



# Tallygaroopna Primary School Newsletter

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## Term 4 #40 - December 11<sup>th</sup> 2023

**1. Education Support** – We are pleased to announce that Beck Wayman and Stacey Towers will be staying on at our school for 2024. Welcome also to Genevieve Whitelaw who will be joining our team next year. Unfortunately, we say goodbye to Alice Biddle and we wish her luck in the future. Alice has made a valuable contribution this year to supporting the staff and students in the Grade 4/5/6 classroom.

**2. Science & Tutoring Positions** – At present, we are trying to fill these positions after some changes taking place last week. Unfortunately, we say goodbye to Melissa Beer who has made a valuable contribution to the TLI program (Tutor Learning Initiative) over the last couple of years. No doubt we will still see Mel around our school next year with some CRT work.

**3. Christmas Themed Morning** – This Friday morning will see the classes rotating around from 9-11am completing some fun Christmas activities.

**4. Casual Days** – We will have a Christmas themed out of uniform day this Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – school uniform is required if not participating. The last day of the year on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December will also be a casual day – there is no cost for both of these days.

**5. Head Lice** – This has raised its ugly head again. Please be vigilant leading into the Christmas break. If you see any live eggs or lice, please treat your child appropriately before sending them back to school.

**6. Graduation Night** – This will be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December with a tea for staff and Grade 6 students beginning at 6pm in the Multipurpose Room. This will be followed by a formal ceremony at the Outdoor Learning Space at 7pm. Invitations have been sent home asking for Grade 5's to act as waiters.

**7. School Captains 2024** – The current Grade 5 students will present their captain's speech before the end of the year. This will occur on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 2.45pm and families are welcome to attend if they wish. The current captains will present badges to the new captains at our last assembly on Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Students will start working on their speeches in class.

## >> NOTES / PAYMENTS DUE <<

**8. Christmas Concert** – This event will be held at the Outdoor Learning Space on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December with tea beginning at 5.30pm. Our informal concert will begin at 6pm and conclude at 6.30pm. Santa will make an appearance and hand out icy poles to children from the school and their siblings.

BBQ Food will be available to be purchased from the Tally Lions Club from 5.30pm. This will be cash only - no card facilities will be available. The price list is as follows:

Soft drink - \$2.00

Sausage in bread - \$3.00

Hamburger in bread - \$3.50

**9. BYOD Program** – Grade 4 students and their families may wish to start thinking about iPads for 2024. Apple iPads are the preferred devices for our classroom but these are not compulsory as some will be provided for student use as per usual. [Other specific information is found here](#). Information was sent home last week if participating (see Skool Loop)

**10. Grade 6 Celebrations** – On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December the Grade 6 students will have an opportunity to sign their uniforms and add a print to our Grade 6 Wall. Grade 6 students will have an opportunity to participate in a Muck Up Day also on this day (water fights). Specific information will go home this week.

**11. Bus Travellers – 2024** – We are planning for our bus travellers for the new year. Below is a list of students who we think will utilise the bus in 2024. If you are thinking of not using the bus or are not on this list - contact the office ASAP.

Bus Run 1: Abbie, Nathan, Bailey, Penny & Britney (5 students)

Bus Run 2: Willow, Frankie, Ayla, Georgia, Eliza H, Mason, Nate P, Lincoln P, Henry, Will & Vera H, Jaxon & Mason H (13 students)

**12. Parent Payment Arrangements for 2024** – These were approved at school council on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 and are set at \$200 per student for 2024 to cover student supplies, online subscriptions and MACC & MARC costs. Payment can be made in 2024 by direct bank transfer, cash or cheque. Further details are now available on the school website and [can be found here](#).

David Brodie (Principal)

*Our general school rule is to "consider the feelings of others at all times".*

Food scraps & food wrappers will go home in student lunch boxes to assist with hygiene in the school

[The Department's latest advice on coronavirus can be found here](#)

**RESPECT  
HONESTY  
INCLUSION**

# Student of the Week

## Grade F/1/2

Miss M's Blossoming F/1/2's



## Lincoln

The staff of Tallygaroopna PS are so proud of your progress this final semester, Lincoln. You have grown so much confidence in your own abilities and it has been so amazing to see you come out of your shell! You have been sharing your ideas and thoughts with your teachers and your hard work during learning time has not gone unnoticed! Fantastic effort, Lincoln!

