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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

NEWSLETTER

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TERM 4 NO.35 12th November 2012

School Council and Finance will be held next Wednesday 21st Nov. Finance will begin at 6.30pm.

Any parents who would like to join our Kidsmatter committee contact Mr Brodie ASAP.

A Partial Eclipse will occur this Wednesday morning. Be careful observing this please!!!!

The last Book Club order form for the year went home today. If you would like to place an order, please return to Office by Friday, 23rd November

Hi everyone,

Most people are probably aware that Mrs Haberfield is away because of illness at present. We hope that she makes a speedy recovery and returns to school healthy, fit and well in the not too distant future. During this time, I have been fortunate to teach the Grade 2/3/4 students along with the small number of Grade 5/6 children and have been impressed by the way that all of the children have respected each other and gone about normal classroom activities with ease. I will be away on camp starting tomorrow, but things have been put in place so that the children in the middle school along with returning Somers Camp children are catered for, **for the whole week**. I will try and keep the school community informed as much as possible, but all of our best wishes are obviously with Mrs H and her family at present.

Last week was a busy one with transition. We had another visit from our 2013 Preps and some student information sheets have also gone home which will need to be filled out and returned to school ASAP for Grade 6 students. Today, we had a visit from a staff member of Shepparton HS and we expect more visits from Secondary schools throughout the next few weeks.

Our Somers Campers return this Wednesday and we look forward to hearing about their adventures and experiences soon. Our other senior students will no doubt benefit from the camp at Queenscliff which begins tomorrow as well, let's pray we get some warm weather!!!!

In this edition of the newsletter, I have put in some dates for 2013. We will be able to confirm a starting date for students after pupil free days are discussed at School Council next week.

Karen will be away tomorrow, but will be at the office until Thursday, if any matters need addressing. Obviously, I will be away for the rest of the week on camp and look forward to catching up with everyone next week. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Teaching Principal

Congratulations to Zane Newbound who recently came 4th in the High Jump at the State Secondary School Championships. Zane was a Grade 6 student at Tallygaropna PS last year. A fantastic achievement!!!!!!

**If you would like to receive this newsletter by email contact our office.
An alternative is to go to our school website.
Enrolments for 2013 can now be made. Tours of the school can be requested as well.**

1. Transition Visits

The transition process for our Grade 6 students has begun with some Student Information forms going home last week. This was for Wanganui SC and Shepparton High School. Children who are returning home from camp will get their forms as soon as possible and they must be returned to Tallygaroopna PS as soon as possible for collection. Throughout the next few weeks, we will be having some visits from relevant Secondary colleges which should be very informative and worthwhile. These forms will then be handed over.

2. CFA Van Visit

We are expecting to have an informal CFA visit on Wednesday morning at school. This program will be very informative heading into the warmer summer months soon. If any parents don't want their children to participate in this program can you contact the school ASAP.



3. School Calendar

The Parents Club are organising a calendar with assorted pictures from school, but mainly featuring the floods. If any parents **don't** want their children in the calendar could they please let the school know immediately please.

4. Solar Eclipse

There will be a partial eclipse on Wednesday morning. Information is provided in this edition of the newsletter, but it is important that all members of the school community pay attention to safe methods of observation.



