Hi everyone.

Last week was an enjoyable one with the Grade 3/4 Camp being held at 15 Mile Creek. I attended the camp on Thursday and Friday and it was great to see the students interacting positively with our friends from Congupna PS, Dookie PS and Currawa PS. We hope to provide these opportunities to our children again in 2018 with some more Cluster schools – stay tuned for more details early in the new year.

The year is quickly coming to an end and it is hard to believe that there are only 3 weeks of school left for the 2017 school year. In this edition of the newsletter, there are some important things in relation to Reports, CSEF and End of Year Activities. Please read these carefully and don’t hesitate to seek clarification by ringing the school if needed – especially for new families.

Our End of Year activities begin this week with the Excursion to the Whittlesea Fun Fields on Thursday. This is always a great day and we look forward to seeing many of the children having lots of fun with their family members throughout the day. Unfortunately, there is again some inclement weather forecast so please dress accordingly. Specific details are in this newsletter – it would be appreciated if this were paid for this week please.

Our other end of the year events include the Christmas Concert next Tuesday 12th December and the first ever Grade 6 Graduation Dinner on Wednesday 20th December. No doubt, some grades could be having some small parties to conclude the year and families will be given relevant information to these if needed over the next couple of weeks.

A big thank you to the many families who have also been able to sell raffle tickets for the Memorabilia Raffle which will be drawn at the Christmas Concert next week. It would be appreciated if tickets are handed in this week so $40 would need to be handed into the office obviously. Finally, our staffing has now been finalised and all classroom teachers, specialist and support staff are included in this newsletter. With any future changes in enrolments, there could be some minor alterations to some of these (mainly time fractions) and the school community will be kept informed as always.

I look forward to catching up with some parents at the Parents Club Meeting tonight and at the School Council Meeting on Wednesday night – the last for the year. Mrs Armstrong will be at the office until Thursday, to address any issues if needed. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie (Principal)
Photos of the Week – 15 Mile Creek Camp (Grade 3/4)
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THE 2018 SOMERS CAMP FOR GRADE 5/6 STUDENTS WILL BE HELD FROM TUESDAY 16TH JUNE UNTIL WEDNESDAY 27TH JUNE
Photos of the Week – Final Men’s Shed Visit for 2017
CONGRATULATIONS TO KYLIE AND BEN WRIGHT ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR NEW LITTLE BOY – COLTON BERNARD. BIG BROTHER KADE IS VERY HAPPY!
School Choir Performance

The Tallygaroopna Primary School Choir have been practicing two songs to sing at the Mooroopna Carols by Candlelight. Please see the information below in regards to the event.

Date: Saturday 9th December, 2017  
Location: John Gray Oval, Mooroopna  
Time: Students need to arrive by 5:15pm and meet near the stage to begin their sound check at 5:30pm. The students will be performing on stage at approx. 6:40pm.  
Dress: Students must be wearing full school uniform

Could you please fill in the form which was handed out a couple of weeks ago and return to the school NOW, so that Mrs McQuilton is aware which students will be attending on the night.

I Believe in Xmas – School Initiative

Dear Parents,

In years past, we have participated in the Kmart Wishing Tree and it was brought up at a Junior School Council Meeting last week that students would like to participate again. We, the Teachers at Tally are so gratified and pleased with the response that we have had in the past. We have 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 Kmart Wishing Tree and toys will be purchased to donate to this Charity event. The alternative is that you can buy a toy to add to our donation.

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. This is not mandatory and you are under no obligation to participate. We understand that Christmas can be a hard time for some families. Please work out a plan that is right for your family.

We would like the money to be in no later than the 15th of December. (That will give teachers 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!

RSPV'S DUE DATES FOR END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Please be prompt with these to assist with organisation of these days. Your support is greatly appreciated.

End of Year Excursion to Whittlesea Fun Fields – NOW FINALISED.
End of Year Christmas Concert – Friday 1st December – DUE NOW!
Our general school rule is to “consider the feelings of others at all times”.

