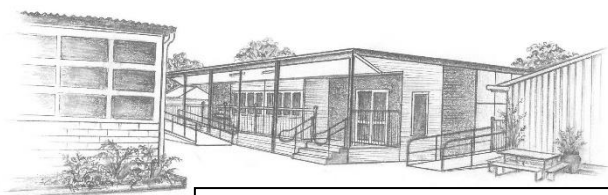


# TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO.3067



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

## News from the Principal's Desk

Hi everyone

It is hard to believe but there is less than 3 weeks to go until the end of the 2019 school year. On behalf of the school, I would personally like to thank our helpers throughout the year – as always this is fantastic and really appreciated by all of the staff and students. We look forward to the continued support of our parents and special friends throughout the school community in the new year and beyond. Our end of year activities begin this week with the excursion to the Whittlesea Fun Fields on Friday. 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. It is going to be a pretty hot day so please dress accordingly and remember to have good sun protection – Slip, Slop, Slap. Specific details are in this newsletter – it would be appreciated if this was paid this week please. Uniform is required at the beginning of the day to make it easier to identify our school.

Our other end of the year events include the Christmas Concert on Monday 16th Dec and the Grade 6 Graduation Dinner on Tuesday 17th Dec. 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.

Our last school council meeting is also on Wednesday night and I would personally like to thank each of these members for their support and assistance throughout a busy school year. School council dates for next year are in this edition of the newsletter and there will be some positions vacant for 2020 – touch base with me if interested.

Last week, our current Grade 5 students came up with an idea to work on leadership speeches for next year. This was a great idea and we will be following through with this and allowing these students to do their speeches in the last week of the school year. School Captains and Vice Captains will be announced at the last assembly for the year and presented by current students who hold these leadership titles. Student Voice is something we are currently working on and we hope this will become a tradition at Tally PS for years to come.

Information is also in this edition of the newsletter in regard to the Respectful Relationships and BYOD program which is offered for Grade 5/6 students again in 2020. Please read this information carefully and don't hesitate to contact the school if any clarification is needed.

I look forward to catching up with some parents throughout the week. Mrs Armstrong will be here for the whole week, to address any financial matters if needed.

David Brodie (Principal)

A reminder to get those 2020 OSH Care forms in ASAP – this is highly recommended for all families to assist with pickups if needed at the end of the day.

*The Fun Fields end of year excursion at Whittlesea will be held this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.*

**Prices for school uniforms have increased. A new price list is available at the office.**

**HATS ARE NOW COMPULSORY AT SCHOOL.**  
**NEW HATS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM SCHOOL FOR \$15 IF NEEDED.**

**Payments Due – return ASAP please.**

Colour Run - \$10 per student

Yachting - \$29 per student

Christmas Concert – RSVP please

Fun Fields Excursion - \$25 students / \$35 parents

**ASSEMBLY IS HELD EACH FRIDAY AT 3PM – ALL ARE WELCOME. THE LAST ASSEMBLY OF THE YEAR WILL BE HELD AT 1.50PM BECAUSE OF THE 2.25PM DISMISSAL – 1 HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL.**

**FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER WILL BE A CASUAL DAY WITH NO THEME. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF ALL FAMILIES COULD MAKE A GOLD COIN DONATION PLEASE. MONEY RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS THE NSW / QLD BUSHFIRES.**

**JSC WILL BE HAVING A BAKE SALE TYPE OF EVENT DURING THE LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL TO RAISE MONEY – MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.**

**DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT**

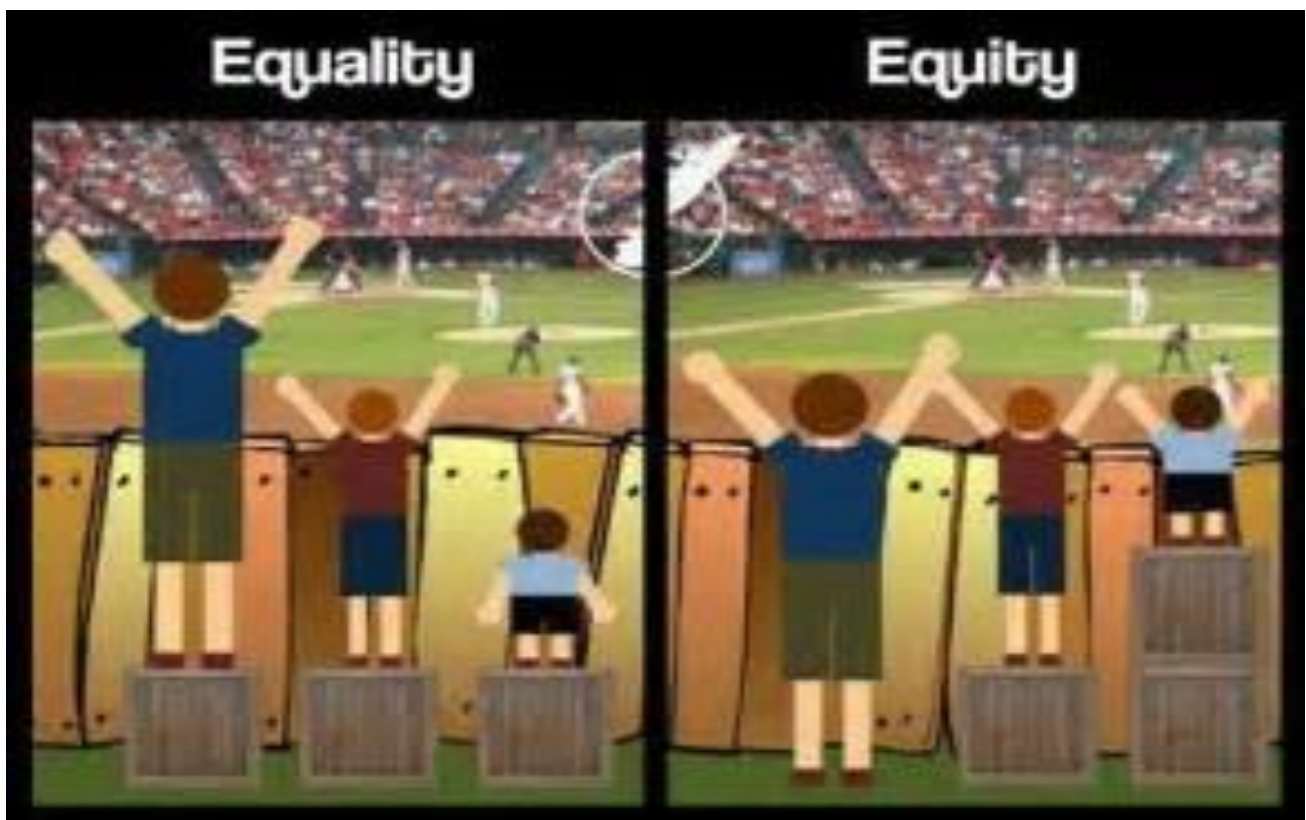
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Tallygaropna Primary School

BSB: 063—527

Account number: 0090 7788

**Please ensure you include family name and payment description as reference.**



The Child Safe Standards are compulsory minimum standards for all Victorian early childhood services and schools, to ensure they are well prepared to protect children from abuse and neglect. The standards provide a framework for schools to review existing policies and practices and all other aspects of child safety, to ensure a 'zero tolerance' approach to any form of child abuse. You can access our policy on the school's website.

### **Save your lids!**

Hi Tallygaroopna Primary School parents, friends and community,

We are looking to create a recycled plastic lid art work soon, and we are asking that you save your plastic lids for this project. Lids that are suitable are pretty much any plastic lids, in the following photo you can see plastic lids from coffee, shower gel, hot chocolate, yogurt, milk, juice, mouthwash, marinated octopus, mayonnaise, water, sauce and carpet spray. It doesn't have to be just drink lids. Recycle ALL your plastic ♻️.

Please start saving as you can imagine we will need a lot of lids!

Mrs. H



## Term 4 Music Update

This term has been really enjoyable so far! We have just received the grant money through The Apprenticeship Factory and have been able to purchase a Digital Piano, which I am very excited about! The students have already been introduced to the instrument last Friday and I have been able to accompany them for our practice towards the Christmas Carols night.

The F/1 class is busily singing, dancing and using Boomwhackers for rhythm games. The 2/3 and 3/4 classes have been working hard to learn Silent Night on their recorders, which I have been very impressed by. Finally the 5/6 class have been learning to play Jingle Bells and have been very competitive with the game "Rhythm Chairs".

I look forward to showcasing our lovely students in class choirs for the upcoming Christmas Carol Night! Hope to see you all there!

Mrs Tucker





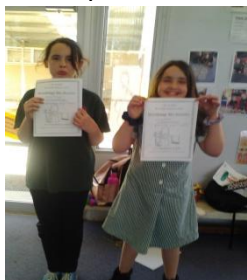
# October – November OSH Care 2019 Newsletter

Photos of our children in the OSH Care Service

Some delicious pancakes, cupcakes, iced & sprinkle bikkies & cookie face challenge.



