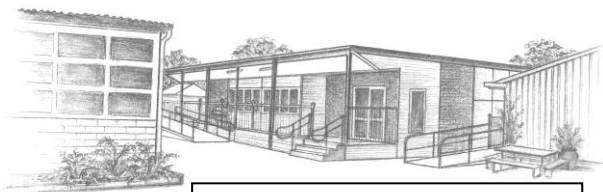


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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

News from the Principal's Desk

Hi everyone,

Last week we had to call off the Tree Planting Day because of the bad weather. This was unfortunate but we hope to announce a new date as soon as possible. We will send home new permission forms when this program is rescheduled and the bus will still be free – kindly paid for by Landcare. Sorry for any inconvenience in regard to this.

Last week, we had 11 students attend the Winter Sport Day which involved Netball and Football teams at Shepparton and Mooroopna respectively. I went over to both venues in the morning and spent some time with both teams and it was pleasing to see the sportsmanship and team work from all the students involved. Our relationship with our partner schools – Zeerust PS and Congupna PS, continues to be a positive one. Special thanks to Mrs Haberfield and Miss Dube who coached the netball team and Mr Pettigrew from Congupna PS who coached the football team. Thanks to Bev Montgomery for assisting with the netball as well with umpiring.

Today some of our Grade 4/5 students headed off bright and early to the Woorabinda camp. I am sure that all the kids will have an enjoyable time and will have plenty of stories to tell from their experiences. On Wednesday, we also head off to see the Wanganui SC performance of Sweet Charity at the Westside Performing Arts Centre at Mooroopna. We will leave just after 10am and won't return to school until approximately 2.15pm – permission forms and \$7 will need to be paid before this day as per usual. **As we will be at this performance for the majority of the day – no pie warmers will be available on this day.**

Have a great week everyone and I look forward to catching up with some parents at Playgroup and Munch & Crunch on Thursday.

David Brodie (Teaching Principal)

STRONG MIND AND CARING HEART

The notion of a 'Strong Mind' and 'Caring Heart' is often mentioned and reinforced with our students.

'Strong Mind' refers to the student making wise decisions based on what they know is right and wrong. This also means not succumbing to peer pressure. This is where the notion 'strong' is reinforced because at times you have to show strength in your decision and stick to it. This can be difficult, especially if your friends don't agree. An example might be when a group of students knowingly decide to break a school rule, such as playing and running with sticks. It will take a 'Strong Mind' for a student to confront their friends and remind them that they are breaking a school rule and that what they are doing is unsafe. This is also where the notion of 'Caring Heart' comes into play. We emphasise that we are all part of Tallygaropna Primary School's learning community, and as a community we all have the responsibility to ensure that every one of us at school is feeling happy and safe. In the above example, it requires a 'Strong Mind' to confront friends about breaking a school rule and it requires a 'Caring Heart' to also be worried that they might injure themselves or others with the sticks.

'Strong Mind' and 'Caring Heart' are very powerful and important values for all of us to have. Imagine if everyone used a 'Strong Mind' and 'Caring Heart' at all times; what a happy and safe world we would have!

ANYONE INTERESTED IN INFORMAL I.T. LESSONS (COMPUTERS, INTERNET, IPODS, IPADS...ETC) CAN LEAVE THEIR NAMES AT THE OFFICE OR PHONE THE SCHOOL ON 58298264.

IF ANYONE CAN HELP OUT AT THE WORKING BEE ON SUNDAY AUGUST 18TH LEAVE NAMES AT THE OFFICE.

SCIENTISTS OF THE WEEK – Zoe

School Facebook Likes – 47 and growing

EVACUATION DRILL

We practised our Evacuation Drill last Thursday morning. It was very successful with the students leaving the buildings to assemble on the school oval quietly and cooperatively, but highlighted the importance of all visitors to the school (including parents staying for reading or Parents' Club) to sign into the Visitor's Book at the front Office.

Photos for the Week – Football / Netball

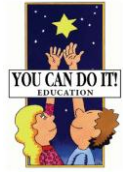


Photos for the Week – Football / Netball – and some more!!





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Term 3 / Week 2



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

Prep / Grade 1 Terrific Turtle's

Zane



For receiving a certificate in Reading Eggs. We like how you have completed 57 units and lots of activities to go with it.
Great work Zane.

Grade 2/3/4 Freaky Frogs

Cohan



For the thoughtful and caring way he interacted with his classmates this week.
Awesome work Cohan!

