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BIKES CAN BE LEFT AT SCHOOL FOR THE BIKE EDUCATION PROGRAM. THEY WILL BE LOCKED AWAY IN THE CONTAINER

OUR NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING IS ON TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER

SCHOOL CONCERT NIGHT IS NOW WEDNESDAY 27TH OCTOBER. THIS NIGHT WILL BEGIN AT 7PM.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE IN REGARD TO THIS. SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. How good was the AFL Grand Final !!! I was fortunate to go to the drawn game and the atmosphere was out of this world. There will be plenty of smiling faces this week as a result of the Magpies winning the premiership. We will all try and keep Mrs Wallace in high spirits – after her gallant Saints failed at the last hurdle.

Yesterday, my wife and I welcomed our new daughter into the world. Sally Grace was born at 1.30pm and weighed a healthy 8.2 pounds. Thanks for all of the well wishes and both Mum and bub are doing fine. Welcome back to Mrs Wallace, who had an enjoyable rest last term. I know we will all enjoy having her back in the fold as this term promises to be a very busy but exciting one. Our Bike Education Program begins next week so all students need to get permission forms in before the end of the week. Details about this program are in the newsletter. We have also decided to reschedule the School Concert to the end of the October. Sorry for any inconvenience in regard to this, but the extra couple of weeks practice and organisation will make the night a big success.

I will be teaching on Wednesday this week and will be attending a Drug Education Policy Briefing on Tuesday with Mrs Sidebottom. Karen will be in the office until Wednesday to attend to any specific needs. We will both be away on Thursday morning as we have an eduPay briefing at Benalla. The office area will be unattended at this time. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Principal

"It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice."

Swimming Program – Aquamoves



1. Rescheduling of School Concert

We have decided to reschedule the school concert to Wednesday 27th October – week 4. We took this action because we thought that a couple of weeks extra practice would be beneficial to all involved. Laurie Tyndall has kindly offered to assist with the sound system again, but he was unfortunately unavailable on our original date. Students will continue to practice hard over the next few weeks and staff will set up the hall after school on Tuesday 26th October with a full dress rehearsal to occur on the Wednesday before the night's performance. Students will need to be at the Tallygaroopna hall by 6.30pm, so that we can begin the concert at 7pm sharp.

2. Prep Enrolments for 2011

We hope to finalise Prep enrolments by the end of this term. Please contact the office if either you or a friend plan to enrol your child/ren at Tallygaroopna for 2011. **To assist with planning for 2011, we also need to know of any students who will be leaving our school at the end of the year.**

3. SMS Communication

In the future we are hoping to inform all families of any short-notice cancellations or emergency announcements via SMS messaging via the mobile phone. If families do not have a mobile phone they will be rung by landline.

4. Grade 5/6 Camp – numbers and deposit needed

This camp will be held in Term 4, week 3 from Monday 18th October until Thursday 21st October. Information went home last term about the Grade 5/6 Camp to Phillip Island. As this is a cluster camp other schools attending will be Lemnos Primary School, Dookie Primary School and Zeerust Primary School. It is hoped that there will be about 45 students attending the camp and a teacher from each school will attend the camp to make the experience a great one. At this stage, Mrs Sidebottom will be attending the camp with the Grade 5/6 students.

Final numbers and payment will need to be made by this **Friday 8th October**. Please don't hesitate to contact Karen at the office if you would like to set up a payment plan for this camp. The cost is \$275 but \$50 will be subsidised by the school from Drought Relief Funding. **This means the final amount for families will be \$225.** The Medical Form, Parental Permission Form and Campers Agreement will need to be returned by the 8th October also.

Details about the Camp can be found here - http://www.camps.ymca.org.au/htm/htm_phillipisland.asp

5. Ultranet Survey

Today, some families and students were selected to randomly complete an Ultranet Survey. The first set of online surveys will be administered between **October 11 and 22** and are designed to gather information about the expectations, attitudes, experiences and Ultranet use of principals, teachers, students, parents and Ultranet Coaches. Surveys are customised for each group.

