



Our Community

18 August 2009

In the spirit of staying connected

Community Profiles

Keng McDowell, President Friends of Music

Keng joined the Tintern Schools community in 1998 when her daughter Natasha started at Tintern in Pre-Prep. Natasha is currently in Year 8. Keng and David chose Tintern for their daughter because they believed Tintern provided a quality, rounded education within a beautiful setting. Along with her husband, David, Keng strongly believes in the benefits of being involved in community groups. David is past Treasurer of The Tintern Association. Keng joined Friends of Music in 2001 and previously held the position of Treasurer before becoming President in 2008. Keng loves music and has a passionate conviction that 'music enhances the development of every child and soothes the soul.' As President of Friends of Music she works to promote and enhance the appreciation of music within the school community. She hopes that through the events Friends of Music organise she is able to encourage more students to join the music community. Keng says, 'Being involved in community groups is a great way to make friends, especially with parents of children in year levels other than your own. Your children love to know that you are interested.' Keng is still friends and remains in contact with parents of past students who she met through community groups. She strongly encourages everyone to become involved in one of the school community groups.



Homestay 2010

Tintern Schools is currently sourcing expressions of interest from its community members to become Homestay Providers for our international students commencing in 2010. Homestay is a paid arrangement between student and provider and is closely monitored by Tintern staff, who are available for assistance and guidance throughout the stay. Much attention is given to matching student and provider to achieve the best possible experience for both parties. Requirements include the provision of a single bedroom with desk and chair for study, the provision of meals, and general care of the student. Further information can be obtained from Julie Painter on 9845 7808 or at jpainter@tintern.vic.edu.au

Ainslie Park Cricket Club Players Wanted

Ever wanted to play cricket? Ainslie Park is a family oriented club looking for new and experienced players between the ages of 5 - 15. You are invited to attend an introductory registration day. There will be games to play, giveaways and a free sausage sizzle.

Details: Saturday 22 August

Time: 1 - 4pm.

Where: Topline Sports, 1/31-35 Burgess Road, Bayswater North

Contact: Ryan 0433 914 215 for more information or check out their website: www.parkerscricketclub.com.au



Tintern Schools Blood Drive

On Wednesday 2 September the Red Cross Blood Bank will be visiting Tintern Schools to collect donations. We are encouraging all eligible students, teachers, parents, friends and members of the community to come along. Donations will be accepted from 10am - 4.30pm on the day. To get involved please download the flyer from the School website or phone Mrs van den Akker on 9845 7850 or email lvandenakker@tintern.vic.edu.au

Year Level Functions

Tintern Year 5 families are invited to an afternoon of Rollerblading at Bayswater Roller City, Saturday 5 September, 3.00 - 5pm. Afterwards we will head to Heathmont La Porchetta. Call the Community Relations Office for more information.

Southwood Year 6 Parents are invited to a wine and cheese evening on Saturday 21 November. Mark this date in your diary now and look out for more details to follow.

Parents of Paddlers (POPS)

A very big thank you is extended to the volunteers from the POPS group who gave up their Saturday afternoon for a maintenance working bee on the boats. Parents and students rolled up their sleeves to clean and repair in preparation for the upcoming training. If you would like to find out more about paddling in 2009 please have a look at the POPS section in 'Our Community' on the School website or call the Community Relations Office for more information.

Community Relations Contacts:

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Upcoming Meetings:

The Tintern Association (TTA) & Southwood Parents' Club (SPC) next meetings are combined on Tuesday 20 October 7.30pm Southwood Senior Staff Room	Tintern Old Girls Association (TOGA) Next meeting Monday 12 October 7.30pm Kennedy Cottage, Tintern President: Carol Robertson	Southwood Old Boys' Association (SOBA) For details of next meeting, please contact Community Relations. Presidents: Aaron De Lacy and Matthew Ross	Parents of Paddlers (POPS) Next meeting Thursday 27 August 7.30pm Kennedy Cottage, Tintern President: Sandra Chambers	Friends of Music (FOM) Next meeting Tuesday 25 August 7.00pm CM Wood Area C, Tintern President: Keng Mc Dowell	Other Groups: Friends of Equestrian (FOE) For details of next meeting, please contact Community Relations. President: Kathy Paige
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