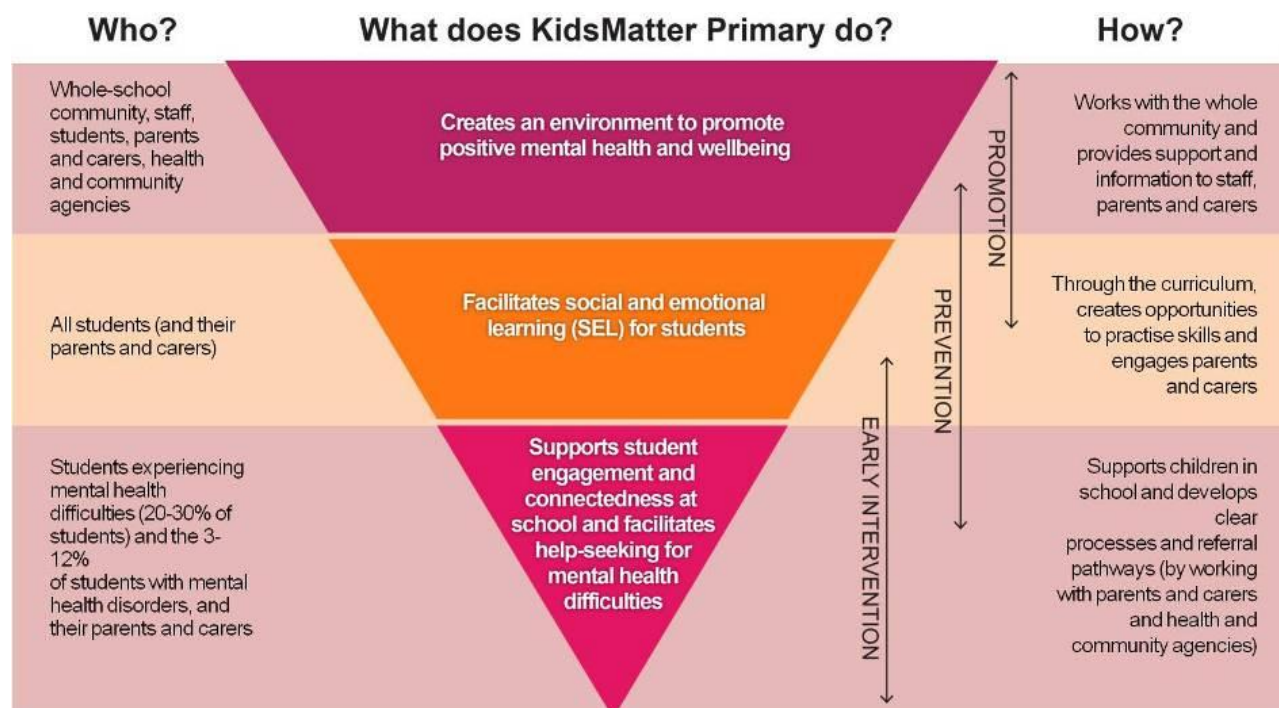
5. Remembrance Day

Today we had a minute silence as a mark of respect for Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day (also known as Poppy Day or Armistice Day) is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth countries since the end of World War I to remember the members of their armed forces who have died in the line of duty. Special thanks to all of the students and staff for being so respectful during this time. Poppies are still available for sale at the office.

6. Kismatter

Today we had an information session in relation to Kismatter. We will be participating in this program next year, which has a clear focus on mental and physical health and involves the whole school community as students, staff and parents work together as one. We are hoping to entice some great parents to come on our new Kismatter committee. There will be 2 days of formal training in December which will involve a member of staff and we are hopeful that a parent from this committee will be able to attend this training as well – only the first day.

Website - <http://www.kismatter.edu.au/primary>



7. Community Plan

Unfortunately, the Community Plan scheduled for this Wednesday at Tallygaroopna PS has been postponed. All committee members have been informed and this meeting will be rescheduled at a later date. Information in relation to a Community Plan Celebration Dinner is included in this edition of the newsletter.

8. Water Safety Program

Schools are invited to send students to participate in a variety of activities aimed at creating a greater awareness of the importance of water safety – **information went home to qualified students last week**. Students will experience in and on water activities they may not have tried before at an open water venue. The students will be given strategies on how to react to emergency situations with self-preservation as the paramount consideration. They will experience situations where they need to implement survival strategies in a challenging situation. The emphasis will be on safety in and around water in all activities.

STUDENT QUALIFICATIONS

Grade 5 & 6 students who have completed Level 4 or higher or have obtained the Victorian Water Safety Certificate.

The students will participate in a 2 hour session which will encompass the following.

1. Survival swimming techniques
2. Canoeing
2. Boogie Boards/Surf Skis
3. Simulated night swimming
4. Buoyancy to assist in survival swimming

9. Motorcycle Program

Our children will be participating in a Motor Cycle Program free of cost on Friday 23rd November. The MotorSafe program was developed in 1998 with the aim of educating school children on the importance of safety and responsibility when using a motorcycle. The MotorSafe program promotes motorcycle safety, competitive and recreational riding and the sporting Motorcycle Club within your region.

A brief outline as to what is discussed throughout the program is below:

- Children, the law and motorcycles
- A brief mechanical overview
- Wearing correct safety gear whilst riding
- Motorcycle skills
- Recreational riding for children
- Club involvement – procedures and benefits

The program includes the entire MotorSafe Presentation, bike display, safety gear dress up's for the kids, one MotorSafe Show Bag for every student, MotorSafe certificates for the children, one mini licence per child, (pending parent approval) and one teacher's manual per program. In conjunction with the school presentation, there are also 'MotorSafe Mini License Sessions' at the Cobram Motorcycle Club on the 2nd of December 2012, this is where children are given the opportunity to ride their bikes in a controlled environment with the supervision of qualified coaches and officials, watch others ride if they would like to, and be given the opportunity to meet and chat to those who are already riders within the club.

