

TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO.3067



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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

News from the Principal's Desk

Hi everyone

This is the last edition of the school newsletter for 2021. As a result, there are a number of items in this edition which focus on end of year programs along with items which address the beginning of the new school year. Please read all of these items carefully and don't hesitate to contact the school if you need any clarification – especially new families.

I would also like to remind families that new boxes will be set up for Skool Loop for 2022 over the holiday period. All of the 2021 boxes will be archived and all families will need to join the new 2022 boxes to allow for adequate communication to occur between home and school. If you need any help with this – don't hesitate to contact me and I can assist.

Tonight is our Graduation Night - I am sure that many families from the school community would like to attend and we look forward to the Grade 6 Graduation Night being a rewarding experience. Unfortunately, only immediate family members of grade 6 students can attend at the Outdoor Learning Space but the evening will be live streamed on our Facebook Live site beginning at 7pm.

I would personally, like to wish everyone a great Christmas break and thank all of our families for the support that we always receive at school. I look forward to catching up with families at the Graduation Ceremony and throughout the last fortnight of school which concludes on Friday 17th December. We would love to see some more families attend our school during some formal assemblies held during this time however we are required to sight double vaccination certificates in order for this to occur.

Finally, Semester 2 reports will go home on Monday 13th December - please read these carefully and don't hesitate to contact any staff if anything needs clarifying before the end of the year. A lot of time and effort goes into these reports but we see reporting to families as being an ongoing process and we are aiming to continue with more formalised opportunities in the new year. This will again involve two Student Led Conferences which will be held in Term 1 and Term 3 in line with school reports which are sent home at the end of Terms 2 and 4.

Karen and I will be at the office all this week to address any matters if needed. Unfortunately, I will be away next Monday, but I will return to school on Tuesday 14th December. Keep safe everyone!

David Brodie (Principal)

A REMINDER THAT ASSEMBLY IS HELD EACH FRIDAY AT 3PM IN THE PROJECT SPACE – there are no more Webex sessions. Families are encouraged to attend provided they have handed in double vaccination details to the school.

Absence forms can be submitted on Skool Loop. This is our preferred method of notification.

The last Orientation Day for new Foundation students for 2022 will be held on Tuesday 7th December. This will be for the whole day – children can be dropped off at 8.30am and are to be collected by 3.25pm.

A REMINDER THAT SCHOOL BEGINS FOR ALL STUDENTS FROM PREP (FOUNDATION) TO GRADE 6 ON MONDAY 31ST JANUARY 2022. THE SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN ON FRIDAY 28TH JANUARY AND THE OFFICE WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER MIDDAY. WE HAVE A STAFF MEETING IN THE MORNING.

FACE MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED FOR STAFF AND GRADE 3-6 STUDENTS INDOORS

SWIMMING VOUCHERS NEED TO BE REQUESTED BY FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER.

Please stay glued to frequent announcements on Skool Loop.

DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT

Account Name:

Tallygaropna Primary School

BSB: 063—527

Account number: 0090 7788

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



**How is YOUR head today?
What THOUGHTS are taking
up most of your
headspace?**

**It's okay not to be OKAY.
Remember, HELP is just a
phone call away.**



An initiative of the Goulburn Health & Wellbeing Project



2021 Out of School Hours Care Newsletter

It's a wrap.

What a year 2021 has been.

Beck and I have really enjoyed our first year of running OSHC. It has been great to see so many families entrusting us to care for their children after school.

Covid has thrown a few curve balls which has restricted us from providing hands on activities including cooking and group food prep, which the students have really wanted to do. However, we have been able to make a lot of great crafts and learn some fun new games.

We are both hoping that next year is just as amazing and fun as this year has been with a lot more opportunities for group activities.

Please stay safe over the holiday period and enjoy a well-earned break.

We look forward to seeing new and old faces in 2022.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
From Dee and Beck



Here are photos from our time in OSHC for 2021.

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK – FUN FRIDAY (TEACHER DAY)



PHOTOS OF THE WEEK – FUN FRIDAY (JOB DAY)



PHOTOS OF THE WEEK – FUN FRIDAY (JOB DAY)



UNIFORMS - 2022

Last week, School Council considered some changes to the school uniform. The Information booklet and Uniform Policy will be updated to reflect these changes.