**Supervision – before and after school hours**

A reminder to families that children should be in attendance at school before 9am, but teacher supervision will not be provided before 8.30am.

**Reminder to town students to aim to be at school before 8.50 am on Mondays and Thursdays if wanting to be part of the Breakfast Program.** Entry to the Program officially closes at 8.55 am – we cannot serve breakfast to students coming in after this time.

**A reminder about the Resource Smart School Survey** – this can be found here:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YXV9W5R
All students received a certificate and also a free icy pole voucher to use this term.

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<td>Ashton received this week’s award for the great way he has tried his best to follow instructions.</td>
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<td>Taylah received this award for all the improvements I have seen with your results while I have been testing. You have made progress across most areas of your school work, particularly in Reading and Spelling. Keep up the great work!</td>
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**Enviro Kids Sustainable Classroom of the Week – Grade 1/2**
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<td>Max worked well with Mrs Monty and finished off his Baby Bear’s chair, writing Baby Bear’s name on the back of it and getting the chair ready for testing.</td>
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<td>Lachie received this week’s award for the enthusiasm he showed during our “kidnapping mystery”. Lachie loved being a detective and using his inferring skills to identify the perpetrator! Well done!</td>
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<td>Myla received the award for getting out of her comfort zone and trying new things. A great effort Myla.</td>
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<td>Tom also received an award for having a go at different activities and not giving up when things got hard.</td>
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<td>Jack received the award for always putting his hand up and volunteering when I need assistance or when someone is away. I have also seen a great improvement in his testing results.</td>
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Values Vault Winner for Week 8 was Ethan
Enviro Kids Sustainable Classroom of the Week – N/A
1. End of Year Excursion - Thursday
Planning for the trip to Whittlesea Fun Fields is progressing well – we leave this Thursday 7th December. The Parents Club have kindly offered to subsidise some of the entry fee to Fun Fields along with the bus. As a result, tickets will be $20 per student and $35 per parent / guardian.
This can be paid to the office now. Bus arrangements will cater for 1x 57 seats. The Fun Park is open from 10am until 4.30pm, so we anticipate leaving Tallygaroopna PS at about 7.30am and leaving at 4.30pm. We should arrive back at school by about 6.30pm. Alerts regarding arrival will be updated frequently via Flexibuzz.
This day is strictly for students of the school and parents / guardians. If families wish to bring other siblings other arrangements will need to be made in regard to travel and entry to Fun Fields – but please consult with the School Principal in regard to this. If anyone is attending but is not part of the School Group – normal gate prices will apply. Students can be supervised by staff on the day if needed as well if parents / guardians are unable to attend – please let us know ASAP.

Can all families pay for this trip now please.
Numbers need to be confirmed now.

There will be no students at school on this day – any families choosing to not attend this excursion will need to make alternative arrangements.

2. School Reports
School reports will be distributed in sealed envelopes on Monday 18th December. If parents would like some more feedback about individual student performance at school feel free to contact class teachers to arrange an informal meeting once reports are distributed to families. 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. Parents may notice that some areas assessed will not show 12 months progress – this is a result of changing over from AusVELS to the Victorian Curriculum and progress will be more evident over time. I encourage all families to look at past reports to reflect on specific progress if needed.

The report cards have:
* a chart with an A-E rating (Well Above the Expected Standard – Well Below the Expected Standard), 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.

What exactly do the A-E ratings mean?
A indicates achievement that is above the standard expected for your child’s year level at the time of reporting (12 months or more ahead of the standard expected at the time of reporting)
B indicates achievement that is above the standard expected for your child’s year level at the time of reporting. It means that your child understands more complex ideas and has a broader range of skills than would normally be expected.
C indicates achievement that is at the standard expected for your child’s year level at the time of reporting. It means that your child’s learning is on track and that they understand and can apply the range of skills and knowledge expected for their year level at the time of reporting.
D indicates achievement that is below the standard expected for your child’s year level at the time of reporting. It means that there are some skills and knowledge that your child has yet to acquire before they can be said to be achieving at the expected standard.
E indicates achievement that is well below the standard expected for your child’s year level at the time of reporting. It means there are significant areas of knowledge and skills your child needs to acquire before they can be said to be achieving at the expected standard.

