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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

MINI NEWSLETTER

- 1. Attendance Awards These were handed out today and will be published in next week's full edition of the newsletter. Again, our data from Term 1 was exceptional.
- 2. ANZAC Day Our school leaders (Declan N, Jhet, Tayla R & Taylah G) will represent our school at the service at Welsford Street on Wednesday 25th April arrive at 10.20am please. Prior to this day on Monday 23rd April, the Parents Club will be working with Grade 3-6 students making Anzac biscuits for the whole school and we will make a school wreath at 11am. Any donations of flowers would be appreciated for this event.
- 3. Bike Education Program This will begin on Monday 23rd April for students in Grades 2-6. Permission forms for this program and bike checklists (for students using their own bikes) are now due. Forms for the On Road Test (Grade 5/6) and Grade 6 Bike Ride will go home this week and must be returned by Friday.
- 4. Tree Planting Day This will be held for the whole school on Thursday 26th April with each grade participating down at the silo area near the railway line. There will be no specific permission forms for this event because this is a local excursion as per start of year Green Sheet. Parents are welcome to come along and help if they wish and suitable clothing depending on the weather should be worn on this day. Timetable at present is: 9-10am (Grade 5/6), 10-11am (Grade 2/3), 11.30-12.15pm (Grade 3/4) and 12.15-1pm (Grade F/1). Contact the school, if you would prefer for your child to not participate.
- 5. Production Auditions These will be held on Thursday 26th and Friday 27th April for Grade 5/6 students. Scripts were handed out before the holidays and auditions will be held for Grade 5/6 students initially.
- 6. Open Days Five of these will be held in Term 2 beginning on Monday 28th May with sessions being held from 9.30am until 11am. More specific details are on Facebook and in next week's edition of the newsletter.
- 7. Movie Night This is scheduled for Friday 4th May and all of our students and their families are invited to this. More details will be in next week's newsletter respond to assist with catering please.
- 8. Biggest Morning Tea / Special Friends Day This is scheduled for Thursday 24th May in the morning. It would be appreciated if all families could bring a plate to share for morning tea. More details will be available in next week's full edition of the newsletter.
- 9. GRIP Leadership Our four school leaders (Tayla R, Taylah G, Declan, Jhet) will attend this day on Monday 30th April with Mr Brodie personal car to be used. We will aim to get permission forms home this week could these be returned ASAP please. This will be whole day excursion at the Eastbank Centre in Shepparton.
- 10. Interschool Cross Country This will be held for Grade 3-6 students on Wednesday 2nd May at the Victoria Lake in Shepparton. All students and teachers will travel by bus and the cost for this day will be \$2 permission forms will be sent home this week. The first event begins at 1pm (10 year olds and under) so we will aim to leave school at 12.15pm. All students participating will have an early lunch on this day. Mr Brodie, Mrs Haberfield and Miss Love will attend this event. The last event begins at 2pm (12/13 year olds) ages are calculated as at December 31 2018. (i.e. if a child turns 11 during 2018 they run in the 11 years group).
- 11. School Photo Day This is scheduled for Thursday 3rd May. Photo envelopes have been sent home today and details in regard to photo choices and prices are part of this information. All envelopes will need to be returned before the day.
- 12. Parents Club Meeting This is scheduled for Monday 23rd April straight after school and all families are welcome to attend.
- 13. Attitude to Schools Survey Students in grades 4-6 will participate in this during a 3 week period beginning on Monday 30th April. Students will complete this survey online using a unique password and the survey will provide the school information on which we can act to make our school a more engaging and enjoyable environment. All data gained on this day is confidential.
- 14. NAPLAN Grade 3 and 5 students will be participating in this testing on Literacy and Numeracy for 3 days from Tuesday 15th to Thursday 17th May. We are currently preparing our students for this and will make this program as non-threatening as possible. Families are reminded that results from NAPLAN are not a true reflection of yearly student achievement everyone is encouraged to participate and have a go.
- 15. <u>Craft Day</u> This is scheduled for Monday 7th May in anticipation for Mother's Day on Sunday 13th May. The cost for this day is \$3 and all grades will participate on this morning which will begin at 9.30am and conclude at 1pm. If any families can assist contact the school please. Scheduled times are: 9.30-10.15am (Grade 5/6), 10.15-11am (Grade 3/4), 11.30-12.15pm (Grade 2/3) and 12.15-1pm (Grade F/1)
- 16. Smart Spelling Approach All teaching staff are really enthusiastic, motivated and better equipped to teach spelling more effectively across the school after completing our curriculum day a couple of weeks ago. We have started specific processes in regard to this approach and we look forward to full implementation during term 2.
- 17. Reading Proposal We are looking at altering our reading times each morning to have a major focus from 8.45am until 9am. This will allow us to have more focus on classroom learning directed by the teachers without students going in and out of class to read with parents. Students on the late bus will complete their reading on arrival if possible. We have had mostly positive feedback in regard to this and more specific details have been sent out via Flexibuzz. This proposal will be discussed further at School Council in the coming weeks.
- 18. Easter Raffle All the lucky winners of this raffle will be published in next week's full edition of the newsletter. All Easter egg prizes were collected before the holiday break.
- 19. School Council The next meeting for School Council will be held on Wednesday 2nd May. The Finance Committee will meet at 6.30pm, followed by School Council at 7.30pm.
- 20. Child Safe Code of Conduct (Volunteers) A reminder for all of our great volunteers to return this document to the office so that we are compliant with Child Safety regulations. Copies can be collected at the office if needed. Document is here http://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/child_safe_code_of_conduct.pdf
 21. Food Handling Course We would like to update our registers for 2018. Any volunteers who are involved in food preparation at Tally PS are strongly encouraged to complete this online course. Certificates can be emailed to the school at tallygaroopna.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au The Food Handling online course is found here http://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/welcome.php
- 22. School Fees School fees are now due contact the office if you would like to set up a payment plan. All families received individual student letters which documented Parent Payment Charges for 2018 so your attention with this matter would be appreciated.
- 23. Random Acts of Kindness (Shower Others with Kindness) This whole school initiative involves 3 students / teachers being picked out of a hat as the Givers and 3 students / teachers being picked as the Receivers. Kind acts (card, cupcake, and lollypop....etc) are due by the end of the week. This week's givers are Oliver, Aden and Caitlyn. Well done to the last 3 givers Dee Palmer, Miss Lothian and Kade H.
- 24. Specialist Program P.E and Library will be on Wednesday and LOTE (Italian) and Music will be held on the Friday. Choir with Mrs McQuilton will be held on Friday lunchtime briefly and we hope many of our students participate in this extra curricula program.
- 25. Skoolbo Consent A reminder about Skoolbo consent forms these will be sent home again today and parent's must approve of this online or lose access.