



Tallygaroopna Primary School Newsletter

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Term 1 #2 - February 6th 2023

>> NOTES / PAYMENTS DUE <<

Please finalise any outstanding payments

1. Rest Days - Foundations – This continues this Wednesday with remaining days where students stay at home being on the 15th and 22nd of February. The first full week for Foundation students is planned to begin on Monday 27th February. Further days can be discussed if needed.

2. English Online Interview – Information was sent home last Friday in a hard copy form and also sent via text to all Foundation and Grade 1 families. This formal testing will be completed on the following days by Miss McDonald– Wed 8th Feb, Thurs 16th Feb, Wed 22nd Feb, Wed 8th March and Tuesday 14th March.

If any of these days and times do not suit, please contact Mr Brodie ASAP and some changes might be made. Could Foundation families arrive promptly please – 5 minutes before each session.

3. Camps for 2023 – We will be having the Grade 3-4 camp at 15 Mile Creek early in Term 1. The first day on Monday 27th February will be an induction held at Tallygaroopna Primary School followed by 4 days at the Camp returning to school on Friday 3rd March. More specific information in regard to departure and return times will be available soon. Relevant information was sent home last week – can this be returned by Monday 13th February please. We anticipate that the cost of the camp will be about \$180 - TBC. **Please contact the school if your child will not be attending the camp – this is urgent so that the final cost can be confirmed.** We anticipate that staff attending the camp will be – Mr Brodie, Miss Peutz or Miss Lothian and potentially a parent. If you are interested contact the school ASAP please. The Grade 5/6 Camp will be held at Canberra this year from Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th October.

4. Shep News Photos – These will be taken on this Thursday at 9.30am for new Foundation students – please return consent in regard to this ASAP.

5. BYOD Program – We will be offering families in Grade 5/6 the BYOD program again this year. Acceptable use agreements were sent home before the end of 2022 – return these ASAP please. Apple iPads are the preferred devices for our classroom but these are not compulsory as some will be provided for student use as per usual. [Other specific information is found here.](#)

6. Forms Sent Home – These included:

- Green Information Form
- MARC Borrowing Agreement
- Info Night - RSVP

These forms are essential for the general operation of the school and it would be appreciated if these are returned by Friday, 10th February.

7. Information Evening – Information and Meet the Teachers evening will be held at school again. This is planned for Tuesday 14th February from 6pm – 7.30pm and specific information was sent home last week – please RSVP now to assist with catering for the BBQ. We look forward to seeing everyone back in our school throughout the year.

8. Pool Day – We are planning a fun swimming day at the Mooroopna Pool for Monday 10th March from 11am to 2pm and we will be travelling to this venue by bus. We anticipate that the cost for this day will be \$10 – permission forms will go home soon.

9. School Council Meetings – We are mandated to have 8 meetings a year. There are a couple of openings this year if anyone would like to join School Council – feel free to contact David for any clarification. The 1st meeting is set for Monday 27th February.

David Brodie (Principal)

Our general school rule is to "consider the feelings of others at all times".

Food scraps & food wrappers will go home in student lunch boxes to assist with hygiene in the school
The Department's latest advice on coronavirus can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

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INCLUSION**

10. Resilience Project Survey – Students in Grades 3-6 will be participating in this survey later in Term 1 to support students in regard to resilience and wellbeing. Further information will be provided via Skool Loop – no individual student results will be identified.

11. NAPLAN – This annual assessment for students in Grades 3 and 5 will be held from 15th to 27th March. Please contact the school if you have any queries.

12. Tutoring – Some students in Grades 3, 4 and 5 will be involved in a support program with Miss Beer every Monday at school. Relevant families have been contacted – could consent forms be returned ASAP please.

13. Bells (EM) – Over the next few weeks, we will be ringing our Emergency Management bells to build awareness for new students and staff. Obviously, these are just drills so there is no need to be alarmed.

14. School Payments – When making payment to the school bank account for multiple items, please make one direct deposit for the total amount with your family name listed and email the school a message detailing the breakdown of the payment.

15. Borrowing Agreement – Please return these ASAP, so that children can borrow from the MARC Van – our 1st library session is on this Wednesday.

16. Parent Payment Arrangements – These are set at \$140 per student to cover stationery, online subscriptions and MACC & MARC costs. These were sent home last year and have been reduced by \$10 from 2022. Payment would be appreciated by the end of term 1, 2023. [Further information is found here.](#)

17. Medicine at School – For those students required to have medication whilst at school, a Medication Request form is required to be filled out, signed and returned to the school office prior to the student being administered medication. Further copies are available at the office. This does not apply to children with asthma with their puffer, although the office must be informed of the child's needs in this regard. Any change to the child's medical condition should be relayed to the office ASAP.

18. Mental Health in Schools – Mrs Monty began her new role at our school last week and we look forward to opening our GEM space to our students this week. This room will be open from 11am to 11.40am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and we look forward to seeing our children enjoy this new environment. Some photos are included in this edition of the newsletter – maybe pop in and have a look when you can.