A new bucket hat was approved as an option along with the existing broad-brimmed hat from the start of 2022. This hat complies with Sunsmart hat guidelines. An order has been placed with the school supplier and these will be available to purchase at the start of next year from the school for \$15 each.



A bottle/white microfibre polo shirt with a red embroidered school logo will be phased in as an additional polo shirt option for families to purchase once existing polo shirt stock levels run down. The school will notify families when this occurs. This polo will be available for purchase directly from Quality Teams in Shepparton for \$33 each. Students will still be able to purchase and wear the existing polo with red trim/print (while they are available) or a plain bottle green polo.

School Council has approved the grade 6 students to wear a red/white colourway polo of the same design with a bottle green logo embroidered on it. A graduation print will be on the back. Families who feel they cannot afford this will be offered the loan of a polo but without the graduation print on the back. This polo will be available for purchase at Quality Teams. Polo and school logo cost will be \$33 each but the cost of the graduation print on the back has not yet been finalised. More information for next year's grade 6 families will be available later this week. This will begin at the start of 2022.



FUN FRIDAY'S



**FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER – SUPER HEROES, BOOK OR
MOVIE CHARACTER DAY**

FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER – CASUAL DAY

**NOT COMPULSORY – IF NOT DRESSING UP SCHOOL
UNIFORM IS REQUIRED (please respect this) – APART
FROM THE LAST DAY OF THE YEAR (17TH DEC)**

**ALL STUDENTS WHETHER DRESSED UP OR NOT
WILL RECEIVE A FREE ICY POLE**



Vaccination requirements for parents, carers and other visitors not performing work

update 16th Nov 2021

Parents, carers and other adults who enter school buildings must have had at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine and must have had two doses of COVID-19 vaccine by Monday 29 November 2021 or a valid medical exception. The following limited exceptions apply:

- when attending to administer medical treatment to their own child when the treatment cannot be administered by the school
- when attending to collect their child who is unwell and cannot leave the school building unaccompanied by their parent/carer
- when attending for a short time that does not involve any sustained contact with staff or students, for example, to collect a completed art project or similar.

This vaccination requirement applies to all school activities inside school buildings, including but not limited to, kindergarten transition activities, tours, graduations, fetes and school theatre and music production.

Any adults attending these events, **regardless of whether they are held indoors or outdoors, must be vaccinated, in line with community requirements**. Under the updated policy, schools are no longer obligated to collect and hold copies of vaccination certificates, provided they record details of the sighted vaccination information using a register.

Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

These behaviours are not okay in our school community:

- ⊗ Threats
- ⊗ Violence
- ⊗ Rudeness

- ⊗ Harassment
- ⊗ Discriminatory and derogatory comments






- ⊗ Aggression
- ⊗ Intimidation
- ⊗ Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy**.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**– Term 4 / Week 8**

All students received a certificate and a free icy pole voucher.

Found. / Grade 1 - Mrs H's Little Friends Seth 	<p>Seth received this award for the kindness he shows to others in our classroom. A student in our classroom was scared of the heavy rain and he comforted her and gave her his toys to cuddle. He is such a caring young man.</p>
Grade 1/2 - Mrs J's Blooming Bunch Lebron 	<p>Lebron received this award for being such a great role model and for being extremely respectful and kind to everybody. Amazing work!!</p>
Grade 3/4 - Miss R's Superstars Fenn 	<p>Fenn received this award for being such a bubbly, kind and caring class member. Fenn is trustworthy, reliable, responsible and a great role model to her peers. Fenn is always striving to do her very best and because of this, is able to produce high quality work. Awesome work, Fenn.</p>
Grade 5/6 – Miss L's Fruity 5/6's Clarissa & Mitchel  	<p>Clarissa received this award for continuing to complete high quality work in all areas of her learning. I have also been very pleased to see Clarissa's confidence develop throughout the year. You have been a pleasure to teach, Clara!</p> <p>Mitchel received this award for maintaining a positive attitude in the classroom and being super helpful supporting Miss L during production filming. Great to see you being so confident, Mitch! Well done.</p>
Sports Awards <p>Harry – for trying his best and showing positive attitude towards team mates.</p>	<p>Olivia A. – for showing great determination and willingness to have a go at lacrosse.</p>





VALUES VAULT – Tait

CONTACT THE SCHOOL TO ORGANISE A SCHOOL TOUR FOR NEW ENROLMENTS FOR 2022 – DOUBLE VACCINATION CERTIFICATES ARE A REQUIREMENT

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

– Term 4 / Week 9

All students received a certificate and a free icy pole voucher.