Superb certificates - Washing Hands & Star of the Week



Playing some tunes



Straw poppies



Using the phone



Devil costume



Baby chicks



Group time



Bubble time



Baseball



Downball



### **END OF YEAR EXCURSION – TALLYGAROPNA PS**

Planning for the trip to Whittlesea Fun Fields is progressing well and we can confirm that this day will be held on Friday 6th 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 \$25 per student and \$35 per parent / guardian (same price as 2018). This cost is significantly reduced but no changes in prices will be made to any families choosing to drive down by car. Normal general admission ranges from \$41.50 to \$49.50 per person.

This can be paid to the office now. Bus arrangements will cater for 2x 57 seats - **Please book your spot now to avoid disappointment.** 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 return this Excursion slip with payments enclosed. Numbers need to be confirmed by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November.**



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END OF YEAR EXCURSION (Whittlesea Fun Fields) – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Family Name –

Parents / Guardians Attending (names) –

Tallygaroopna PS Students Attending (names) –

Travelling by – Bus / Personal Car (indicate Please)

Is Staff Supervision Needed – Yes / No

Amount Enclosed -

Costs - \$25 for Tally PS students / \$35 for Parents & Guardians

I consent to my child taking part in this excursion and where the teacher in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me, or it is otherwise impracticable to contact me, I authorise the teacher in charge to:

- consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by medical practitioner,
- administer such first aid as the teacher in charge may judge to be reasonably necessary

Signature of parent / guardian..... Date.....

**If an adult is unable to attend with their child a CASES21 permission form will be sent home in addition to this form.**





**END OF YEAR  
CHRISTMAS CONCERT - 2019  
TALLYGARROOPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL**



We have scheduled this night for Monday 16th December beginning at 5.30pm with tea if families wish. A BBQ will be provided by the local Lions Club and will include Sausages, Hamburgers 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 6<sup>th</sup> December. If this is not returned we will assume that you will be unavailable on this evening.**

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**Our family.....will be coming to the  
Family BBQ night before the Christmas Concert /  
Graduation Night on Monday 16th December. We will  
need to be catered for ..... people.**

**Signed.....**

A huge thank you to Statewide Pest Control who donated \$500 towards the Colour Run. This is greatly appreciated and will assist with costs which occurred during this event. We look forward to having another fun event such as this in the new year and any support that can be received would be fantastic.

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# Tallygaroopna & Congupna Community Christmas Break-up

Sat. 14th Dec. 2019  
Tallygaroopna Recreation Reserve  
From 6:30pm till late

*All are invited to join in the festivities of this great event.*

*This promises to be a great evening out for the whole family.*

**BBQ Dinner with salad  
& dessert - \$10p/head  
or \$25p/family**

**Drinks at bar prices  
(Strictly no BYO)**

**Visit from Santa!  
Face Painting!  
Show Bags!  
Jumping Castle!  
Free Entry!  
Plus Major  
Raffle!**



**NEW!- Marshelvalifarm Animal Farm**

Show bags \$15 including activities and jumping castle or \$10 for activities and jumping castle



**NORTHERNERS**  
CRICKET CLUB



### **Contacting Staff out of School Hours**

Please be mindful of contacting staff outside of school hours (beyond 5pm). This may involve text messaging, phone calls, Class Dojo and Flexibuzz. There has been a big push from the Department of Education in regard to staff and principal health & wellbeing and it is important that we all have lives away from the busy school day. We will also make an extra effort to do the same for our families, so that after work time can be devoted to families. David

### **Communicating with Staff**

Please feel free to discuss any issues with myself or specific class teachers. At Tallygaroopna PS, we are accessible to parents and we value the importance of positive and constructive communication with all of our families. Please contact the school to make an appointment if needed – so that issues can be addressed at an appropriate time, which does not affect normal planning and learning time. David

## **Photos of the Week – Men's Shed**

Our final visit to the Men's Shed for the year will be on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Please contact the office to see if your child has returned a permission form to avoid disappointment.





## Photos of the Week – New BBQ (Munch N Crunch)



### Greater Shepparton Secondary College 2020 Year 7 Booklist

Please find the link for the 2020 Year 7 Booklist for the GSSC – McGuire Campus. 2020 Year 7 Booklists are due by 6 December. Families are encouraged to complete booklists online.

