

TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO.3067



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MINI NEWSLETTER

- 1. Curriculum Day** - Our last Curriculum Day for the year looks like being held on Monday 25th November. This will involve report writing, planning for 2020 and staff health & wellbeing. We hope to confirm this date at School Council next week. This is a pupil free day and families will need to make alternative arrangements - there will be no OSH Care on this day.
- 2. OSH Care this week** - Toni Marie is still out of action this week and we hope she has a speedy recovery with her arm. Staff will be filling in again this week to ensure that our families continue to be supported with this program out of school hours.
- 3. Welcome** - We welcome Peyton (Grade 4) and Harmony (Grade 6) to our school.
- 4. Solar Panels** - Our monitoring system was installed last week and we are already seeing benefits in regard to energy production and consumption. Some information will be provided to the school community next week via the newsletter and we look forward to reaping the benefits of this asset in the school.
- 5. Future School Camps (Deposits)** - At school council last term, school council members agreed that in the future families will be asked to pay a non-refundable deposit rather than give an expression of interest. This will aid planning as the school has had to cover costs in the past with families withdrawing their expression of interest. The date for returning these has passed and a decision will be made on camps for 2020 this week. Please contact the office if you have in queries.
- 6. Cyber Safety Night** - This will be held at school this Wednesday 16th October in the Project Space beginning at 6pm. All are welcome and families and students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 are strongly encouraged to attend.
- 7. Fun Run** - This is scheduled for Friday 18th October at the Mooroopna Walking Track / Kidstown. The cost for the day is \$3. This money should be paid directly to Tallygaroopna PS and permission forms are now due. We anticipate leaving by bus at 11am and returning by 2.30pm. Students will have a quick snack prior to leaving school and eat their lunch at Kidstown - no money is needed on the day.
- 8. Division & Region Athletics** - Congratulations to those students who participated in Division Athletics today - as always you have done your families and school proud. Can families please pay the \$10 for this ASAP. Any students who have qualified for Region Athletics on Friday will have information sent home ASAP.
- 9. Orientation Program** - This begins this week with the following dates being set for our new Foundation students for 2020. We look forward to welcoming our new students to our school.
Day 1 - Tuesday 15th Oct (9am - 11am) Day 2 - Tuesday 29th Oct (9am - 11.40am) Day 3 - Wednesday 13th Nov (9am - 1.55pm)
Day 4 - Wednesday 27th Nov (9am - 1.55pm) Day 5 (Statewide) - Tuesday 10th Dec (all day)
- 10. Grade 1/2 Activity Night / Grade 2 Sleepover** - This is scheduled for Friday 18th October. Information has already been sent home to families in Grade 1/2 - could forms be returned by tomorrow to assist with catering - this includes a medical form for all staff and students who are staying the night at school.
- 11. Swimming Program** - This is a week long program with swimming taking place for 45 minutes each day beginning on Monday 21st October. Permission forms have been sent home and the cost is \$55 per student. The first group will swim at 1pm and the second group will start at 1.45pm. Students will spend a short period of time in the adjacent playground while waiting for their swimming. If parents don't wish their children on the playground please see the school. We will leave TPS at 12.20pm and return at approximately 3pm (lunch will be eaten at the normal time of 11.45am). **There will be no lunch orders next Thursday when we are swimming.**
- 12. Science Night** - Mrs Starbuck has organised a Science Night on Thursday 24th October. This will be held at school, begin at 6pm and conclude at 7.30pm. Students have been working hard on Science projects to show you what they have learnt over the last term in Science. Parents and friends are invited to the Science Night to see all of this fabulous work. Could you please bring a plate to share at the end of the night - tea and coffee will be provided.
- 13. Canberra Camp** - Can all forms please be returned ASAP. The cost for this camp is \$350 per student (\$460 is the full cost - Parents' Club are subsidising the camp by \$80 per student using funds raised by the Chocolate Drive, plus \$30 Pacer rebate). Full payment of the camp needs to be made before the camp begins on Tuesday 29th October. Please contact the office if you would like to set up a payment plan. This camp has been budgeted to just cover costs and so refunds may not be possible if a student pulls out at late notice. We will be leaving Tallygaroopna PS - Tuesday 29th October at 7am and arriving back at Tallygaroopna PS - Friday 1st November at approximately 6pm (alerts on Flexibuzz). There will be a last reminders note out next week.
- 14. Essential Mathematics** - Our school has received some funding to trial a new Assessment Program called Essential Mathematics. All students should now have specific passwords and usernames to access this resource online and families are encouraged to take a look at this program away from the school environment if possible. Feel free to contact the school if you need any help.
- 15. 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 either email or FlexiBuzz a message to the office detailing the breakdown of the payment.
- 16. Specialists** - We are pleased to announce that all Specialist programs for Art, Library, Music, PE, Science and Italian will continue in 2020. All of these programs will be implemented 1 day a fortnight with 3 programs each week and all current staff will continue with these programs.
- 17. Grade 1 Placements for 2020** - Grade structures for 2020 have been confirmed and we will be splitting our Grade 1 students (F/1 and 1/2). If you would like to discuss grade placements for Grade 1 students could you see Mr Brodie ASAP please.
- 18. 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.
- 19. Outside School Hours Care / Survey** - Our numbers have dropped since the start of the year and it would be terrific to see some new permanent or casual placements in this service which operates from 3.25pm to 6pm, 5 days a week. This service to our families involves a large financial commitment by school council who are monitoring the sustainability of this program. Our OSH Care service has been in operation since 2014 and as our school has grown we had hoped that enrolments in this service would continue to grow. If families apply for the Child Care Subsidy, the cost can be a lot lower than you would anticipate. It would be appreciated if families could complete the survey seeking interest in using the service in 2020 found here - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSWQJKR>
- 20. School Fees** - School fees are due. All families received individual student letters which documented parent payment charges for 2019 so your attention with this matter would be appreciated.
- 21. Absences** - Any students away from school must be accounted for. We would appreciate a formal note or phone call in regard to any absences that occur throughout the year (ie: late arrivals, morning / afternoon or whole day absences). Absences can be submitted via Flexibuzz as well. Thank you to the many families who have responded to the absences so far this year.
- 22. Readers Workshop** - A reminder that we begin the Readers Workshop at 9am and it would be appreciated if students are punctual at school each morning
- 23. Early Arrivals** - A reminder that supervision is not available until 8.30am. Any students arriving early are only to do so because of family work commitments and families must consult with myself in regard to this please - thanks to the couple of families who have done so already. No staff are at school until 8am.
- 24. Specialist Program** - This week we have Art and P.E on Wednesday, Science on Thursday and Music on Friday.
- 25. Playgroup** - This will be held on Thursday from 9-11am in the Multipurpose Room. All are welcome.
- 26. Food Alerts** - It would be appreciated if any sharing of food (ie: birthdays) are given to staff with plenty of notice in fairness to other families who may have to make alternative arrangements.

David Brodie (Principal)

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