TALLYGAROOPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 3067





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NEWSLETTER

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7th June 2010

SCHOOL COUNCIL WILL NOW BE HELD ON THURSDAY 24TH JUNE. THIS WILL INVOLVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SCHOOL REVIEW.

School Values:

Tallygaroopna Primary School aims to:

- Develop in each of our students a desire for lifelong learning so that they become valuable members of society
- Place an emphasis on teaching the students how to live with others and encourage their creativity
- Endorse the philosophy of "Consider the feelings of others at all times."

Dear Parents.

I would like to sincerely thank those people who were part of the School Review Panel meeting last Friday. This was a long day, but it gave all of those involved a chance to assess where the school was at, and where we are going to in the future. It was also a great opportunity to take a breath and be proud of what has been achieved over the last 4 years of the current Strategic Plan. Special thanks to the leadership provided by Peter Fraser and the hard work and dedication of the staff and school council to make the school a terrific learning environment for the children of Tallygaroopna. Many exciting times and challenges are ahead, but I am positive that with everyone working well together we can continue to provide a safe, secure and fun school culture.

It was great to see Peter Fraser back at the school on Friday, in a teaching capacity. I am sure the Grade 2/3/4 students reminisced about the past. Our six Somers Campers head off tomorrow morning, leaving from Princess Park at 8am sharp. Good luck to Zane, Justin, Emily, Rhiannon, Kylie and Ella and I am sure that they will all have a fantastic experience and will be able to share some stories on their return. Parents wishing to visit the camp can do so on the Sunday.

I encourage all parents to attend the School Support Program on Wednesday 14th July. Reply slips can be dropped off at the office. A reminder also that I will again be rewarding attendance at the end of this term. At assembly first week back, certificates will be handed out to students who have 100% attendance for term 2 and the whole first semester. This week, is a normal one for a change. I will be teaching until Tuesday this week and Karen will be in the office to assist parents if needed until Thursday. Have a great week everyone – only a couple of weeks until school holidays.

David Brodie - Principal

School Review

From our school review, recommendations will be drafted and available for the school community to view if they wish. Our school council meeting on Thursday 24th June will involve Alex Robins presenting his draft report at 7pm and all staff will be involved in this process. Details about the implementation of our new Strategic Plan will be a regular feature in the newsletter during the second semester.

2. Evacuation Drill

This was conducted last Thursday and the staff carried out their duties with ease. I was extremely proud of the students not getting over excited when this occurred because it is important to be calm and listen to important instructions if an event such as this ever occurred in the future.

3. Queens Birthday Holiday

This is on Monday 14th June and is a public holiday so no students will be required at school. Teachers will be busy finalising reports over this time.

4. General Hygiene

The flu season is now upon us. The following information has been provided by the Education Department and will help schools to prevent and contain the spread of all strains of influenza.

Seasonal Flu Vaccine (Fluvax)

The Victorian Department of Health has suspended the seasonal flu vaccine (the Fluvax) for children five years
of age and under on advice from the Commonwealth Chief medical officer due to an increase in adverse
reactions from children in this age group. Fluvax is available through GPs.

H1N1 influenza (Swine flu) Vaccination

The free vaccine to protect against the H1N1 Influenza 2009 (Swine flu) is still available through GPs.

- The Department of Health advises that it is particularly important to vaccinate children, adolescents and young adults as pandemic H1N1 influenza 2009 (Swine flu) spreads more readily in these age groups.
- The H1N1 influenza 2009 (Swine flu) vaccine has been approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration and is available to everyone from six months of age from local doctors and some local Councils. Note that doctors may charge a consultation fee.

General Hygiene – see pictures in newsletter

- Good personal hygiene plays a significant role in preventing the spread of the pandemic H1N1 strain and other strains.
- Schools should ensure the personal hygiene needs of students are attended to as soon as practicable and appropriate toilet and hand washing facilities are provided to students.
- Schools may also wish to consider reinforcing basic hygiene habits such as hand washing by making specific
 times available for students to wash and dry their hands before and after lunch breaks, and covering their nose
 and mouth with a tissue when they sneeze.