<https://order.campion.com.au/index.html#resourceListListView?code=53B53ABE>

## **Foundation Transition Program**

The following days have been scheduled for new Foundation students for 2020. This Orientation Program is essential to starting school. Confirmed dates are below.

Day 1 – Tuesday 15th October (9am – 11am) Kinder Day – walk kids back at 11am

Day 2 – Tuesday 29th October (9am – 11.40am) Kinder Day – walk kids back at 11.30am

Day 3 – Wednesday 13th November (9am – 1.55pm) Kinder Day – pick up from school at 2pm

Day 4 – Wednesday 27th November (9am – 1.55pm) Kinder Day – pick up from school at 2pm

Day 5 (Statewide) – Tuesday 10th December (all day)

**COULD ANY GRADE 5 STUDENTS WHO ARE HELPING OUT AS WAITERS AT THE GRADUATION NIGHT RETURN THE PERMISSION FORM ASAP PLEASE.**



**ROTARY CLUB OF SHEPPARTON SOUTH INC.**

President: Belinda Liggins

Secretary: Brian Pethybridge  
PO Box 1175  
Shepparton. 3632.

**2019 Graeme Cross Memorial Scholarship**

Sponsored by the  
Rotary Club of Shepparton South Inc.

Applications for a \$ 500.00 scholarship for a Year 6 Student

We are asking for HAND WRITTEN applications indicating

- School Participation- eg excellent attendance, role modelling caring attitude to fellow students or others in the community
- Musical, Artistic and Sporting Achievements
- Community and Charity activities- eg helping others in need, volunteering
- A copy of the latest available School report
- A reference from an adult who has known the student for at least two years.

Please do not send valuable original documents with your application. Photocopies are acceptable.

**Applications will close on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020, and are to be forwarded to**

Secretary  
Rotary Club of Shepparton South  
PO Box 1175  
Shepparton 3632

**Music Lessons – 2020**

Cliff Doornkamp is offering individual guitar and keyboard lessons to be held on a Monday morning next year. Each lesson runs for 20 minutes and will cost \$20.

Interested families should contact Cliff on 0474 769 963 for more information.



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

### – Term 4 / Week 7

All students received a certificate and also a free icy pole voucher to use this term.

<p><b>Foundation / Grade 1 - Mrs H's Super Students</b> <b>Toby &amp; Harry</b></p> <div data-bbox="328 477 448 640"></div> <div data-bbox="521 477 639 640"></div>	<p>Toby receives this award because of the way he has been trying his absolute hardest in his schoolwork. He is a great addition to our classroom. Well done, Toby!</p> <p>Harry receives this award for the way he always gives 100% in completing his schoolwork. He is a quiet achiever who is quite amazing.</p>
<p><b>Grade 2/3 - Mrs Fitz's Fantastic Flamingos</b> <b>Ryder</b></p> <div data-bbox="416 775 536 940"></div>	<p>Ryder receives this award for the effort you have been putting into your writing over the last couple of weeks.</p>
<p><b>Grade 3/4 - Miss Love's Loyal Labradors</b> <b>Gemma</b></p> <div data-bbox="419 1066 542 1234"></div>	<p>Gemma receives this award for her outstanding resilience this week.</p>
<p><b>Grade 5/6 – Miss L's Leading Llamas</b> <b>Chantelle</b></p> <div data-bbox="419 1361 542 1534"></div>	<p>Chantelle receives this award for her ongoing positivity and effort in the classroom. Chantelle always tries her best and has achieved some fantastic assessment results this term. Well done, Chantelle!</p>
<p><b><u>Sport Awards</u></b></p> <p>Nate – for fantastic running in the 1.6km walk/run for the AFEA fitness tests.</p>	<p>Izzy - for fantastic running in the 1.6km walk/run for the AFEA fitness tests.</p>

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

## – Term 4 / Week 8

All students received a certificate and also a free icy pole voucher to use this term.

