

Community Page

In the spirit of staying connected

10 February 2009

The Tintern Association
(TTA)
Next Meeting AGM
Thursday 12 Feb 7.30pm
CM Wood Common room
President
Amanda McKenzie

Southwood Parents' Club
(SPC)
Next Meeting AGM
Tuesday 17 Feb 7.30pm
Southwood Hall
Retired President
Lorraine Coles

Parents of Paddlers (POPS)
Please contact Community
Relations Office for next
meeting details
President
Peter Higginbotham

Friends of Music (FOM)
Next Meeting AGM
Tuesday 3 March 7.30pm
CM Wood Common Room
President
Keng Mc Dowell

Friends of Equestrian (FOE)
Please contact Community
Relations Office for next
meeting details
President
David Mudford

Tintern Old Girls'
Association (TOGA)
Next Meeting
Tuesday 10 Feb 7.30pm
Kennedy Cottage
President

Gita Spence-Fletcher
Southwood Old Boys'
Association (SOBA)
Next Meeting AGM
Wed 4 March 7.30pm
SW Senior Staff Room
President Martin Halliday



Contact Di Lacey or
Susanne Brush at the
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Submissions for the
next Community Page
must be received before
4.00pm Wednesday,
18 March

Welcome to the first edition for 2009. It is through this page that we will keep you informed of the events and achievements of the various Community Groups as well as the many and varied activities in which they participate. If you would like to be involved with any of the Community Groups please contact the Community Relations Office. Keep your eye on the website as Community news will be updated regularly so you won't miss out on any important information. If you would like to contribute to the Community Page email your submissions to the Community Relations Office by the due date and time and we will incorporate your news wherever possible.

A Message from the Principal

'As a community we have all been deeply affected by the tragic events on the weekend. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of Victoria. The School's management is in the process of investigating the best way to respond and support those in need, our immediate Tintern Schools families and also the wider community. 'The Charities have asked, at this point in time that people who would like to assist may make a financial donation either by phone or by the Charities websites. Many families may have already made donations to Charities.' Please refer to the School Website (*Victorian Bushfires*) for the full transcript of the letter from Mrs Collins.

Class Reps and Community Volunteers

Thank you to those parents in our community who have already put up their hand for Class Rep and Community Volunteer. If you would like to discuss the role please give Di Lacey a call in the Community Relations Office. Class Representatives and Community Volunteers are a vital link between the parents in your year level and other community groups. The work that Class Representatives and parent volunteers do for the School is very highly valued by the School Board, Principal, staff and students. Parent interest and involvement in the life of the school has a very positive effect on your children. We thank all those class representatives and parent volunteers who give so generously of their time and talents

Second Hand Book Sale

The Second Hand Book Sale for 2008 was a huge success. Approximately \$5,500 was donated back to the School in book sale commissions. A very big thank you is extended to all our volunteers, especially the coordinators Heidi Schlennstedt and Helen Thornton, who did a wonderful job coordinating over 60 parent volunteers.

Fair 2009

With only 5 weeks to go Fair preparations are well underway. All families should have now received a Fair information pack including raffle books, ride special offer and a hot cross bun pre order form. Thank you to those parents who have already donated their time or services. We are looking forward to an exciting Community Celebration to mark the 10th anniversary of Southwood Boys Grammar. Please refer to your Fair newsletter or the School Website for specific information. *Our Community/newsletters/community groups/January Fair News.*

Community AGM's

The AGM is a wonderful chance to meet fellow parents, and become truly involved with the School community. The AGM is the main formal meeting for the year and provides the committees with office bearers and a direction for the year and will provide visitors with an understanding of the wonderful contribution these two associations make to our Schools. Everyone is welcome. Please refer to the attached Notice or the School website, *Our Community/Tintern Parents Association or Southwood Parents Club* for all AGM dates and nomination forms. We have a number of retiring members this year and look forward to new faces joining the committees.

Cathedral Service Sunday 22 February 2.30pm

Please make a note in your diaries for the 2009 Cathedral service to be held at St Paul's Cathedral in Flinders st, Melbourne. This School community event is a compulsory event for all our Secondary students and Junior School families are most welcome to attend. This year the School Leaders have chosen to support the Inspire Foundation of Australia, 'To help millions of young people lead happier lives'.

New Parents Welcome Friday 27 February 7pm CM Wood Centre

All new parents to the School are invited to attend an evening with our Principal Mrs Jenny Collins. Special guest speakers include our School Captains from 2008 and student music performers. Members of our Parent Community groups will be available to discuss the many opportunities to become involved. Drinks and nibbles will be served from 7pm.

Sunscreen and Photo Albums: The Tintern Association and the Southwood Parents Club are again offering roll on sunscreen and photo albums for your convenience. For more details please refer to the School website: Sunscreen: *Our Community/Newsletters/Community Groups/Sunscreen Order Form* Photo Albums: *Our Community/Newsletters/Community Groups/Photo Album Order Form*