Permission forms have gone home and must be returned in order for students to participate in the program.
Contact the office if you require another form ASAP.

10. Conveyance Allowance

There have been some changes made to the Conveyance Allowance Program (CAP) for 2013. The program provides financial assistance to families attending schools in rural or remote areas who have limited or no access to public transport or a school bus. This is the first review of the program in 30 years and the Government has decided to better target the assistance to those most in need. Families who have received this in the past will receive a parent brochure in the mail. Copies can be collected from the office if needed.

11. Bunnings BBQ - 2013

Mr Brodie has applied for another Bunnings BBQ and we are very fortunate to be given another booking for 2013. This day is a huge fundraiser for the school and we were able to raise \$1400 to go towards urgent works for the school this year. **Our BBQ for next year is scheduled to be held on Sunday 24th March – so put this date in your diaries.**

To enable our school community to implement this BBQ successfully, we need a representative from the school to attend an information night which will be held on Thursday 22nd November at 6.30pm at Bunnings in Shepparton. Unfortunately, Mr Brodie will be at Mulwala at a Principals conference on this night so it would be appreciated if someone could attend – see Mr Brodie if you are available. This information night is very brief and should only go for approximately 30 minutes.

12. Tennis Tournament

The Numurkah Lawn Tennis Club is inviting our school to participate in its "School Tennis Championships of Northern Victoria" proudly sponsored by Riverland Oil Processors, Numurkah on the 26th & 27th November this year. If any students are interested in participating in this could they see Mr Brodie immediately.

13. Somers Camp

The bus will be returning to the Shepparton Library (Princess Park) at 2.30pm on Wednesday November 14th. When the children return from Somers, there will be an expectation that they attend school although the rest of the class will be at the Grade 5/6 camp at Queenscliff. Children will be in the Grade 2/3/4 class during this time, working through a small work booklet.



14. Kanga 8's

Children from Tallygaroopna PS will be participating in a Kanga 8's tournament which will be played in Shepparton on Wednesday 21st November. Students in Grades 5/6 will be invited to attend this day and some Grade 4 children may be invited as well to field teams. We have entered a boys and a girls team for the Kanga 8's tournament. Permission forms went home last week.

WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF A PARENT HELPER TO COACH AND UMPIRE ONE OF THE TEAMS AND TO ASSIST WITH TRANSPORT. IF YOU CAN ASSIST IN ANY WAY, IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.



15. Active After School Program

Our Active After School Program began a couple of weeks ago with tennis on a Monday, circus tricks is held on a Tuesday. Both sessions begin at 3.35pm and conclude at 4.35pm and a fruit snack will be provided before each session. Andrea Walker will be our supervisor on a Monday and Jill McFarlane will fulfil this role on a Tuesday. Enrolment forms can be collected from the office or accessed from our school website.

Last week's participation award was handed out to Declan Newbound – free icy pole.
A reminder that school hats are always required during this after school program.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ANYONE LOOKING TO BE A SUPERVISOR FOR 2013 – IF ANY PARENTS CAN HELP OUT LET THE SCHOOL KNOW PLEASE.

16. Grade 5/6 Camp

We leave for Queenscliff tomorrow morning for what should be a wonderful experience at Queenscliff for 4 days. Mr Brodie will attend the 4 day camp and any Grade 5/6 students at school during this time (ie: returning Somers Campers), will have a small work booklet to work through with Mrs Haberfield.

Website - <http://www.geelong.ymca.org.au/index.php/ymca-camp-wyuna/general-information>

Specific Details:

- Depart from Congupna Primary School at **8.00am** sharp on Tuesday 13th November. Arrive at camp at 12.00pm.
- Bring a back pack with your lunch for the first day and some pens/pencils for camp book activities. Also include a drink bottle that can be filled and used during the week.
- Depart from camp at 1.00pm on the Friday. Arrive back at Congupna PS at **5.00pm**.
- Supper is provided. No need to bring pack of biscuits as previously advised.
- Students can bring their fishing rods and \$20 dollars for souvenirs. **NO lollies or electrical devices.**

17. End of Year Excursion

After the success of last year's school excursion, it was decided that we would make the Whittlesea Fun Fields the venue for our End of Year Excursion again this year. This will be held on Thursday 6th December. We are looking at taking 2 buses to the venue and all parents will be invited – first in best dressed. Because we are taking 2 buses we are positive about everyone being able to attend. Last year, all students were supervised by parents and if possible we would like this to occur again.