5. School Reports

These will be handed out on Monday 21st June. Teachers spend a lot of valuable time putting these together so please take the time to read these before attending Parent Teacher Interviews. I am in the process of getting a report folder for every student in the school, so that past and present reports can be collated into this one folder. Hopefully, all students will receive this folder this term. If any parents are missing any reports from previous years can you contact Karen at the office and we hopefully can make a copy of this for you.

6. Visitors Book / Early Departure Book

This week there will be a couple of important books for people to fill in. This is obviously being introduced to improve our Emergency Management procedures if an event such as this occurs. The Visitors book will need to be filled in by any person who is not a student or member of staff of the school. An entry will need to be made when you enter and leave the school premises. An Early Departure Book will also be utilised for any families who wish to pick up their children before 3.30pm.

7. Jump Rope for Heart

We had a great Jump Off Day last Friday and I am positive that the staff enjoyed it as well – Mrs Sidebottom, Mr Fraser and Mrs Montgomery. Thankyou for to all of the families for being so punctual with sponsorship forms and prizes should return as soon as possible.

8. Parent / Teacher Interviews (Student Led Conferences) – NOTE CHANGE!!

Wednesday, 23rd June will be a pupil free day as staff members will be involved in parent teacher interviews. The students in <u>Grades 3-6</u> will be encouraged to attend interviews along with their parents because these sessions will be initiated by the children - **student led conferences**. These aim to do the following:

- * to encourage students to accept personal responsibility for their academic performance
- * to teach students the process of self-evaluation;
- * to facilitate the development of students' organizational and oral communication skills and to increase their self-confidence;
- * to encourage students, parents, and teachers to engage in open and honest dialogue;
- * to increase parent attendance at conferences

All students in the school have set individual goals for the semester and these will be discussed at this interview meeting. Teachers will send these specific goals home to families prior to the meeting. A interview timetable will be sent home this week for families to fill out and return to school to book a specific time for the meeting, so keep an eye out for this.

9. Active After-School Care Program

Soccer and Dance will continue this week. I continue to be impressed with the student's behaviour during this program which hopefully will continue beyond this year. Unfortunately, no decision has been made regarding Federal Funding for 2011 and a number of schools in the Shepparton Region are in the process of putting together a letter which highlights the positive outcomes and nature of this program. David Bagley, our School Council President, has endorsed this.

Dance will conclude on Tuesday 15th June. Next term, we will again begin the AASC program on Tuesday's with Dance (3 week program) and then finish with Netball again (4 week program). No Soccer session will be held on Monday 14th June because of the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. Therefore, Soccer should conclude on Monday 21st June.

We have also finalised the program for the second semester. This will include the following:

Term 3: starting on Monday 26th July

Monday > Cricket, Tuesday > Dance (3 weeks) & Netball (4weeks)

Term 4: starting on Monday 18th October

Monday > Taekwondo, Tuesday - Touch Footy

10. Somers Camp

Just in case Parents missed the information that went home last Wednesday with children attending the camp. The following arrangements have been made:

- Children's pick-up points will be Princess Park (bus 4) on 8/6/2010 (day of departure) at 08:00 am.
- Luggage will accompany your child and be taken with them from the pick up point.
- Your child will be returning to this pick-up point on 16/6/2010 at 03:00 pm.
- Luggage will accompany your child and be returned with them at the end of the camp.
- There will be teachers in charge of your child during transport.
- Group Numbers
 - o Ella Group Number 8 (number in the group is 16)
 - O Rhiannon Group Number 4 (number in the group is 16)
 - Kylie Group Number 6 (number in the group is 16)
 - o Emily Group Number 2 (number in the group is 17)
 - Zane Group Number 5 (number in the group is 17)
 - Justin Group Number 3 (number in the group is 17)

Reminder: Visitors' day is on Sunday between 12:00 and 2:30 pm. BYO food for picnic or BBQ.

