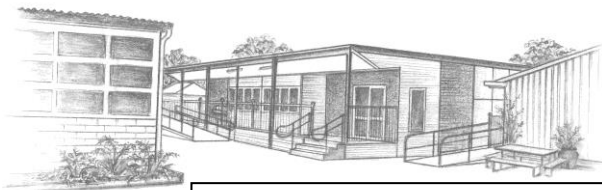


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### MINI NEWSLETTER

**1. Merry Christmas** - As this is our last newsletter for the year, on behalf of all of the staff we would like to wish all of our children and parents a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday period.

**2. Goodbye to Mrs Wallace** - This Friday will be Mrs Wallace's last day as a staff member of Tallygaropna PS. Although this is a sad and emotional day for everyone involved, we know that Mrs Wal will enjoy her well-deserved retirement. I'm sure there will be many enjoyable hours in the garden next year.

**3. End of Term / Start of 2016** - School finishes on Friday at 2.25pm (Casual Day - no cost) and the bus will run as per normal. School resumes for all students on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January. A morning tea will be held on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015 to welcome new and existing families into the new school year. This will be held in the new school kitchen straight after assembly from about 9.30am to 10am. Could families bring a plate to share if possible and tea and coffee will be provided.

**4. Christmas Concert / Graduation Night** - A reminder about the Thursday night. The BBQ will begin at 6pm and then the formal part of the evening will begin at 7pm. If you intend to come along for the tea please let the office know for catering purposes. A reminder to families as well about the note that got sent home, requesting an item to come to school.

**5. Farm Visit** - A big thank you to the parents who came along and helped with the Farm Excursion last Wednesday. Also a special thank you to the Pedretti's who allowed our kids to have a look at their new dairy. This is always an enjoyable experience for our junior students.

**6. School Council** - At School Council last week the E Smart and Student Engagement Policy were endorsed for 2016. We were also able to review and endorse a number of policies in regard to OSH Care, Parent Payments and Sun Smart. All of these will go on Tiqbiz ASAP and will be on our website as well for the school community to view if needed. The current membership of School Council will be involved in the first 2 meetings next term. The new School Council will be involved in the second meeting after the AGM concludes. If you intend to be part of School Council for 2016, let me know. We are always after fresh and new ideas to continue to make our school a thriving educational setting.

**7. Sporting Schools Program** - This program has concluded for this year. We have been successful with receiving another grant for 2016 and we look forward to being involved in this program again. We anticipate the program for Term 1 will continue to be on a Monday and Tuesday with the hope of this beginning on the second week back - beginning on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February (day 3 of the new school year).

**8. OSH Care** - is available only on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday as per normal. **A new enrolment form is to be completed for each child on an annual basis.** These can be collected at the office and are available on our school website.

**9. Foundation Students** - Students beginning school in Foundation next year will have Wednesday's off in February. The first full week for Foundation students begins on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> February.

**10. Munch N Crunch** - Orders are due in tomorrow for the Pizza and Icy Pole deal. This is \$5 and \$1 for an extra slice of pizza.

**11. Tiqbiz** - With the new Grade Structures next year, families will need to join the correct class boxes next year. When these are set up the school community will be informed via the Whole School Box.

**12. Bus Roster** - We are still seeking for a family to volunteer to not use the bus on a Thursday afternoon for next year. If you can assist can you let me know ASAP please. Bus information will go out to all families in mid-January as per normal.

**13. Lunch Orders** - The last lunch order for the year will be on this Thursday. Next year, lunch orders will not be available for the first day of school but should be available the following week - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February.

**14. School Reports** - These went home today in sealed envelopes. If you would like to catch up with staff before the holiday break, contact the office to make an appointment ASAP please.

**15. Attendance Awards** - Congratulations to the students who received awards today for the whole year, semester and term. Our school values attendance so that children can maximise learning as much as possible. Awards went home for any students who had attendance at 95% or greater.

**16. Swimming Certificates** - These went home last Thursday, for all students who participated in the program at Aquamoves early in Term 4. Originals went home and copies went in Student Files. Any queries in regard to these - contact Aquamoves directly please.

**17. Grade 5/6's / Class Parties** - A reminder about KK's. These will be handed out on Friday. Notes for the Shirt Signing day are needed ASAP as well. Most classes will be having class parties as well - Mr Brodie (Wednesday), Mrs Wallace and Mrs Haberfield (Thursday).

**18. Northerners Cricket** - The next cricket match to be scheduled at our school is on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January.

David Brodie (Teaching Principal)

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