Isn’t a ‘C’ a disappointing result?
No it is not at all. It is important to remember that if your child receives a ‘C’ on the report card it indicates that their learning is on track and they are achieving the statewide standard that is expected of them at the time of reporting.
In the past, a ‘C’ in some schools might have meant that the child was performing below the expected standard. This is no longer the case.
3. Payment Arrangements for Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund in 2018
The CSEF program opens for processing in Term one, 2018, and helps ensure all eligible students are able to participate in school trips and sporting activities. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card are eligible to apply. A special consideration category also exists. A payment of $125 for eligible primary school students and $225 for eligible secondary school students will be paid directly to the school to be used towards camps, sports and excursion costs for the benefit of the student. Victorian government school prep and year 7 students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform package. These initiatives are part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

Applications
From 2018, the requirement for parents to complete and submit a new application form each year has been removed. Parents that received CSEF in 2017 do not need to complete an application form in 2018, providing there has been no change in their family circumstances or change of school. CSEF payments to schools will commence from 1 March 2018 onwards, however schools are able to continue processing applications through until the end of Term 2 on 29 June 2018.

Further information
For information about the uniform package initiative, see: State Schools’ Relief
For more information about the CSEF application processes, updated policy, and forms, see: CSEF

4. Parent / Community Helpers
The staff would like to thank all parents and people from the community who assisted in the following areas during 2017:

Reading Transport Munch & Crunch Fundraising....etc.
School Council Classroom Projects General Maintenance Working Bees
Grounds Breakfast Club Parents Club
General Jobs Book Covering

Your support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to your continued support in 2018.

5. School Term Dates
These dates have now been confirmed at School Council. Please keep these in a handy spot as you may wish to book your family holidays during the school holidays. All class teachers at Tallygaroopna PS will be involved in CPR Training on Monday 29th January in the morning and will be setting up classrooms in the afternoon, for the start of the School Year on the Tuesday. As a result, all students will start on the Tuesday and Foundation students will have Wednesday’s off as they become accustomed to normal school life at Tallygaroopna PS.

Term 1 – January 29th until 29th March (all students from F-6 to start on Wednesday 30th January)
Term 2 – 16th April until 29th June
Term 3 – 16th July until 21st September
Term 4 – 8th October until 21st December

Foundation – Rest Days (Wednesday’s) – further Wednesday rest days can be negotiated if needed.
Week 1 – Wednesday 31st January
Week 2 – Wednesday 7th February
Week 3 – Wednesday 14th February
Week 4 – Wednesday 21st February
Week 5 – Wednesday 28th February

The first full week for Foundation students may begin on Monday 5th March.

* The first day of Term 1 is a student-free day in all government schools to allow for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students. Each year government schools are provided with four student-free days for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment and reporting purposes. We are obviously taking 1 of these at the start of the year - the remaining three student-free days are determined by each individual school, so contact your school for details.

If your plans for next year have changed or if you know of anyone moving into the area, please let the front office know.
6. School Council / Dates for 2018
The final School Council meeting for 2017 will be held next Wednesday 6th December at Tallygaroopna PS. The finance committee will meet at 6.00pm followed by the formal School Council meeting at 7.00pm with a light meal.

Meeting Dates for 2018 - These are summarised below and are open to change if needed. These are held in weeks 3 and 9 each term and we are mandated to have 8 meetings a year.

| Term 1 | Week 3 – Wednesday 14th Feb | Week 9 – Wednesday 28th March |
| Term 2 | Week 3 – Wednesday 2nd May | Week 9 – Wednesday 13th June |
| Term 3 | Week 3 – Wednesday 1st August | Week 9 – Wednesday 12th September |
| Term 4 | Week 3 – Wednesday 24th October | Week 9 – Wednesday 5th December |

7. Parents Club Meeting
The final meeting for the 2018 school year will be held in the Project Room tonight beginning at 3.30pm. All family members are encouraged to attend – agenda items will focus on Excursions and organisation for the Graduation Dinner / Christmas concert.

