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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

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Final Camp Payments for the Grade 3/4 Camp need to be in to the office this Friday.

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

Can Ultranet Survey Consent Forms please be returned to the office ASAP.

The next P & F Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 27th July at 7.30pm.

Hi everyone,

Welcome back to school for the second semester. As always, there is plenty to look forward to over the next few months at our school with further building projects beginning over the holiday period. The School Production will be a major focus as well towards the end of the term.

Today, I handed out a number of attendance awards at assembly. Congratulations to all of the students who received these and I look forward to seeing great school attendance continue to occur during the second half of the year. The Education Department has a strong motto of "It is not ok, to be away" in regard to attendance and we can be proud of our contribution towards this. A number of families today also received either Welcome Letters or Survey Information in regard to the Ultranet. This initiative continues to develop and it is terrific to see so many families really interested in this. I am hoping to have an Ultranet Information session in a few weeks time, if there is enough interest – reply slip in this edition of the newsletter.

We are expecting no disruptions at all to classes this term after we finally received our Power Upgrade during the last week of Term 2. Themes for this term will be based on Weather for the junior grades and Natural Disasters for the senior grades. Good luck to the Grade 3/4 students who head off to 15 Mile Creek next Monday morning as well with Mrs Haberfield. The bus will leave Congupna PS at 9.30am on Monday 25th July and return to the same point at about 3pm on Wednesday 27th July. There are also a number of Information Nights for Grade 6 students and parents occurring this week at Secondary Colleges in the area and I would recommend attending as many of these as possible.

Karen will be at the office until Thursday this week. I will be teaching on Monday and Tuesday and will be in the office from Wednesday this week as well. Have a great week everyone – Go Blues!!!!

David Brodie – Principal

Dance Festival

On Thursday 30th June, all of our Grade 2 – 6 students attended the Dance Festival at the Basketball Stadium in Shepparton. The afternoon proved to be very worthwhile and all of the students had a fantastic time participating in the dances which were demonstrated on the day. Special thanks to Mrs Haberfield and Miss Bicknell for the time and effort that they put into preparing for the day – we were extremely proud of our children and the effort and enthusiasm which they displayed at the festival was first class.



1. Building Update

We finally received our power upgrade during the last week of school before the holidays. As a result, all of our split systems are now fully operational and we can provide all of our students and staff with comfortable working conditions with adequate heating and cooling. This has been a long time coming and I thank everyone for their patience with this matter. We have had the ugly temporary power line removed from the front of the building also and the small hole was concreted in during the school holidays.

During the mid year break, work has begun on our computer lab and our staff room kitchen has been rebuilt also. We anticipate that the school kitchen in the multi purpose room along with new cladding of existing buildings will begin sooner rather than later as well.



2. School Grounds

To enhance our school, we will be making some alterations to our school grounds over the next few months. Our School Captains and Vice Captains attended a Young Leaders Conference at Wanganui Park Secondary College last term and this was one of their aims before the end of the year. As a result, we are expecting a concrete cricket pitch to be put on the school oval in the next few weeks and other additions will follow after this. This will include new lineage around the school, new seating and bins and some new netball and basketball rings on our asphalt area. We are also hoping to upgrade our school sign out the front to make the school more appealing from afar. It is certainly an exciting time at Tallygaroopna PS!!!

3. Attendance Awards

Our school prides itself on the positive attendance rate which we have at school. High attendance allows students to reach their maximum learning potential and staff at school continue to promote and encourage this. All students at Tallygaroopna PS today received a certificate which summarised individual attendance for Semester 1. Students are encouraged to put this into their green Report Portfolio for future reference. Congratulations to the following students who also today received awards to recognise fantastic attendance so far at school.

100% Attendance for Semester 1 (12 Students): Shae Montgomery, Ella Sidebottom, Christiaan Van Taarling, Brock Austin, Teagan Brett, Stephanie Fleming, Preston Hall, Marc McHale, Brenton O'Brien, Jack Fleming, Cohan Hall and Kyle Montgomery.

95% or Above Attendance for Semester 1 (21 Students): Daniel Bagley, Kyle Emanuelli, Rhiannon Florence, Emily Stivala, Mikayla Church, Chrissie Karl, Mollie Karl, Chelsea Lindrea, Bailey McNab, Connor McNab, Jordan O'Brien, Harri Ring, Liv Burgess, Jhett Cannon, Daniel Collins, Leah Collins, Alyssa Lindrea, Ashleigh Moore, Campbell Steigenberger, Eloise Walker and Harvey Walker.

