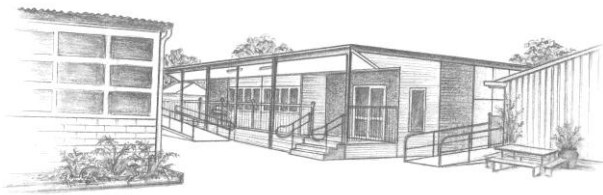


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**SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION**

## **NEWSLETTER**

TERM 4 NO.36 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012

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**School Council and Finance will be held next Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. Finance will begin at 6.30pm.**

**KANGA 8'S is scheduled for Wednesday and we still need some assistance with transport.**

**We also need someone who is able to coach a team for the day.**

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

Hi everyone,

Hard to believe that there is only 5 weeks of school left. The school year has really flown and soon we will be saying goodbye to our wonderful Grade 6's for a final time again. Last week was a busy one with two camps being held. From what I have heard the 6 lucky students who attended the Somers Camp had a terrific time and the same can be said for the other 7 students who attended the cluster camp at Queenscliff. It has been an eventful couple of weeks and we can now concentrate on normal classroom activities for the remainder of the school year.

The end of year excursion is only a couple of weeks away as well and **final payment for parents attending is due this Friday**. All children from our school are invited to attend free, they just need to be monitored by a parent for the day. If this isn't achievable, families can make alternative arrangements with other parents or children attending can be supervised by staff. We would prefer either of these options, rather than the children missing out or not attending the day.

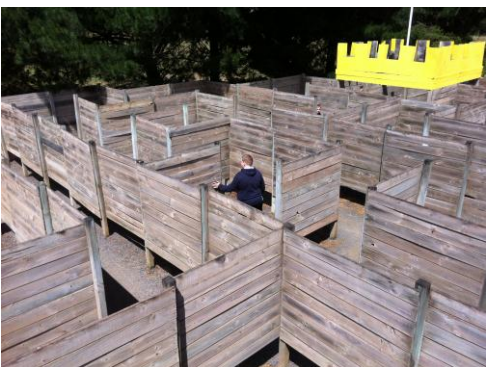
This edition of the newsletter has some significant items in relation to the end of the year and specific processes for 2013. It would be appreciated if parents could read all of these items carefully and attend to them as best as they can straight away.

Karen will be in the office until Thursday, if any matters need addressing. I will be away on Thursday and Friday at a Shepparton Network Principals Conference at Mulwala and we are expecting Mrs Haberfield to be away for a few more days recovering from her illness. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Teaching Principal

**Bev Montgomery, our Uniform Coordinator will be at school on Orientation Day, 11<sup>th</sup> December to help our 2013 Prep student parents with uniforms. An order will be put through after this day so if anyone wishes to order uniforms could they please place an order before this date.**

Grade 5/6 Camp – Queenscliff



IF ANY FAMILIES HAVE PHOTOS FROM THE SOMERS CAMP, COULD THESE PLEASE BE BROUGHT INTO THE SCHOOL – HOPEFULLY SOME HIGHLIGHTS IN NEXT WEEKS NEWSLETTER.



## **1. School Reports**

These will go out on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December in sealed envelopes. Teachers spend a lot of valuable time putting these together so please take the time to read these before the school year ends. Remember that these reports can be placed in the green report folders which every student at school should have.

The report cards have:

- a chart with an A-E rating, showing your child's current progress against the expected state-wide standard as well as the progress they have made since the previous year
- a chart showing your child's level of effort and class behaviour
- details about attendance
- easy to understand comments from teachers outlining what your child knows and can do, any areas in which your child needs to be given further help or extended, and how this will be done
- suggestions for how you can help at home

**Some schools are not completing written reports for parents for December reports because of AEU action (Australian Education Union). However, we feel that the feedback provided to parents is important so our reports will be comprehensive as per usual.**

## **2. Class Structures for 2013**

I hope to announce class structures for next year in the next couple of weeks. However, everyone can anticipate that there won't be many changes from this year.

## **3. School Council / Finance**

School Council and Finance will have their final meeting for the year this Wednesday night. One of the main items on the agenda will be passing our draft budget for 2013 and looking at our School Fees. The budget will be confirmed at the end of February after our census is completed. We hope to finalise Pupil Free Days for next year as well.

## **4. Final Transition Day**

The final transition day for New Preps will be on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November. This will occur from 9am until 2pm and new children will spend the majority of the day with our current students.

## **5. Italian Lunch**

Our Parents and Friends Club are holding an Italian lunch next Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November. This will be very informal but will fit in nicely with our current LOTE program – more details will be available soon. At Tallygaroopna PS, we regularly complete Italian online to give our children some exposure to a second language before they move onto Secondary School.