Grade 5/6 Mad Monkeys

Haymish



For the effort that he is putting in at school with his Spelling words each week and for the enthusiasm that he always shows during writing activities. Haymish also won the Sportsmanship medal at footy last Friday. Well done Haymish!

Values Vault was awarded to – Preston Hall (Week 2)

TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIDES ITSELF ON
BEING A COMMUNITY SCHOOL.

Our kids matter.

KidsMatter helps our school nurture happy, balanced kids.



1. Wanganui SC Performance

On Wednesday, the whole school will have the opportunity to attend the Wanganui Secondary College Performance of Sweet Charity at the Westside Performing Arts Centre in Mooroopna. No lunch orders will be available on this day and all students will need to bring their own lunch and drink for the interval. The cost for the day will be \$7 which covers the performance and travel by bus. We will have a snack before we leave at 10.15am (we need to be seated by 10.45am for an 11am start). The performance is approximately 2 hours and 20 minutes. We anticipate arriving back at school at about 2.15pm.

Sweet Charity

A large red heart outline is positioned to the right of the words 'Sweet Charity'.

Permission forms went home a couple of weeks ago and must be returned with the money before the day. Excursions are a privilege, not a right. Behaviour and attendance will be closely monitored leading up to this event.

Website - <http://www.wanganuipsc.vic.edu.au/SiteCon/Pages/Events/Sweet.aspx>

2. Parent Opinion Surveys

Families will receive a Parent Opinion Survey today. Part of our accountability process involves receiving feedback from parents, students and staff. We really appreciate hearing about what we are doing well and our opportunities for improvement. **These surveys are due to be returned to school by this Friday 2nd August.**

Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously and it is important to us that you complete the survey as honestly as possible. Your comments in the final, open-ended question will be scanned and provided back to the school. When completed please seal your survey in the envelope provided and write your child's name on the back of the envelope. Your child's name will only be used to record you have returned the survey. The sealed envelope will not be opened by the school and will be sent to an independent organisation for collation and reporting. The results will be shared with parents via the School Council later in the year.

3. Fairleys Supa IGA Community Rewards Program

Our school is in the process of registering for the Fairleys Supa IGA Community Rewards program. Families can register in-store but only when we have had our registration accepted. Funds generated by customer points donations are converted to cash and handed over at the end of the financial year. We hope to have more details next week indicating what you need to do and when you can register if you wish to support the school.

4. School Council – Policies

Last week at School Council, we looked at 2 school policies in regard to Working Bees and Swimming. These are in this edition of the newsletter in a draft form and we would appreciate any suggestions / alterations so that both policies can be endorsed at the next School Council meeting in about a months' time.

5. School Disco

Our Grade 5/6 students have started to plan the School Disco which is scheduled to be held at school on Friday 23rd August in the Multi Purpose Room. If any parents can assist with the organisation of this night, could you see David ASAP – decorations and set up of the MP room may begin on the Thursday morning because we have our Art program scheduled the next day. **The Disco will begin at 6pm and conclude at 8.30pm and current Tallygaroopna PS students and siblings are welcome to attend.** Any student attending the Disco will need to make a **\$2 payment** to enter the room and all children will be inside during the night (no students will be allowed to run around outside). Obviously, students will be allowed outside to utilise the toilets and bubble taps. Parents are expected to drop off and pick up their children on the night – **however, all children should be supervised by an adult/parent on the night for the duration of the disco – Mr Brodie will be in attendance as well.** If alternative arrangements are made could you contact the office ASAP please. Drinks and food will be available for sale on the night and prizes will be awarded as well. **It should be a fun night with the theme on the night being "Rockstar".**

GET THOSE COSTUMES ORGANISED!!!!

6. Book Day - Cluster

Our whole school will have an opportunity to attend the Cluster Book Day at Katandra West P.S. on Tuesday 20th August. This event will be for the whole day and the theme for Book Week is Reading Across the Universe. **For the Book Day children can dress up as something to do with Space or as a Book Character.** The day will start at 9.20am and will finish at 2.35pm. We anticipate returning to school at 3pm. More details will be available soon regarding costs and lunches...etc.

Excursions are a privilege and not a right – behaviour and attendance is closely monitored leading up to the event.

7. Computer Lessons

We will be starting up Computer Lessons for anyone from the school community every Monday for the term beginning on the 5th August. These sessions will start at 4.30pm and finish at about 6pm. There was some initial interest in relation to this at the Biggest Morning Tea and we look forward to assisting our community members with this. There will be no cost for these lessons and tea and coffee will be provided.

