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NEWSLETTER

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The AGM for School Council will now be held on Wednesday 17th March. Parents wishing to nominate for School Council see David ASAP.

Parents' Club
The first Parents' Club meeting will be held this Wednesday 3rd March at 3.30pm at school. This is when Preps begin having a full week at school so we are hopeful some new families might be able to attend.

The Newsletter will be out Tuesday next week because of the Labour Day Long Weekend

Dear Parents,

We have a busy and fun week ahead. On Wednesday at 11.30am students will be participating in a number of maths activities to celebrate **World Maths Day**. Teachers and students will be involved in rotation activities and the session will conclude at 1pm. Parents are welcome to come along and join in on the fun if they wish. On Thursday, the whole school will leave at 9.15am by bus and journey to Aquamoves in Shepparton for a **Fun in the Water Cluster Day**. Students will be divided into two groups(P-2/3-6) and have a fun day doing water and Games Factory activities out of the water, which involve team work and cooperation. Again, parents are welcome to come along if they wish. To make the day run smoothly, junior students are encouraged to come to school with their bathers under their uniforms. They will be using the pool facilities first so this would assist us on the day.

Last week, I had another visit by Kerri Ford (Hume Region – Welfare Officer). Kerri provides a free service to a number of schools in the region in regard to welfare/discipline so feel free to contact me if you would like to meet Kerri to discuss a few issues. Kerri will be visiting our school again on Wednesday 24th March. I also have made contact with SCOPE; they provide regular support such as speech therapy to schools. Lyn Nicol will be working with our school this year and visiting for the first time this year on Tuesday 9th March to conduct some review sessions. Information has been given to relevant families, but if you have any concerns in regard to your own child, feel free to see me at school. All families should have received a copy of the Schools Engagement Policy by now. Just a reminder, **that the last page is the only one which needs to be signed and returned to school**. Please make an effort to talk through this with your children at home, so that a consistent approach can be implemented by everyone. I am working on Monday and Tuesday this week, but will be away at a Network Meeting on Friday.

David Brodie - Acting Principal

1. Prep Information

Just a reminder, that Prep children have begun their first full week at school this week. We have an extremely busy week at school with a few fun activities, so I recommend a lot of rest and sleep for the children so that they can continue to enjoy their time at school.

2. School Fees

Changes were also made to the Excursion / Voluntary Levy and details are provided below. It is important to note that these are the only fees for the school year as no other fees are associated with the school. These fees are now payable. It has also been a number of years since the last increase and families may pay these in instalments if they wish. Feel free to contact Karen at the office in regard to this.

The following structure was ratified:

- Excursion Levy - \$90 per student. This will cover the cost of most school excursions throughout the year. This is a compulsory levy for all students.
- Fundraising Levy (Voluntary) - Single child families \$60 / Families with 2 or more children \$90.

3. Art Van / Library Van

A reminder that Children will need an art smock (when the Art MACC Van visits the school every second Friday), with a name on it (most already have one) eg. old shirt, etc to protect their clothes from paint, glue, etc. The Library MARC Van is also visiting the school on a fortnightly basis and children are asked to bring a library bag (either cloth or strong plastic) to protect the library books.

4. Keyboard

Keyboard lessons began last week with Cliff Doornkamp. A big thankyou to the families involved, for being so prompt with the payments for these lessons. These sessions will continue to be held on an individual basis until the end of term and a payment of \$45 will need to be paid to Karen at the office with cheques to be made payable to Cliff Doornkamp.. We are hopeful that this program will continue next term and beyond with more permanent lessons conducted – perhaps 8 to 10 lessons. If parents would like to pay now for lessons in term 2, they can see Karen at the office.

5. Student Information

Attached to the first newsletter of the year was an envelope containing your child/ren details held at school. Could you please check these details to ensure they are accurate, sign, date and return the form with any changes back to the school office as soon as possible. Extra student information forms can be collected from the office.

6. School Council

The Annual General Meeting for School Council will NOW be held on Wednesday 17th March at 7.30pm. Please note the change of date in regard to this. **There will be a couple of positions available for parents to be a member of school council. If anyone is interested in being part of School Council for 2010 could you contact David at school.**

7. School Volunteers

Thank you to the many parents, who have seen Karen at the office regarding this. Our list of parents with working with children checks is growing fast and this list will continue to be approved at School Council. **We still require any volunteers to leave their name at the Office and let us know if they have a current Working with Children Card.** Information about getting a Volunteer's Working with Children Check (which incurs no cost) is available at the Office.

