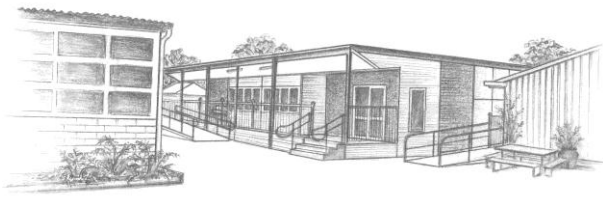


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**SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION**

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 NO.10 22nd April 2013

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***Helpers needed***  
***– Young Leaders Task (Grade 6's)***

**School Council will be held**  
**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Next Thursday is a Public Holiday**  
**because of Anzac Day. The**  
**Ceremony in Shepparton begins at**  
**11am.**

**AASC Forms are due by**  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

**Book Club order forms due back at**  
**school this Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April**

Hi everyone,

It was wonderful to see so many parents and children attend the Community Forum last Friday night. Lots of good discussion took place and it was interesting to hear that after the consultation period, focus areas could potentially be on: Infrastructure, Growth & Business Development, Services, Recreation & Health and Community Strengthening. A big thank you to the families who brought along some supper and for the parents who assisted on the night, your support is always first class and really appreciated. I was impressed by the Writing and Art Work that our kids completed based on what they love about Tally and would like for the town. Great job everyone!!! The Action Plan will come out in the next few weeks and I will make sure that this is available to our School Community to view if needed.

Today, I attended a Food Handling Course with a couple of members of the Parents Club which will enable us to utilise our School Kitchen more freely and more importantly be OH&S compliant. I am sure that more parents will complete this training in the future. Our Kids will be actively involved in Anzac Day this week, by having a chance to make a wreath and the Grade 6 students will make some Anzac Biscuits for the whole school as well. A reminder about Bike Ed. Forms as well (the program begins next Monday) and so too does our AASC program with BMX and Netball respectively.

Karen will be in the office until Thursday this week, if any matters need addressing. Have a great week everyone – remember that Thursday is a Public Holiday and I look forward to seeing some families at the Anzac Day ceremony in Shepparton in the morning.

David Brodie  
Teaching Principal

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## Community Forum – Tallygaroopna RSL Hall



THEMES for the Tallygaroopna Community Plan

Theme: Community Events to attract visitors

Details: Examples: Fun Run, Music Festival, Tally Bike Race,

Do you agree that this is important for the Tallygaroopna Community Plan?  
Colour a dot on one of the areas below and add comments below if you would like to.

STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	CONFUSED
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Why do you believe this is important? (you may add your comments below)			Why do you think this is not so important? (you may add your comments below)		
WOULD HELP ANY SERVICE BUSINESSES.			LOCALS DIDN'T SUPPORT LOCAL RETAIL ENTER/STORE.		

### **1. Curriculum Day**

Teaching staff will be participating in a Curriculum Day at Mooroopna Primary School on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June. This day will be based on AusVELS planning and Numeracy Tasks. We have made this announcement with plenty of time ahead so that parents can make the necessary arrangements for this day – no children will be required at school on this day (Pupil Free).

### **2. Anzac Day**

This Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April, our school will participate in the Anzac Day Memorial Service which will be held at Welsford Street in Shepparton at 11am. Brenton and Teagan (School Captains – uniforms required) will represent our School Leadership group and they will lay a wreath as a mark of respect for this important day. All students, parents and teachers are welcome to attend this ceremony to remember and acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice our diggers have made during wartime.

Our children will also make a wreath on Wednesday at recess with a number of parents. A note went home regarding this last week, so if you can assist in any way it would be greatly appreciated. We hope that the Grade 6's will also have an opportunity to make Anzac Biscuits on this day for the whole school.

**Anzac Badges are now for sale at the office – \$1 each**

### **3. Grade 5/6 Camp**

The cost for this camp has been set at \$200. This is only an increase of \$10 from 2 years ago. The payment for the Urban Camp doesn't need to be paid in full until the end of May. Permission and Medical forms will go home ASAP – probably next week.

### **4. AEU Dispute Resolved**

As you have probably heard in the media, our long running industrial dispute has ended. We are still to hear all the details of the agreement and it will have to be ratified by AEU members. Our staff would like to thank our school community for your support throughout this dispute. We are greatly relieved to be able to get on with the job that we all love without having industrial action hanging over our heads constantly.

### **5. School Facebook Page**

It has been very encouraging to see the number of families (33 likes) who have joined the School's Facebook Page. I hope all families see this resource as a positive way to improve communication between the school and home and we look forward to many more families joining up soon.

Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tallygaroopna-Primary-School/537390216312887>





## **6. Parent Surveys**

At present, our school is involved in initiatives in regard to Cybersafety and Mental Health. Some parent surveys have been made available and it would be greatly appreciated if all families could complete these so that we can build on the data that is made available from these results. A number of parents completed these after school today at the Parents Club Meeting.

E Smart - <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/57DQFH6>

Kidsmatter - <http://www.cvent.com/Surveys/Welcome.aspx?s=d02c21bf-c51d-4100-a713-fae053260110>

## **7. Transition – Grade 6**

During Week 4 of Term 2, families should begin to receive packs containing Transition Booklets for Grade 6 students. Students are to return forms to their primary school by **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2013**.

### **Information Nights:**

McGuire College	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	7.00 pm
Mooroopna SC	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	7.00 pm
Shepparton HS	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	7.00 pm
Wanganui Park SC	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	7.00 pm

### **Open Days:**

Mooroopna SC, Shepparton HS, Wanganui Park S C and McGuire College will hold Open Days on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 9.15am and 11.15am.

Visitors are welcome at all schools at other times but please telephone first for an appointment.

## **8. Woorabinda Camp**

Every two years our school is offered a limited number of places at the Department of Education and Training's Somers School Camp. Somers has recently added a second campus Woorabinda to help increase the opportunities for DEECD students across the state. Woorabinda will run on the alternate years to the Somers program. Woorabinda will run a complementary program for 5 days for grades 4/5's

This year our allotted time is from 29/7/2013 until the 2/8/2013. Children who gain selection from our school will join with 72 Grade 4 and 5 children from our school network in this very special Outdoor and Environmental Education and Personal Development program.

The camp has both indoor and outdoor activities all run by specialist permanent teaching staff with the assistance of five local teachers who will accompany the children to and from the camp. The activities are mainly physical and outdoor and include High and Low Ropes Courses, Canoeing, Initiative Activities which require a reasonable level of physical fitness. All children are also required to take part in the following activities: Archery, Art, Environmental Studies, Bush Cooking, Mapping, Flying Fox, Disco Night, Camp Fire Night Singing and Diary Writing. Separate boys and girls living arrangements are provided but all activities are done in mixed groups.

The fee for the camp is \$175 and must be paid in full before children can attend. The fee includes transport, accommodation and meals.

**Information regarding this camp went home last week and the expression of interest form needs to be returned by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April.**

**There is a Cluster Camp for Grade 3/4 children being organised for 15 Mile Creek from 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September and the Urban Camp for Grade 5/6 students is only a few weeks away. Both of these camps will allow our students to be with their friends, while the Woorabinda Camp would be a completely different challenge.**

Website - <http://www.woorabinda.vic.edu.au/>

### **9. School Photos**

All families should have received School Photo envelopes last week. Sibling envelopes are available at the office if needed (Family Photos). Our Photo Day is scheduled for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May and all envelopes with payments enclosed, will need to be back before this day.

### **10. AFL Footy Tickets**

Our school is a member of the AFL Ambassador Program which promotes football. We have been lucky to receive 4 free AFL tickets to the game between Sydney and Hawthorn (Grand Final Rematch) on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at the M.C.G. If any families who barrack for these teams would like these tickets can you let Mr Brodie know ASAP (note required). We will draw the lucky family out of a hat. There is a possibility that more tickets will be available next term and 2 different teams will then be selected.

### **11. Walk Safely to School Day**

**The fourteenth annual** Walk Safely to School Day is on Friday 24 May 2013. As a result, the school bus will drop off the kids at the CFA van on this day and walk down to school with Mr Brodie. Any town children may also meet at the CFA shed at 8.40am and walk down to school if they wish.

### **12. Earn & Learn Program**

Woolworths is once again running the 'earn and learn' program. This year when you shop at Woolworths you can collect stickers from the checkout operator and place them on a sticker card. Sticker cards are available at the School Office or at Woolworths. You will receive one sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Once completed, you can place your sticker cards in the collection box at the School Office. Last year we were able to obtain Literacy and Numeracy resources. The promotion will run from April 8 - June 9, 2013.



### **13. NAPLAN**

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008. On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May, students will undertake the 2013 NAPLAN tests. A back up day will be made available on the Friday.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four domains of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children.

All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Students with disability may qualify for special provisions that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers.