<p>Found. / Grade 1 - Mrs H's Little Friends Ameerah</p> 	<p>Ameerah received this award for the fantastic way she has started here at Tallygaroopna Primary. Ameerah has settled in beautifully. Well done, Ameerah.</p>
<p>Grade 1/2 - Mrs J's Blooming Bunch Archie H</p> 	<p>Archie has been super involved in all of our class work and has been producing work to such a high standard. He has been very helpful and supportive to all of his classmates, too. Well done, Archie, keep up the amazing work!</p>
<p>Grade 3/4 - Miss R's Superstars Kade</p> 	<p>Kade received this award for always trying his best, no matter what the task is! I love how hard-working and determined you are and how you are always so determined and eager to learn new things. Well done on an awesome year, Kade!</p>
<p>Grade 5/6 – Miss L's Fruity 5/6's Nat</p> 	<p>Nat received this award for taking feedback on board and displaying a positive and respectful attitude. Great to see you end the year in a very positive way! Well done, Nat.</p>
<p>Sports Awards</p> <p>Jodie – involved in great discussion and also helped her fellow classmates. Well done, Jodie.</p>	<p>Seth – for continuing to have a go and challenge himself further. Well done, Seth.</p>

VALUES VAULT – Sofia, Clay, Kymberlee, Abbie, Jodie, Ethan, Kateryna, Ivy and Dan

If you plan to leave the school next year or if you know of anyone moving into the area and considering enrolling at our school, please let the office know.

Tallygaroopna Primary School

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Three Vs: Ventilation, Vaccination and Vital COVIDSafe Steps

Vaccination

- Getting vaccinated is the best way to be protected from and prevent the spread of COVID-19
- All staff working in schools will be required to have received a first dose COVID-19 vaccination by 18 October and to be fully vaccinated by 29 November*

Ventilation

- All schools will continue to maximise ventilation through opening windows and doors and setting air conditioners to use outside air, where possible
- Ventilation audits and CO2 monitoring are being conducted
- A total of 51,000 air purifiers will be distributed to Victorian schools from the start of Term 4
- And all government schools and low-fee non-government schools will be able to install new shade sails to expand outdoor learning spaces

Vital COVIDSafe steps

Social distancing

- Limit mixing with other year levels
- Maintain physical distancing
- Use large spaces (e.g. halls)
- Limit non-essential visitors and density limits in common areas
- Staggered start and finish times and breaks

Face masks

- **Mandatory for all adults, and students Grade 3 and above**
- Mandatory indoors and outdoors
- **Recommended for Prep to Grade 2 students**
- Make sure masks are washed regularly/ disposed correctly

Hygiene and testing

- Provide hand-washing stations
- Wash hands regularly and at key points (e.g. after using toilet)
- Get a test even with the mildest of symptoms
- Isolate until you receive your test results