8. Woorabinda Camp

Good luck to Brittany, Kelsie, Mikayla, Bailey and Preston who headed off to the Woorabinda Camp this morning. The children will be returning to Gowrie Primary School - 1-19 Gowrie St Shepparton (oval at back of school) on 2/8/2013 at 03:00pm.

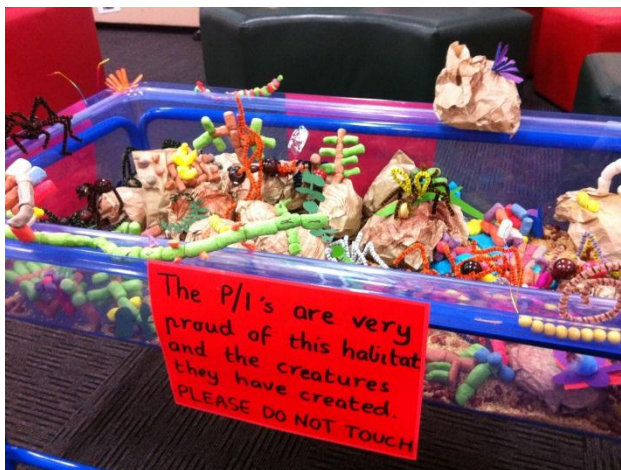
9. New Enrolments - 2014

We are now looking at planning enrolments for new students for next year. Enrolment Packages can be collected from the school office and an informal tour of the school can be requested if needed. Feel free to contact Mr Brodie any time.

10. AASC Program

Our Term 3 program began today with Cricket. Taekwondo will be held on Tuesday. An enrolment form was attached to the newsletter a few weeks ago – available on our school website as well. Each session will begin at 3.35pm and conclude at 4.35pm. A healthy fruit snack will be provided before each session and Andrea Walker will be our supervisor for both programs this term. We hope to hold the last Taekwondo session in Shepparton – a bus will be provided (more details to follow). A free icy pole voucher is awarded each week out of a lucky draw.

Prep / Grade 1 Science
Mini Beasts Theme
Come and have a look in our Project Room of the
wonderful display set up by the junior students.





A big thank you to Fiona & Tim Fleming for their organisation with the crates which will be used for our new vegetable garden. We hope to begin this in the next couple of weeks.



Reading Eggs Certificate Winners – Ashleigh and Zane (Great job kids!!)

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!

Parents Club will be running a **CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER** this term.

Each school family will be given a box of 50 x \$1.00 chocolates to sell over the next few weeks. Boxes will be sent home next week, and each family is asked to please do your best to either take a shot for the team and eat the chocolates yourselves, or sell them to friends, family, and workmates.

More details to follow.

We're on the way to becoming eSmart

Earlier we advised that our school had registered with eSmart – a comprehensive approach for managing cybersafety and dealing with bullying and cyberbullying in school communities.

We're pleased to let you know that we have completed the first phase of our eSmart journey.

We have planned many activities in line with the eSmart Schools Framework, and are now progressing with implementation.

eSmart
Smart. Safe. Responsible.

Expect to hear a lot more in the coming months about our efforts to promote the smart, safe and responsible use of digital technology.

We hope you will also take part in some of the opportunities to learn more about being eSmart.

For more information visit www.esmart.org.au



*Anyone interested in playing tennis (junior or senior) this season with Tally,
please contact Yvonne Sprunt*

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18th July, 2013



Tally Primary School Playgroup

Tallygaropna Primary School is starting a Playgroup for pre-school aged children on Thursday, 1st August at 9:00am. Morning tea will be provided for parents (fruit for the children) on this day. The session will run every second Thursday during the school term (not over the holidays).

Families are invited to come to the School's Multipurpose Room to have a cuppa and chat while your child/ren have fun socializing. The session will be led by our experienced Prep/Grade 1 teacher - Sandra Wallace.

For more information, please call the school on 5829 8264, or Philippa Collins on 5829 8414.



PLANNED WORKING BEE – TALLY PS

SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST

9AM UNTIL 1PM
BBQ AND DRINKS PROVIDED

JOBS TO COMPLETE

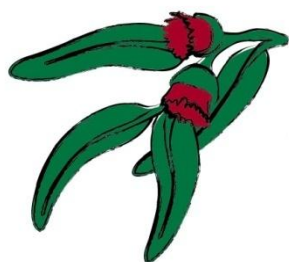
- ROCK LAID IN CARPARK
- PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE
(BOARDS, SOFT FALL)
- GENERAL GARDEN MAINTENANCE

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP OUT ON
THIS DAY COULD YOU PLEASE LEAVE
NAMES AT THE OFFICE. YOUR
SUPPORT WOULD BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED.

