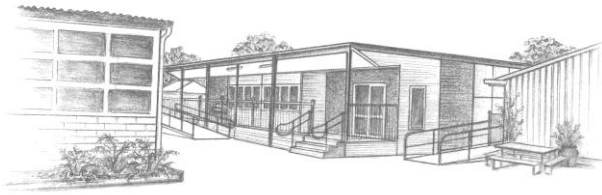


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NEWSLETTER

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**Money for the End of Year
Excursion is now due.
\$40 for parents, \$25 for students.**

**School Council and Finance will now
be held on Wednesday 14th Dec. The
2012 Budget will be presented.**

**Could all families please bring a
plate for morning tea
on Thursday 1st December.**

**Tours at 10.30am
Ceremony – 10.45am**

Hi everyone,

This edition of the newsletter is a rather big one, with some important details relating to school for 2012. Please read these carefully and don't hesitate to contact me in regard to any specific information. Lots of thought and planning has obviously gone into next year and although we anticipate it to be a challenging one it certainly will be exciting and great to be at Tallygaropna Primary School in 2012.

A huge thank you to the families who have paid for the End of Year Excursion. We are trying to finalise this trip by Friday, so please contact us regarding payment or if you are thinking of not going to Whittlesea for the day. This is a school day and students are expected to be at the excursion or at school – just let us know. It would be great if the whole school community attended along with teachers, but we acknowledge that it is a parent choice in regard to this trip.

Our Building Opening has finally arrived and I hope everyone received their flyer in the mail last week. Feel free to invite friends, grandparents, neighbours..etc. if you wish. This is a great opportunity for us to sell our school to the public and to acknowledge all of the great work that has taken place during the last 18 months. I would personally like to recognise the work that School Council, all parents and our wonderful staff and children have done to make Tallygaropna Primary School a great looking learning environment. Everyone has been extremely flexible, helpful and resourceful and Thursday's Ceremony will be a culmination of a lot of hard work. More initiatives are in place for next year – Robotics, Science, LOTE.

Karen will be at the office until Thursday this week. I taught today and will be also tomorrow, but this week is a normal one for a change. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Principal

1. End of Year Excursion – Thursday 8th December

Today at assembly, we watched an Information and Safety Guide DVD which was very informative. This will make our end of year excursion fun and enjoyable. Some parents were present during this viewing, but if any parents would like to have a look at the DVD come and see Karen at the office.

Below is a summary of the people planning to attend the End of Year Excursion – we will endeavour to keep this up to date as much as possible. **This day is not compulsory for all children and if students are not coming to this day, they are expected to come to school. A teacher will still be at school to cater for this if there is a need. Could you let us know ASAP about this to assist our planning please. It would be also great if all children could be supervised by parents on this day also – parents not planning to come along could make alternative arrangements – please let us know of these.**

As stated in previous newsletters, there is still \$15 remaining from the Excursion Levy, which will go towards this trip. As a result, the balance owing is \$25 for each student for this excursion. The cost for parents for this trip will be \$40 each. **Money for this excursion is now due. Feel free to discuss this at school, because we can negotiate a payment plan if needed.** At this stage, no Preschool children will be invited because we would like parents to see this trip as an opportunity to spend some quality time with their children who are presently enrolled at Tallygaroopna PS.

Website - <http://www.funfields.com.au/>

Thank you to all of the families who have purchased tickets for our End of Year Excursion. The day promises to be a great one. The Whittlesea Fun Fields is open from 10am until 4.30pm.

Whittlesea Fun Fields – 2365 Plenty Road. Phone Number (9716 1078)

Details about the trip are below:

To Melbourne	To Shepparton
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depart Tallygaroopna Primary School at 7.30am. • We aim to arrive at Whittlesea by 10.30am. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depart Whittlesea at 3.30pm • We aim to arrive back at Tallygaroopna Primary School at 6.30pm.
<p>We will be travelling by bus. One bus will be a 56 seater and the other bus will be a 34 seater. Both buses should have toilet facilities.</p>	