Parent numbers are due now. At this stage we expect all school children to attend, but behaviour will be closely monitored leading up to the event. All school children will be free and parents attending will be \$45 each. The money will need to be in at school by Friday 23rd November. Feel free to discuss this at school, because we can negotiate a payment plan if needed. At this stage, no Preschool children or older brothers or sisters will be invited because we would like parents to see this trip as an opportunity to spend some quality time with their children who are presently enrolled at Tallygaroopna PS.

Conditions of Entry and Height Restrictions can be found here - <http://www.funfields.com.au/>



18. Term Dates

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Dates for TERM 4 are:

November 13th – Grade 5/6 Camp
November 17th – Rotating Dinner
November 21st – Kanga 8's Tournament
November 28th – Transition Day 3 (9am – 2pm)
December 6th – End of Year Excursion
December 17th – Reports Home
December 21st – Last Day of Term 4

November 13th – Kindergarten Visit
November 21st – Finance & School Council 8 – **week 7**
November 23rd – Motor Bike Safety Program
December 4th – Kindergarten Visit
December 11th – Orientation Day
December 18th – Christmas Concert

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January 29th – Teachers First Day
February 11th – AASC Begins
February 21st – Responsible Pet Program
March 11th – Labour Day Holiday
March 13th – School Council (AGM) – week 7
March 25th – Athletics Sports

February 6th – School Council – week 2
February 15th – Cluster Aquamoves Day
March 5th – Kindergarten Visit
March 12th – Parents Club AGM
March 24th – Bunnings Fundraising BBQ
March 26th – Athletic Sports Back Up Day

19. Student of the Week / Values Vault

Congratulations for the following students for week 5 – Term 4

Rock & Roll Kids – Prep / Grade 1

Jessica Bassett for the confidence she displays in her school work. We are very impressed by the way Jessica sounds out her words for spelling. Well done Jessica.

Mrs H's Brainy Bunch – Grade 2/3/4

Kelsie Dempster for the thought and effort that she has put into Maths activities with Mr Brodie last week. Great effort!

Grade 5/6 Rebels – Grade 5/6

Jamie Woodley for the mature approach and way he is playing with other students in the yard. Keep up the great work and finish Grade 6 on a positive note!

All students received a free icy pole voucher

This week's Values Vault winners were – Bill, Jordan and Mitchell

Parent's Club News

Parent's Club would also like to put a feeler out for interest in resurrecting the **ROTATING (PROGRESSIVE) DINNER** of years past. This is an event where small groups of school parents progress from host house to host house, eating 1 course of a meal at each home, throughout an evening. So that each host would prepare just one course of a meal, for a small group, and then move on to enjoy themselves at another host's home. A proposed date for this has been suggested: Saturday 17th November, when the weather is warmer, but before the Christmas rush. Please let a parent's club member or Karen at the office know if you'd be interested in being a part of this fun social event.

2013 TERM DATES – to be confirmed at the end of the month after our last School Council meeting for the year.

Please keep these in a handy spot as you may wish to book your family holidays during the school holidays.

Term 1: 30 January (students start) to 28 March

Term 2: 15 April to 28 June

Term 3: 15 July to 20 September

Term 4: 7 October to 20 December

Under 12's Northerners Cricket Report

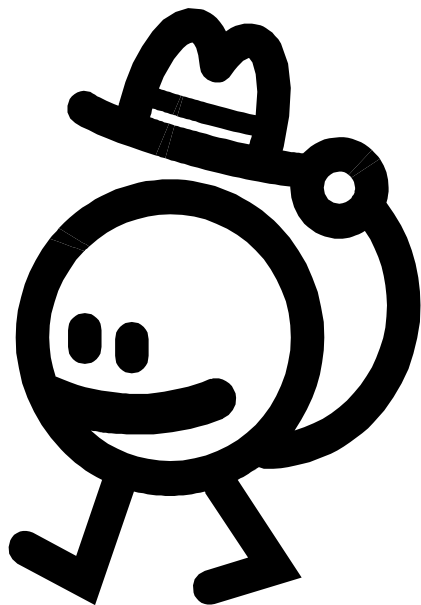
Another great team effort this week with some superb bowling to come away with another win. Harvey's 2 wickets for 4 off 3 and Brock's 0 for 0 off 2 were just some of the outstanding figures for the day. A shame Kyle and Eloise's wickets were both called no balls after the celebration! A shared batting effort by everyone!