Dear Parents,

My name is Jacqui Dube, I come from Benalla. I am studying a Bachelor of Early Childhood and Primary Education at Charles Sturt University in Albury / Wodonga. I have 10 weeks of placement left until I finish my degree and begin my journey as a classroom teacher. I am so thankful to have one of my final placements at Tallygaroopna Primary School. So far my experience has been very rewarding. I look forward to meeting you all as I form a strong relationship with your children.

Yours sincerely
Jacqui Dube



Mooroopna Education & Activity Centre Inc

*What is on at Mooroopna Education & Activity Centre
for August 2013.*

August

1st August-2nd August

Hand Heart Soul-1st August -5th September at 9.30am – 11.30am \$7

iPad for Beginners -26th July-2nd August at 9.30 – 11.30 \$30

Computers for Beginners - 30th July – 20th August at 9.30am -12noon \$90

5th August – 9th August

Bears - Stories and Play with Anne Tomietto-6th August at 9.30am Free ages 0-5 Years

12th August – 16th August

Beginners Photo Elements 9-15th August-12th September at 9.30am -12 noon \$75

19th August – 23rd August

Cuppa for Kids-19th August at 10.30am – 11.30am Gold coin donation

(Raise funds for the Best start Elf book bag program)

26th August – 30th August

Food Handlers-26th August at 9.00am – 1pm \$100

Food Supervisors-27th August at 9.00am – 4.00pm \$200

Introduction to Microsoft Office-27th August – 17th September at 9.30am – 12noon \$90

Lady Pamper Day on Tuesday-Bookings is essential

Men's exercise classes are now running on Monday at 1.30pm

Mooroopna Play Group 9.30-11am

MEAC Art Gallery:-

Splinter Contemporary Artists 31st July-16th September

MEAC are agents for V/Line tickets.

For these and any other enquires please contact MEAC on 58251774.



Department of Education and
Early Childhood Development

Education Maintenance Allowance 2013: Instalment Two



Sample Newsletter Article

Education Maintenance Allowance

Instalment Two

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

Parents and guardians may be eligible for the EMA if they have a valid Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card.

The second instalment of the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) payment is due to be paid from mid-August onwards for parents/guardians who chose the 'direct deposit' or 'pay direct to school' payment option on their application form.

Parents/guardians who chose the cheque payment option will receive their payment from late August / early September.

Parents and guardians who lodged an EMA application at the beginning of the year do not need to lodge another EMA application to receive the second instalment EMA payment.

Parents/guardians whose children have transferred to this school since 28 February 2013 will need to submit a new EMA application form. Applications close on 2 August 2013.

Eligibility information can be obtained from:

www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/lifeatschool/ema/default.htm

Contact: School Office for an application form and further information.

Key Dates:

- Eligibility day - 15 July 2013
- Parent applications close - 2 August 2013
- Direct Deposit payments - Mid August 2013 onwards
- Cheque payments - Late August / Early September 2013



Rationale:

- Working bees are an essential part of our school's volunteer maintenance program. At the same time, they need to be well managed to ensure the safety of volunteers, to ensure the most effective use of the volunteer labour and resources, and to guarantee that projects are aligned to the school's needs.

Aims:

- To conduct effective, time efficient, enjoyable and safe volunteer working bees in order to maintain our school grounds.

Implementation:

- Working bees are the responsibility of School Council, and therefore must be approved by School Council prior to their advertisement.
- In approving working bees School Council must be provided with full details regarding date, time, tasks to be completed, equipment to be used, any special skills required, first aid access, person in charge, anticipated numbers of attendants, supervision of children, food and refreshments, safety etc, in compliance with any legislative obligations (ie: OHS)
- Working bees must be coordinated on the day by a clearly recognisable 'person in charge'.
- The person in charge will require all volunteers to sign a working bee volunteer register before commencing any work.
- The tasks to be completed will be clearly explained to volunteers, and no volunteer will be asked to carry out any task that is unsafe, requires specialist training that they do not possess, or that they are uncomfortable doing.
- Any specialist equipment (eg: hired equipment) will only be used by people trained to use the equipment. Safe working procedures will be complied with at all times.
- All safety equipment such as goggles, gloves and ear protection will be available and must be used properly. Sunscreen and water will also be readily available for all workers.
- The person in charge will make sure that they constantly monitor the work being conducted with the view to ensuring the safety and comfort of the workers, and the quality of the work.
- Non-alcoholic refreshments will be available during the working bee, and a barbecue or similar will be available at the end of the work period.
- The person in charge will ensure that all participants are aware when the working bee has finished, and will be responsible for the safe return of all equipment.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle and feedback will be sought from the School Community.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