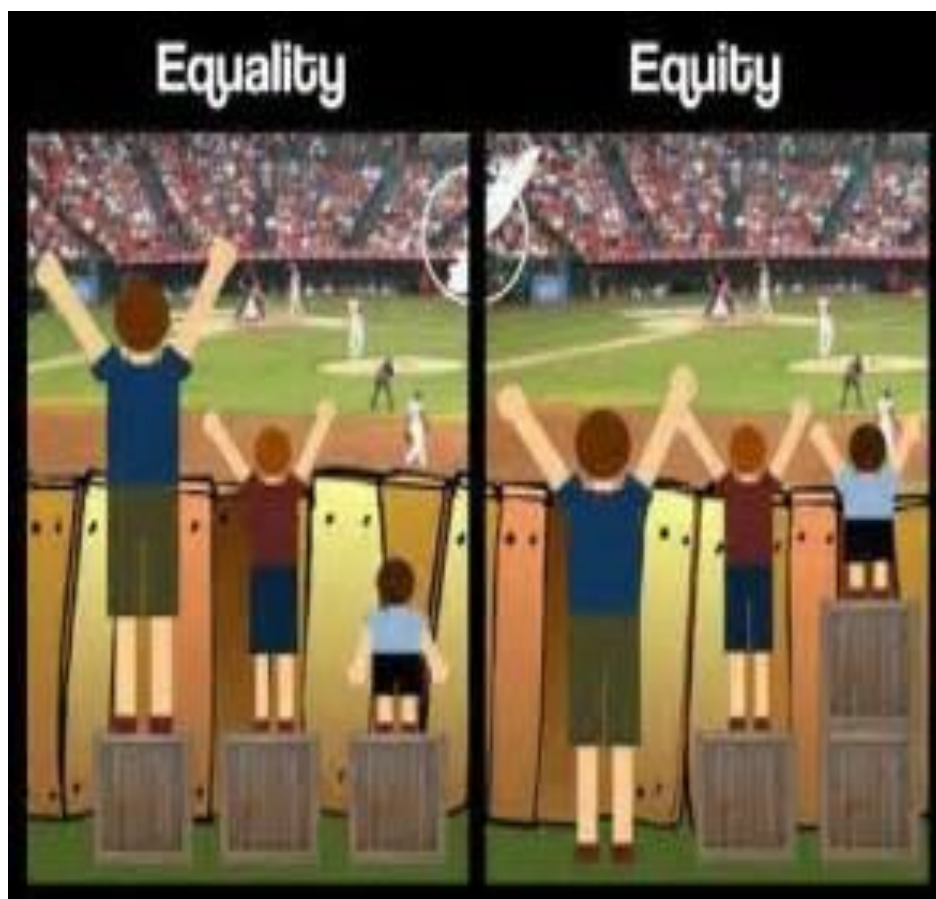


*Exemptions will only be for staff with a signed medical certificate

There is a Late Arrivals/Early Departures book at the office, which needs to be signed for late arriving or early departing students. This needs to be signed by parents (or whoever is dropping off or picking up your child). There is also a Visitor's Book to be signed by all visitors to the school (this includes parents who stay for Parents' Club activities, etc). This will aid our emergency management of the school.

Music Lessons – 2021/2022

Cliff Doornkamp is offering individual guitar and keyboard lessons to be held on a Monday morning. Each lesson runs for 20 minutes and will cost \$20. Interested families should contact Cliff on 0474 769 963 for more information.



Supervision – before and after school hours

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.

Fairleys Supa IGA Community Rewards Program

Our school is registered for the Fairleys Supa IGA Community Rewards program. Families can register in-store. Funds generated by customer point donations are converted to cash and handed over at the end of the financial year.



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.

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Keeping children safe from violence



Mobile Phone Policy Reminder

1. Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy

The department has developed a new [Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy](#), which promotes the importance of respectful and collaborative relationships between parents, carers and school staff. The new policy and resources will enable schools to communicate clearly articulated expectations for parent and carer behaviour towards school staff.

About the policy

Instances of violence and aggression towards school staff from parents, carers or other adults can have a significant impact on the health, safety and wellbeing of staff who experience this behaviour, as well as their colleagues. The impact can also be felt by the wider school community. The [Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy](#) applies to all government schools. It sets out clear guidelines on the expected standards of behaviour for parents, carers and other adults who interact with the school community, to reduce the risk of work-related violence towards school staff. The department's new [web page for parents and carers](#) provides additional information about the policy. It also contains resources for parents to help them engage positively with school staff and tips for raising concerns or complaints.

Advice about how to have a positive relationship with your child's school

Guidance is available to help maintain positive relationships in school, including:

- Ways to [Get involved with your schools](#) such as volunteering, parent clubs and school councils.
- Learn more about the whole-school approach to [Respectful Relationships](#) and how parents/carers and the wider community have a role to play in modelling respectful behaviours and creating an environment where everyone feels safe, respected and valued.
- [Building a relationship with your child's school](#) - includes tips on how to build and maintain strong relationships.
- Find out how to [raise a concern about your child's school](#).
- [Managing Difficult Conversations with your child's school](#) - advice about how to manage difficult conversations.