<p><b>Foundation / Grade 1 - Mrs H's Super Students</b> <b>Olivia &amp; Olie</b></p> <div data-bbox="331 407 448 568"></div> <div data-bbox="539 407 655 568"></div>	<p>Olivia receives this award for the awesome way she has been participating in the classroom and for her fantastic positive attitude. Great work, Olivia!</p> <p>Olie receives this award for all the effort he has been putting into his learning. It is great to see how focused he has been. Well done, Olie!</p>
<p><b>Grade 2/3 - Mrs Fitz's Fantastic Flamingos</b> <b>Zoey</b></p> <div data-bbox="419 725 536 887"></div>	<p>Zoey receives this award for your great writing this week!</p>
<p><b>Grade 3/4 - Miss Love's Loyal Labradors</b> <b>Jimmy</b></p> <div data-bbox="416 1050 533 1211"></div>	<p>Jimmy receives this award for his outstanding efforts in writing this week.</p>
<p><b>Grade 5/6 – Miss L's Leading Llamas</b> <b>Jacinda</b></p> <div data-bbox="418 1341 534 1503"></div>	<p>Jacinda receives this award for her ongoing effort and growth in Writing this year. Jacinda uses punctuation with great accuracy and has been experimenting with figurative language to enhance her writing. Great work, Jacinda!</p>
<p><b><u>Sport Awards</u></b></p> <p>Kealan – for listening and participating without any fuss. Well done, Kealan.</p>	<p>Ryder – helped to provide valuable answers and participated well during Phys. Ed. today</p>

**Values Vault – Week 8: Jade**



### **1. BYOD Program - 2020**

We will be offering families in Grade 5/6 the BYOD program again next year. We have plenty of information on our website and families may be able to make an informed decision by looking at the link below. Information available online is summarised as:

- iPad Policy & Acceptable Use Agreement for 2019
- App List
- iPad Information
- iPad Information Night Presentation (VIMEO).

We will be aiming to send home a Bring Your Own iPad Policy & Acceptable Use Agreement (2020) this week. However, families may wish to follow this up in the new year. Miss Lothian will be planning to have a BYOD information night early in Term 1 next year – stay tuned.

<https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/228/BYOD-Program---Grade-5/6>

### **2. Respectful Relationships**

As educators we share a common purpose – to provide our students with an education that gives each child the best start to a happy, healthy and prosperous life.

Victoria's Respectful Relationship initiative supports school leaders, educators and our school communities to promote and model respect and equality – and to teach our children how to build healthy relationships, resilience and confidence.

The Royal Commission into Family Violence identified the critical role that schools have in creating a culture of respect to change the story of family violence for future generations. In 2016, respectful relationship education became a core component of the Victorian Curriculum from Prep to Year 12, and is being taught in all government and Catholic schools and many independent schools.

We will be a partner school next year with support from our lead school – Shepparton East PS. We look forward to a positive association with this school and I am sure that some opportunities will be available to our school community through this partnership. We currently implement Bounce Back (which is our Social & Emotional Learning Program) and we look forward to Respectful Relationships complementing what we currently do at school.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/respectfulrelationships.aspx>

#### **DELIVERING THE RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS INITIATIVE**

The Victorian Government is implementing Respectful Relationships across Victorian schools and early childhood services through:

- A leading and partner schools initiative, providing intensive training and support to Government, Catholic and Independent schools to implement the whole-school approach to Respectful Relationships
- The Resilience, Rights & Respectful Relationships suite of teaching materials for Prep to Year 12
- A professional development program for early childhood educators
- A regional Respectful Relationships Workforce to support schools and early childhood education settings to implement respectful relationship education and strengthen referral and response to family violence.

### **3. School Leadership for 2020 (Captains / Vice Captains)**

The current Grade 5 students have decided that they would like to present their captains speeches before the end of the year, rather than at the beginning of the year as has been the process in the past. We welcome this change, as student voice is an area we are striving to improve across the school.

The Grade 5s will give their speeches on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 11.55am and all families are welcome to attend if they wish. Miss Lothian will record all speeches for families who are unable to attend.

The current captains will present badges to the new captains at our last assembly on Friday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Students have started working on their speeches in class.

#### **4. School Reports**

School reports will be distributed in sealed envelopes on Monday 16th 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.

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.

#### **5. Students Arriving Early at School**

Parents are reminded that grounds supervision does not begin until 8.30am so please do not send students early to school for the sake of it or to play. This is documented in our staff supervision policy. We know there are a handful of families that do make early drop offs but these students are not be allowed outside until 8.30am or until supervision begins. Before 8.30am - these students will remain in the BER room instead of roaming around the school grounds unsupervised. Please reinforce this at home and only have children arrive early to school if absolutely needed (ie: early work commitments).

#### **6. Statewide Orientation Day**

This will held on Tuesday 10th December and we wish our Grade 6 students luck on this day as they spend the whole day at their new schools. All of the students at Tallygaroopna PS will be in their classes for 2020 on this day.