8. Athletic Sports

As mentioned in last weeks newsletters, the EGPSSA athletic sports will be held on Monday, 22nd March at McEwen Reserve, Shepparton (Little Athletics track beside the Sports Stadium). Parents are requested to transport athletes to and from McEwen Reserve. Children will need to be dropped off no later than 9.00am and will report to Mrs Sidebottom who will mark the roll. At the conclusion of the sports, parents are to collect them. This should be approximately 3.00pm. If families think they will have difficulty transporting their children to the sports please contact the school. In the event of inclement weather, the wet weather committee will meet at 8.00am, if there is going to be a postponement, this will immediately be announced on 3SR and 96.9FM and the principals of the schools will be contacted. A Back Up Day has been scheduled for Tuesday 20th April (Term 2 – week 2).

Children are asked to bring their own drink which will travel with them, or a plastic mug labelled with their name. Cold water will be available at each activity. Children may bring their own lunch or lunches and drinks can be

purchased from the Canteen which is being catered by Dookie PS. Children who are not competing in an event must bring along a note signed by a parent.

9. Aquamoves Day

Students from Prep – Grade 6 will be participating in a cluster day with other district small schools on Thursday 4th March. The day has a fun in the water theme and will begin at about 10am and conclude at noon. Students will be split into groups and two one hour sessions will be held. One hour will be in the water and the other hour will be out of the water. Permission notes were sent home last week. These need to be signed and returned to school by Wednesday if families have not already done so. Specific details are listed below:

- Groups will be P-2 and 3 -6
- P-2 students will do pool activities first followed by Games Factory activities out of the pool
- Grade 3-6 students will do Games Factory activities out of the pool first followed by pool activities
- Pool activities include – tarzan swing, rapid river and water slide (students will be closely monitored)
- Games Factory activities will be conducted by Zeerust and Congupna PS staff
- Students will need to bring a small snack for the morning break. **Students will not be using the canteen so no money is required.**
- Lunch will be back at school when we return

Time line

10.00am – our booked time at Aquamoves commences

10.45am – grade 3-6s have a small recess

10.50am – grade 3-6s get changed for pool-based activities

11.00am – grade 3-6s begin poolside activities

11.00am – grade P-2s get changed for games factory activities

11.10am – grade P-2s have a small recess

11.20am - grade P-2s begin games factory activities

12.00pm – grade 3-6s get changed back into uniform

12.15pm –The cluster day activities are concluded.

10. Sharman Stone Visit

Next Wednesday afternoon, the students in Grade 2/3/4 and Grade 5/6 will have a guest speaker who will talk about Local and Federal Government. Sharman Stone

11. World Maths Day

World Maths Day is on again! After our students enjoying the day so much last year we will be having it again this year! The date is Wednesday 3rd of March and we will be running a Mathlympics from 11.30 - 1. Parents are more than welcome to come along and have some Maths fun!

12. Religious Instruction

This will begin next Thursday 11th of March. There is an expectation that students will participate in these sessions unless they have parental approval to be excluded. Deb Bagley will be running sessions from 9-9.30am with the Grade 2/3/4 students and Janet Pascal (P/1) and Rhonda Crozier (5/6) will be taking R.E. from 2-2.30pm. Each session will be 30 minutes.

13. Absences

It is DEECD policy that the school is notified when a student is absent from school. This can be done by phone or by written note.

14. Head Lice

This week there was an incident of Head Lice at school. There is a requirement that parents/guardians refrain from sending their children to school with untreated head lice. It should be noted that students may be treated one evening and return to school the next day and that the presence of eggs in the hair is not cause for exclusion. Parents/guardians need to be aware that one treatment is not sufficient to manage the problem. If a student re-attends school with live head lice the school may again exclude the student until the live insects have been removed.

15. Student Accident Insurance

Families are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. These costs may be recoverable where an injury is caused by the negligence (carelessness) of the Department, a school council or their employees or volunteers. Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance. They can be obtained by school councils on a whole-of-school basis, or by parents/guardians for individual students.