Whittlesea Trip – **Underlined and in bold have paid in full**

Prep / Grade 1 - 14	Family	Grade 2/3/4 - 20	Family	Grade 5/6 - 16	Family
<u>Liv Burgess</u>	1	<u>Mitchell Bassett</u>	1	<u>Daniel Bagley</u>	2
<u>Daniel Collins</u>	1	Mikayla Church	1	Corbie Humphrey	*
<u>Leah Collins</u>	*	<u>Stephanie Fleming</u>	2	<u>Olivia Meyland</u>	1
<u>Jack Fleming</u>	*	<u>Preston Hall</u>	1	Ebony Mills	1
<u>Cohan Hall</u>	*	Jacob McHale	*	<u>Shae Montgomery</u>	1
<u>Ashleigh Moore</u>	1	<u>Bill Klein</u>	*	Kaleb Oxley	
<u>Beau Ramadan</u>	*	<u>Chelsea Lindrea</u>	*	<u>Darcy Collins</u>	1
<u>Daniel Ramadan</u>	2	<u>Bailey McNab</u>	*	Jamie Woodley	
<u>Eloise Walker</u>	*	<u>Jordan O'Brien</u>	*	<u>Rhiannon Florence</u>	1
Jhett Cannon		<u>Brock Austin</u>	1	Samahna Humphrey	1
<u>Alyssa Lindrea</u>	*	Zane Cannon	*	<u>Shannon Keenes</u>	1
<u>Kyle Montgomery</u>	*	<u>Brittany Meyland</u>	*	<u>Justin Lindrea</u>	
<u>Campbell Steigenberger</u>	1	Taylah McKenzie		<u>Zane Newbound</u>	1
<u>Harvey Walker</u>	2	<u>Teagan Brett</u>	1	<u>Ella Sidebottom</u>	1
		<u>Abby Klein</u>	1	Emily Stivala	1
		<u>Taylah Lindrea</u>		Christiaan Van Taarling	
		<u>Connon McNab</u>	1		
		<u>Brenton O'Brien</u>	2		
		<u>Harri Ring</u>	1		
		Marc McHale			

2. Class Structure for 2012

Next year again promises to be a very exciting one at Tallygaroopna Primary School. We anticipate starting the year with 51 students (increase from 48 in 2011), with the possibility of this being in the mid 50's by the middle of the year - with a couple of families coming to our school later on. We will continue to provide well-structured and resourced literacy and numeracy blocks along with a variety of specialist subjects as well. Art, Library, Information Technology and Physical Education will continue to be implemented and we are excited about the prospect of also implementing LOTE (Italian) and Science one session a week as well – courtesy of our new Science Specialist. **As part of our Science Program, Robotics will have a major emphasis in the middle to upper grades.**

It greatly disappoints me to announce to everyone that Miss Bicknell will not be staying on as a permanent member of staff next year. Ella has been a pleasure to share a grade with this year and her willingness to take on any role has been greatly appreciated. In my role as Principal, Ella has been extremely flexible and there have been many times when she has been able to swap days to assist me with meetings and other commitments. She has been able to develop a positive relationship with various members of our school community and on behalf of everyone at Tallygaroopna PS, we wish Ella luck in her future endeavours as a school teacher.

Next year, we will be still keeping our 3 grades and I will be teaching in more of a Full Time capacity. With building projects finishing up this year, I look forward to getting back into the classroom and refining my teaching skills.

Staff for 2012

Prep / Grade 1 – Mrs Wallace (20 students – 10/10)

Grade 2/3/4 – Mrs Haberfield (17 students – 4/9/4)

Grade 5/6 – Mr Brodie (14 students – 7/7)

School Business Manager – Mrs Armstrong

Science Specialist – To Be Announced

PING (Music Program) – To Be Announced

Information Technology – Mr Brodie / Mrs Haberfield

Physical Education – Mr Brodie / Mrs Wallace

3. MARC & MACC Vans

Next year, we will again be utilising the MARC and MACC Vans at Tallygaroopna PS. Over the years, we have had tremendous support with this service and we look forward to working with Robyn Mitchell and Gwen Hack for the 2012 school year again. There will only be a slight change with the timetabling of these programs. Art (MACC) will continue to be held on a Friday, but Library (MARC) will be held on a Thursday in 2012. Both of these programs will run in alternative weeks as per normal.

4. Bus Service for 2012

I am currently in the process of organizing the new bus route for the start of 2012. This takes some time to organize and I will be contacting families over the holiday period to inform them of specific times and drop off and pick up points. Currently, I have the following students probably using the bus for the beginning of 2012.

Ebony Mills

Mikayla Church

Harri Ring

Dan Klein – **New Prep**

Liv Burgess

Zoe Collins – **New Prep**

Kyle Montgomery

Nicolas Church – **New Prep**

Abby Klein

Harvey Walker

Daniel Collins

Daniel Bagley

Shae Montgomery

Campbell Steigenberger

Bill Klein

Eloise Walker

Leah Collins

Jamie Woodley

If any of this information is incorrect, could you contact me ASAP so that the bus run can be finalized and organized without any problems.

