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NEWSLETTER

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The next School Council meeting has been rescheduled for tomorrow night. This meeting will begin at 7.30pm. The Finance Committee will meet on the same night at 6.30pm.

We are now taking Prep enrolments for 2012. Contact the office for enrolment forms and information.

Good luck to Justin, Teagan and Brenton who represent our school at the Hume Cross Country Championships tomorrow at Broadford.

Hi everyone,

This week is a very busy one with many events planned to take place. Mrs Haberfield will be attending a Numeracy Leaders PD with other teachers from the Shepparton Region tomorrow, to continually support our approach to Mathematics across the school. Our next School Council meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday night as well – and a number of building matters will be discussed on this evening.

On Wednesday morning, we will have a visit to our school by a number of Principals from other schools to conduct some classroom observations. Our Regional Network Leader (Janet Gill Kirkman) will also be taking part in this from 9am until 11am. Staff will be attending a PD after school at Katandra West PS on vocabulary on Wednesday after school as well. On Thursday, our children will take part in a Responsible Pet Program before lunch and Library will be on Thursday morning this week also.

I would personally like to thank the whole Tallygaropna Community for the fantastic response that we had to the Pie Drive. We had close to 30 orders handed in on Friday and I am sure that the school will benefit greatly from this fundraising exercise. Special thanks to the Parents and Friends Committee for organising this – **we are expecting that orders can be picked up on Wednesday between 2pm and 3.30pm.** A reminder about Parent Teachers Interviews also – spots are filling up fast so please contact the office to make an interview time with your child's teacher. **This day is a Pupil Free Day for children, although we would like the students in Grades 3-6 to attend, so that they can talk about their progress so far at school.**

Finally, I have spoken to Rosemary Hepworth from Congupna PS and our Grade 3/4 students will be attending the 15 Mile Creek Camp with students from Congupna PS from Monday 25th July until Wednesday 27th July. I will be meeting with Rosemary this week and hope to have the final cost and specific medical and permission forms for families next week.

Karen will be at the office until Wednesday this week. I will be in the office on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday morning and Friday, but I will be attending a collegiate meeting in Benalla on Thursday afternoon. Have a great week, hard to believe that it is only 2 weeks until the term 2 holidays.

David Brodie – Principal

1. Building Update

Last week, we received some new furniture for our new building. This included some new ottomans and some tables and chairs which are in the two interview rooms of the new building. We have also added some new cupboards and filing cabinets to the administration area and we are only now waiting for some new shelving to arrive from a back order.

I spoke to a number of people about our Truck Appointment for final power connection last week and I have still no update in regard to this. We are hopeful that this will occur in the next week or two, but as stated before, this process has been very frustrating and I thank everyone in the school community for their patience with this. Teachers will continue to make sure that children are catered for during cold mornings – this may involve moving back into old classrooms.



2. School Production

The Grade 5/6 students have been talking in strange voices and stepping into the shoes of fairy tale characters over the past few weeks. This was a lot of fun for the students and for a very good reason: the students have been auditioning for this year's production 'Once Upon A Time'. It is my pleasure to announce the cast will be as follows:

Shae Montgomery – Captain Boredom
Shannon Keenes – Mother Goose
Kyle Emanuelli – Old King Cole
Kaleb Oxley – Dickory Dock
Emily Stivala – Little Bo Peep
Ebony Mills – Mrs Pumpkin Eater
Justin Lindrea – Wee Willie Winkie

Darcy Collins – Private Dork
Zane Newbound – Owl
Corbie Humphrey – Hickory Dock
Ella Sidebottom – Sergeant
Olivia Meyland – Mary
Rhiannon Florence – Goosey Gander
Christiaan Van Taarling - Lamb

Congratulations to all of the Grade 5/6's and thank you for your hard work during this long process. I am looking forward to working closely with you next term when we start our rehearsals and may we live happily ever after. Miss Bicknell

3. Cross Country – Hume Region

All of the School Community, wish Brenton, Teagan and Justin all the best for the Hume Region Cross Country Championships which are held at Broadford tomorrow (Please take some photos for us!!!). We know that they will do their best and do their families and our school proud. Race code numbers are: Brenton (012), Teagan (108) and Justin (409). These numbers need to be written on the outside of the RIGHT forearm in a black marker. The numbers need to be about 5cm in height.