8. Shirt Signing – Grade 6
Only Grade 6 students will have an opportunity to sign some of their school shirts if they have written permission by their parents. This will need to be handed into Miss Litzow. This will occur on the last day of school in the morning and all shirts to be signed should be placed in a plastic bag. The last day of the year is a Causal Day so no school uniforms will be required on this day. Please take into consideration if you would like to use these uniforms into the future. The day gives students the chance to take away a souvenir from their time at Primary School – not compulsory.

9. Memorabilia Raffle
Raffle tickets went home with the eldest child in each family last Friday. There are 20 tickets in each book which are $2 each and money collected is due at the office by Wednesday 6th December. Special thanks to the Bemrose family for the kind donations. We hope to draw the winners of this raffle at the Christmas Concert on Wednesday 13th December.

10. Communication with staff - Reminder
At Tallygaroopna PS, we value the two-way link between home and school and it essential that positive communication occurs always. This is vital and our parents and staff generally do a great job with this. However, at times teachers or parents receive messages in a variety of forms (text messages, class dojo..etc) where sometimes the tone of the message is not really clear. It is also important for the School Community to respect the personal time of others also outside of school hours and always contact the school first if possible.
Therefore, it is better for everyone to communicate personally by either phone call or personally at school so that all communication is clear and concise and no mixed messages occur. If some time to discuss an issue is needed as well, please make an appointment because we are all busy people in our workplace and in our private lives – especially during this time of the year. We are always looking to do this better - this is just one thing for all of us to work on.
11. Graduation Dinner / Grade 6 Cluster Lunch
Plans are in place for the first ever Grade 6 Graduation Dinner. We look like having this event at school in the Multi Purpose Room on Wednesday 20th December and the dinner will involve Grade 6 students and current and long standing staff at Tallygaroopna PS. The tea would be provided by the Parents Club and would begin at 6pm (lasagne, salad and chips) and we hope that some of the Grade 5 students will be able to come to the evening and act as waiters (white shirt and black pants required). The formal Graduation Ceremony would begin in the Project Room at 7pm and the whole school community is invited to the night. We hope to wrap up the night by 8pm at the latest.

The Grade 6 Cluster Lunch will be held at the Pizza Hut in Shepparton on Wednesday 20th December at midday. Mr Brodie will be taking a car and it would be great to have an extra car if all 8 students would like to attend – permission forms will go home this week. The cost is $8.95 for all you can eat and $3.95 for refillable drinks – this money can just be brought on the day and paid for at Pizza Hut.

12. Absence Notes
Could the attached form be used for Absences please - this went home again today. The other alternative is to do an absence on Flexibuzz. Both of these are the preferred methods because they are completed immediately. If either of these are not convenient - please ring the school. Formal notes are needed for audit records and your support would be appreciated. We would prefer no text messages.

What happens if absences continue – 7 days a term turns into 28 days a year, which turns into 196 days over 7 years. This results in a child missing 1 whole year of their Primary School years – something for all of us to think about!

13. School Fees
These have been approved at School Council and are summarised below – fees will remain the same next year with no changes. With the new Education Department Guidelines specific items need to be itemised hence some minor differences between fees for different year levels.

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14. Christmas Concert – date change
This night has changed and will now be held on Tuesday 12th December, because of cricket commitments for a number of students in the school – sorry for any inconvenience. All families will have received a formal letter about this evening a couple of weeks ago – please RSVP to assist with catering now. Please make sure you also open the Special envelope and address this information ASAP.

15. OSH Care Fees for 2018
At School Council we decided to increase OSH Care fees slightly, beginning for the 2018 school year. This is the first increase of fees since the beginning of OSH Care in 2014. These will be $22 for Casual places, $20 for Permanent places and $12 for places which conclude before 4.30pm. There has been some interest in the full time position for 2018 and we are enquiring in regard to qualifications and suitability at present.