Italian Website - <http://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/languagesonline/italian/italian.htm>

## **6. Religious Education**

On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November (2pm – 2.30pm), we will hold our last R.E. lesson for the year. There will be some brief presentations in the Project Room at 2.30pm to thank our wonderful volunteers who continue to implement this program successfully at our school. Special thanks to the Parents Club for the kind donation of gifts for our volunteers. We are hopeful of Religious Education continuing again next year.

## **7. Woodwork Session**

Our school will be having a Woodwork session on Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup>. Bill Clarke from GV wood turners and 3 other local community members will help run this session, which should be a lot of fun. Different classes will assembly different kits depending on level of ability. Specific details in regard to times will be made available soon.

## **8. Food Poisoning**

With the warmer weather upon us and school bags exposed to the heat, food poisoning is a real prospect. Please be mindful of the type of fillings that are used for children's sandwiches. The likes of chicken, tuna, meats and left over fried rice need to be chilled with an ice pack and stored in a chiller bag. I know we have fridges to store food in at school but these things are a great back up.

### **9. 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.



### **10. Orientation Day**

On Tuesday 11th December is the State-wide Orientation Day. Students will be in their new grades for 2013 for the whole day – including new Preps for 2013. Good luck to our current Grade 6 students who will attend Wanganui Park SC, Shepparton High School and McGuire College for the whole day.

### **11. AFEA Testing**

Over the next few weeks, students in Grades 5/6 will take part in testing for the Australian Fitness Education Award. Good running shoes will be required for the next couple of weeks. This program focuses on individual fitness, flexibility and co-ordination. The aim for all students is to improve on their own performance over time. The testing is conducted over a few weeks and will indicate progress in relation to general fitness. If you would like to know more about this program please the school. It is now a major part of the Physical Education and Health Assessment for this year and results will be put into Student Books. All student results will remain confidential.

### **12. Graduation Night**

This year at our Christmas Concert, we will again say farewell to our wonderful Grade 6 students as they begin a new journey at Secondary School next year. This is scheduled for Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. As per last year, some Christmas songs will be sung and a few small speeches will occur before children receive their Graduation Certificates. Again, we are working on a Powerpoint Presentation which will be shown on the night which will reflect on children's journey through their Primary years. Planning is still occurring with this, but right now it looks terrific. **Copies will be available to parents at no cost – A CD will be required.**

### **13. Tissues**

Our stocks of tissues are running a little low. If each family could donate a box of tissues to school before the end of the year it would be greatly appreciated.

### **14. 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.

### **15. Bus Service for 2013**

I am currently in the process of organizing the new bus route for the start of 2013. This takes some time to organize and I will be contacting families over the holiday period to inform them of specific times and drop off and pick up points. Currently, I have the following students probably using the bus for the beginning of 2013.

Kyle Montgomery  
Matthew Church – **New Prep**  
Bill Klein  
Harvey Walker  
Daniel Collins  
Kelsie Dempster  
Zane Brown – **New Grade 1**

Mikayla Church  
Harri Ring  
Dan Klein  
Eloise Walker  
Leah Collins  
Ryan Voss

Nicolas Church  
Abby Klein  
Jade Klein – **New Prep**  
Liv Burgess  
Zoe Collins  
Brooke Voss

If any of this information is incorrect, could you contact me ASAP so that the bus run can be finalized and organized without any problems. Mr Brodie

### **16. CFA Van Visit**

Unfortunately, the CFA visit last Wednesday morning at school was postponed. We hope to reschedule this visit before the end of the year. 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.

### **17. 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

### **18. Motorcycle Program**

Our children will be participating in a Motor Cycle Program free of cost this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.**

### **19. 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 24<sup>th</sup> March – so put this date in your diaries.**

### **20. Kanga 8's**

Children from Tallygaroopna PS will be participating in a Kanga 8's tournament which will be played in Shepparton on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

### **21. 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 Mitchell – 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. THIS IS A PAID POSITION.**

### **22. End of Year Excursion**

Today at assembly, we watched a brief video in relation to the safety guidelines at the Whittlesea Fun Fields. This is available on You Tube if any parents would like to reinforce this with their own children.