For this first set of surveys, it is not essential for the school community to have had any experience with the Ultranet. Students will be completing the surveys at school on the 11th October. If any families selected would like to use the Internet facilities at school, please see Karen at the office. **Student permission forms need to be returned before these student surveys can be completed. Can these please be returned before the end of the week.**

6. Bike Education

Our Bike Education Program begins next week. Hopefully, children have had an opportunity to inspect their bikes over the holiday period in order for this program to run successfully. We will be picking up a Bike Education trailer this week to use for the 2 weeks – week 2 (Oct 11th > 15th) and week 4 (Oct 25th > 29th). Information went out during the last week of Term 3 and permission forms need to be returned before the end of the week.

Students who are using their own bikes next week will need to bring their bike to school Wednesday, Thursday or Friday to have it checked. If parents are having difficulty getting bikes to school please ring Mrs Sidebottom. Bikes may be stored at school if needed.

7. Swimming Program

Our Swimming Program concluded at the end of the last term. This experience was a great success although we lost 4 days because of the floods. All students who participated in the program will receive certificates and these will summarise specific levels achieved. These should be available in the next couple of weeks. This program was funded under the Drought Relief Funding which the school received – at no cost to families

8. Strategic Plan - School Values / Purpose

To follow up our night which was held last term, we are giving members of our school community the opportunity to have some input into our school values and purpose. Information is provided in this newsletter. Some families were unable to attend this night, so it is essential that everyone has an opportunity to have some input into this process. Could this information be returned to the office before the end of the week.

What are values:

- Values describe the guiding principles and beliefs of the school community which will inform how it will work together into the future.
- Values are those things that are most important to us.
- Value statements:
 - provide a basis for decision making and action
 - shape the way people work together by creating shared expectations and norms
 - help the school community to remain focused on what is important.
- Purpose: Describes the school's fundamental reason for being; that is, *What are we here for?*

9. School Hats

Tallygaroopna Primary School endorses a SunSmart policy during Term 1 and Term 4. Students must wear their wide-brimmed hat at recess and lunch time. New hats may be purchased from the school at a cost of \$7.00 each. Students are expected to wear their school hats from today.

10. Outstanding School Fees

Statements for outstanding school fees were sent home last term. Could parents address these as soon as possible. Contact Karen at the office if you have any queries in regard to these.

11. Grade 6 Students – 2011 Bus Travellers

An application form for travelling on a school bus to 2011 Secondary schools went home with Grade 6 students last term. This needs to be completed and sent to: Paul Lucas, Shepparton District Bus Coordinator, c/- Mooroopna Secondary College, PO Box 183, Mooroopna, 3629 **by the start of Term 4.**

12. Dates for 2011

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

February 4th - Students first day

March 3rd - School Photos

April 4th – Athletic Sports

May 10th > May 12th - NAPLAN

June 6th > June 8th - Urban Camp for Grade 5/6

July 25th > 27th – 15 Mile Creek Camp for Grade 3/4

13. Active After-School Communities Program

We will begin this program next week with Touch Footy on a Tuesday. Taekwondo will start the following week on a Monday. Registration forms are attached to this newsletter. I received a new show bag of prizes this week so I encourage all students to be involved in this fun program. As per normal, it will begin straight after school with a fruit break with the sessions to begin at 3.45pm and conclude at 4.45pm.

Taekwondo – Monday – starts 18th Oct – finishes 29th Nov

Touch Football – Tuesday – starts 12th Oct to 26th Oct – 3 week break – 23rd Nov to 14th Dec

14. Zone Athletic Sports – Good Luck

Good luck to Daniel Bagley, Zane Newbound and Ebony Mills who will represent our school at the Zone Athletic Sports at McEwen Reserve on Monday 11th October. We know that you will do your best.

15. Premier's Active Families Challenge

The Premier's Active Families Challenge is part of the Victorian Governments 'Go for your life' initiative aiming to improve the physical activity levels, health and wellbeing of all Victorians. Families completing the Challenge are asked to do at least 30 minutes of physical activity a day for 30 days between 2 October and 13 November 2010. When registered, students and families will be asked to nominate their school offering the chance for schools with the highest percentage of participants to win one of four sporting equipment packs worth up to \$5,000. Information is in today's newsletter promoting the challenge.

16. "You Can Do It" Awards

These will begin next week and will be handed out at assembly as per normal.

17. Newsletter Available Via Email

If any families wish to have the newsletter emailed to them could they please fill out the form attached to this newsletter and return it ASAP. Families wishing to have this emailed to them will not receive the normal newsletter which is sent home each Monday.