4. Prep 2012 Enrolments

Tallygaroopna Primary School is now accepting enrolments for 2012. If you wish to enrol your child please contact the Office on 58298264. If you know someone who is thinking of sending their child/ren here please get them to contact us in the coming weeks.

5. University Research Project – Grade 5/6 Students

Last week, I had a visit from Lauren Dunne. If you recall, Lauren completed her teaching rounds at our school last year in the Grade 5/6 classroom. As part of her teacher training, she is required to complete a research project on a topic of her choice. She has chosen to research the engagement levels of grade 5/6 students in relation to their breakfast consumption.

This research assignment requires Lauren to gather data and make observations of the students. This will in no way impact on their normal day's learning. Before school, she will ask each student if they ate breakfast and what they ate. During their normal class, at the beginning of the day, she will observe the students to see how they engage in the classroom activities. At no time will she interrupt the proceedings of their normal timetable. Any further questions she may have of students will be conducted before class or at recess time.

This research project is completely confidential, with no student names or acknowledgements to the school being recognised. She understands if families do not wish children to participate in this research project, but she would be grateful for as many participants as possible.

A consent form will accompany this newsletter if you are willing to participate in this research project – please return to school as soon as possible – we hope to begin this research project towards the end of this week.

This research project will be discussed at School Council tomorrow night.

6. Kindergarten Visit

Last Thursday, the kindergarten children visited our school for the first time for the year. They were able to meet the Grade 5 students – who will be their buddies in 2011 – and played informally on our playground equipment. During the second half of the year, we are hoping to invite the Kindergarten into the school on a regular basis to use some of our facilities/resources – play and sport equipment, computers...etc.



7. Dance Festival

Students in Grades 2 – 6 will be participating in the Dance Festival on Thursday 30th June. This will be held in Shepparton and children will travel by bus with Mrs Haberfield and Miss Bicknell. The festival begins at 1.30pm and concludes at 2.45pm. We anticipate that we will leave school at 1pm and return at 3.15pm. More details soon, but permission forms will go home this week.

8. School Reports

These will be handed out on Monday 27th June. Teachers spend a lot of valuable time putting these together so please take the time to read these before attending Parent Teacher Interviews. Report folders will be handed out with reports, to new students in our school this year, so that past and present reports can be collated into this one folder. All students who were at our school last year, should already have this folder. **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.**

The report cards have:

- a chart with an A-E rating, showing your child's current progress against the expected state-wide standard as well as the progress they have made since the previous year
- a chart showing your child's level of effort and class behaviour
- details about attendance
- easy to understand comments from teachers outlining what your child knows and can do, any areas in which your child needs to be given further help or extended, and how this will be done
- suggestions for how you can help at home

<http://vels.vcaa.vic.edu.au/parents/>

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/studentreports/default.htm>

Why are there A-E ratings on the report cards?

The introduction of the A-E scale means all government schools (with the exception of some specialist schools) will be using the same approach to reporting progress against the same standards. The A-E ratings will have the same meaning no matter which government school your child attends or where you are located in Victoria.

What exactly do the A-E ratings mean?

A indicates achievement that is **above the standard expected** for your child's year level at the time of reporting (12 months or more ahead of the standard expected at the time of reporting)

B indicates achievement that is **above the standard expected** for your child's year level at the time of reporting. It means that your child understands more complex ideas and has a broader range of skills than would normally be expected.

C indicates achievement that is **at the standard expected** for your child's year level at the time of reporting. It means that your child's learning is on track and that they understand and can apply the range of skills and knowledge expected for their year level at the time of reporting.

D indicates achievement that is **below the standard expected** for your child's year level at the time of reporting. It means that there are some skills and knowledge that your child has yet to acquire before they can be said to be achieving at the expected standard.

E indicates achievement that is **well below the standard expected** for your child's year level at the time of reporting. It means there are significant areas of knowledge and skills your child needs to acquire before they can be said to be achieving at the expected standard.

Isn't a 'C' a disappointing result?

No it is not at all. It is important to remember that if your child receives a 'C' on the report card it indicates that their *learning is on track* and they are achieving the statewide standard that *is expected of them* at the time of reporting.

In the past, a 'C' in some schools might have meant that the child was performing below the expected standard. This is no longer the case.

9. Transition Process for Grade 6 students

The Transition Process for Grade 6 students going on to secondary college in 2012 is about to commence. We anticipate that "Choosing your Secondary College" booklets will be delivered to primary schools during week 9 of term 2. (week commencing 20th June).