More information is available at [www.naplan.edu.au](http://www.naplan.edu.au)

### **14. Attitude to Schools Survey**

Students in Grades 5 and 6 will complete the Attitude to School survey in the next couple of weeks. The overall objective of this survey is to collect data about the opinions of students from Year 5 to Year 12 and for individual schools across Victoria to use this information to drive improvement. All results are confidential and students are given each question in detail.

## **15. School Council**

The Next School Council meeting is on this Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April beginning at 7.30pm. There will be no Finance meeting beforehand – this will be covered in the normal School Council meeting.

## **16. AASC Program**

The program for term 2 will begin next Monday 29<sup>th</sup> of April. BMX will be held on a Monday and Netball will be held on a Tuesday. **Both sessions start at 3.35pm and finish at 4.35pm.** Participating students will be given fruit for afternoon tea prior to the start of each session. Andrea Walker will be our school supervisor on both days and her support is really appreciated. A free icy pole voucher will be awarded each week out of a lucky draw.

### **BMX Information:**

Children will need to be competent and confident riding a bike, enrolment will begin with Grade 6's and work down to Preps. There will be a first in best dressed policy applied because the program will only be able to accommodate 20 children. The first 5 sessions will be held at school and then we hope that the last 2 sessions will be held at the BMX track in Shepparton. We will be able to utilise a bus for the last 2 sessions which will take children to the venue and then back to school – arriving at approximately 5.30pm. Mr Brodie will travel on the bus during this time as well. More details will be available soon, but the program will continue to be free to all children.

Students in Prep and Grade 1 will be able to participate – this will be up to the discretion of parents (no training wheels). Bikes, helmets and gloves will all be provided – **all children will need to have a long sleeve top, long pants and enclosed shoes.**

### **Requirements:**

Bikes – good working order, no pegs, reflectors, bells, stands or chain guards. As far as brakes go, rear brakes only should be fitted preferably hand rather than foot brakes.

Helmets – full face helmets

Gloves – hands fully covered / good protection

### **Normal Requirements:**

**Long sleeve tops, long pants and enclosed shoes.**

Prep / Grade 1 – if students can ride without training wheels they should be fine.

Any queries, it might be best to contact Bryan Kennedy on 0418 594 316 or [bryan@arnwood.com.au](mailto:bryan@arnwood.com.au)

Shepparton BMX Track – Packham St, opposite Wanganui Secondary college (near Shepparton Velodrome)

- [www.sheppartonbmxclub.com](http://www.sheppartonbmxclub.com)

**The AASC Enrolment Form is now available on the School Website to download**

## **17. Young Leaders Program**

All students in Grade 6 will be invited to the Young Leaders Day at Wanganui Park Secondary College on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May. This program will go for the whole day and all children will travel to and from the venue with Mr Brodie. This day will allow all children to develop their leadership skills and will involve many fun and engaging activities. Behaviour will be closely monitored leading up to the day – excursions are a privilege not a right.

A pre conference task will be required prior to this event. If any parents can assist with this please contact Mr Brodie. The task involves the following:

### **Students create displays/posters re: LEADERSHIP (and/or working in a team)**

- The qualities of a good leader
- Respecting differences
- What it takes to be a team player
- Public speaking with confidence
- Working as a team
- Being a good role model

**If at all possible, this year's tasks are to be 3-dimensional!  
Yes 3-D - and made using environmentally responsible materials  
(Eg: recycled – reclaimed - reused)**

**Award certificates for "Best Message", "Best Art Work" & "Most Original" will be voted on and awarded during the Leadership Day.**

### **18. Bike Education Program**

Bike Checks are available this week, before the Bike Education Program begins on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April for students in Grades 2-6. Mrs Montgomery will be implementing this program which will run over a 3 week period. Permission forms need to be returned ASAP along with checks on helmets and bikes (forms need to be filled in and signed by parents). All students participating will be encouraged to bring their own bikes if possible. During this program, we will be hiring a Bike Education Trailer to assist with general organisation. More details will be available next week in regard to specific dates.

### **19. Pie Warmers**

During second and third terms, students are able to bring along pies, sausage rolls, pizzas, etc to be heated in the pie heater. Food must be wrapped in foil and labelled with the child's name using a permanent marker. This will begin immediately.

### **20. Money at School**

Just a reminder to students and parents, that the Box on the side of the bench in the office should be utilised for any money which would be handed in at the office. This box sits near the alarm and should be utilised as much as possible. We would prefer money to not be put on the office bench.

### **21. Colder Months - Tissues**

Obviously, with anticipated colder weather students should be wearing appropriate clothes during this term. If families, could bring in a box of tissues each this would assist the school.