16. Bus Costs Proposal
All bus travellers for 2018 should have received a formal letter from School Council a couple of weeks ago in regard to a proposal to introduce and increase some fees in regard to bus use for next year. The school currently makes a large financial contribution in supporting families, so some changes are necessary in line with increasing costs. We welcome any feedback before this proposal is reviewed and endorsed at School Council in early December. If you did not receive this letter, which was sent by mail – contact the school and a new letter will be sent home immediately.

17. Policies to Endorse
At School Council, we will be reviewing a number of policies and endorsing these at the last meeting of the year in December. These have been sent out via Flexibuzz and we welcome any feedback. The policies being reviewed are:

- Student Engagement Policy for 2018
- Care Arrangements for Ill Students Policy
- First Aid Policy
- Duty of Care Policy
- E Smart Policy for 2018
- Illness & Injury Notification Policy
- Mandatory Reporting Policy
- Communication Procedures
18. Enrolments & Staffing / Grade Structures for 2018
At present, we look like beginning the new year with 80 students which is a great result for our school. Therefore, we will be having a 4th classroom again in 2018 and we are currently working on grade placements which we hope to confirm in the next couple of weeks. The grade structure for 2018 will be the following, but class numbers may change with any future alterations to enrolments.

Junior School  
Foundation / Grade 1 – 19 students  
Mr Ian Flood – maternity leave position

Middle School  
Grade 2 / Grade 3 – 20 students  
Miss Liss Lothian
Grade 3 / Grade 4 – 19 students  
Mrs Claire Haberfield

Senior School  
Grade 5 / Grade 6 – 22 students  
Miss Dee Love

Principal – David Brodie  
Business Manager – Karen Armstrong  
Education Support – Dee Palmer, Beck Wayman  
School Welfare – John Hosking  
P.E. Specialist – Bev Montgomery (1 day a week)  
Italian Specialist – Frances Ceravolo (1 day a fortnight)  
Music Specialist – Aleesha McQuilton (1 day a fortnight)  
MAC (Art Van) – Gwen Hack (1 day a fortnight)  
MARC (Library Van) – Kerry Brett – TBC (1 day a fortnight)  
Science – this program will be implemented by class teachers

We are over the moon, that we can again offer low classroom sizes across the whole school. This will obviously make our school an attractive learning environment for the future. We anticipate having all of our classroom teachers for 2018 attend the State-wide Orientation Day which will be held on Tuesday 12th December.

19. Buses for 2018
Below is the current list for next year, if this is incorrect can you contact the school immediately please. We are still working on arrangements for the bus service for 2018. All families will be updated via Flexibuzz on a regular basis, but we look like having 2 runs similar to this year with our buses so that all families can be included.

Dan Klein  
Jade Klein  
Lilly Walker  
Zoe Collins
Josh Collins  
Lachie Mawson  
Beau Voss  
Jake Buckland
Oscar Buckland  
James Mawson  
Sienna Elliott  
Lynn Rutten
Gemma Thomas  
Tait Buckland  
Lloyd Akers  
Imogen Castles
Lara Tielen  
Alira Bux  
Ryder Thomas  
Jodi Rutten
Max Grinter  
Zane Brown  
Jai Brown  
Bailey Mawson – F
Opal Castles – F  
Amelia Castles – F  
Oliver – G6  
Zoey – G1

20. Sporting Schools Program
Sessions after school begin at 3.35pm and will finish at 4.35pm. Students receive a healthy snack before the program begins for all sessions. Students need to be picked up immediately after each session.

A summary of specific dates remaining for Term 4 are below.

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21. Curriculum Day – Pupil Free
The final Curriculum Day for 2017 will be held on Friday 8th December. This will be the day after the End of Year Excursion and staff will be busily finalising School Reports on this day. No students will be required at school on this day, so families will need to make alternative arrangements.
22. Swimming Certificates
We are still chasing these up and these will be distributed to families as soon as they arrive. Originals will be sent home and a copy will go in Student Files for future reference.

