suggestions or would like to raise an issue, please get in touch with us. You can talk to any of our P&C Executive members directly or contact us via our website:

<http://www.telopeapnc.org.au/raise-an-issue/>

UNIFORM SHOP

OPENING HOURS FOR UNIFORM SHOP

Monday - 8.30 - 9.30am

Tuesday - 2.45 - 3.45pm

Thursday - 8.30 - 11.00am

Order and pay securely on the web: www.youruniformshop.com.au

Place your order over the phone/fax 1300794179 (business hours)

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Telopea Park School, P&C Before and After School Care Program

Monday - Friday

Mornings

7.30 am - 9.00 am
(breakfast provided. CCB approved)

Afternoons

3.15 pm - 6 pm
(afternoon snacks provided. CCB approved)

Extra Curricular Activities

• Sports • Crafts • Homework
(8-10 week sessions, enrolments taken each
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Cultural program and courses of the Alliance Française of Canberra (May)

French course at Telopea Park School during Term 2 2015

Complete beginner Adult courses - A1.1 –REG, THURSDAYS 5.30-7.30pm

In this class, students will learn the vocabulary and language structures required to be able to complete the following tasks in French: Greet/ Take a leave, introduce yourself and someone else, spell, count, etc.

Second level of beginner Adult courses - A1.2 –REG, WEDNESDAYS 5.30-7.30pm

In this class, students will learn the vocabulary and language structures required to be able to complete the following tasks in French : Inquire about and book an accommodation, ask for prices, describe your cities and neighborhoods, how to locate, ask for and understand an itinerary, give directions, etc.

Parents and Kindies course

The Alliance Française de Canberra is pleased to announce the opening of a brand new course at Telopea Park School for both Parents and Kindies to learn French together! We welcome kindies aged 5 to 6 and one of their parents to practise school-related vocabulary through real life situations, so come along and join the French fun!

The course will run for seven weeks from Week 4 of the new school term, on Thursday, 21 May 2015 to Thursday, 02 Jul 2015, 3.15pm till 4.15pm. Enrolments can be made [online](#), over the phone (6247 5027) or at the Alliance Française. Please note that a double enrolment is required for this course, i.e. one registration per child as well as one registration for the accompanying parent.

We hope that you will find this course enjoyable and useful, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Here is the link for the course: [Parents & Kindy course](#)

Cultural events in May

Friday 1st of May

- **Café cinéma "Quai d'Orsay" – 5.30pm**

Free event for members

Come and watch the French movie "Quai d'Orsay" in French and subtitles in French, followed by a discussion.

Cheese platter and a glass of wine available for \$12. Pre ordering is essential by Thursday 30th of April

Wednesday 13th of May

- **Opening exhibition "14-18" and "Alliés pour toujours" (13th May – 6th June)**

Come at the Alliance Française at 7pm and commemorate the World War I

- **Speed talking - 12pm**

Only in French to improve your French. Come to share a conversation with a native French speaker with whom you can discuss about a new subject every 10 min.

Cheese platter available for \$10. Pre ordering is essential by Tuesday 12th of April.

Thursday 14th of May

- **Café historique – 6pm Drill Hall Gallery**

Free event. Based on the magazine L'Histoire « Naissance d'une nation l'Australie des Aborigènes aux soldats de l'Anzac »

Come at the Drill Hall Gallery enjoy cheese and wine and discuss with Paul Pickering about the article "Plus Britannique que la Grande-Bretagne"

Thursday 21st of May

- **Café région - 8.15pm**

\$55 for non-members / 15% discount for members

Come and discover the French region "La Normandie" included 3 course meal and a drink.

Booking essential by 18th of May

Tuesday 26th of May

- **Book club - 12pm**

Free event

Share your book experience with us.

Book : " Stupeur et tremblement Amélie Nothomb

French courses

Term 2 27th of May – 4th of July

Brevet class 9th of May – 20th of June - 10am-1pm



Term 2 has Tennis Canberra launching another fun term of junior tennis lessons down the road from Telopea Park Primary. All new players receive a new racket and play for the only Junior Tennis Teams in Canberra. If you could place this in your newsletter that would be fantastic. I've listed the times and venues below:

Monday: Old Parliament House Gardens

Tuesday: Majura Tennis Club (Dickson)

Wednesday: Reid Tennis Club

Thursday: Barton Tennis Club

Friday: Majura Tennis Club (Dickson)

Saturday Morning: Majura Tennis Club (Dickson)

For bookings, specific times and program information please visit www.tenniscanberra.com.au or email play@tenniscanberra.com.au

See you on the court,

Your favourite Tennis Canberra Coaches

Free family event for Mother's Day

What do you have planned for your family this Mother's Day?

If a day of free beauty pampering, gourmet food tasting, live music, dance and cycling activities plus entertainment for the kids sounds appealing then this festival will be great for you.

[Mother's Day on the Shareway](#) is a free community festival on Sunday 10 May from 11 am until 3 pm.

One of the events on the day is a kid's drawing competition. Children are asked to submit a drawing that shows how much they love their mum! All drawings will be displayed on the shareway festival's mega art wall for everyone to enjoy. The winning drawings across three age categories will win a family pass to the National Zoo and Aquarium or a voucher for a half hour jet flight simulator experience!

Visit the [TAMS website](#) for more information about the event and on how to enter the competitions.

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