2. Policies

At School Council last week, we were able to review or approve a number of policies. We are aiming to have these on the school website before the end of the year: These were:

- Remote Learning Policy
- Student Engagement Policy
- E Smart Policy
- BYOD Policy / Agreement (Grade 5/6 students)
- All Child Safe Standard Policies x 9
- Visitors Policy (in line with COVID-19 requirements)
- Volunteers Policy (in line with COVID-19 requirements)
- COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccinations: Information Collection & Recording Procedures

3. OSH Care (Enrolment Form)

All families currently using OSH Care have been given an OSH Care enrolment form for 2022. It would be appreciated if these are returned ASAP to make end of year processes effective – **one per student**. It is mandated for families using the OSH Care service to have these forms in before children are enrolled in this program. We encourage all of our families to try and get this in so that children can be put in the service if needed in case of emergencies. If you need one - don't hesitate to contact the school on 5829 8264 and we can send one home with students.

https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/enrolment_form_2022.pdf

We plan to run this service for 5 days per week in term 1 and hopefully beyond. The long term future of this service will depend on family use in term 1 and discussion will continue to take place at school council. No surveys in regard to use for the future will be distributed this time because numbers in the service are very good at the moment and we thank families for using this service and making it financially beneficial for the school.

4. Leadership Speeches - 2022

The current Grade 5 students will present their captain's speech before the end of the year. This will occur on Wednesday 8th December at 11.55am and families are welcome to attend if they wish – provided vaccination certificates have been received. The current captains will present badges to the new captains at our last assembly on Friday December 17th at 2 pm. Students have started working on their speeches in class.

5. 2022 School Fees

Parent Payment Arrangements for 2022 will be sent home to families tomorrow and are available on the school website under Information < School Fees. These fees were approved at school council on 30th November 2021 and are \$150 per student. As stated in the Parent Payment arrangements forms, this payment does not include camps, excursions, swimming, uniforms or bus fees (if applicable). For more information, please contact Karen Armstrong or David Brodie.

<https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/239/School-Fees>

6. School Reports

These will be distributed in sealed envelopes on Monday 13th December with updated goals. If parents would like some more feedback about individual student performance at school feel free to contact class teachers before the end of the school year 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. Some modifications were made in Semester 2 in line with interruptions with COVID-19 as directed by the Department of Education.

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 in a number of specific areas.
- * 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.

7. Aquamoves Day – arrangements for the day were sent out via Skool Loop last Friday

This is scheduled for Thursday 9th December. The Aquamoves activities will be free play in the outdoor Olympic pool, wading pool and splash park with strict supervision for junior students. We hope that the Rapid River, Tarzan rope and slide will be in operation some time during the day. All parents are asked to apply sun cream to their children before arriving at school, but this will be re-applied by school staff at Aquamoves. We will leave school by bus at 9.45am at the latest and assemble at Aquamoves at 10am for an introduction to the day and provide further information to students and teachers as to how the day will unfold. The day will finish up at around 1.30pm -2:00pm. Permission forms have gone home and there is no cost – this has been kindly subsidised by the Parents' Club. Permission forms will need to be returned ASAP and as always this is invitation only depending on attendance and behaviour at school.

The canteen will not be available for students to buy things.

8. Graduation Night

Graduation Night takes place tonight but with some alterations in line with COVID-19. The evening will begin with a tea at 6pm for Grade 6 students and staff followed by a formal ceremony at the Outdoor Learning Space from 7-8pm. The formal ceremony will only be for immediate family members of Grade 6 students, staff and Grade 5/6 students – digital vaccination certificates can be emailed to the school email address above and added to our school register. Our SEIL has recommended that digital certificates be received for anyone attending this evening which will also be streamed on Facebook Live on the school's Facebook page.

9. 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 and is not compulsory.

10. Grade 5/6 Muck Up Day

On Wednesday 8th 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.