## Grade 2/3/4

Miss P's Tremendous 2/3/4s



## Bronte

Bronte consistently upholds our school values of respect and inclusion. I can always count on her to help anyone and everyone with anything they might need. I was extremely pleased to hear her words of encouragement for her peers during specialist sessions this week. Keep being an amazing person, Bronte. The world needs more people like you!

## Grade 4/5/6

Miss L's Effervescent Experts



## Ayla

Despite it being the end of the term, Ayla is continuing to put her best efforts into all of her learning tasks. She consistently goes about her work in an enthusiastic and quiet manner, seeking clarification when required. It has also been wonderful to see Ayla's confidence develop throughout the year - I really enjoyed seeing you host and perform at Tally's Got Talent alongside your peers. Well done on an AMAZING year, Ayla!

## GEM AWARD – Gratitude, Empathy & Mindfulness



## Pippa & Fenn

For volunteering to help tidy up the sand in the cubby house with some brooms.

## SPORT AWARDS



## Ayla

For your great positive attitude during the 1.6 km run / walk - you just kept going. Well done, Ayla.

## Liam

For your great attitude towards the 1.6km run / walk and the encouragement you gave to all classmates was amazing. Well done, Liam.

# School staff have a right to be safe at work

Safe and respectful school communities create a healthy and safe workplace for school staff and a better environment for students to thrive.

Professional, collaborative relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

The following behaviours are **not** acceptable in our school:

❖ 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 platforms.

If you experience any of these behaviours, or are concerned about the risk of this occurring, please report in eduSafe Plus and inform your elected Health and Safety Representative:

For more information refer to: **Work-Related Violence Policy and Procedure.**

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## Statewide Orientation Program – Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec

The Statewide Orientation Day is on Tuesday 12th December. This is for government schools - Primary and Secondary. At present, I am unsure of other Orientation Days for Catholic and Independent schools (ie: SMOTA, Notre...etc)

Our day this Tuesday will be for students who are at Tally PS in 2024. Other students not at Tally PS in 2024 are still welcome to come to our school for the day, but they will spend the day with myself or another member of staff, so that classes can operate as they would for the new year with new class teachers...etc. This is the main aim of the Statewide Orientation Day.

Thanks in anticipation - could families let the office know of their intentions please for this day to assist with planning (simply ring the school on 58298264)

David



**Dear families of Tallygaroopna P.S**

**We're finally graduating!**

**Class of 2023**



**Monday,  
December 18th,  
6pm Tea & 7pm  
Ceremony**

**At Tallygaroopna  
Primary School**

**Kind Regards,  
The Graduation Committee**



NORTHERNERS CRICKET CLUB  
ANNUAL COMMUNITY  
CHRISTMAS PARTY 2023

**16<sup>th</sup> December 6:00PM till late**

Tallygaroopna Rec Reserve

Fully catered event with BBQ & salads available,  
Drinks at bar prices (Strictly no BYO)

BBQ \$10 per person or \$25 per family.

Santa will be dropping into check on all the kids  
that have been naughty or nice!

**Live Band- Party Rock**

Major raffle will be available and drawn on the night.

Jumping castle, showbags & more





# TALLY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Merry Christmas, this year  
the classic Tally P.S  
Christmas Concert will be  
held on the 13th of  
December.

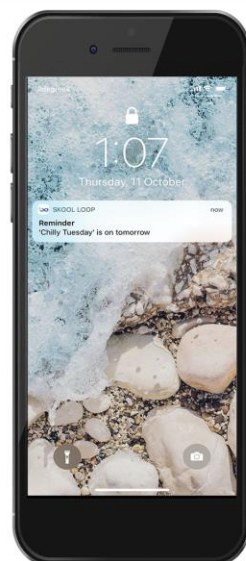
Concert times:  
Start time: 6 pm  
End  
time: 6.30pm

Lolly bags will be sold  
for \$3.00 or 2 for \$5.00.

PIC•COLLAGE

## Here's some tips to ensure you receive notices and push notifications

- When you download the Skool Loop App you will be asked if you would like notifications please **tap yes**. Some devices don't ask this question and automatically tick yes for you. This can be changed in your settings
- If your notifications are turned off in your device settings, some phones apply that to all apps when downloading. In the phone settings please make sure your notifications are turned on
- Check your App Store or Google Play regularly for any outstanding updates
- There are 2 different notices school will send out: **push notification** (banner and ding) or a **notice** (visual alert only)
- You will only receive a push notification if you are not using the app at the time
- If your volume is off you will not hear an alert
- You will see a visual alert if a **notice** has been posted. You will not hear a ding
- You will only hear a ding if the school sends a **push notification**.