#### **7. Placement Notes – Grade 1**

These were distributed today – parents had a number of weeks to discuss these placements throughout the term. We have made this placement in the best interests of all of the students in the school. Academic and social issues have been strongly considered when making this decision. We would like to remind all families that all of our children will be working at their point of need throughout the year and there will be opportunities for all students to do some activities together involving team teaching. We have put a lot of time and effort into the classroom placements and we ask that you accept and support the decisions we have made.



### **8. Shirt Signing**

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 to Miss Lothian.** 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 casual day so no school uniforms will be required. 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. Grade 5/6 Muck Up Day**

On Thursday 19th December, the Grade 5/6 students will be having a Muck Up Day in the afternoon. This will involve some water fights and students can bring in water balloons, buckets, water pistols..etc for this. This will begin after lunch beginning at 2pm and conclude at 2.45pm – enough time to dry off at the end of the day. This activity will be closely monitored by Miss Lothian and Mr Brodie and students will be invited to participate – depending on behaviour at school. If you would prefer for your child to not participate contact the school please.

### **10. School Council**

This is scheduled for this Wednesday 4th December. The Finance Committee will meet at 6.30pm, followed by a light meal for school councillors. The final meeting for the year will then begin at 6.45pm as discussed at the last meeting.

### **Meeting Dates for 2020**

These are summarised below and are open to change if needed. These are held in weeks 3 and 9 of each term. We are mandated to have 8 meetings a year.

Term 1	Week 3: Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Week 9: Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March - AGM
Term 2	Week 3: Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Week 9: Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June
Term 3	Week 3: Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Week 9: Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Week 3: Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Week 10: Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December

### **11. Parent / Community Helpers**

The staff would like to thank all parents and people from the community who assisted in the following areas during 2019:

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

Your support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to your continued support in 2020.

### **12. Swimming Certificates**

We are still chasing these up and they 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.

### **13. Specialist Programs**

We can confirm that we will be having a high quality Specialist Program in 2020 to enable our students to reach their potential in a variety of learning opportunities.

Art (MACC Van servicing small schools in the local area) – Mrs Hack: sessions fortnightly on a Wednesday  
Library (MARC Van servicing small schools in the local area) – Mrs Campbell: sessions fortnightly on a Wednesday  
P.E. – Mrs Montgomery: sessions fortnightly on a Wednesday  
Science – Mrs Starbuck: sessions fortnightly on a Wednesday  
Music – Mrs Tucker: sessions fortnightly on a Friday  
Italian – Mrs Ceravola : sessions fortnightly on a Friday

Start dates are listed in the calendar on the last page of this newsletter.

### **14. Student Borrowing**

This has concluded for the 2019 school year. Our last session with the MARC Van is this Wednesday, so could any books outstanding please be returned to school ASAP. Any items that have not been returned by this session will need to be dropped to Congupna PS before the end of the year – this will be parent's responsibility.

## **15. School Term Dates**

These dates have 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 Tuesday 28th January in the morning and will be setting up classrooms in the afternoon. As a result, all students will start on Wednesday 29th January. Foundation students will not be at school on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January while English Online Testing is completed – this is mandated with all schools. Foundation students will have a rest day on Wednesdays for the month of February (or longer if necessary) as they become accustomed to normal school life at Tallygaroopna PS.

Term 1 – January 28th until 27th March (all students from F-6 to start on Wednesday 29th January)

Term 2 – 14th April until 26th June

Term 3 – 13th July until 18th September

Term 4 – 5th October until 18th December

Foundation – Rest Days (Wednesdays) – further Wednesday rest days can be negotiated if needed.

Week 2 – Wednesday 5th February

Week 3 – Wednesday 12th February

Week 4 – Wednesday 19th February

Week 5 – Wednesday 26th February

The first full week for Foundation students may begin on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 taking the first of these at the start of the year - the remaining three student-free days are determined by each individual school.

**If your plans for next year have changed or if you know of anyone moving into the area and considering enrolling at our school, please let the office know.**

## **16. OSH Enrolment Forms – School Pick Ups (urgent)**

We have had some students being picked up late after school during the last couple of weeks. As a result, we would like some more enrolments forms in for OSH Care, so that students can go into this service straight after school if needed. Supervision with staff after school is from 3.25pm to 3.45pm and it is unfair for school staff to supervise children beyond this time because of specific commitments. Staff will not be supervising staff beyond 3.45pm - hence OSH is the preferred service.

We currently have only 24 enrolment forms in and we would prefer to have 81 - for all of the students in the school. A note to all families current and future has been distributed - reminding families of this along with OSH Care forms being distributed again (these need to be completed for each student).