Website - <http://www.youtube.com/user/funfieldstv>

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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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/>

### **23. Term Dates**

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

November 21 <sup>st</sup> - Finance & School Council 8 – <b><u>week 7</u></b>	November 21 <sup>st</sup> – Kanga 8's Tournament
November 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Motor Bike Safety Program	November 28 <sup>th</sup> – Transition Day 3 (9am – 2pm)
December 4 <sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Visit	December 4 <sup>th</sup> – Wood Turners Session
December 6 <sup>th</sup> – End of Year Excursion	December 11 <sup>th</sup> – Orientation Day
December 17 <sup>th</sup> – Reports Home	December 18 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas Concert
December 21 <sup>st</sup> – Last Day of Term 4	

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January 29 <sup>th</sup> – Teachers First Day	February 6 <sup>th</sup> – School Council – week 2
February 11 <sup>th</sup> – AASC Begins	February 15 <sup>th</sup> – Cluster Aquamoves Day
February 21 <sup>st</sup> – Responsible Pet Program	March 5 <sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Visit
March 11 <sup>th</sup> – Labour Day Holiday	March 12 <sup>th</sup> – Parents Club AGM
March 13 <sup>th</sup> – School Council (AGM) – week 7	March 24 <sup>th</sup> – Bunnings Fundraising BBQ
March 25 <sup>th</sup> – Athletics Sports	March 26 <sup>th</sup> – Athletic Sports Back Up Day

#### **24. Student of the Week / Values Vault**

Congratulations for the following students for week 6 – Term 4

##### **Rock & Roll Kids – Prep / Grade 1**

**Tayla Robertson** for the persistence and confidence she displays in her class work. Tayla has been working very hard on her sounds. Well done Tayla.

##### **Mrs H's Brainy Bunch – Grade 2/3/4**

**Zane Cannon** for the persistence he has shown in catching up in his work and on demand testing. Great effort Zane!

##### **Grade 5/6 Rebels – Grade 5/6**

**Daniel Bagley** for his effort and resilience at the Queenscliff Camp and the way he was able to participate in all activities.

All students received a free icy pole voucher

### **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

### **Parents Club**

The Parents Club End of Year Break up Bicaros Ristorante Bar 30 North Street Shepparton Tuesday 4th December at 7pm  
Could names be submitted to office as soon as possible

Parents Club have been asked by the teachers to plan and cater a **SIT DOWN LUNCH WITH AN ITALIAN THEME** for the whole school, in recognition/celebration of Italian being our schools learned language other than English. Something along the lines of Pizza, Lasagne and Gelato IceCream would be on the menu. We figured this would be this term's munch n crunch, and Tuesday 27th November looks like a good date, but we'd need several parent helpers to pre-cook lasagne, and/or be available to help out on the day, to make it possible. We know how much the kids enjoyed the Christmas in July sit down cooked lunch, so this Italian themed meal would be a similar special whole school treat.

But this kind of thing can't work without helpers. Please advise a PC member or Karen at the office, if you could help out for a few hours on that day – Tues 27th November. **While Parents Club will fund the majority of this meal, it would be appreciated if students could bring along a gold coin donation to help with costs.**

Thank you.



**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 7<sup>th</sup> 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!**

**Northerners Cricket Report**

**Northerners Under 12 lost to Kialla Knights 80 to 65. Brock top scored with 14 runs after hitting a massive 6 off the last ball. Preston next topped with 11. Best bowling were Lachie Makin, Brock Austin and Declan Newbound. Great match. Well done team!**



Hi Everyone

Just an update on the Small Town Community Plan Celebration.

We will be having a guest speaker on the evening: Jan Smith from Girgarre Development Group.

The group recently won the Regional Achievement and Community Award for Community Group of the Year. They have a great story for all to hear.

Please RSVP by 22<sup>nd</sup> of November.

Cheers

Michelle



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## **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  
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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  
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# **Celebrate International Day of People with Disability**



**Monday 3 December 2012**

**12.00pm – 2.00pm (BBQ lunch provided)**

**Victoria Park Lake (near the Visitor Information Centre)**

**In partnership with Shepparton Sailability**

**A great opportunity to sail on Victoria Park Lake.**

**(Shoes are required)**

You are invited to come join in the celebrations with members of the  
Greater Shepparton Disability Advisory Committee

For catering purposes, please RSVP by

Monday 26 November 2012,

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# NETBALL FOR ALL ROADSHOW

**Tuesday 27 November**  
**Shepparton Netball Association**  
**McEwan Reserve, Brauman St**  
**Shepparton**



**4.00pm – 4.20pm:**

Meet some of the  
Melbourne Vixens Athletes

**4.20pm – 6.00pm:**

Netball Activity Stations

**6.00pm – 6.30pm:**

Netball Exhibition Match

**6.30pm – 6.45pm:**

Q&A with Melbourne Vixen Athletes

**6.45pm – 7.00pm:**

Meet some of the  
Melbourne Vixens Athletes

\*To register for the Netball Activity Stations  
please email [participationdev@netballvic.com.au](mailto:participationdev@netballvic.com.au)  
or phone 9321 2211

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