### **22. Term Dates**

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Dates for TERM 2 are:

April 24 <sup>th</sup> – School Council 3	April 25 <sup>th</sup> – Anzac Day Ceremony (School Leaders)
April 29 <sup>th</sup> – AASC Program Begins	April 29 <sup>th</sup> – Bike Education Program Begins
May 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Interschool Cross Country	May 8 <sup>th</sup> – Young Leaders Day – Grade 6 students
May 9 <sup>th</sup> – Puppet Show	May 10 <sup>th</sup> – School Photos
May 12 <sup>th</sup> – Mother's Day	May 14 <sup>th</sup> > 16 <sup>th</sup> – NAPLAN Testing (G. 3 & 5)
May 17 <sup>th</sup> – Division Cross Country	May 20 <sup>th</sup> – Education Week Concludes
May 24 <sup>th</sup> – Walk Safely to School Day	May 29 <sup>th</sup> – School Council 4
May 31 <sup>st</sup> – Jump Rope for Heart Day	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Footsteps Dance Lesson
June 4 <sup>th</sup> – Performance at Dookie PS	June 5 <sup>th</sup> > 7 <sup>th</sup> – Urban Camp (G. 5 & 6)
June 10 <sup>th</sup> – Queen's Birthday Holiday	June 14 <sup>th</sup> – Curriculum Day – Michael Ymer
June 19 <sup>th</sup> – Region Cross Country	June 24 <sup>th</sup> – Semester 1 Reports Go Home
June 26 <sup>th</sup> – Student Led Conferences – <u>students required</u>	June 27 <sup>th</sup> – Dance Festival (TBC)

### **23. Student of the Week / Values Vault**

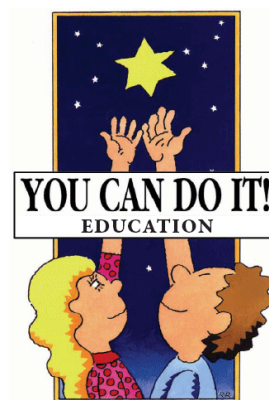
Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week for week 1.

**Prep /1 – Terrific Turtles – Sam Haberfield** for the confidence he shows in his reading and writing. We really like the way Sam tried hard and wrote his first sentence all by himself. Well done Sam.

**Grade 2/3/4 – Freaky Frogs – Eloise Walker** for the fantastic way she always tries her very hardest in class. A fantastic effort honey!

**Grade 5/6 – Mad Monkeys – Taylah McKenzie** for the effort she is putting into her work in class and the thinking shown with work on fractions. Well done!

All students received a certificate and also a free icy pole voucher to use this term.





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## AUSKICK 2013

Auskick 2013 will be held on a Tuesday night at the Tallygaroopna Recreation Reserve from 4-5pm. Commencing 28<sup>th</sup> May for the last 5 weeks of term and then the first 5 weeks of 3<sup>rd</sup> term finishing on the 13<sup>th</sup> August. Please register and pay online at [www.aflauskick.com.au/](http://www.aflauskick.com.au/). Any enquiries please contact David Steigenberger 0439323021 or Kath Steigenberger 0419165640.

## Northerners Soccer Report

**Under 8** - The Under 8's started the season with a great win over Guthrie Eagles. With goals from Finn and Declan and great team work from all the boys, we won the game 2-1. Declan and Cohan did a great job for their first go at goalie and Ryan played super in his first ever game! Player of the week went to the youngest player, Josh Mizzi, who tore it up in his first ever game of soccer! See you next Saturday at 12

**Under 10** – Northerners 7, St Brendans Stripes 0

It was a great start to the season with a win 7-0. The team has started the way it finished last year, with everyone contributing to make it a great game to watch. Well done to Jordan, Kyle, Mitchell and Kelsie who all scored goals. This week the award went to Jordan. Keep up the good work Northerners!



# Easter Bonnet Parade.



**READY? PLAY.**

Welcome to tennis played on kids terms

**"Come & Try" Tennis**  
 Are you aged between 5-12 years?  
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### School Camps & Excursions: Asthma

If your child has asthma, attending school camps and excursions can introduce them to new asthma triggers especially if they are going into new environments. It is essential that your child can participate fully and safely in all school activities. The following is a list of considerations to make for your child before they go on school camp or an excursion:

- Is your child's asthma currently well controlled (*e.g.* no symptoms at night, reliever use less than 3 times per week)?
- Has your child had an asthma attack or asthma symptoms recently?
- Does the school have an Asthma Action Plan for your child?
- Has the school asked you to complete a School Camp and Excursion Medical Update Form?
- Does your child have their reliever medication and spacer on hand at all times?
- Are they attending with any other medications to be taken on the camp/excursion? If so, are there sufficient instructions to staff for use/dosage?
- Does your child self-administer their medication? If so, has their technique been checked recently?