Well done Junior Jets... See you all at training on Tuesday to prepare for a Friday afternoon match at home.

Northerners Junior Cricket are doing tea this Friday, 16th November starting at 6pm. Chicken and salad - \$10 adults. Hot dog, sauce & cheese \$4 kids. Apple crumble for dessert.

Our school values are used to support our students, teachers and parents in becoming positive citizens within their community. These values are:

- **Inclusion**: including others and to not leave anyone out. It is important to let people join in if they are not playing with anyone and to involve others in decision making so that everyone gets a say.
- **Respect**: being nice to others and to treat others how you would like to be treated. If you show respect you look after property that belongs to individuals and consider other peoples thoughts and opinions. Respect also involves being considerate of differences and personal space.
- **Honesty**: tell the truth and own up to things in a mature manner. Individuals who are honest don't lie and always strive for their best without settling for second best.



Dear Parents,

Last year we participated in the Kmart Wishing Tree.

We, the Teachers at Tally were so gratified and pleased with the response that we had. We had so many wonderful reports of children doing lots of chores and extra jobs to earn a few dollars to contribute.

This year we wanted to continue this wonderful tradition and have decided that this year we will participate in the 96.9 Star FM's "I Believe in Christmas Toy Drive."

The money that is contributed will be pooled together and toys will be bought to donate to this Charity event. Our school will be thanked on air and we may have a visit from Star FM's Jordan and Steph to collect these toys.

So, Parents, please talk with your child about ways that he or she can actively give something. The teachers would like this to be meaningful for your children, and if everyone's parents just give them money it won't teach our children the spirit of giving. You might consider having your child do extra jobs to earn money to donate or having them use some of their pocket money. Please work out a plan that is right for your family.

We would like the money to be in no later than the 7th of December. (That will give Mrs. H time to buy the gifts)

We think this will again, be a wonderful project to share a little of what we have with others who are in need. Thanks!



Greater Shepparton City Council would like to invite you to a Small Town Community Plan Celebration Dinner

Date: Thursday 29 November 2012
Time: 6pm – 9pm
Venue: Function Room 2
Eastbank Centre
Welsford Street, Shepparton

We would like to say thanks for all your hard work throughout the year.

The night will be a great networking opportunity

RSVP (to assist with catering) by 22 November 2012 to Michelle Patterson at michelle.patterson@shepparton.vic.gov.au or phone (03) 5832 9506

Please indicate any dietary requirements



Positive Parenting Telephone Service:



Are you the parent or carer of a child or children aged 2 – 10 years?

Are you looking for ways to have more positive communication with your child/ren?

Do you have other commitments that prevent you from attending regular group parenting courses?

Well, how about this?

We are running a fantastic parenting program for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 – 10 years **that you can do from the comfort of your own home.**

It is called the Positive Parenting Telephone Service and you get a weekly telephone appointment at a time that suits you (day or evening) with a trained parent educator for 6 – 10 weeks.

Our program educators aim to assist you in developing a stronger and more positive relationship with your children, as well as offering some practical suggestions on how to manage everyday behaviour problems such as disobedience, temper tantrums and disruptive behaviours.

Interested? - For more information or to enroll phone

FREECALL 1800 880 660

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Attention : Science Coordinators.

Solar Eclipse – Wednesday November 14th 2012.

A **SOLAR ECLIPSE** occurs when the Moon passes between the Sun and the Earth so that the Sun is wholly or partially obscured. This can only happen with a **NEW MOON**, when the Sun, Moon and Earth line up perfectly, and the Moon casts a shadow on the Earth.

To see a **Total Eclipse** we have to be in exactly the right place at the right time, and on this occasion the totality will be seen in Australia only on the York Peninsula. In Victoria we will witness only a **Partial Eclipse**, with a maximum of half the Sun covered. **It will start at 7.15am and last until 9.00am**

Please make sure nobody watches the Eclipse with naked eyes !

For safe methods of observation go to :

<http://www.mreclipse.com/Totality2/TotalityCh11.html>

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