

TEMIS

Newsletter

The Ela Murray International School

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Term 1 Week 3 Thursday, February 9, 2017

Deputy Principal's Message

It was great to see so many of you on Tuesday evening at Murray and on Wednesday evening at ELC. The relationship between home and school is so important – please keep showing interest in your child's learning and if you have any questions, speak to your child's teacher.

Over the last week, elections have been held throughout the school.

Tomorrow will see our SRC Assembly, with students from Prep to Grade 8 receiving their badges and certificates, as we recognise their willingness to lead and serve their fellow classmates.

At last week's assembly, our Grade 8 students impressed us with their School Captain speeches. Congratulations to Elnó and Jemimah who were elected as School Captains and Tyler, and Lorin who were elected as School Vice Captains. Elnó has recently heard the news that he will be leaving TEMIS, which means Tyler will become school captain and Elliott Mitchell who was narrowly in 3rd place will be our Vice Captain. We will recognise all 5 at assembly tomorrow.

Please come along and enjoy the presentations; parents of the SRC reps should have received an invitation to coffee in the staffroom after assembly.

This week we have had the pleasure of having IEA Maths Advisor, Sally Hughes, working in a range of classes. Sally used to work at TEMIS and so is very familiar with the school. She was responsible for writing the new curriculum and implementing it throughout IEA schools. This week she has worked in a range of classes supporting students and teachers. We look forward to her return later in the term.

Helen Mortimer

School start and finish times

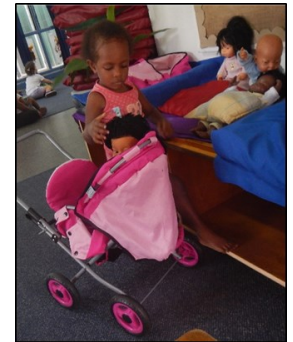
Children should not arrive at school before teachers are available in their classrooms at 7:30am every day. Lessons are scheduled to begin promptly at 8:00am. If your child arrives after 8:00am, they are missing valuable instruction that could impact on their learning.

School finishes at 2:30pm and we appreciate your efforts to pick up your child promptly from the classroom at that time. All students must be signed out by the adult who collects them. Only authorised adults will be permitted to collect children. Students not picked up by 2:50pm are taken to the school office. Please be aware that extra charges may be incurred if children have not been picked up by 3:00pm.

Starting in the Toddlers

Starting school involves a big change for your child. It can be a time of great excitement, but also a time of potential challenge and stress. Tearful goodbyes for both parents and children are expected at this time.

The Toddlers staff members are experienced in reassuring and assisting children to make this transition as smooth as possible for both you and your child. Children soon develop relationships with their teachers and settle happily into our program.



Parent Group News

The first Parent Group meeting for 2017 was held on Monday and what a great turn out of new and returning parents!

The Parent Group meet on a regular basis, both formally and informally, and all parents/carers are welcome to attend. This is a great way to meet other parents and to be involved with the school community. We host a range of events and fundraising stalls throughout the year, which in the past has enabled us to donate a variety of extra items for the school, including water bubblers, sports balls and the chess and checker sets.

In previous years, we have had designated roles, however, this year we have decided to remove these roles and allow parents to get involved on an event-by-event basis. Our first event this year will be a 'snacks and drinks' stall at the Inter-house Swimming Carnivals on Thursday, 23 February (Junior) and Friday, 24 February (Senior). If you would like to help on the stalls please contact the Parent Group at temisparentgroup@gmail.com

Following the success of our Saturday Afternoon get-together last year, the Parent Group are keen to organise a similar event this year. This is a chance for new and returning families to meet and enjoy a relaxing afternoon for the parents with fun activities for the kids! Again, parents are welcome to jump on board and get involved! More details to follow shortly!

Contact Details

If you would like to contact the Parent Group or join the group distribution list, please email temisparentgroup@gmail.com.

To keep up to date with Parent Group news, please visit our TEMIS Parents Group Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/140973156018015/>).

President - Kylie Butler-McIntosh
Vice President - Chandan Makan

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Erin Varker

On behalf of the TEMIS Parent Group

Use of Site

Friday 10 February, 2017
5:00pm—6:00pm—Footy Players

Sunday 12 February, 2017
5:00pm—6:00pm—Footy Players

Important Dates

WK 3	SRC ASSEMBLY	FRI	09/02
WK 4	AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY STARTS	MON	13/02
	5T ASSEMBLY	FRI	17/02
WK 5	INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING	THU	23/02
	INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING	FRI	24/02
WK 6	8K ASSEMBLY	FRI	03/03
	CATHOLIC MASS GR 3—6	FRI	03/03
WK 7	INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING	THU	09/03
	INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING	FRI	10/03
	CATHOLIC MASS PREP—GR 2	FRI	10/03
WK 8	PUPIL FREE DAY (STAFF DEV. DAY)	FRI	17/03
WK 9	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES PREP—8	TUE	21/03
	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES PREP 8	WED	22/03
	1B ASSEMBLY	FRI	24/03
WK 10	SRC DISCOS- NO ASA	THU	30/03
	PERFORMANCE ASSEMBLY ASA END	FRI	31/03
WK 11	TERM 1 ENDS	WED	05/04
	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	THU	06/04
		WED	19/04
	GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER MONDAY	FRI	14/04
	FALL IN THE BREAK	MON	17/04
TERM 2	TEACHERS COMMENCE	WED	19/04
	STUDENTS COMMENCE	THU	20/04
	PUBLIC HOLIDAY QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY	MON	12/06
	TERM 2 ENDS	FRI	16/06
	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	SAT	17/06
		TUE	18/07

Newsletter by email

Parents and friends who wish to have their newsletter emailed, please advise Boio Davana on email address:

BDavana@temis.iea.ac.pg

Community News

Uniform Shop News

Team Tura has enjoyed supplying your uniforms this year so far! Please be advised we have a small supply issue with swimwear from China at present so will be using a temporary substitute brand until the new stock arrives. The new Brand is Arena - a high quality Australian retail product (used by the Australia swim team!) and will retail at the same price as the Tura branded swimmers. The following sizes will be out of stock until end of March, otherwise all will be available: **Rash vest: size 4, 6, and 8. Boys swim trunks size 4.** Our apologies for this gap in supply - all will be back on track by March."

I'll also be posting this info on the TEMIS parents FB page so hopefully all will be covered!

*Meghan Toka, Country Manager,
Pacific Uniforms*

Catholic Paraliturgy/School Mass

A Paraliturgy Service for Catholic groups from Grade 3—6 will be held in the School Hall on Friday, 3rd March at 9:15am. In addition all Catholic groups from Prep—Grade 2 will combine for a Mass to be held on Friday, 10th March at 9:15am in the Library.

Liturgy Services will be organised by St. Joseph's Parish. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Craft Market

The next TEMIS Craft Market of the year will be held at the Ela Beach site as usual on Saturday, February 25th, from 7.30am to 11.30am.

Craft Market fees for 2017:

Annual stall holders - K250.00

Casual - K25.00 per market day

Contact Information:

All email addresses consist of the initial of the person's first name, followed by the surname and [@temis.iea.ac.pg](mailto:temis.iea.ac.pg). For example: bclarkin@temis.iea.ac.pg

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