Information nights at secondary colleges are scheduled for:

Shepparton HS	Tuesday 19th July	7.00 – 8.00pm
Wanganui Park SC	Wednesday 20th July	7.00 – 8.00pm
McGuire College	Thursday 21st July	7.00 – 8.00pm
Mooroopna SC	Tuesday 26th July	7.00 – 8.00pm

Open days will be held at all 4 colleges on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th July at 9.15 and 11.15 am. Families are welcome to visit any of these schools at any time. To ensure that someone is available, please make an appointment with the school.

Placement forms are to be completed and returned to primary schools by Thursday 4th August.

Please note parents will need to make their own arrangements to take children for these visits.

10. AASC Program – last session is on tomorrow

Multi Skills will continue on a Monday and Dance will be on a Tuesday. This will conclude the program for Term 2. We are still finalising the program for Term 3, but one of the activities will be Taekwondo. This will be held on Tuesday's. WE anticipate that the Term 3 program will begin on Monday 1st August.

Participation winners this week were Teagan, Mikayla, Liv, Bill, Harvey, Jordan and Preston.

11. Lost Property

This time of the year, a lot of lost property seems to turn up at the office. This often includes jumpers which are not cheap, so the students are encouraged to take off their jumpers before they go outside, if they feel that they would take them off in the yard. The inconsistent weather this time of the year often has a lot to do with this, so could you please reinforce this with your children and make sure that all specific items are named please.

12. School Uniform

Just a reminder, that all students are required to wear appropriate school uniform at school. During the colder months there may be the odd time where some uniforms may be in the wash, but a note is required if wearing school uniform is not adhered to. I have received a couple of these, so this is great to see that families are aware of this at home.

13. Term Dates

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Confirmed dates for TERM 2 & 3 are:

June 22 nd – Pie Drive Orders Arrive	June 23 rd – Responsible Pet Program
June 27 th – Reports Sent Home	June 29 th – Parent Teacher Interviews
June 30 th – Grade 3/4/5/6 Dance Festival	July 1 st – Munch N Crunch / Casual Day
July 1 st – End of Term 2 (2.25pm dismissal)	July 18 th – First Day of Term 3
July 25 th > July 27 th – Grade 3/4 Camp	July 27 th – Parents Club Meeting – 7.30pm
July 29 th – Zone Football / Netball	August 1 st – AASC Program Starts – Term 3
August 3 rd – School Council Meeting	August 4 th – Munch N Crunch
August 10 th – Wanganui SC Performance	August 22 nd – Book Week Begins
September 1 st – Munch N Crunch	September 1 st – Fathers Day Stall
September 7 th – School Council Meeting	September 7 th – Book Day at Katandra West PS
September 12 th > 16 th – Swimming Program	September 21 st – School Concert (TBC)
September 23 rd – End of Term 3 (2.25pm dismissal)	

14. You Can Do It Awards

Congratulations to the following students for Term 2, week 8 –

- P/1 Leah Collins** for her fabulous writing. Leah writes great stories and her handwriting is very neat and well formed. Well done Leah.
- 2/3/4 Abby Klein** for the excellent persistence she displays in completing her schoolwork. An outstanding effort Abby!
- 5/6 Kaleb Oxley** for the fabulous effort he has been putting in to learning the dance steps for the Dance Festival, and also for his willingness to have a go during our lessons. Well done Kaleb!



Parents' Club

Parents' Club are running a Munch & Crunch on Friday, 1st July costing \$5 per student. The menu will be a crumbed chicken wrap plus a muffin and a fruit box. Please fill out the following form and return with payment by Tuesday, 28th June if your child/ren would like to participate in this Munch & Crunch

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Munch & Crunch – 1st July – Chicken Wrap

Name..... Lettuce Cheese Mayo

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Family Day Care – Casual places available

I have one casual place available on the following Fridays – 24th June, 1st, 15th (School Holidays) and 29th July, 12th and 26th August, 9th and 23rd September 2011. If you are interested in using any of these places please give me a call Sue Lau – Family Day Care. Ph 5829 8428 or 0408 054 233.

