



Tallygaroopna Primary School Newsletter

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Term 1 #3 - February 13th 2023

>> NOTES / PAYMENTS DUE <<

Please finalise any outstanding payments

1. Rest Days - Foundations – This continues this Wednesday with the last day on the 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 – This formal testing for Foundation and Grade 1 students continues on the following dates: Thurs 16th Feb, Wed 22nd Feb, Wed 8th March and Tuesday 14th March.

3. Grade 3/4 Camp – This year our camp will be held at 15 Mile Creek and we anticipate 20 students attending (12 boys and 8 girls). 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. We will aim to leave school at 8am on Tuesday 28th February and will leave 15MC at midday on the Friday – arriving at school at about 2pm. We hope to confirm the cost for the camp this week – this is dependent on specific numbers. More specific information will go home soon along with a last minute reminders form.

4. Forms Sent Home – These included:

- Green Information Form
- MARC Borrowing Agreement
- Photographing Students Annual Consent

These forms are essential for the general operation of the school and these are due now.

5. Information Evening – Information and Meet the Teachers evening will be held at school again. This is planned for this Tuesday 14th February from 6pm – 7.30pm and specific information was sent home last week. RSVP's have now closed. We look forward to seeing everyone back in our school throughout the year. If families are able to assist with morning reading – attending the session on our Reading program is essential.

6. Pool Day – We are planning a fun swimming day at the Mooroopna Pool for Friday 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.

7. 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.

8. Athletic Sports – This will be held at McEwen Reserve at Shepparton on Friday 24th March for all students. Staff will be running triple jump and also supervising a couple of age groups throughout the day. Further details will be available closer to the day.

9. Swimming Program Vouchers – A reminder to families that these are available at our school to support swimming programs that were not held from 2020 to 2022. Contact Mr Brodie if you are interested in this please – vouchers cannot be distributed after Term 1.

10. Prep Nursing Program – Envelopes were distributed last week and are due this Friday for new Foundation families. This is a free service offered to all children attending primary schools and English Language Centre schools in Victoria. Primary school nurses visit schools throughout the year and provide children with the opportunity to have a health assessment.

11. Munch Crunch – The 1st lunch organised by the Parents' Club will involve sushi and will be held on Monday 6th March. Orders will be sent home soon – if you can assist on this day please contact Renee Scott.

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

**RESPECT
HONESTY
INCLUSION**

12. Colour Run – This is scheduled to be held on Friday 31st March on the school oval. This is a voluntary event for students, but consent is needed. Stay tuned for more information.

13. Bravehearts – The F/1/2 class will be attending this incursion at school on Tuesday 21st February from 2-3pm in the MP room. This is a fun Personal Safety Education Program with "Ditto" the lion cub being the star attraction. The show runs for about 35 minutes – contact the school if you would prefer for your child to not participate.

14. Student Led Conferences – There will be some changes to these in 2023. We are planning 2 sessions after school on Wednesday 15th March and Monday 20th March with times from 3.30pm to 6pm. Again, we will use an online booking process and families will be able to organise these from Monday 6th March – more info soon.

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

16. 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. A draft timetable is included below:

Thursday 16th March: Writing
 Friday 17th March: Reading
 Monday 20th March: Language Conventions
 Tuesday 21st March: Numeracy
 Thursday 23rd March: Catch Up (absent students)
 Monday 27th March: Catch Up (absent students)

There is a Public Demonstration site which is available to gain some awareness of this testing online – [this is found here](#).

17. 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.

18. Parents' Club – Thanks to the families who were able to attend the 1st meeting last week – your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. The next meeting will involve the Annual General Meeting on Monday 20th March straight after school – all are welcome as per normal.

19. School Uniform Reminder – A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. A reminder to all families to reinforce this please.

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. 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](#).

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.

25. Karen Away – Mrs Armstrong will be away from Friday to next Tuesday – returning to school on Wednesday 22nd February. Please be conscious of this if you have any queries.



Student of the Week

Grade F/1/2

Miss M's Blossoming F/1/2's



Maggie

Maggie, you have shown fantastic work ethic throughout your first two weeks of schooling. You have consistently completed all set tasks to a high standard and you have been a positive role model for your fellow students. Well done on a great start to Term 1, Maggie.

Grade 2/3/4

Miss P's Tremendous 2/3/4's



Georgia

Georgia has made a fantastic start to Grade 2. She has shown in multiple ways in the past two weeks that she is kind, hard working and responsible. I'm really proud of the effort that Georgia has been putting into her work, her contribution to discussions during learning time and her willingness to ask for assistance when it's needed. Keep up the amazing work!

Grade 4/5/6

Miss L's Effervescent Experts



Nate

I have been very impressed by the great focus Nate has demonstrated during learning time. He has been following instructions well and completing his set tasks, while being respectful and inclusive of his classmates. Nate has also been displaying a positive attitude – well done! Keep up the good work ethic, Nate :-)

**GEM AWARD –
Gratitude,
Empathy,
Mindfulness**



Kade

For your willingness to play and engage with everyone and for being so kind and generous. Thanks, Kade.

SPORT AWARD



Tylar

For his great participation in Phys Ed. He tried his hardest and never gave up. Well done, Tylar.

Ryder

For always doing his best and having a go, but also willing to offer help and assistance. Thanks, Ryder.

Parents' Club Announcement

February 2023

To the School Community,

The Tallygaroopna Primary School Parents' Club is a small group of hard working parents who fundraise and plan events with the aim of contributing to positive wellbeing, community connectedness and an enjoyable environment for all students.

It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to do more activities last year, following a challenging few years with COVID restrictions. In 2022 the group coordinated six munch'n'crunch lunches, the Colour Run, Easter Raffle, School Disco, Halloween Community BBQ and Mother's and Father's Day Stalls.

In addition to the events, there were multiple fundraising activities including Cadbury Chocolate Boxes, Fruit and Veggie Boxes and a Pie Drive. The funds raised contributed to subsidised activities including school camps, Kyabram Fauna Park excursion, Life Education Program, Whittlesea excursion and Graduation dinner. Funds raised also purchased a printer for the F/1 room, music equipment and gifts for leaving families and teachers.

The time commitment from the members of the group has increased and unfortunately participation in the group and support for these initiatives has decreased. For this reason, it was agreed at the February 2023 meeting to reduce the activities coordinated by the group – including no longer operating Mother's and Father's Day stalls. Munch'n'crunch will also be reduced to once a term, however there will only be one Parent's Club member coordinating these and two other non-member volunteers will be required or they too will be cancelled.

The Parent's Club welcomes and encourages new members including parents, grandparents and special friends of the school community. Meetings are kept to one hour, twice a term, and dates and times are flexible. Even if meetings are not convenient there are other volunteer roles including cooking, cleaning, graphic design, reading and grant applications which can be done both during and outside of school hours.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 20 March 2023 at 3.45pm at school. This meeting will also be an AGM and all positions will be declared open, including President and Secretary.

As a group, we love seeing the enjoyment the students get from the initiatives and activities we coordinate and we hope that support for these can continue for many years to come.

Renee Scott
President

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 BBQ	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 Munch N Crunch	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 Parents Club	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
APRIL 3	4		6 RR & RP Term 1 Ends	7 Good Friday

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