Rain, Hail or Shine
THE FAMILY FUN FAIR
will still go ahead
this Saturday 30 October  11am – 5pm

The weather forecast for this Saturday is still a little uncertain so it is important that you know that our Family Fun Fair will continue regardless of the weather. That’s because we have two plans: one for good weather and a backup for wet or windy weather.

The Fair Committee has been working tirelessly for a year now, as you would know if you have been reading our newsletter, so please make sure you come along on Saturday with your family and friends so that we can make this event worthwhile and appreciate everyone’s efforts.

The back up plan includes using the more sheltered quadrangle area and inside the gym. There will be areas available to sit and relax and enjoy your food and drink out of any possible wind.

The Rides organisers have pledged that any inclement weather will not stop them either and they will be ready to go. The same applies to the animal farm.

The Miss Molly show for the younger students will be performed in the Early Learning Centre and will be supervised giving you a little bit of time to wander the stalls to find a bargain or some treasures.

The White Elephant stall and the Silent Auction will be located in our gym so you can view what is on offer out of any weather and at your leisure. After this if the weather is good you can visit the class stalls on the oval and if the weather is testing us you can visit the stalls on the quadrangle.

Like the Fair Committee the children have been working hard on their class stalls and are quite excited about selling their wares.

There is still time to volunteer to help out on the day. I know many parents will help on the class stalls but we still need a few more volunteers for other stalls. I know I am working on the White Elephant stall, the Villi’s Van and rostered on the Clean-up-Gang. Your time would be greatly appreciated. Please fill out the volunteer slip if you can help.

The raffle draw will be held towards the end of the day.

See you all there on Saturday.

Regards,
Vicki Stokes.
All parents and caregivers are invited to attend the first part of the Governing Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 17 November 2010 at 6.30pm.

At this Council meeting the Materials and Services charges for 2011 will be resolved. The Trinity Gardens School Materials & Services charges for 2011 have been established by Governing Council and approved by the Department of Education and Children’s Services. Copies of the 2011 Materials & Services Charges with the DECS’ watermarked approval are shown on pages 7 and 8 of this newsletter.

Parents and caregivers wishing to attend this part of the Council meeting are asked to contact Karen Barrow on 8431 4170. Thank you.

**MAGPIES**

It is magpie breeding season again and this means magpies are very protective of their nest. They will swoop if you are in the vicinity of their nest. Particular areas of concern include the Devitt Ave car park and OSHC building. As magpies are protected we can only avoid these areas when possible.

**FINANCE NEWS**

Families new to our school will have received their invoices for the Term 4 Materials & Services Charge - prompt payment of this 14 day invoice is appreciated.

Families who have outstanding fees have received a current statement and are expected to finalise payments immediately.

If any family, particularly those new to our school, believes they may be eligible for School Card assistance with fee payment it is essential that the application form is completed and given to the office as soon as possible, and no later than 4pm Friday 19 November. This is the final day for acceptance of School Card applications for 2010. Forms are available from the School Office.

It is regrettable at this late stage in the school year that some fees remain outstanding. Families who have failed to respond to reminders for payment of overdue fees have been, and will continue to be, referred to DECS Central Debt Collection Recoveries Team, for further action.

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_Going to a Steiner Education Workshop_ 7.15 in the Cottage, Gold Coin Donation

**Term 4 Week 3**  
27 October 2010

**27 October Wednesday**
Steiner Education Workshop  
7.15 in the Cottage, Gold Coin Donation

**29 October Friday**
Steiner Olympics

**30 October Saturday**
Family Fun Fair

**1 November—5 November**
Week 4 Swimming Rec-Yr5

**9 November Tuesday**
Whole School Assembly & Premier’s Reading Challenge Awards  
2pm in the Gym

**12 November Friday**
Casual Day (Heroes etc)

**16 November Tuesday**
Reception Transition 9-10am

**17 November Wednesday**
Governing Council Meeting 6.30pm  
After School Market—Christmas!!

**23 November Tuesday**
Reception Transition 9-11.30am  
Academic Achievement Awards 2pm

**26 November Friday**
Volunteer’s Morning Tea 10.30-11.30.  
Trophy Presentation 2-3pm

**30 November Tuesday**
Reception Transition 9am-12pm

**1 December Wednesday**
St Morris Variety Club Christmas Party  
END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

**6 December Monday**
Yr 7 Graduation

**8 December Wednesday**
St Morris Graduation

**10 December Friday**
End of Term Early Dismissal 2.05pm

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**This Saturday**

30 October  
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**AFTER SCHOOL MARKET**

Wednesday 17 November  
Mark this in you diary.  
Be ready for Christmas.  
Further information will be available in the next newsletter.
**Week 3 - Reliability**

Reliability means that others can depend on you to keep your commitments. Reliability is doing something that you have agreed to do in a predictable way, without forgetting or having to be reminded. When you practise reliability, you really care about doing what you said you would do. Other people can relax knowing it is in your reliable hands.