11. Tutoring Program - 2022

The Victorian Government is investing an additional \$230 million to extend the Tutor Learning Initiative (TLI) into the 2022 school year. The additional funding will provide all Victorian government schools with targeted learning support to address the continued impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. To ensure every school can participate effectively in the program, each school will receive an increased minimum funding allocation to engage tutor support, with additional loadings reflecting levels of both enrolments and disadvantage.

We are currently planning on how this may look in the new year and we are aiming to contact specific families before the end of the school year in regard to student involvement in 2022. Stay tuned for more details.

12. Production

Recording for this has now concluded. Miss Lothian is now busily putting this together and we hope to have this available to families before the end of the year. Stay tuned for some sneak peak trailers coming up soon.

13. BYOD Program

Any current Grade 4 students thinking of having their own iPad for school use for 2022 should now start investigating this. Miss Lothian has updated information in regard to this program which can be found at the vimeo link below.

<https://vimeo.com/645067887/c1cd93df2e> <https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/228/BYOD-Program---Grade-5/6>

An updated Bring Your Own iPad Policy & Acceptable Use Agreement (2022) was sent home last week – return before the holidays if you can. However, families may wish to follow this up in the new year. Miss Lothian may plan to have a BYOD information night early in Term 1 next year – stay tuned.

**We have a large amount of rubbish around the skip bin. If anyone is able to take it away for a bonfire it would be very much appreciated.
Let the school know if you can help.**

14. Dates for 2022

These dates have been confirmed at school council at the end of November. 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 a staff meeting during the morning on Friday 28th January and will be setting up classrooms in the afternoon. As a result, all students will start on Monday 31st January. **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 8th April (all students from F-6 to start on Monday 31st January)

Term 2 – 26th April until 24th June

Term 3 – 11th July until 16th September

Term 4 – 3rd October until 20th December

Foundation Rest Days (Wednesdays) – further Wednesday rest days can be negotiated if needed. The first full week for Foundation students may begin on Monday 28th February.

Week 2 – Wednesday 2nd February

Week 3 – Wednesday 9th February

Week 4 – Wednesday 16th February

Week 5 – Wednesday 23rd February

Foundation students will be required to complete English Online Testing during a time slot on one of their Rest Days. A timetable will be given to families. This testing is mandated for all schools.

* 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.

15. School Bus Travellers - 2022

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 2022, but we anticipate having 2 runs again. All families will be updated via Skool Loop on a regular basis.

Run 1 – 15 students

Tait Buckland	Alira Bux	Ryder Thomas	Max Grinter
Mitchel Blight	Zoey Kotoulas	Savannah Thomas	Mason Brown
Ayla Kemp	Nate Prossor	Seth Downie	Skylah Radojcic
Will Holland – F	Jacxon Hepworth – F	Eliza Happy – F	Georgia Kemp

Run 2 – 5 students

Bailey Mawson	Olivia Akers	Abbie Mannes	Nathan Mannes
Penny Gavenlock			

16. Camps & Excursion Policy

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

1. Parents/carers will be notified if their child is in danger of losing the privilege to participate in an excursion or camp due to behaviour that does not meet the standards of behaviour set out in the school's Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy. The decision to exclude a student will be made by the Principal, in consultation with the Organising Teacher. Both the parent/carer and the student will be informed of this decision prior to the camp or excursion.
2. The cost of all camps and excursions are to be paid by parents/carers unless alternative arrangements have been agreed to by the Principal prior to the excursion. All families will be given sufficient time to make payments for all activities. Consent forms will have clearly stated payment amounts and payment finalisation dates.

17. Bus Costs Proposal

Bus travellers should this week receive a formal letter from School Council regarding fees for bus use in 2022. Bus fees have been in place for the last few years and School Council has decided to not increase fees for next year. The school makes a large financial contribution in supporting families, so if families wish to make an additional payment above what has been set that would be appreciated as there are always increasing costs. If you do 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. Accident Insurance

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.

19. Borrowing Agreement MARC Van (Library)

At the last School Council meeting, we again endorsed a borrowing agreement for 2022 and beyond. This relates to the prompt payment of lost or damaged resources by the required date, or a borrowing suspension will take place. As a result, all families will be asked to sign a borrowing agreement next year.