23. Playgroup Dates
This program continues next week and will be coordinated by John Hosking. Community members are invited to drop in with their little ones and have a tea / coffee and a chat. Playgroup is every fortnight and begins at 9am and concludes at 11am. Specific dates remaining for 2017 are below – these are all open to change:

Term 4 – December 14th.
Term 1 (2018) - 22nd Feb, 8th March, 22nd March

Second-hand Uniforms
If anyone has any small sized uniforms that they no longer require could you please send them along to school.

Thank you Lisa Newbound (Uniform Coordinator)

THE SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUB WILL ONLY BE HELD ON MONDAY’S IN 2018.
THANKS TO OUR WONDERFUL HELPERS WHO HAVE ASSISTED WITH THIS THROUGH THE SCHOOL YEAR.

KIDSMATTER FAMILY NEWSLETTER - CLICK
TALLYGAROOPNA PS – COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR INSTRUCTIONS
If this device is activated ring the school mobile (0411960164) to receive advice about how to turn off the alarm.
DRSABCD Action Plan

**D**ANGER
Check for danger - ensure scene is safe

**R**ESPONSE
Check for response - ask name, squeeze shoulders
No response
Responsive
Make comfortable
Look for signs and symptoms
Manage cause
Call 000 if deemed necessary

**S**END
Send for help
Call 000 for an ambulance, or ask bystanders to make the call

**A**IRWAY
Open airway
Open mouth - look for foreign material
No foreign material
Leave on back
Open airway
Foreign material
Place in recovery position
Open and clear airway

**B**REATTHING
Check for breathing - look, listen, feel
Not breathing normally
Ensure ambulance has been called (000)
Normal breathing
Place in recovery position
Ensure ambulance has been called
Monitor breathing and response

**C**PR
Start CPR - 30 compressions : 2 breathes
If unwilling or unable to perform breaths, perform chest compressions only (100/min)

**D**EFIGRILLATION
Apply defibrillator (AED) as soon as available
Follow the voice prompts
Continue CPR until:
- The patient shows responsiveness and normal breathing
- More qualified help arrives
- You are physically unable to continue

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END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS CONCERT
TALLYGAROOPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have scheduled this night for Tuesday 12th December beginning at 5.30pm with tea if families wish. A BBQ will be provided by the local Lions Club and will include Sausages, Hamburger and Egg and Bacon Sandwiches. Drinks will include Water and Soft Drinks – prices will be available on the night. The BBQ will conclude at 6.30pm. Tally PS and the Lions Club are holding this evening for the Coin for Kids Program where 50% of funds raised goes to a charity of the schools choice and 50% to lions club charity (Kids Cancer Research).

This will be a very informal night with some Christmas Carols at 6.30pm and presentations to families leaving the school. The Grade 6 students will perform a song as well and families are welcome to bring their own salad if they wish. Santa will be arriving on the night at about 7.30pm and we are hoping to invite new children and families who will be at our school next year. Families should receive a small note about the night this week in a sealed envelope.

For Catering Purposes (to assist the Lions Club) could the following be filled in and returned to the office before Friday 1st December. If this is not returned we will assume that you will be unavailable on this evening.

Powerpoint presentations of Grade 6 students can be viewed in Project Room from 5.30pm to 6.30pm before the Xmas Concert begins.

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Our family...............will be coming to the Family BBQ night before the Christmas Concert / Graduation Night on Tuesday 12th December. We will need to be catered for ....... people.

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Tallygaroopna & Congupna Community Christmas Break-up

Sat. 16th Dec. 2017
Tallygaroopna Recreation Reserve
From 6:30pm till late

All are invited to join in the festivities of this great event.
Plenty of entertainment for children.
This promises to be a great evening out for the whole family.

Fully catered with a
BBQ Dinner and salads
Drinks at bar prices
(Strictly no BYO)

Visit From Santa!
Face Painting!
Show Bags!
Miniature Train Rides!
Jumping Castle!
Free Entry!
Plus Major Raffle!