100% Attendance for Term 2 (18 Students): Kyle Emanuelli, Rhiannon Florence, Shae Montgomery, Ella Sidebottom, Christiaan Van Taarling, Brock Austin, Teagan Brett, Stephanie Fleming, Preston Hall, Chrissie Karl, Mollie Karl, Abby Klein, Chelsea Lindrea, Marc McHale, Brenton O'Brien, Jack Fleming, Cohan Hall and Kyle Montgomery.

95% or Above Attendance for Term 2 (19 Students): Daniel Bagley, Corbie Humphrey, Shannon Keenes, Justin Lindrea, Ebony Mills, Mitchell Bassett, Zane Cannon, Bill Klein, Taylah Lindrea, Bailey McNab, Connor McNab, Jordan O'Brien, Harri Ring, Jhett Cannon, Daniel Collins, Leah Collins, Alyssa Lindrea, Ashleigh Moore and Campbell Steigenberger.

4. Parent/Teacher Interviews

On behalf of all staff, I would like to personally thank all of the parents and students who attended these interviews during the last week of the term. This was a great opportunity to touch base with all staff and discuss progress and goals for the future. If any parents were unable to attend any of these interviews, feel free to contact staff to organise another time.

5. Ultranet Survey / Welcome Letters

Today, a random selection of parents and students received a letter in regard to an Ultranet Survey. The first set of online surveys was successfully conducted in October 2010 and provided rich baseline data with which subsequent data can be compared and changes and progress identified. The second set of online surveys will be administered between **July 18 & July 29** and are designed to gather information on the use of the Ultranet by principals, teachers, students, parents and Ultranet Coaches since its implementation. Surveys are customised for each group. **Could student consent forms please be returned ASAP.**

A quick Ultranet survey was conducted during Parent Teacher Interviews and a number of parents indicated that they would like to receive another Welcome Letter which would enable them to access the Ultranet. This was sent home today – if any parents need some assistance with this feel free to contact the school. The passwords on this Welcome Letter are only valid for 30 days so I recommend that parents register for the Ultranet before mid August. The Welcome Letters are dated from 14th July.

6. Ultranet Information Night

This will be a very informal session to be held on Wednesday 17th August after getting a positive response from the Ultranet Survey. A return slip is included in this edition of the newsletter, so could this please be returned ASAP for catering purposes.

7. Parents & Friends Fundraiser – Chocolate Drive

Last term, the Parents & Friends group successfully ran a pie drive which generated a large amount of funds for our school. This term, we will be running a chocolate drive with the same goal. Chocolates are due to arrive on Tuesday 26th July at school and will be distributed to each family on Thursday 28th July. We are hoping that each family will be able to sell one box of chocolates to assist with this fundraiser. If any families sell a box they are welcome to collect another box to sell if they wish. More details will be available soon regarding a specific date when all funds generated will need to be returned to school. Stay tuned!!!!

8. Literacy Intervention Program

This semester, Mrs Wallace will be involved in an intensive Literacy Intervention Program at Gowrie St. PS. This program involves 2 whole days of professional development and then a number of afternoon sessions working with individual students. This program is similar to the one which was implemented with Numeracy in 2010, which Mrs Haberfield participated in and we will continue to be involved in Regional Programs to support our children at Tallygaroopna PS. Students in the Prep/1 classroom will not have any of their learning or individual work affected during this time.

9. Grade 3/4 Camp

Thankyou to all the families who were able to fill in medical and parental & student permission forms at such short notice last term. These forms were handed over to Congupna PS before the holidays and have since been sent to the 15 Mile Creek Camp site. **A reminder that the full payment of \$150 will need to be paid to the office by this Friday 22nd July.** If you have any queries about this experience or would like to discuss payment options, please don't hesitate to contact the office. Website - <http://www.boec.vic.edu.au/>

10. Evacuation Drill

During the last week, we successfully implemented an evacuation drill at school. It is essential to practise this a couple of times a year, just to prepare students if an emergency happens to occur. When this occurs anyone who is in the school grounds must assemble with all members of the school. Therefore, it is essential that any visitors use the visitors sign in/out book at the office so that all individuals can be accounted for. Our evacuation area is the school oval and if this is unsafe we are able to use the town oval. If a lockdown eventuates – all students will be kept in the new building.