19. Parents' Club – Our first meeting for the year will be held today after school at 3.30pm. New and existing parents are always welcome to join this club which constantly supports the school. In previous years some great fundraising has occurred and the school was able to utilise some funds to go towards school programs and excursions which was greatly appreciated.

20. Late Arrivals / Early Departures – There is a Late Arrivals/Early Departures book at the office, which needs to be signed for late arriving or early departing students. This needs to be signed by parents (or whoever is dropping off or picking up your child). There is also a Visitor's Book to be signed by all visitors to the school (this includes parents who stay for Parents' Club activities, etc). This will aid our emergency management.










21. Conveyance – [The Conveyance Allowance Program \(CAP\)](#) is a form of financial assistance to help families in rural and regional Victoria with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest appropriate school or campus. Parents applying for the allowance are required to complete an application form – contact Karen if needed.

22. Rapid Antigen Tests – A reminder to families that RA tests can be collected at school by parents at any time – contact the school if you would like your child to take some boxes home, please.

23. Absence Notes – The preferred method to notify the school is via Skool Loop. A written note will also be accepted, so that we have something in writing

24. CSEF Applications – A reminder about the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund that helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Further information was in last weeks newsletter.

Student of the Week

<p>Grade F/1/2 Miss M's Blossoming F/1/2's</p> 		<p>Caius</p> <p>Congratulations Caius for the wonderful support you gave to a classmate during a learning task. You were patient and provided such lovely guidance to help your classmate solve the problem. You should be proud of the way you treat others with kindness and respect. Keep up the amazing work!</p>
<p>Grade 2/3/4</p> 		<p>Penny</p> <p>Penny has made a fantastic start to the school year. Every day she has come into the classroom using her whole body listening and giving every task her best effort. Thank you for being an amazing role model to the rest of your peers. Keep up the amazing work, Penny!</p>
<p>Grade 4/5/6 Miss L's Effervescent Experts</p> 		<p>Olivia</p> <p>Olivia has made a wonderful start to Grade 5! She has settled into the new routines and procedures of our classroom and has shown great enthusiasm towards all tasks she has undertaken. Olivia has demonstrated that she is a hardworking, responsible and mature student who will be an excellent role model to her peers throughout the year. Well done, Liv!</p>
<p>GEM AWARD – Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness</p>	 	<p>Lachie S & Caius</p> <p>for helping out a new student and showing them around the school.</p>
<p>SPORT AWARD</p>		<p>Georgia</p> <p>for your persistence and willingness to keep trying at a new skill. Well done, Georgia.</p>

Junior School Council – Student Voice at Tallygaroopna Primary School

Semester 1

Grade 6 – Maddi, Max, Zoey

Grade 5 – Skylah, Amelia, Bailey, Nate, Nathan, Kealan

Semester 2

Grade 6 – Alira, Ryder, Will

Grade 5 – Diesel, Harry, Olivia, Opal, Ayla, Charlotte, Sofia

Mrs Monty will be implementing JSC for 2023.

School Captains / Vice Captains will be invited to participate also.

**Welcome to our new students – Macen and Tylar and their Mum
Jodie. We hope your time at our school is
an enjoyable one.**

Congratulations to Tahlia Proctor and Travis Bentley on the birth of Letisha Leigh Bentley on 22 Jan 2023. A beautiful little sister for Connor and Eliza.

Supervision – Parents are reminded that grounds supervision does not begin until 8.30am so please do not send students early to school for the sake of it or to play. [This is documented in our staff supervision policy.](#)

Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



Photos of the Week – GEM SPACE



TALLY P.S. CALENDAR

(all dates TBC)



Term 1 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
JAN 30 All Students Start	31	FEB 1 Prep – Rest Day Art / PE	2 Respectful Rel. & Resilience Project	3
6 Tutoring Begins Parents Club	7 Safer Internet Day	8 Prep – Rest Day Lib / Music / PE	9 RR & RP	10
13	14 Meet & Greet	15 Prep – Rest Day Art / PE	16 RR & RP	17 Men's Shed
20	21 Bravehearts	22 Prep – Rest Day Lib / Music / PE	23 RR & RP	24
27 Induct. – 34 Camp School Council 1	28 34 Camp Red Balloon Day	MARCH 1 Art / PE 34 Camp	2 RR & RP 34 Camp	3 Men's Shed 34 Camp
6	7	8 Lib / Music / PE	9 RR & RP	10 Pool Day - Mooroopna
13	14	15 Art / PE NAPLAN Begins - 35 Conference Day 1	16 RR & RP	17 Men's Shed
20 Conference Day 2	21	22 Lib / Music / PE	23 RR & RP	24 Athletic Sports
27 NAPLAN Ends – 35 School Council 2	28	29 Art / PE	30 RR & RP	31 Men's Shed Colour Run - TBC
APRIL 3	4	5 Lib / Music / PE	6 RR & RP Term 1 Ends	7 Good Friday
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