Show bags $15 including unlimited rides and use of jumping castle or $10 for unlimited rides and use of jumping castle

BBQ - $10 per person or $25 for a family
# Year 6 to Year 7 Transition

Statewide placement timeline and procedures for 2018-19

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<td>By 27 March 2018</td>
<td>Regional office distributes Year 6 to Year 7 Transition memo and Parent and School Transition Packs to all government schools. Packs are also uploaded to the DET website.</td>
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| Week 1, Term 2 - Mon 16 April onwards | Primary schools distribute a Transition Pack to all parents/carers of Year 6 students with:  
- Letter to Parents/Carers (from Regional Director)  
- Frequently Asked Questions (Parents/Carers)  
- List of Government schools in Region with Year 7  
- Application for Year 7 Placement  
- Privacy Notice  
Please note: Secondary schools should not distribute copies of the Application for Year 7 Placement form. | PRIMARY SCHOOLS | SECONDARY SCHOOLS |
| Friday 11 May | Parents/Carers return Application for Year 7 Placement forms to primary schools by this date. Primary Schools are responsible for checking that the form is accurate and complete and that the parent/carer’s preferences are clear. | PRIMARY SCHOOLS | SECONDARY SCHOOLS |
| Tuesday 29 May | Primary schools submit all initial placement requests (first preferences) to each relevant secondary school by this date, using the Summary of Placement Requests form. Photocopies of each Application for Year 7 Placement form should be attached (as all original documentation should be retained by the primary school).  
Please note: Schools must not communicate with parents/carers regarding the status of placement requests until Wednesday 8 August (primary schools) or Thursday 9 August (secondary schools). Secondary Schools must not make offers to any student for specific programs prior to Thursday 9 August. | PRIMARY SCHOOLS | SECONDARY SCHOOLS |
<p>| Wednesday 30 May | Secondary schools confirm receipt of all initial placement requests made by the primary schools by this date. | PRIMARY SCHOOLS | SECONDARY SCHOOLS |
| Wednesday 20 June | Secondary schools advise primary schools of any unsuccessful initial placement requests by this date. Where initial placement requests were unsuccessful, primary schools submit all subsequent preference requests to each relevant secondary school until the student is placed. | PRIMARY SCHOOLS | SECONDARY SCHOOLS |
| Friday 27 July | Secondary schools notify primary schools of the names of all students who have been accepted into Year 7, and where applicable the rationale for placement, using the Summary of | PRIMARY SCHOOLS | SECONDARY SCHOOLS |</p>
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<td>Primary schools notify parents/carers of Year 6 students of placement offers, in writing. This notification should include a rationale for any non-placement if applicable.</td>
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<td>Thursday 9 August</td>
<td>Parents/Carers may commence lodging non-placement appeals with secondary schools.</td>
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<td>Closing date for parents/carers to lodge a non-placement appeal with secondary schools.</td>
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<td>Closing date for parents/carers to lodge a non-placement appeal with the Regional Director where they are unsuccessful with their appeal to the secondary school.</td>
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<td>Secondary schools host an Orientation Day for Year 6 students.</td>
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2018 Primary School Education Scholarships
Applications open between 5 February – 2 March 2018

Scholarship Information
Gambina’s Primary School Education Scholarships are designed to help cover some of the education expenses incurred by Indigenous families.

The 2018 Scholarship applications are open to Indigenous children from Prep through to Grade 6 who are attending Primary School in the Goulburn Valley.

2018 Application Dates
Applications open on Monday, 5 February 2018
Applications close on Friday, 2 March 2018 at 5.00pm.

We can only accept applications within these dates.

How to Apply
If you would like to apply for a Gambina 2018 Primary School Education Scholarship, please call our office on 03 5821 7333 to arrange an appointment with us.

Appointment bookings open on Monday, 5 February 2018.

When you come into the office for your appointment, please bring with you:
- Proof of identification from parents or guardians (driver’s licence, birth certificate or health care card).

Gambina - Agents of change
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