These are readily available on our school website also

- <https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/176/Outside-School-Hours-Care>

Information regarding student collection is at the link below, but we would obviously prefer to not use these measures. However, we have a duty of care to do so if needed unfortunately. A big thank you to the families have been proactive so far and have handed in OSH Care enrolment forms - this makes our job a lot easier and is certainly appreciated.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/safety/Pages/studentcollection.aspx>

## **17. Bus Costs Proposal**

Bus travellers should have received a formal letter from School Council regarding fees for bus use in 2020. Bus fees have been in place for the last few years and School Council has slightly increased fees for next year. The school makes a large financial contribution in supporting families, so some changes were necessary in line with increasing costs. If you did not receive this letter, contact the school and a new letter will be sent home.

If you have not paid fees for bus use for this year – can you contact the school ASAP please.

### **18. Class Teachers - 2020**

We have finalised classroom staffing for 2020 and these appointments are made in the best interests of our whole school.

#### **Junior Unit**

Foundation / Grade 1 – Mrs Claire Haberfield

Grade 1 / Grade 2 – Mrs Tahnee Fitzpatrick

#### **Senior Unit**

Grade 3 / Grade 4 – Miss Del Love

Grade 5 / Grade 6 – Miss Liss Lothian

We will begin the new year hopefully with 83 students which is a great result for our school. The grade structure for 2020 will be the following, but class numbers may change with any future alterations to enrolments.

#### **Junior School**

Foundation / Grade 1 – 18 students

Grade 1 / Grade 2 – 18 students

#### **Senior School**

Grade 3 / Grade 4 – 22 students

Grade 5 / Grade 6 – 25 students

We are pleased that we are able to retain our current staff. Many schools have issues with suitable applicants and for our school to be able to do this is a positive reflection on our whole school community.

### **19. 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.

### **20. End of Year Excursion**

Costs for this day have been confirmed and we will be taking only one bus.

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 – however, Foundation students for 2020 are also invited this year. 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 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.

## **BOOKINGS HAVE NOW CLOSED** **PEOPLE WHO ARE PART OF THE SCHOOL** **GROUP WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL TICKET** **FOR ENTRY WITH THE SCHOOL ON THE DAY**

### **21. Excursion Policy Reminder**

Our Excursion policy is found [here](#) for parents to refer to if needed. Some key points are:

1. Only children who have displayed sensible, reliable behaviour at school will be invited to participate in school excursions. Parents will be notified if a child is in danger of losing their invitation to participate in an excursion due to poor behaviour at school. Excursions are a privilege not a right.

2. Parents experiencing financial difficulty, who wish for their children to attend an excursion, will be required to discuss their individual situation with the Principal. Decisions relating to alternative payment arrangements will be made by the Principal on a case-by-case basis.



## **22. Christmas Concert**

This will be held on Monday 16th December. All families have received a formal letter about this evening – please RSVP to assist with catering by Friday 6th December. We currently don't have the prices that Tally Lions will charge for the BBQ and drinks on the night so please be prepared with change if you wish to partake of this. *Please make sure you also open the special envelope and address the information inside as soon as possible – **this was sent home a couple of weeks ago.***



## **23. Graduation Night**

Plans are in place for the Grade 6 Graduation Dinner. We will have this event at school in the Multipurpose Room on Tuesday 17th December and the dinner will involve Grade 6 students and current and long standing staff at Tallygaroopna PS. The tea will be provided by the Parents' Club and begin at 6pm (lasagne, salad and chips). 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 will begin in the Project Room at 7pm and the whole school community is invited to attend. We hope to wrap up the night by 8pm at the latest.

## **24. Accident Insurance - reminder**

Our school does not have an accident insurance policy to cover student injuries or ambulance transport. A reminder to parents and guardians that they are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment and ambulance attendance/transport. We recommend all families arrange ambulance cover in case of emergency. There are also a variety of commercial insurance policies available that would cover accidents at school.

## **25. School Bus Travellers - 2020**

Below is the current list for next year, if this is incorrect can you contact the school immediately please – alterations will be ongoing depending on family needs. We are still working on arrangements for the bus service for 2020, but we anticipate having 2 runs again. All families will be updated via Flexibuzz on a regular basis.