For more information please contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 278 462 or [www.asthma.org.au](http://www.asthma.org.au).

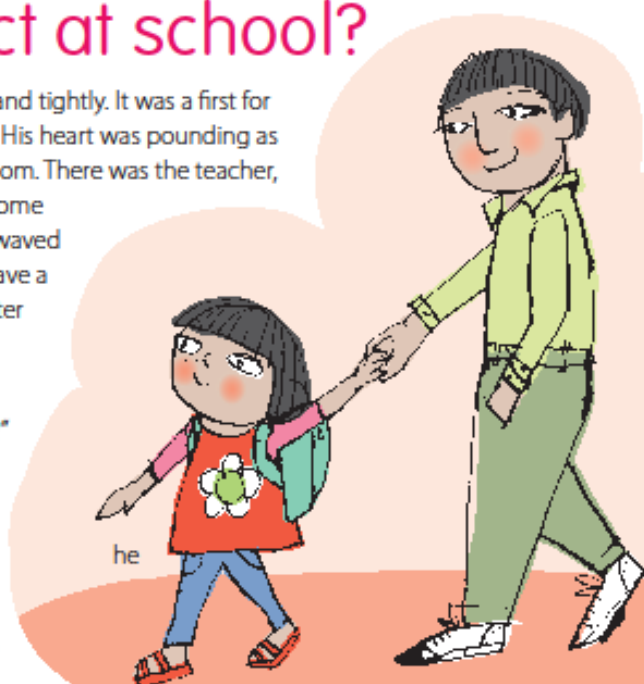
**PINK KIDSMATTER PARENT SURVEY FORMS CAN BE PLACED IN THE BRIGHTLY COLOURED BOX IN THE PROJECT ROOM.**

## Why connect at school?

Peter held his daughter Rachel's hand tightly. It was a first for him to be taking Rachel to school. His heart was pounding as they made their way to the classroom. There was the teacher, Ms Lim. She smiled at them, "Welcome Rachel, hello Peter." Another child waved at Rachel. She seemed happy to have a friend to play with. So why was Peter still nervous?

"We're having a morning tea for parents next week. Will you come?" Ms Lim asked. "I'll try," Peter said.

"It all seems different from when I went to school," he thought as he headed out the door. "They seem to want parents to be involved. I wonder what else has changed?"



### Schools can be scary places, and not just for children...

Parents and carers also need to feel welcome and at ease to get the most out of being involved with their children's school.

When parents and carers are involved and connected with school, children learn better and have better mental health. This is an important emphasis in schools nowadays that may be very different from what parents or carers remember, or what they may have experienced in another country.

### Connecting at school

Being connected at school is not about having mobile phones and computers. It's about knowing you can get support, that you will be listened to, and that you can work together with school staff to help your child learn and develop. Working together to care for children is the best way for schools and parents/carers to support children's mental health.

- **When schools and parents/carers work together**, children find it easier to understand what is expected from them and are better able to manage. They have fewer behaviour problems and do better at school.
- **When parents/carers are connected to school** it helps them get support when they need it. Support may come from talking with teachers or other school staff, or from making connections with other parents. Schools help families to connect through having lots of different activities that parents/carers can get involved in.
- **Being connected to the school helps keep parents informed.** Parents who are informed about what their children are learning at school and about opportunities to get involved are able to support them better at home.





Having opportunities to get to know other parents, to find out how to support your children's learning, or to get involved in class activities can help parents and carers feel connected to the school.

### How parents and carers can get connected to the school

- Make contact with your child's teacher and keep in touch. Ask for help if you don't understand something.
- Check for notices that are sent home and keep informed about school activities through the school newsletter.
- Attend information sessions and social activities at the school whenever you can.
- Make contact with other parents at your school: perhaps meet up informally with parents of other children in your child's class, find out about parent social groups that meet at or near the school, or join a parent committee.
- Take an interest in the school council – and consider joining it if you have the time and skills.

KidsMatter Primary has developed a range of resources for parents and carers to help keep them informed about children's mental health and how they can help.

Keep an eye out at your school for further KidsMatter Primary resources that provide information on children's social and emotional learning, on child development and parenting, and on mental health problems in children.



This resource is part of the KidsMatter Primary initiative. We welcome your feedback at [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)



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