11. Go For Your Life Accreditation

Our school has applied for membership with Go For Your Life, which is a Victorian Government initiative which aims to promote healthy eating and increase levels of physical activity. I recommend checking out the Go For Your Life website which can be found at - http://www.goforyourlife.vic.gov.au/

12. Professional Development for Staff

Staff will be participating in a PD session at Congupna PS next Thursday 17th June straight after school. This will involve further exploration of the Mathletics and Spellodrome programs which are currently implemented.

13. New Families & Students for 2011

It was great to meet some prospective parents for 2011 at the Information morning which was held a couple of weeks ago. We had a walk around the school and discussed some of the exciting times ahead for the school with new buildings and other classroom improvements. If any other families would like to have an informal tour around the school please contact the office and we can organise a date. I have mentioned previously, that I had received information regarding integration support for future students for 2011. Applications for this close mid year, so if any families are aware of any students who are intending to enrol at Tallygaroopna and are in need of support can you contact me ASAP.

14. School Leaders Project

Our School Captains have decided on an Action Plan which they would like to try and complete by the end of the 2010 school year. This focuses on brightening up the school grounds with some murals / paintings. If any parents can assist or know of anyone who has some special skills in regard to this can they contact the school as soon as possible. This project will start in Term 3 on the brick wall of Mrs Wallace's classroom.

15. Footy Clinic

Students from Grades 2 to 6 will be participating in a Footy Clinic conducted by AFL stars at Numurkah on Tuesday 22nd June. We will leave school by bus at 10.15am and return at approximately 1pm. The clinic begins at 11.45am and goes for about 1 1/2 hours and I have been informed that approximately 500 students will be participating in this day. This is a reward for the fantastic behaviour which has been evident out of the school grounds during the first semester. Permission forms will go home next week and need to be returned in order for students to attend the day.

16. Grade 3/4 & 5/6 Camps

A reminder that the Grade 3/4 Camp to Curumbene will be held from Monday 2nd August to Wednesday 4th August. This is in week 4 of term 3 and more details will be available next term regarding costs, clothing lists...etc. The Grade 5/6 camp venue has been finalised and this will be held at the Phillip Island Coastal Discovery Camp from Monday 18th October until Thursday 21st October. This is in week 3 of term 4. I am hopeful that both camps will be partially subsidised from the Drought Relief Funding which we have just recently received.

The Grade 3/4 Camp is being organised by Zeerust Primary School and the Grade 5/6 Camp is being organised by Lemnos Primary School. Obviously both camps will involve teachers and students from our small Cluster Schools.

Camp Websites:

http://www.campcurumbene.com.au/ http://www.camps.ymca.org.au/htm/htm phillipisland.asp

17. Mentoring Program

Last Tuesday, I attended a Mentoring Briefing down at Melbourne. This program will give me an opportunity to further develop my leadership skills and I look forward to working with Ross Martin from Rutherglen Primary School. Ross, will be visiting our school twice over the next couple of months and giving me some support and advice in regard to Principalship. I will also have the opportunity to visit Rutherglen PS and I am sure the experience will be a productive one.

18. "You Can Do It" Awards

Congratulations to the following students – Week 8 (ending 4th June)

<u>Prep / Grade 1</u> Campbell Steigenberger for his persistence with his work in class and his 'getting along' skills. Well done Campbell.

Grade 2/3/4 Brooke Pearse for confidence and persistence and always putting in 100% in all aspects of her work. Well done Brooke!

<u>Grade 5/6</u> Justin Lindrea for his excellent work in skipping and for helping

teach his buddy, Jhett how to skip. Great effort Justin.



Northerners Soccer Results

Under 6 – A great game by the whole team against Kyabram to win 4-2. Awards went to Campbell, Nick and Kyle. No training this week due to no game on the weekend. Enjoy the break!

Under 7 – Northerners lost to Kyabram Knights 4-1. Goal kicker was Mitchell. Awards went to Jordan, Chelsea and Bailey.

Great game played by all – a real team effort this week.

Keep up the good playing. NO TRAINING THIS WEEK OR GAME SATURDAY. A BIG THANK YOU to all families for their donation and help with the BBQ on Saturday. It was a great day.