### **Run 1 – 17 students**

Beau Voss	Oscar Buckland	Gemma Thomas	Tait Buckland
Alira Bux	Ryder Thomas	Max Ginter	Jai Brown
Mitchel Joy	Zoey Kotoulis	Savannah Thomas	Mason Brown - F
Ayla Kemp	Ethan Kemp	Nate Prossor – F	Heather Michelmores
Peyton Duggan			

### **Run 2 – 13 students**

Lilly Walker	Josh Collins	Lachie Mawson	James Mawson
Sienna Elliott	Lloyd Akers	Bailey Mawson	Toby Elliott
Olivia Akers – F	Bethany Grigg	Chelsea Zarb – F	Abbie Mannes
Nathan Mannes			

**We have been informed that Dyson's Bus Charters will be our new bus line in 2020. Mr Brodie will be having a meeting tomorrow with Dyson's and we hope that this partnership will not alter our current arrangements that we have had previously with Jacobson's Bus Lines.**

## **26. OSH Care Costs**

At the last School Council meeting we decided to increase OSH Care fees for 2020. These have been simplified and will be \$25 for a full session and \$15 for a short session (finishing by 4.30pm). These increases were needed in order to make this service financially viable for the future and we hope that this service will be generally well supported by the school community.

## **27. Chaplaincy – 2020**

We can confirm that we will be having Chaplaincy Support (Welfare) in 2020 again after formally accepting an extension of 12 months this week. John Hosking has agreed to stay on in this role for Semester 1, which is terrific. We will be going through an application process to fill this position for Semester 2 in 2020 and more information will be available later in the new year.

## **28. School Fees**

School fees for 2019 are due. All school fee information for 2019 was summarised in our Parent Payment Charges letter which went home at the beginning of the year. Feel free to contact the office if any clarification is needed.

**School fees for 2020 have been approved at School Council. These will be itemised in a letter to be sent home early next year and will be due by the end of February, 2020. They are as follows:**

Foundation - \$217      Grade 1/2 - \$170      Grade 3/4 - \$150,      Grade 5/6 - \$155

## **29. Community Plan Meeting**

The following dates have been set for the Community Plan Committee – all are welcome. This traditionally takes place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month – meeting at 7pm at the Town Hall or CFA Shed. See website below for further details.

<http://greaterShepparton.com.au/community/neighbourhoods/community-plans/tallygaroopna-community-plan>

Meeting Dates: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

## **30. Bunnings BBQ**

We are fortunate to receive another Bunnings BBQ fundraiser for next year. This will be held on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March and we will seek support for this next year. Mr Brodie attended an information session last Thursday and further details will be available in 2020.



# TALLY P.S. CALENDAR – TERM 4 2019 / TERM 1 2020

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
25 Curric. Day – Pupil Free	26 OSH Chaplain	27 OSH Art / PE Orientation 4	28 OSH Chaplain Science Playgroup	29 OSH Music / Italian Cricket at School Men's Shed
2 OSH Newsletter - full Com. Plan Mtg.	3 OSH Chaplain	4 OSH Library / PE School Council 8	5 OSH Chaplain Science	6 Funfields Excurs. Cricket at School
9 OSH	10 OSH Chaplain Orientation Day - Statewide	11 OSH Art / PE	12 OSH Chaplain Science Playgroup	13 OSH Music / Italian Men's Shed
16 OSH Newsletter - full Reports Home Xmas Concert	17 OSH Chaplain Graduation Night	18 OSH PE Leaders Speeches	19 OSH Chaplain Science Muck Up Day G6	20 OSH Italian Shirt Signing – G6 End of Term 4
23	24	25	26	27
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS				

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
27  <b>2020</b>	28 Term Starts Curriculum Day Chaplain	29 All Students Start OSH P.E.	30 OSH Chaplain No Preps – TBC English Online	31 OSH Assembly – 3pm Music No Preps – TBC English Online
3 OSH	4 OSH Chaplain	5 OSH Science / Art Prep – Rest Day	6 OSH Chaplain	7 OSH Assembly – 3pm Italian Cricket at School
10 OSH	11 OSH Chaplain Info Night / BBQ	12 OSH School Council 1 P.E. / Library Prep – Rest Day	13 OSH Chaplain	14 OSH Assembly – 3pm Music
17 OSH	18 OSH Chaplain	19 OSH Science / Art Prep – Rest Day	20 OSH Chaplain	21 OSH Assembly – 3pm Italian
24 OSH	25 OSH Chaplain	26 OSH P.E. / Library Prep – Rest Day	27 OSH Chaplain	28 OSH Assembly – 3pm Music Red Balloon Day

JANUARY / FEBRUARY