Mr Brodie

5. Public Speaking Competition

Last Monday, Stephanie, Brittany and Teagan all presented wonderful speeches to their peers and parents. All of these children were presented with certificates today and will negotiate a small prize with Mr Brodie – along with Rhiannon and Daniel Bagley from last week.

Unfortunately, the Public Speaking Night featuring other schools has been cancelled because schools are obviously busy during this time of the year. As a result, there was no need to announce an overall winner for the Grade 2/3/4 class. Apologies for any inconvenience.

6. School Improvement Program

Last week, we placed an order with Modern Teaching Aids for some terrific Maths and Science resources which will be utilised in classrooms. We have also invested in Robotics which will be a fantastic opportunity for children to design, construct, operate, manufacture and apply robots in the classroom through specific software. We anticipate also purchasing about 6 more netbooks because of anticipated increases in enrolments.

Last week, we also had a visit from Furphy's; about some seating under the concrete undercover area and a new large bin and from GV Carports; and we are currently in discussions with the latter in regard to a new veranda outside the school administration building. More details will be available soon.

We will be having our building opening this Thursday 1st December, so please keep this date free if you can because this will be a celebration of all of the work that has taken place over the last 12 to 18 months. There will be an official ceremony at 10.45am followed by a morning tea at 11am and we look forward to promoting our school on the day with the local media.

7. Phone System

As stated previously, our school phone system has been upgraded and we now have a good signal in the new building and around all of the playground areas. We also have a new answering machine installed, which will be on at all times. As a result, please use this if your call is not received. This system has been set up to enable fewer interruptions as possible with classrooms. A summary of how the phone system works is below:

- Any phone calls will first come to the Karen's office phone. Phone calls have 16 seconds to be received (4 rings). After this cordless handsets will ring (in new building) for a further 6 rings before the answering machine answers the call. Answering machine is in David's office.

8. Holiday Programs

There are a number of holiday programs on offer for children during the Christmas holiday period. All of these programs are around the local area and are on the new noticeboard out the front of the Main Entrance of the new building. If parents would like a copy of any of this information please contact Karen at the office.

9. School Recipe Book

We have had a couple of hard working parents do a great job on this and we hope to have this available for families to purchase from Thursday of this week. A huge thank you to the many people who have contributed to the Recipe Book and this resource will be a terrific Christmas present. The Recipe Book will be available for \$12 each. This is a worthwhile fundraiser for our school and contains drawings from all students which we are sure you will enjoy. Please fill out the attached order form if you would like to purchase some Recipe books.

10. Religious Education Break Up

Tomorrow morning will be our last R.E. lesson for the year. There will be some brief presentations in the Project Room at 9.30am to thank our wonderful volunteers who continue to implement this program successfully at our school. Special thanks to the Parents Club for the kind donation of gifts for our volunteers. We are hopeful of Religious Education continuing again next year.

11. Christmas Concert / Santa Visit

We have scheduled this night for Wednesday 21st December. This will be a very informal night with some Christmas Carols and presentations to some students leaving our school. BBQ facilities will be available on the night – families may bring their own food and drinks if they wish. Santa will be arriving on the night and we are hoping to invite new children and families who will be at our school next year. **Families will receive a small note this week about the night.**

12. Tally Take Away – Terms 1&4

Tally Take Away has kindly offered to run a canteen for our school in 2012. This has been discussed at School Council and been approved for Terms 1 and 4 next year. We anticipate that this service will be available only one day a week – beginning on Friday 10th February. Menu, price lists and more information will be available early next year. Stay tuned!

13. Cricket Camps

Shaun Brown's Cricket Coaching is working with McDonald's to bring ex Australian test cricketers to Shepparton on January 25th and 26th. Stars such as Nathan Bracken, Dirk Nannes, Damien Fleming and Graham Yallop have signed up for the camps. The camps have been running for 26 years and information is at the office for interested families.

14. Rotary Club Scholarship

There is an opportunity for a Grade 6 scholarship (currently undertaking Year 6) from the Rotary Club of Shepparton South. The closing date for the 2012 school year scholarship is Tuesday 13th December. If interested in the Graeme Cross Memorial Scholarship could you contact the office ASAP please.

15. Puberty Session – Grade 5/6

As part of the physical, personal and social learning strand of the VELS Sexuality Education Curriculum, students learn about significant transitions between life stages, particularly the changes associated with puberty. We have again arranged for a session to be held this year on Wednesday 7th December by Chelsea Pohlner who is the Year 12 Coordinator at GV Grammar School. Chelsea has worked in consultation with Irene Crawford (Primary School Nurse, Department of Human Services). There will be two sessions, one for boys and one for girls and each session will go for one hour. Miss Bicknell will accompany the girls during this session and Mr Brodie will be with the boys.

