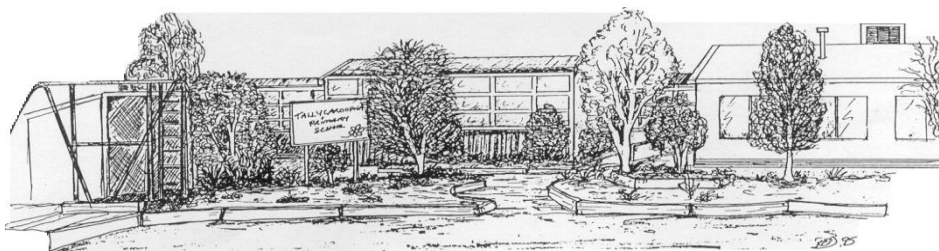


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NEWSLETTER

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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.

School Values:

Tallygaropna Primary School aims to:

- Develop in each of our students a desire for lifelong learning so that they become valuable members of society
- Place an emphasis on teaching the students how to live with others and encourage their creativity
- Endorse the philosophy of "Consider the feelings of others at all times."

Dear Parents,

A huge thank you to the parents who assisted with tidying up the carnage that happened over the weekend with the weather. I hope everyone remained safe during this time. Hard to believe that there is only 3 weeks left for the term. How time flies when you are having fun! Speaking of that, we had a great time last week with World Maths Day, a visit to the school by Sharman Stone and our cluster Aquamoves Day. I have included some photos in this week's newsletter. Thankyou to all of the staff and parents for making these programs run so smoothly. On Friday, I attended a Principals Network meeting and one of the topics which was discussed at great length on the day was the Ultranet. This tool will change education and the relationship between school and the home forever, so I encourage all families to have a look at the file which I have uploaded onto the schools website. **This is titled – Ultranet Functionality – and it is under the School Community link at the top of the website.**

On Wednesday last week, the Parents Club had their AGM / first meeting and this was well attended. The first Munch and Crunch for lunch orders will be held on Thursday 25th March and orders will need to be in by Friday 19th March. **The office bearers for the Parents Club for 2010 are:**

President – Donna McNab

Vice President – Kerry Brett

Secretary – Lisa Newbound

Treasurer – Deb Bagley

Uniform Coordinator – Bev Montgomery

Last week we had our Reading Recovery program begin (Amy Mill – Congupna PS) and SCOPE visited our school today to give support to some children with speech therapy. Also this week, Mrs Wallace will be attending a Literacy Leaders Day tomorrow to consolidate some of the work which she has been involved in with other schools in the Hume Region and the Grade 2/3/4 students will be on a Local Community Excursion with students from Congupna PS on Friday.

David Brodie - Acting Principal

1. Engagement Policy

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. If you need another one you can download it off the schools website or contact Karen at the office.

2. School Fees

Changes have been 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 continue next 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. Religious Instruction

This will begin on 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.

9. 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.

10. Athletic Sports

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.

If any parents can help out in any way on the day of the sports could you contact the office ASAP. This year, we are trying to cut costs by **not** hiring a marquee, so if any families have a shade structure which may be used on the day could they also contact the office.

11. Asthma Management Plans

In the Schools Reference Guide (4.5.10.3.2), it states that every student with asthma attending the school should have a written Asthma Action Plan, ideally completed by their medical/health practitioner, in consultation with the student's parent/carer. This form is attached. A *School Asthma Action Plan* should be offered annually to parents/carers whose children have asthma. It is the parent/carer's responsibility to convey clear instructions from the doctor to the school about the student's asthma medication requirements.

12. 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.

13. Easter Raffle

We will again be holding an Easter Raffle to be drawn on the last day of Term 1 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.

14. Swine Flu Vaccine

Adults and children older than 6 months are encouraged to be vaccinated. Some people are more likely to become seriously ill from Swine flu. Even if you are fit and well, you are at risk of serious illness or infecting vulnerable people. For vaccine enquires call the Immunisation Program on 1300882008.

The vaccine is especially important for:

- People with chronic health conditions (including heart and lung disease, asthma, cancer, obesity, diabetes, kidney and neurological diseases and inherited blood diseases)
- Pregnant women at any stage of pregnancy
- Parents and guardians of young infants
- Children in special schools
- Indigenous Australians
- Health care and community care workers.

15. "You Can Do It" Awards

Congratulations to the following students – Week 5 (ending 5th March)

P/1 Kyle Montgomery – for the persistence he showed in the Mathletics World Maths Day. He scored 337 points. Well done Kyle.

2/3/4 Teagan Brett – for the persistence and effort she put into World Maths Day. A fabulous effort Teagan !

5/6 Lachie Karl – for his persistence in Maths and the great effort he put into his testing revision and World Day activities. Well done Lachie.



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.

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

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 & Cuttlebug Machines & Punches available

Basic supplies for purchase

Challenges

Buy, Swap, Sell Table

Make & Take by

BRITTIANNAHLEE STAMP & SCRAP & KASZAZZ

\$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

Tennis News

Players need to be at McEwen Res by 11am on Sat 20th March to receive their runners up trophy from SJTA. If you can't make it please let me know. Thanks Yvonne

Junior School Council

Canteen day will be held this Thursday 11th (not Friday as stated) due to the Grade 2/3/4 excursion. J.S.C. will be selling their home made goodies at recess and lunch if required. Proceeds will be given to Toolamba Primary School.

Prices are listed below:

- Chocanna Muffins \$1
- Choc Chip Cookies \$1
- Popcorn 20cents

Northerners Cricket Club

Congratulations to the Northerners Under 13 cricket team, Grand Finalists for the 2009 – 2010 season. Although we were unable to play due to the weather, we didn't lose, we just didn't get a chance to win. Well done on another great year.

Easter Munch N Crunch – Thursday 25th March

Orders will need to be in by Friday 19th March. **No late orders will be accepted.**

Option 1 – Chips, Hot Cross Bun and Easter Egg \$4

Option 2 – Two Fish Fingers, Chips, Hot Cross Bun and Easter Egg \$4.50

Option 3 – Four Fish fingers, Chips, Hot Cross Bun and Easter Egg \$5

- Hot Cross Buns will be served to the children at morning recess.

President: Aileen Trevaskis
Phone: 5821 3645

Office Administrator: Stacey Cole
Phone: 5831 5866

Shepparton Netball Association Midweek Netball

The Shepparton Netball Association is once again running their Thursday morning midweek netball competition. If you would like to get fit, have a bit of fun and meet some new people please come along.

Games times are 9.30am or 10.30am. Baby sitting is provided free on a roster system for teams that are not playing at that time slot. You can enter a team or as an individual and we can put you in a team.

Registration is on Thursday March 18th at 10am at the Club rooms in Brauman Street. Competition starts Thursday April 15th and runs for 10 weeks.

If you are interested or have some questions please feel free to contact Kim Pettie Midweek convenor on 5831 1085 or 0412 568 377.



March 3rd 2010

WHAT A BUSY WEEK AT TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL
- WORLD MATHS DAY / SHARMAN STONE / CLUSTER AQUAMOVES DAY

