

## TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO.3067



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### MINI NEWSLETTER

- 1. Forms to Return** - A number of forms went home last week. Could these be returned by this Friday to assist with our start of year processes. This included: the Child Safe Code of Conduct, Chaplaincy Consent Form and MARC Borrowing agreement. We will be aiming to get the green Confidential Student Information Details & Consent form out early this week plus the Parent Payment letter. Could parents of Foundation students please return the School Nurse Program form.
- 2. Science at Shep HS** - This was distributed last Friday and it would be appreciated if these are returned by tomorrow. Our first trip to Shep HS will be this Wednesday - we plan to leave school at midday and return at approximately 2.30pm. The lessons go from 12.30pm until 2pm.
- 3. MARC Borrowing Agreements Due** - A reminder that these need to be returned in order for students to borrow from the MARC Van. All students must have their green reader bag with them or a library bag in order to borrow books from the MARC Van. Our first visit will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February.
- 4. Information Night / BBQ** - This will be held next Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February - specific information was in last week's edition of the newsletter. If anyone is attending the BBQ, could you RSVP by Friday to assist with catering please.
- 5. Student Leaders Speeches** - All Grade 6 students are encouraged to try out for our leadership positions on Thursday at 12.55pm, however, this is not compulsory. Straight after speeches are conducted, student in Grades 2-6 will be voting and electing their School Captains and Vice Captains for the year and these will be announced at assembly this Friday.
- 6. School Council** - The first School Council meeting for the year is on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. There are a couple of terms which have elapsed, so if anyone is keen to come on this committee for the year (8 meetings) consult with me ASAP please.
- 7. Parents' Club Meeting** - The first meeting for the year (AGM), will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 9am during Playgroup. All are invited and we look forward to some new members coming on board this year and helping out.
- 8. Morning Reading Program** - This began today and we look forward to many family members coming into the school from 8.45am until 9am to assist with our whole school reading program. Our Grade 5/6 students will again have a major role.
- 9. English Online Interviews** - These begin this Wednesday and notes were handed to all Foundation student families last week. It is essential that you stick to the time allocated - please contact the school ASAP if this day and time is not suitable and we can alter if needed.
- 10. Class Dojo** - We hope that everyone can now access Class Dojo and new families have been invited to join. There will be many class stories shared throughout the year and we look forward to having this enhance the link between home and school.
- 11. Flexibuzz** - A reminder to all families to join the new boxes for 2019. Classroom boxes from last year have been archived and are no longer used.
- 12. Grade Expert Parent Portal** - New families have been invited to join this for 2019. Reports, awards...etc will be sent out via the Parent Portal and all parents are invited to join this resource. Contact me if you require a new password to be sent out to enable you to access the Parent Portal - families from 2018.
- 13. Headphones** - All students should have headphones by Friday. If any families are missing headphones on this day - the school will purchase some in line with our Parent Payment Charges letter.
- 14. Foundation (Prep) Rest Days** - These begin on Wednesday and will continue for a 5 week period, which will assist our implementation of the English Online Interview Assessment. The first whole week for Foundation will begin on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March - after the Labour Day Public Holiday.
- 15. Early Arrivals** - A reminder that supervision is not available until 8.30am. Any students arriving early are only to do so because of work commitments and families must consult with myself in regard to this please - thanks to the couple of families who have done so already. No staff are at school until 8am.
- 16. Sign In Book** - All visitors must sign in and out at the school office please to ensure that we are compliant with our Child Safe responsibilities. This was an area that needed improvement when we recently conducted our School Review.
- 17. Contacting Staff Outside School Hours / Weekends** - It is important for the school community to respect the personal time of staff and we would prefer that families contact staff during school hours first if possible. We will also endeavour to respect everyone's time by limiting Class Dojo and Flexibuzz alerts to school days from 8am to 5pm.
- 18. Northerners Cricket (Use of Toilets)** - A reminder to any school families who are using the school facilities during cricket to make sure the toilets are kept clean, lights are turned off and bins are put away. Please ensure any rubbish is picked up as well and placed in the correct bin.
- 19. Bus Behaviour** - As stated on Flexibuzz last Friday, we have had some minor behaviour issues on the bus to start the year. Could families reinforce the bus rules constantly please - which involves not annoying others and keeping our hands to ourselves.
- 20. Speech Therapy** - Jess Comer will be visiting on Wednesday to complete some speech therapy with some of our students. Some families have been notified in regard to this and we look forward to supporting as many students as possible.
- 21. Servo Lunch Orders** - Servo lunches will be available this Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Orders with payment must be at school by 3.30pm this Wednesday.
- 22. Sign In / WWCC / Child Safe Code of Conduct** - There has been a sign placed at the office to remind people to sign in when they visit the school and to present their WWCC if they have one. Any volunteers must sign our Child Safe Code of Conduct - be prepared for an EM drill at any time.
- 23. Food Handling Course** - Any volunteers who are involved in food preparation at Tally PS are strongly encouraged to complete this online course. Certificates can be emailed to the school at - [tallygaropna.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:tallygaropna.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) The Food Handling online course is found here - <http://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/welcome.php>
- 24. Specialist Program** - P.E and Art will be on Wednesday with Science on Thursday and Music on Friday.
- 25. Playgroup** - This won't begin until Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February from 9-11am in the Multipurpose Room. All are welcome.
- 26. Bravehearts Show** - This is on next Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February for students in Grades F-3. Parents are welcome to come along to the show if they wish from 2.30pm - more specific details are in the newsletter.
- 27. Food Alerts** - It would be appreciated if any sharing of food (ie: birthdays) are given to staff with plenty of notice in fairness to other family members who may have to make alternative arrangements.
- 28. Nuts at School** - we are no longer encouraging families to not bring nut products to school for lunch and snacks. Families may do so if they wish

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Our general school rule is to "consider the feelings of others at all times".