Students will have an anonymous question box available to them which will allow them to submit their concerns prior to the lesson. Specific rules are discussed, such as respect and the correct information will be presented rather than “misinformed tid bits” from peers.

No permission forms will be sent home – if you would not like your child to be involved in this session simply send in a note to Mr Brodie please. Feel free to contact the school if you require any more specific information about the program.

16. Online Resource – Reading Difficulties

A new online resources for parents is now available on the Department’s website to strengthen support for students with reading difficulties and dyslexia. Advice for parents has also been developed and includes strategies that parents can use to support their child’s learning and development at school. For parent resources, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/learning/dyslexia.htm

17. Food Poisoning

With the warmer weather upon us and school bags exposed to the heat, food poisoning is a real prospect. Please be mindful of the type of fillings that are used for children’s sandwiches. The likes of chicken, tuna, meats and left over fried rice need to be chilled with an ice pack and stored in a chiller bag. I know we have fridges to store food in at school but these things are a great back up.

18. Prep Orientation

New Students who begin Prep in 2012 will have their next Orientation Program this Wednesday 30th November from 9am until 2pm. The State wide Orientation Day will be held on Tuesday, 13th December – this is for the whole day.

19. Active After School Communities Program

Activities continue as per normal over the next few weeks with Basketball being held on Monday and Golf on Tuesday. Sessions begin at 3.45pm and conclude at 4.45pm (**with a healthy snack inside**). Last week’s participation award winner was Liv Burgess - \$5 Book City Voucher, Drink Bottle and Beach Ball provided by Narellan Pools. Andrea Walker is our supervisor on a Monday and Jill McFarlane will fulfil this role on a Tuesday.

Next year, we are looking at sessions beginning at 3.35pm and concluding at 4.35pm. This will allow children only 10 minutes of eating time before specific activities begin.

20. Term Dates

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Confirmed dates for TERM 4 / TERM 1 2012 are:

November 29 th - Last RE Lesson	
December 1 st – Building Opening / Morning Tea	December 6 th – Bush to Beach Program
December 7 th – Puberty Talk – Gr. 5/6	December 8 th – End of Year Excursion
December 13 th – Orientation Day	December 14 th – School Council Meeting
December 16 th – School Disco	December 17 th – Milo Cricket at Tally PS (5pm – 6.30pm)
December 19 th – Reports Home	December 21 st – Christmas Concert / Graduation Night
December 22 nd – Munch N Crunch	December 22 nd – Last Day of Term 4 (2.25pm dismissal)
February 1 st – Teachers Start School	February 2 nd – Students Start School

21. School Disco

Our student leaders (Darcy, Samahna, Justin and Ella) have started to plan the School Disco which is scheduled to be held at school on Friday 16th December in the Multi Purpose Room. If any parents can assist with the organisation of this night, could you see David ASAP. More specific details will hopefully be available next week.

22. Tissues

Our stocks of tissues are running a little low. If each family could donate a box of tissues to school before the end of the year it would be greatly appreciated.

23. You Can Do It Awards

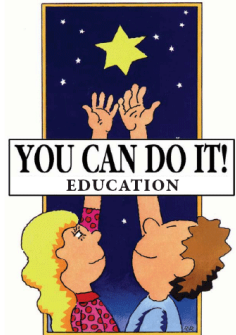
Congratulations for the following students for week 7 – Term 4

Prep / Grade 1 – **Ashleigh Moore** for the way she works and plays with everyone in the class.
Great work Ashleigh.

Mrs H's Super Students – It is my pleasure to give **Taylah McKenzie** the Student of the Week Award this week. I am astounded at the the way she has entered the classroom and has become already such a welcome and valued member of Mrs H's Super Students!!!!
A marvellous fantastic effort Taylah!!

Grade 5/6 – **Darcy Collins** for showing leadership amongst his peers by being inclusive and supportive, and for demonstrating persistence in On Demand Testing this week. Well done Darcy!

- All of these students receive a \$5 Voucher kindly donated by Book City in Shepparton



Kindergarten & Fun Group Enrolments 2012

If you have a child or know of a child who would be interested in attending Kindergarten or Fun Group for 2012 @ Tallygaroopna Children's Centre.
Please enquire @ the centre on ph; 58298274

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TOUR AROUND THE SCHOOL AT
10.30AM**

**OFFICIAL OPENING AT 10.45AM
MORNING TEA AT 11AM UNTIL 11.45AM**

**PLEASE RSVP THE SCHOOL
IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND**

PH: 58298244