Tally 11&Under Netball Results

Tally played St Mel's this week. The girls had to contend with a slippery mud puddle, but was able to avoid this area and had a win 11-3. Passes were a stand out this week, with lots of great passages of play by all. A great team effort. Awards – Video Ezy – Mollie Karl, Book City – Abby Klein

Northerners Football Results

Northerners 7.7.49 def Bourchier St 2.0.12

Goal Kickers: Daniel Bagley – 3, Kobe Currie – 1, Jak Trewin – 1, Kyle Dorsett - , Shannon White - 1. Awards – Video Ezy – Daniel Bagley, Video Ezy – Lachlan Karl, Wendy – Justin Lindrea, Sportspower – Darcy Collins, Star Bowl – Jak Trewin.

Great team effort today with everyone contributing. Well done.

Don't forget there is no training or game this week so see you all on Wednesday the 16th of June.

Jump Rope for Heart

Our Jump Off day on Friday was a great success. Congratulations to all the students for their efforts. We reached the point where every child was able to skip. Many of the students have become very competent skippers and were able to demonstrate their skills during the Jump Off to the other students. Mrs Monty, Mr Fraser and Miss Dunne were all impressed with what the students achieved – we even had Preps successfully jumping 'Double Dutch'! It was great to see some parents come along and enjoy the session. Well done to those children who decided to seek sponsorship money. Your rewards will be forwarded to the school shortly. Well done everyone on a great event!

Mrs Sidey

Book Club

The Winter Book Club Sale order forms went home last week. If you would like to place an order please return the form with payment to the office by Friday, 11th June.

NUMURKAH GARDEN CLUB

PRESENTS

A DAY WITH STEPHEN RYAN

ABC'S GARDENING AUSTRALIA
PRESENTER

WEDNESDAY 21 JULY, 2010

SHAMROCK HOTEL NUMURKAH

10 AM - 3 PM

COST \$26.00

TWO COURSE MEAL MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEAS

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO – NUMURKAH GARDEN CLUB

TICKET SALES CLOSE JULY 1ST
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
CONTACT – VAL BLOOR
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NUMURKAH 3636
PHONE 03 58621138



SUGGESTION BOX – HOW CAN WE IMPROVE OUR SCHOOL -NAME				

Greater Shepparton Secondary Schooling Regeneration Consultation

McGuire College, Mooroopna Secondary College and Shepparton High School are currently involved in Greater Shepparton Regeneration project, investigating alternative school organisation structures to improve educational opportunities for the young people of their communities.

All parents, especially parents of Year 6 students, are invited to attend information session where updates on the development of the education provision proposal will be provided. There will also be an opportunity to provide feedback on both the proposed provision plan and the implementation.

Families can attend any of the following sessions:

Shepparton High School Tuesday 15 June

7.00pm

Personalised Learning Centre

McGuire College Wednesday 16 June

7.00pm

Science & Technology Presentation room

Mooroopna Secondary College Thursday 17 June

7.00pm Westside

The same presentations will be made at each session. Each school will provide individual transition information sessions early in Term Three.







Tallygaroopna Primary School



ENROLLING NOW FOR 2011

Tour of the School and Informal Information Sessions available on request – contact the School Principal

Personal school tours with the Principal, David Brodie, are available by telephoning 58298264 for an appointment. For further information you are welcome to view our website: http://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/

Tallygaroopna Primary School offers:

Experienced Teachers / Small Class Sizes / School Productions / 3:1 Computer Ratio / Camps / Excursions / Swimming Program / Library and Art Specialists

New classrooms and facilities to be built in 2010 &2011.

TALLYGAROOPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM - SOCIAL SKILLS

ALL FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

VENUE: TALLY PS (MRS WALLACE'S ROOM)

DATE: WEDNESDAY 14TH JULY

TIME: 6PM – 7.30PM

SUPPER INCLUDED AT THE CONCLUSION

Information Session for Parents Conducted by Karen McNamara Senior Project Office (Student Welfare) Hume Region

Kerri Ford (SSSO Student Support Services Officer) attending also

Signed