The MARC service to rural schools in our area provides a valued and important service to children in small schools. The service provides access to a wider range of learning resources than would otherwise be the case to both teachers and students and overcomes some of the disadvantages of size and rural isolation. Teaching sessions focus upon literature, information skills and technologies with access to a large school library.

Participating schools pay a per capita levy to the MARC Service for the purchase and maintenance of stock. The Committee of Management of the Congupna based MARC Van requires that individual schools take responsibility for the cost of books and materials that are lost or damaged.

This cost will be passed on to the families of students who have lost or damaged books.

\$25.00 Hardcover.

\$12.50 Softcover.

Teaching materials at cost value.

20. Sharing of Food

The updated guidelines state that sharing of food is not permitted (ie: birthday cake), however pre-packaged food which doesn't require anyone to touch this food is ok (ie: lollipop). Please contact the Principal in regard to this, so that families can be informed (via Skool Loop / Dojo) and then make an informed decision in regard to participation.

21. School Uniform - reminder

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. A reminder to all families to reinforce this please. From May until the end of August, school beanies and scarves are permitted to be worn outside – beanies can be purchased from school in line with our uniform policy as well – we would appreciate green or red beanies and scarves only.

CAN APPROPRIATE UNIFORMS BE REINFORCED PLEASE – BLACK SHORTS OR PANTS.

22. Absence Notes

Absence notes are a legal requirement for all absences. Please use the school absence note or submit an absence on Skool Loop. 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.

Second-hand Uniforms

If anyone has any uniforms that they no longer require could you please send them along to school

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

The Department’s latest advice on coronavirus can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

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Coronavirus (COVID-19) phone advice line

For up to date guidance and advice, the Education Department has a dedicated coronavirus (COVID-19) phone line (9am-5pm Monday to Friday). The advice line is available for school leaders as well as all staff, and parents on 1800 338 663.

Facebook a Reminder

Just a friendly reminder not to post photos of students that you have taken at school events on your own Facebook page, without notifying the child's parent first. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.



Student accident insurance, ambulance cover arrangements and private property brought to school.

A reminder that Schools do not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs.

Private property brought to school by students or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for loss or damage.



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TALLY P.S. CALENDAR – TERM 4 2021 / TERM 1 2022 (ALL DATES TBC)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
15 OSH Chaplain	16 OSH Orient. Day 3	17 OSH Library / Music Chaplain	18 OSH	19 OSH Fun Friday
22 OSH Chaplain	23 OSH	24 OSH Art / PE	25 OSH Orient. Day 4 Parents Club Mtg	26 OSH Respect. Rel Fun Friday
29 CURRICULUM DAY	30 OSH Chaplain School Council 7	1 OSH Library / Music Chaplain	2 OSH Respect. Rel	3 OSH Cricket at School Fun Friday
6 OSH Chaplain Graduation Night	7 OSH Statewide Orienta	8 OSH Art / PE Muck Up Day	9 OSH Aquamoves F-6	10 OSH Cricket at School Fun Friday
13 OSH Reports Home Chaplain	14 OSH	15 OSH / Music Chaplain	16 OSH	17 OSH / Fun Friday End of Term 4 Dismissal – 2.25 Cricket at School Shirt Signing

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
24	25	26	27	28 Staff First Day Cricket at School
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS				
31 First Day F-6 OSH Chaplain	1 OSH Tutoring Day 1	2 OSH Prep Rest Day Art / PE	3 OSH	4 OSH
7 OSH Chaplain	8 OSH Tutoring Day 2	9 OSH / Chaplain EOL - Found Prep Rest Day Library / Music	10 OSH Parents Club	11 OSH Cricket at School
14 OSH Chaplain	15 OSH Tutoring Day 3 School Council 1	16 OSH EOL - Found Prep Rest Day Art / PE	17 OSH	18 OSH
21 OSH Chaplain	22 OSH Tutoring Day 4	23 OSH / Chaplain EOL - Found Prep Rest Day Library / Music	24 OSH	25 OSH

JANUARY / FEBRUARY