11. Active After School Communities Program

This program will begin in week 3 this term. Monday sessions which will involve Volleyball/Netball begin on Monday 8th August and Tuesday sessions which will involve Taekwondo **begin the week before on Tuesday 2nd August.** There will be one participation award handed out at assembly during terms 3 and 4 and this will be a \$5 Book City Voucher. This will be randomly drawn out to students who regularly participate in the program.

12. No Football Boots

During the Winter months, students are playing a lot of football and soccer on the school oval. Students are constantly monitored and no rough play is tolerated. If the school oval is wet and unsuitable for play, students are not allowed to play here. **Students are not allowed to wear football boots during recess time either.**

13. 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.

14. School Values - Reminder

These values are used to support our students, teachers and parents in becoming positive citizens within their community.

Inclusion: including others and to not leave anyone out. It is important to let people join in if they are not playing with anyone and to involve others in decision making so that everyone gets a say.

Respect: being nice to others and to treat others how you would like to be treated. If you show respect you look after property that belongs to individuals and consider other peoples thoughts and opinions. Respect also involves being considerate of differences and personal space.

Honesty: tell the truth and own up to things in a mature manner. Individuals who are honest don't lie and always strive for their best without settling for second best.

15. Transition Process for Grade 6 students

The Transition Process for Grade 6 students going on to secondary college in 2012 has commenced. "Choosing your Secondary College" booklets were delivered to primary schools last term. Placement forms need to be returned to Tallygaroopna PS by Thursday August 4th.

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.

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

16. Music Lessons

Keyboard will again be offered this term. Lessons are on an individual basis for 20 minutes each and they cost \$15 a session. Lessons are conducted in the morning. Guitar Lessons are also available. A student would need to own their own guitar to participate in guitar lessons (tuition guitars cost \$80 to \$90). Expressions of interest need to be at the school by Friday 22nd July.

17. Kids & Fruit

Please fill out the attached form and return to school with payment if you would like your child to participate in Kids and Fruit this term. Cost will be \$10 per student.

Kids & Fruit Program Term 3 2011

Student Name	Class	Comments – Allergies?

NB# From time to time, Kids & Fruit Inc. will introduce new fruit and vegetable varieties to the program and therefore it is imperative that you inform the school of any allergies your child suffers which will be forwarded onto Kids & Fruit Inc. (eg. allergy to citrus fruit or strawberries).

18. Term Dates

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

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 > Ultranet Information Night (TBC)
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)	

19. You Can Do It Awards

No awards were handed out today. This will begin next week and a \$5 Gift Voucher provided by Book City will be awarded to individual students who are acknowledged with showing great getting along, confidence persistence, resilience and organisation skills.

Congratulations to Shaye and Pete Burgess on the birth of their daughter Fenn who was born on the 1st of July at 9.30am weighing 7 pound 1, a lovely little sister for Liv.



Parents' Club

There will be a box of chocolates distributed to each family early in Term 3 as a fundraiser for this term. The next Munch and Crunch Lunch will be held on the 4th of August. The menu will consist of Fried rice, dim sims, prawn crackers and cordial. The cost will be \$5 per serve. An order form will be in future newsletters.

Book Club Issue 5

Book Club order forms went home with students today. If you would like to place an order, please fill out the form and return to school with payment by Friday, 29th July.

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Ultraset Information Night.

I will/will not be able to attend the Ultraset Information Night on Wednesday 17th August from 6pm until 7.30pm.

The following people will be attending this evening.....

This night will involve parents attending along with their children who will showcase how the Ultraset can be used in and out of the classroom.



WINNERS

by Nancye Sims

Winners take chances like everyone else,
They fear failing, but they refuse to let fear control them.

Winners don't give up,
When life gets tough, they hang in until the going gets better.

Winners are flexible.
They realise there is more than one way and they are willing to try others.

Winners know they are not perfect.
They respect their weaknesses while making the most of their strengths.

Winners fall, but they don't stay down.
They stubbornly refuse to let a fall keep them from climbing.

Winners don't blame fate for their failures,
Nor luck for their successes.

Winners accept responsibility for their lives.

Winners are positive thinkers who see good in all things.
From the ordinary, they make the extraordinary.

Winners believe in the path they have chosen even when it's hard,
Even when others can't see where they are going.

Winners are patient.
They know a goal is only as worthy as the effort that's required to achieve it.

Winners are people like you.
They make this world a better place to be.