[Child Safety Training for School Volunteers can be accessed here](#)



# 2024 FOUNDATION STUDENTS

## Transition Dates



**Tuesday November 14th** 9 - 11am

**Thursday November 23rd** 9 - 11.40am

**Tuesday November 28th** 9am - 1.55pm

**Thursday December 7th** 9am - 1.55pm

**Tuesday December 12th**

**Statewide Orientation Day (all day)**

**Please contact the office on 5829 8264 for more information.**

Children who attend Tallygaroopna Kinder will be returned to this setting at the end of each session.  
Other children will need to be collected from Tallygaroopna PS.

## About me:

Hi everyone!

My name is Genevieve Whitelaw and I am so happy to be joining the Tally Primary School community in 2024.

I started my career in Education earlier this year at St Augustine's College. It is my priority to create a positive environment and encourage everyone to be their authentic selves.

When I'm not at school I enjoy reading, playing netball, skiing and going on adventures with my two young children Harry and Aria.

I am so excited to meet you all!



## My Favorites:

**Color:** Pink

**Food:** Pizza

**Season:** Winter

**Drink:** Chai Latte

**Team:** Matildas

**Flower:** Daisy

**Animal:** Giraffe



## OSHC Newsletter – End of 2023

This year is finally done. It's gone so quickly. I can't believe I've got the Christmas colouring pages out.

We have had another family access the service this term which has been wonderful.

I thought the energy levels would have worn down by now, but it seems that it is only my energy levels that are waning. These kids are go, go, go, all the time. I get so excited when I put a movie on, and they all sit in front of it. Speaking of movies, we have a new tv to watch them on. It's a snazzy one too.

With the warmer weather here, we started the term with smoothies, banana, milo or even both. I was the only one who enjoyed banana smoothies which really surprised me.

Thank you to all the families that have supported the service throughout this year.

I can't wait for another successful year in 2024.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Beck



# TALLY P.S. CALENDAR

(all dates TBC)



## Term 4 2023 / Term 1 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
27 School Council 8	28 Chaplain Orientation Day 3	29 Lib. / PE / Music Parents Club Mtg.	30 RR & RP	<b>DEC 1</b> End of Year Excursion
4	5 Aspirations Day Chaplain	6 Art / PE	7 RR & RP Orientation Day 4	8
11	12 Statewide Orientation Day Chaplain	13 PE / Music Munch N Crunch Christmas Concert	14 RR & RP Leadership Speeches	15 Muck Up Day
18 Reports Home Graduation Night	19 Chaplain	20 PE Last Day of 2023 – dismissal at 2.25pm	21	22
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PERIOD				
<b>JAN 29</b> Teachers Start	30 Chaplain All Students Start	31 PE / Music & Science Foundation – Rest Day	<b>FEB 1</b> RR & RP	2
5	6 Chaplain Safer Internet Day	7 PE / Music / Art & Science Foundation – Rest Day	8 RR & RP	9
12	13 Chaplain Meet & Greet Night	14 PE / Music / Lib & Science Foundation – Rest Day	15 RR & RP GRIP Conference	16
19 School Council 1	20 Chaplain	21 PE / Music / Art & Science Foundation – Rest Day	22 RR & RP	23
26	27 Chaplain	28 PE / Music / Lib & Science Foundation – Rest Day	29 RR & RP	<b>MARCH 1</b>
4	5 Chaplain 15 MC Camp - 34	6 PE / Music / Art & Science 15 MC Camp - 34	7 RR & RP 15 MC Camp - 34	8 15 MC Camp - 34
11 <b>Labour Day - Holiday</b>	12 Chaplain	13 PE / Music / Lib & Science Student Conferences	14 RR & RP NAPLAN Starts – 3&5	15 Athletic Sports
18 Student Conferences	19 Chaplain	20 PE / Music / Art & Science	21 RR & RP	22
25 NAPLAN Ends – 3&5 School Council 2	26 Chaplain	27 PE / Music / Lib & Science Athletic Sports – Back Up Day	28 Term 1 Ends RR & RP	29

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