16. Teddy Bears Picnic (P/1)

The students in the junior grades had a fun morning last week at the Teddy Bears Picnic organised by Mrs Wallace. Thankyou to the parents for having their children ready for this and as you can see by the photos below, it was a great day.



17. Easter Raffle

We will again be holding an Easter Raffle to be drawn on the last day of Term1 with proceeds to go to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday appeal. We ask that all families donate an Easter Egg/chocolate/Easter goods to make up the raffle prizes. Raffle books will be sent home with each family (there are more available at the Office). Tickets are 50cents each - \$5.00 for the book (please write on both sides of the ticket). Tickets will need to be returned with payment by Wednesday 24th March so that a cheque can be sent to the RCH Appeal before the Good Friday Appeal.

18. Book Club

Book Club Issue 2 Order forms were sent home with students last week. If you would like to order from Book Club please fill out the order form and return with payment (cheques to be made out to Tallygaroopna PS) by this Friday 5th March.

19. "You Can Do It' Awards

Congratulations to the following students – Week 4 (ending 26th Feb)

P/1 Jhett Cannon for the fabulous effort he put into 'T day' and his skill at 'Twisting'.
Well done Jhett.

2/3/4 Brittany Meyland for the effort she puts into her schoolwork and for her 'getting along' skills. A great effort Brittany!

5/6 Rhiannon Florence for her excellent organisational skills she displays in class and her diligent attitude towards school work. Great work Rhiannon.



TALLY NETBALL

If there are any girls interested in playing Under 11 Netball in the Shepparton Saturday morning Competition, please leave your name and DOB at the school Office.

SOCCER NEWS

Registration night for soccer will be held at school tomorrow, Tuesday 2nd March at 4.30pm. Cost will be \$70 per player to be paid in full on the night (cheques to be made payable to Tallygaroopna PS). A copy of your child's birth certificate is required. We will be running an Under 7 team and an Under 6 if we get enough children. This will be discussed on the night. Any queries contact Donna McNab.

Indoor Soccer
NEW THURSDAY COMP
STARTS 11th MARCH

Major League Indoor Sports is starting a new Indoor Soccer season. We are looking for Teams or players in the Prep/Kinder Division, Grades 1&2, Grades 3&4 and Grades 5&6. All grades are open to Boys and Girls.

All games are now played on a Thursday!!!

The centre is located at 3 McGill St, Shepparton.

To register or for more information please phone Glenn at the centre on 58 210290 or 0409010429

Draft K-10 Australian Curriculum in English, mathematics, science and history

On Monday 1 March 2010, the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) published draft K-10 Australian Curriculum in English, mathematics, science and history for a period of national consultation. The consultation period closes on 23 May 2010.

This is a significant event in Australian education.

The draft curriculum and all the resources required to provide feedback are published at: www.australiancurriculum.edu.au. At this address, you will find the draft curriculum which you can comment on, a survey which you can complete and other resources such as videos, information sheets and frequently asked questions.

On visiting the website, you will need to register your details in a simple process that will provide you with an ongoing login and password and ensures you the opportunity to save and return to your feedback over time and as often as you wish.

This is a unique opportunity for you to express your views and comment on the draft curriculum materials. Take the opportunity over the next few months to contribute to making this the best possible curriculum for all teachers and students in Australia.

The draft curriculum in the same four learning areas, for the senior secondary years, will be published online and available for public consultation between April and June 2010. More details on consultation on the senior years' curriculum will be provided in March.

ACARA will refine the draft curriculum in response to the feedback from both the K-10 and senior years' national consultation, and will publish a final version of the K-12 Australian Curriculum in English, mathematics, science and history in September 2010.

Junior School Council

The Junior School Council have decided on two fundraisers for this term. Last day of term will be a Crazy Hair day/out of uniform day with a gold coin donation. The J.S.C. have also decided to hold a Canteen Day (or 2) where they will be selling muffins, cookies and popcorn that they will be making during class. More information to come regarding date and cost.



Positive Parenting Telephone Service:



Are you the parent or carer of a child or children aged 2 – 10

Are you looking for ways to have more positive communication with your child/ren?

Do you have other commitments that prevent you from attending regular group parenting courses?

Well, how about this?