18. Music Lessons

Keyboard lessons will continue this term at a cost of \$15 per session. Guitar lessons are also available for those interested. Students will need to bring their own guitar.

19. Kids and Fruit

Kids and Fruit are once again offering our students the opportunity to enjoy fresh and tasty fruit and vegetables 5 days a week. Cost will be \$10 per term beginning this week. Please complete the form and return to school with the money by this Friday 8th October.



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Kids & Fruit Program Term 1 2009
Cost - \$10 per student

Student Name	Class	Comments – any 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). If a fruit or vegetable is provided that your child is allergic to, Kids & Fruit will compensate accordingly.



Parenting Tips from Michael Gorse

Michael is Australia's number one Parenting Educator. We will regularly have parenting tips in the school newsletter from Michael. Here are three techniques to use to help your child to behave well around others, and maintain friendships as well.

Remind: Be pre-emptive with your teaching. Before they visit their friends give them a couple of pointers that are relevant to them about their behaviour. *"Remember, to say hello quietly and ask them if they'd like to play with you."*

Rehearse: It's useful to practise with kids how they should act in social situations. *"Okay, Jeremy tell me what you will say when you go to Grandma's. Let's practise saying hello."*

Revisit: Give kids feedback after the event but keep it positive and upbeat. *"That was great the way you let the other kids lead the way. Your friends love it when you let them be boss."* Kids benefit from being told what works well in terms of their social behaviours, even if their attempts at being good only approximate what you are after.

It takes a little time for some kids to get things right!

Effective parents are teaching parents. A lot of the lessons kids pick up from their parents are through mimicry. That's why modelling is one of your greatest allies. They need to spend some time with you so they can pick up good manners, the importance of sharing and other social niceties. Boys, in particular, need a little help and prompting about how to act appropriately around other kids. There are times when parents need to make sure their lessons hit home and that includes when you coach kids how to be social and consider the needs of others.

Emailed School Newsletter

Iwould like to receive the school newsletter via email. I understand that the newsletter will no longer be sent home with my child every Monday afternoon.

Signed.....

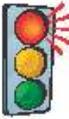




Give your child the green light to a healthy lifestyle



SWITCH ON (green light)
Children need at least 60 minutes (and up to several hours) of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day.*



SWITCH OFF (red light)
Children should not spend more than two hours a day using electronic media for entertainment (for example, computer games, TV, Internet), particularly during daylight hours.*



Benefits of the Active After-school Communities program

- ★ A variety of free sports and activities for your child
- ★ A non-competitive atmosphere to build self-confidence
- ★ A chance to make new friends
- ★ It's fun!
- ★ Fully supervised with registered coaches

Find out more

To find out how your child can participate in the AASC program, visit the front office or contact the AASC coordinator at your school/after-school care centre.

*Figures provided by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing, Australia's Physical Activity Recommendations for 5-12 Year Olds, Canberra, 2004.

ausport.gov.au/aasc

On behalf of the whole school community, we would like to congratulate Steele Sidebottom for his great achievement becoming an A.F.L. Premiership player with Collingwood. Steele spent all of his Primary years at Tallygaroopna PS and his progress through the ranks has been keenly observed by everyone at school and the township of Tallygaroopna. We hope Steele can visit our school in the future and bask in the glory with our present day students.

Munch 'n' Crunch
Thursday 28th October

The menu will be:

Fried Rice & 2 steamed Dim Sims, a packet of chips and Prima drink for \$5

Alternately, students can have just Fried Rice, chips and drink for \$4.50

or

4 steamed Dim Sims, chips and drink for \$4.50.

All orders with payment need to be in by Friday, 22nd October.

Please complete the following form and return with your payment.

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Munch 'n' Crunch Order – Thursday 28th October

Family:

Student 1: **Option:**

Total Cost:

STRATEGIC PLAN – SCHOOL COMMUNITY INPUT (return to office by Oct 8th)

Our 3 new School Values are Respect, Inclusion & Honesty. Families and students have an opportunity to have some input into these definitions which will then enable us to What are definitions for each?

Respect is

Inclusion is

Honesty is

Tallygaroopna PS aims to (purpose)