Draft Swimming Policy – Tallygaroopna PS



Rationale:

- Swimming is an integral and essential part of the physical education program. Becoming a confident and competent swimmer is essential to student safety, as well as increasing opportunities for both leisure and sporting pursuits.

Aims

- To develop confident and competent swimmers who display the skills, knowledge and confidence required to enjoy swimming and other aquatic activities in safety.

Implementation:

- The school's annual swimming program will be organised and coordinated by staff who will be in attendance at all times, will only involve the use of municipal and commercial swimming pools, and will comply with Department of Education requirements at all times.
- A minimum of 2 staff members will be in attendance at all times, one being a qualified teacher employed by either the school council or Department of Education who has overall responsibility for the program. At least one staff member involved in instruction must hold an AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety certificate. At least one staff member will have current CPR qualifications.

This table describes supervision requirements

Minimum Staff - At least two staff supervise students at swimming and water activities.

The minimum overall staff – student ratio should be:

Swimming pools and other shallow venues:	1:10
Beginner swimmers - i.e. students with little or no experience including in shallow water.	
Intermediate swimmers - i.e. students with basic skills, able to swim 25 metres with a recognisable stroke.	1:12
Advanced swimmers - i.e. students able to swim fifty strokes using two recognisable strokes and to demonstrate one survival stroke in deep water.	1:15
Surf beaches - Note: Groups should be no greater than 50 students.	1:5
Open deep water venues	1:10

Personnel –

- A teacher employed by the Department or the School Council must be in attendance and have overall responsibility for the activity and legal responsibility for emergency procedures.
- Other supervising staff must be approved by the Principal. These may include parents / guardians, education support class officers, instructors or employees of swimming pools.
- When arranging for supervision of swimming or water activities schools must take into account the age and experience of the students as well as the venue and experience of staff.
- School council will employ additional AUSTSWIM qualified instructors where available to assist with the program, and will only use volunteers who are AUSTSWIM qualified.
- The swimming program will follow Levels 1-7 of the RLSSA Aquapass program, with student progress, achievement levels, reports and certificates being coordinated by the contractor of the Swimming Program
- An emergency drill will be explained and practiced at the start of the program, and throughout the program.
- Parents must provide a completed and signed swimming permission form for their child to participate in the program, and staff associated with the swimming program are to be made familiar with medical histories of students in respect to epilepsy, diabetes, asthma and heart conditions, and appropriate measures taken.
- Students with ear infections, throat infections, colds, papillomas and other contagious infections will not be permitted to enter the water until they have recovered.
- Costs associated with swimming programs must be paid by parents prior to the commencement of the program. Parents experiencing financial difficulty should contact the Principal.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed annually and feedback will be sought from the School Community.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in...

TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL – TERM 3 CALENDAR

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
8	9	10	11	12
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS				
15	16	Parents Club Mtg 17	Library State CCountry (Jordan) 18	Allie Ford Sess. 1 Science 19
22 Student Teach. Starts	23	24 School Council & Finance 5	Tree Planting Day 25	Art Footy / Netball 26
29 AASC Cricket	30 AASC Taekwondo	31 PLAY - WANGANUI	Library Playgroup Starts MunchN Crunch 1	2
WOORABINDA CAMP – 5 STUDENTS (G.4/5)				

JULY

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5 AASC Cricket Computers - Community	6 AASC Taekwondo Start Smart	7	8	Art - artist 9
12 AASC Cricket Computers - Community	13 AASC Taekwondo	14	Library Playgroup 15	16 Working Bee 18 th Aug
19 Book Fair Starts AASC Cricket Computers - Community	20 Book Day Katandra West AASC Taekwondo	21	22	23 Art Student Teach. Finishes Book Fair Ends School Disco
26 AASC Cricket Computers - Community	27 AASC Taekwondo	28 School Council & Finance 6 Solar Boat Workshop	Library Playgroup 29	30 Father's Day 1 st Sept

AUGUST