Mobile Playgroup Bus

We have an opportunity to establish a playgroup at the Tally Kindergarten. It would be run by 2 play leaders who would have a bus full of play resources. Are you interested in utilizing such a service? If so, please let the Kindergarten know on 5829 8274

Skateboard Coaches Wanted -

The Active After-school Communities Program (AASC) is looking for **Skateboarders** who would like to participate in a **Level 1 Skateboard Coaching Course** to be held in Wangaratta on Saturday 18th June, with a view to coaching primary school aged children in the AASC program. If you feel you are a confident skateboarder with a passionate attitude to teaching young grommies how to **Shred**, please contact Regional Co-ordinator Susan Pasquali on 0428 200 018 to register your interest. Registrations close Friday 10th June, 2011, limited no. of places available.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

(Student Led Conferences – Grades 3/4/5/6)

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday, 29th June starting at 9am and concluding at 5pm. Please indicate on the form below what time suits you. Times will be allocated on a first in first preference basis. If the times do not suit you, please contact the school to make an alternate arrangement. Remember that this will be a Student Free Day apart from students in Grades 3,4,5 and 6 to attend their session with their parents.

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NAME:.....

Yes I/we would like to attend the parent/teacher/student interview session with you on Wednesday, 29th June.

My preferred time isam/pm.

✂.....

Tallygaroopna Netball Results

After a week off we came back to the court all refreshed and keen to do well. It was a goal for goal game in the first half and everyone was playing well. In the last quarter we outscored the Grahamvale Cheetahs to win 11-9. Awards Book City – Abby Klein, Video Ezy – Brittany Meyland. We also had some extra awards kindly donated by the Tallygaroopna Netball/Football Club which went to Olivia Meyland and Shae Montgomery – McDonalds. Thanks also to Tim Fleming who kindly mended our goal posts at school for us.

Northerners Football Results

Northerners 13.10.88 def Numurkah 1.4.10

Goal Kickers – Jak Trewin – 5, Daniel Bagley – 2, Justin Lindrea – 1, Zane Newbound – 1, Darcy Collins – 1, Marc McHale – 1, Harri Ring – 1, Christiaan Van Taarling -1

Awards – Nic Jacobson – Wendys, Jak Trewin – Video Ezy, Marc McHale – Wendys, Harri Ring – Video Ezy

A fantastic game by everyone, great stuff. Everyone was moved to a different position at half time and we all adapted well. Keep up the good work.

Northerners Soccer Results

Under 7 – An early start this week with the Northerners on BBQ duty. Mmmm, smell those onions! The Under 7s played Guthrie St Blue. It was an even first half 1-1. But unfortunately Guthrie St found the net more than we did in the second half. Final score 3-7. Awards Campbell and Kel.

Under 9 – Northerners lost to Kialla West 0-4. Awards went to Xavier and Mitchell

Soccer Stars of the Future



Call for parents/carers to get involved in sport after school!

You can help make the Australian Sports Commission's Active After-school Communities (AASC) program a success so more children around Australia can enjoy the benefits of a healthy and active life!

What is the AASC program?

The AASC program is a free Australian Government initiative that provides primary school children with a fun and safe introduction to a selection of over 70 sports and 20 other structured physical activities after school. The program provides 150 000 primary school children around Australia with access to sport and structured activity programs after school (3.00pm to 5.00 or 5.30pm) over seven weeks of each term (nine weeks in Tasmania).

The AASC program gets kids active, improves mobility skills and trains local community members to coach quality, safe and inclusive sport sessions. It also promotes a healthy lifestyle with a nutritious snack provided at each session.

The program gives children a positive and fun introduction to sport, that motivates them to be active for life.

How to get involved

There are lots of ways that you, as a parent or carer, can get involved in the AASC program, including:

- ★ signing your child up to participate in the program
- ★ becoming a community coach
- ★ supervising activities

- ★ assisting the coach
- ★ driving the bus
- ★ writing articles for the local paper
- ★ preparing afternoon tea
- ★ pumping up balls
- ★ joining in the fun and games (where appropriate).

The opportunities are endless!

What are the benefits of getting involved?

- ★ A fantastic way to volunteer in your local community
- ★ Gain new skills in a fun environment
- ★ Spend valuable time with your child where you can support their involvement in healthy activities
- ★ Receive payment for coaching (if you have the necessary insurances)
- ★ Access to the free Community Coach Training Program
- ★ Support and training through your locally based AASC regional coordinator
- ★ Gain experience working with kids

Find out more

Visit the front office or contact the AASC coordinator at your school/after-school care centre.

ausport.gov.au/aasc