**Week 4 - Compassion**

Compassion is having kind feelings towards someone who is hurt or troubled. It is caring deeply and wanting to help, even if you don’t know that person. Compassion is being kind and forgiving to someone who has hurt you. Compassion helps us to be understanding of others and ourselves.

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**Library News - Volunteers**

**Help Needed**

We have many new books in the library which the children are keen to borrow. However, we need help with covering them. Can you spare some time to lend a hand?

Please see a staff member in the library if you are able to assist us with this.

Steph, Patricia and Emma

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**Community News**

**Family Yoga Classes**

**Starts November 16**

Family Yoga gives the opportunity for parents and children to share a yoga class together. A great way to encourage and share in healthy life style choices, being fit, healthy, energetic and de-stressing. A chance to stretch, play, strengthen, re-energise, and relax together. Lots of fun, bonding exercises included. Suitable for complete beginners through to experienced yoga practitioners.

**4 Week ‘Intro to Family Yoga’ Course**

Dates for ‘Intro: 16 Nov, 23 Nov, 30, 7 Dec

4PM Tuesdays for Kids ages 4-6 yrs & Parents/ Caregivers

5PM Tuesdays for kids ages 6-16yrs & Parents/Caregivers

Venue: St Peters. Booking and prepayment essential.

**Book Now to Secure Your Family’s Spot**

To register email info@yogakidssa.com.au
Or visit our website www.yogakidsSA.com.au

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**Library News - Uniform Shop**

Please be advised that the Uniform Shop's opening hours are:

- **Monday Afternoon**: 2.45 - 3.30
- **Friday Morning**: 8.25 - 9.30

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**Where’s Your Hat?**

Our Sun Smart policy is once again in place.

No hat, no outdoor play.
Thank you for your support.

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**Premier’s Reading Challenge Assembly**

**Tuesday 9 November at 2PM**

We are delighted that acclaimed children’s author Katrina Germein has accepted our invitation to be a guest speaker and distribute our Premier’s Reading Challenge medals for 2010. Katrina has most recently penned the hilarious *My Dad thinks he’s funny* and *Baby Gets Dressed*. Her books *Big Rain Coming* and *Leaving* have both been commended as Notable Books by the Children’s Book Council of Australia and are on the Premier’s Reading Challenge list.

Library leaders will run a joke competition for this event, with the funniest joke receiving a prize on the day.

You can find out more about Katrina at http://www.katrinagermein.com
Thank you,
Steph Burton

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International author and teacher, Jessie Ayani will be in Adelaide in November. Jessie will be holding a free public talk at Quantum bookshop on 4 November, 6.30pm. This is a free event. The lecture is titled ‘Conscious Parenting.’ More info available at www.heartofthesun.com

**SA Cricket Assc. After School Coaching**

The SA Cricket Association offers 1 to 1 coaching services at the Adelaide Oval Indoor Cricket Centre. Sessions run Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons between 4pm to 7pm. Sessions can be 30 mins or 1 hour in length.

Costs: 30 min session $33 / 1 hour session $55. For further information ph: Shaun Seigert at SACA on 8300 3804 or sseigert@saca.com.au
The 12 students enrolled in the R-7 unit range in age from 5—14 years. We have two classes so that the learning is relevant to each child. Our school day is designed to look like a main stream class with lots of adaptations. A wide range of technology helps our students to access the curriculum.

Fitness is our favourite lesson.

I read my books using the computer. I switch to turn the page.

I am using my computer with my switches to write my recount.

Drawing is so much fun on the Smartboard.

In science we have been exploring change through the context of food.

I use an adaptive keyboard so that I can type my name and other words.

I like it when some of my friends come and read to me.
As part of the science curriculum the most recent Main Lesson in Class One is the story Tiddalick. Through the story the children have been considering the need for water to sustain our environment. We are very fortunate to have some tadpoles in the ponds near our classroom and we have been observing their growth and maintaining the health of the pond so the tadpoles will be able to grow into frogs. The class has been removing the duck weed from the ponds when it begins to block out the sunlight and add extra water from the rain water tank when the water level becomes too low. They also clear rubbish from the ponds after lunch which would endanger the tadpoles and other creatures within the ponds.

