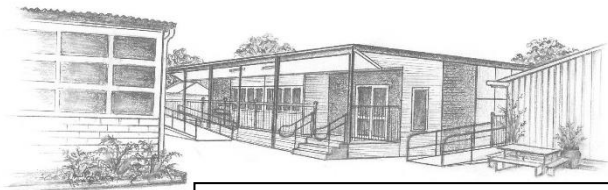


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MINI NEWSLETTER

- 1. Apology** - Apologies for my absence at the informal Walk to School Day last Tuesday. Thanks to the parents who made sure that our kids arrived to school safely - your support is appreciated as always. I'll make it up to everyone on Friday - Ride to School Day.
- 2. School Fees** - Can school fees be paid by tomorrow please - contact the office if you would like to set up a payment plan. All families received individual student letters in the envelope at the start of the year, which documented Parent Payment Charges for 2017 so your attention with this matter would be appreciated.
- 3. Waterways Education Day** - This program is scheduled for Thursday 16th March at Dip Bridge (Nathalia/Katamatite Road, Invergordon) from 9.30am to 2pm. Grade 5/6 students will be travelling by bus and there is no cost for the day - Miss Triffett will be attending all day. **Permission forms must be returned by tomorrow please.** Specific information was in last week's newsletter.
- 4. Aquamoves Excursion** - This is scheduled for Friday 17th March for the whole school. We will leave school by bus at 9.15am at the latest and assemble at the Lake Park at 9:30am for an introduction to the day and provide further information to students and teachers as to how the day will unfold. The day will finish up at around 2:00 -2:30pm. **Permission forms must be returned by tomorrow and cost for this program will be \$6 per student (entry \$3.30, bus \$2.70).**
- 5. Parents Club - AGM** - This was well attended and I would like to congratulate the following office bearers for 2017: Philippa Collins (President), Renee Scott (Vice President), Jill McFarlane (Secretary/Treasurer) and Lisa Newbound (Uniform Coordinator). I would also like to acknowledge any past members of the Parents Club who are no longer with us and Bev Montgomery who has finished her tenure as a long standing member and as our last President. Again there are many great activities planned for this year - Munch N Crunch, Wreath Making, Anzac Biscuits, Pie Drive...etc - stay tuned.
- 6. Puberty Talks** - These are scheduled to begin on Monday 20th and 27th March. Information has been put in last week's newsletter so contact the school if you would prefer for your child to not participate - boys and girls will be separated as per usual and Miss Triffett and I will be involved also.
- 7. Speech Therapy** - The second session planned for Tuesday 21st March has been cancelled unfortunately. I am currently trying to source another provider to ensure that our children are supported as much as possible.
- 8. Easter Raffle** - Tickets went home in last week's newsletter and extra books are available at the office if needed. Donations for hampers need to be at school by Wednesday 29th March at the latest. The Easter raffle will be drawn on this day so all raffle books need to be back by Monday 27th March.
- 9. Red Balloon Day** - This was a great day and a total of \$73 was raised for the Tallygaroopna CFA.
- 10. End of Year Excursion** - The Parents Club have decided to hold the Annual End of Year Excursion at Whittlesea Fun Fields again. We have a temporary booking which will be confirmed later on in the year. This is for Thursday 7th December - so pencil this date into your family calendars please.
- 11. Unexplained Absences** - Any students away from school must be accounted for. We would appreciate a formal note or phone call in regard to any absences that occur throughout the year. Absences can be submitted on Tiqbiz for any students also. Please check with the office that the email address you are using with Tiqbiz is the same that we have at school (Grade Expert), so that unexplained absence alerts can be given to parents.
- 12. Breakfast Club** - We are still after some more helpers on Monday or Thursday. Contact the office if you can help.
- 13. Family Donations** - Can all families donate a box of tissues and some anti-bacterial hand wash to assist with hygiene in the school.
- 14. Random Acts of Kindness** - This whole school initiative involves 2 students being picked out of a hat as the Givers and 2 students being picked as the Receivers. Well done to Ryan and Callum from last week. This week's givers are Cohan and Ellie.
- 15. Bus Communication** - Any families not using the bus on any afternoon only, **must contact the school on 58298264 and speak directly to a member of staff.** Please don't leave a message on the answering machine as this may not be heard in time. If you cannot directly contact the school then contact the Principal on 0411960164 (Text Message or Phone Call). Your assistance with this is essential in making the use of the bus a positive experience for everyone.
- 16. OSH Care** - is available on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week - we are only licenced for these 3 days. **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.
- 17. Specialist Program** - P.E. & Science were held today and our Art program will be held on Wednesday (tomorrow) this week because of the excursion on Friday.
- 18. Foundation Photos** - The Shepparton News took these today after a cancellation a couple of weeks ago. These are published annually with other schools in the Shepparton area.
- 19. Congratulations** - Well done to both Eloise and Declan who are currently representing the school in some Regional trials with Cricket.
- 20. Soccer** - Unfortunately, it sounds like the Northerners Soccer teams will not start up again for this season. Any families who have shown interest with these sports should contact Julie Mawson who can discuss other avenues for these sports at other clubs.
- 21. Ride to School Day** - National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity for Australian students and school communities to embrace a healthier start and to try walking and riding to school for themselves. We will meet at the Tallygaroopna Bowls Club at 8.30am for anyone interested. Remember, this is our Aquamoves Day - so be prompt please because we will be leaving at 8.30am sharp. Mr Brodie will arrive at 8.15am and staff will meet students at the crossing!
- 22. Camps & Excursions Fund** - A reminder to families to come and see myself or Karen at the office in regard to this ASAP please. A payment of \$125 for eligible primary school students is available.

Seat Belts must be worn on the bus at all times!

David Brodie (Principal)
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Our general school rule is to "consider the feeling of others at all times".

I will be away at a meeting at Benalla tomorrow unfortunately.