We are running a fantastic parenting program for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 – 10 years **that you can do from the comfort of your own home.**

It is called the Positive Parenting Telephone Service and you get a weekly telephone appointment at a time that suits you (day or evening) with a trained parent educator for 6 – 10 weeks.

Our program educators aim to assist you in developing a stronger and more positive relationship with your children, as well as offering some practical suggestions on how to manage everyday behaviour problems such as disobedience, temper tantrums and disruptive behaviours.

Interested?

For more information or to enrol phone

FREECALL 1800 880 660

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CHILDREN'S BOOK SALE!

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BOOKS FROM AS LOW AS 50 cents!

ONE DAY ONLY!

Tuesday 2nd March

8.00am – 6.00pm



**Shepparton Racing Complex
Melbourne Road
(Goulburn Valley Highway)
Kialla**

Don't miss out!

For more information Ph: 1800 024 840 or
email bookfairs@scholastic.com.au

2010 SheppARTon Festival 4-14 March

**LITTLE
BIG
SHOTS**
INTERNATIONAL
FILM FESTIVAL
FOR KIDS



Moonlight Cinema presents **Little Big Shots Film Festival for Kids**, Saturday 13th March 2010

As the moon shines down on Queen's Gardens gather on picnic rugs, spread out on the grass and enjoy a film under the stars. This year will feature Little Big Shots Film Festival for Kids, an inspiring, meaningful and fun-filled festival of the best in local and international children's features, shorts, animations, documentaries and child-produced films. Little Big Shots will be followed by a screening of the Disney Pixar movie Up. There will also be refreshments available for purchase on the evening.

(Note: Eastbank will be used as an alternative venue in the case of inclement weather)

FREE EVENT - families welcome!

This event is sponsored by Sounds Around, the Shepparton Adviser and Fonterra.

Strikers Hockey Club Inc
Inc No A0022443F ABN 24326431137

Strikers Hockey Club Inc

Extends an Invitation to Past, Present and New Players for the 2010 Season
Strikers is a family based Club seeking players in all age and grade levels there are:



**Juniors (combined teams of girls and boys)
Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16
Senior Men and Senior Women**

If you have been contemplating playing Hockey this season
and would like to join Strikers Hockey Club Inc. come along to the

'Sign Up Night'

on **Tuesday February 23rd, 2010**
from **5.30 - 6.00 pm onwards**
at the **Hockey Field - Brauman Street, Shepparton**

there will be a Sausage Sizzle and drinks (gold coins donation)
and a fun game or two of hockey bring your friends a hockey stick, a mouth guard and shin guards

Training will begin on Tuesday March 2nd, 2010 at the hockey fields

If you can't attend sign up but want to play & for further information contact:

President:	Tim Scholz	5831 8314, 0408674147
Senior players:	Evan Collins 5821 4800	0438054782
Juniors:	Robyn Quigley 5821 7656	0408287874
Email:	strikers@mcmedia.com.au	

**JUNIOR STADIUM NETBALL
FRIDAY NETBALL 2010**

“LEARN AS YOU PLAY” PROGRAM

SHEPPARTON SPORTS STADIUM

TO TALLYGOOROPNA NETBALL
PLAYERS AND PARENTS.

Games for children ages 7 – 9. Two qualified
teaching umpires on court and team leaders
assistance welcome on court.

New players and/or net- set- go participants
welcome. Term 2 begins Friday 16th April
running over 10 weeks, Fees \$65.00 –
No VNA required and Insurance included.
Games played at 4.00 or 4.45pm.

For team or individual registration please
call Kylie on 58212572 or 0419 998190.

Junior Stadium Co-ordinator,
Shepparton Sports Stadium.



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CROP FOR A KINDER

Scrapbooking & Card Making Crop Night

FRIDAY 12th MARCH 2010

7-12pm

Tallygaroopna Children's Centre

(cnr Victoria & Smith St Tallygaroopna)

Door Prizes, Raffles

Cricut & Cuddlebug Machines & Punches available

Basic supplies for purchase

Challenges

Buy, Swap, Sell Table

Make & Take by

BRITTANNY HLEE STAMP & SCRAP & KASAZZ

\$15 entry *(BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL)*

(includes supper, goodies bag, door prizes, make & take & use of punches)

All Proceeds to Tallygaroopna Children's Centre

Enquires & Bookings Ph: Katie 0417330344