Here is an extract of the story we have been children have been listening to and retelling each day and some examples of their work.

Tiddalick

Long ago in a land that was hot and dry for many months of the year there lived many different creatures. Some had four legs but only hopped on two, some had two legs and wings but could not fly, some had bills and webbed feet like a duck but no feathers. All these strange creatures together lived happily.

During the harsh summer months when the sun danced in the sky with great glee day after day and dried the land until the soil became hard and pale, the creatures shared the water from the rivers and waterholes. It was a peaceful life full of kindness and understanding. In this way the creatures always had enough water when the sun was at its highest. No one drank more than they needed and all left enough for the following day so that the water would last until the rains once again drenched the soil.

One day a stranger arrived amongst them. He was a great creature of enormous size. He looked like the creatures that lived amongst the tall water grasses by the waterholes but he was a giant of a size. He had a look in his eyes that they had never seen before. “My name is Tiddalick I am thirsty, so very, very thirsty.”

Tiddalick went off to find something to drink. He found a dam and began to quench his thirst. He drank and drank and the creatures who lived in the waterhole became concerned for Tiddalick kept on drinking and the water grew less and less. They called out “Stop Tiddalick you are taking too much and leaving us with nothing. This water belongs to us all and we must only take a little. If you drink it all we will surely die.” Tiddalick would not listen and one by one each of those creatures who could not survive out of the water began to die.

Tiddalick sat up and looked around. His belly was swollen with all the water but that look was still in his eyes. “I am still thirsty” he roared. I need to find more water.” Tiddalick lifted his enormous body and began to slowly move towards the river that swept through the land. Within his great body the water could be heard swishing and swirling.
Video Games Have a Powerful Impact on Children's Brains

According to David Walsh, Ph.D., founder of the National Institute on Media and the Family, "When parents do a good job of limiting the amount and content of games their children play, video games can be a healthy part of a child's life. But many of the most popular games kids play are not appropriate for young people, and parents have no idea.” Recent research from the Institute shows, “video games have a more profound, potentially more harmful, effect on kids than we ever knew.

According to Dr. Walsh, parents must:
1. LIMIT game playing time.
2. CHECK the age game ratings and follow the directions on the box.
3. USE other content sources and reviews to help you choose a game, like KidScore.
4. ASK your local retailer or rental store to implement policies preventing the sale or rental of M-rated (Mature) games to children or youth.
5. AVOID the shooting and killing games.
6. REQUIRE that homework and chores be done before game playing.
7. DO NOT PUT video game consoles or computers in children's or teen's bedrooms.
8. PLAY AND ENJOY a game with your child and teen; check in as your child moves into deeper levels in the game.
9. TALK about the content of the games. Ask your child what's going on in the game.
10. EXPLAIN to your children why you object to certain games.

Finally, ENCOURAGE your child to play with friends, or other activities away from the video game set.

Symptoms of computer or video game addiction among young people include:
- Most of non-school hours are spent on the computer or playing video games.
- Falling asleep in school.
- Not keeping up with assignments.
- Worsening grades.
- Lying about computer or video game use.
- Choosing to use the computer or play video games rather than seeing friends.
- Dropping out of other social groups (clubs or sports).
- Irritable when not playing a video game or on the computer.
- Monitoring your children and teen’s video game use is essential. You should be concerned if your child:
  - Repeatedly breaks family rules about when and how much game playing is allowed.
  - Withdraws from friends and activities to spend time playing video games.
  - Sneaks and lies about game playing.
  - Neglects school work and other responsibilities.
  - Throws temper tantrums when limits are imposed.

SPORTS NEWS

**Cricket**
A reminder that neither of our school teams are playing this Saturday 30 October due to our Family Fun Fair at school.

**Tennis** Congratulations to our Trinity Gardens school tennis team who is competing in the East District Knockout competition.

Our team consisting of Cameron Moss, Harshill Vinod, Scott Pearse and Jack Newcombe defeated Ardtornish in their first match. Tomorrow, they play Burnside PS at Trinity Gardens tennis club. We wish them luck for tomorrow and congratulations on winning their first match. We wish to express our appreciation to the Trinity Gardens tennis club for allowing us to use their premises for this competition.

**Walla Rugby** Three teams from Trinity Gardens travelled to the recent Walla Rugby competition. All our players represented their school well and enjoyed the day. Our girls’ team won this competition and now proceed to the State final to be held on Wednesday November 3.
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Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2011

Notice of Charges for Steiner Stream R - 7

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