

TALLYGAROPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO.3067



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News from the Principal's Desk

Hi everyone

This is the last edition of the school newsletter for 2020. 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 for new families.

I would also like to remind families that new boxes will be set up for Skool Loop for 2020 over the holiday period. All of the 2020 boxes will be archived and all families will need to join the new 2021 boxes to allow for adequate communication to occur between home and school. If you need any help with this again – don't hesitate to contact me and I can assist.

Tomorrow night is our Graduation Night - I am sure that many families from the school community will attend and we look forward to the Grade 6 Graduation Night being a rewarding experience for all. This is an open invitation for everyone – we will be at the Outdoor Learning Space on this night beginning at 7pm.

Finally, Semester 2 reports went home today - 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.

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 everyone at the Graduation Ceremony tomorrow night.

David Brodie (Principal)

A reminder to get those 2021 OSH Care forms in ASAP – this is highly recommended for all families to assist with pickups if needed at the end of the day.

**A REMINDER TO FAMILIES THAT
ASSEMBLY IS HELD EACH FRIDAY AT
3PM VIA WEBEX
(NUMBER – 576 739 057)**

***PLEASE FREQUENTLY CHECK SKOOL LOOP
BECAUSE MANY SPECIFIC EVENTS ARE PUT ON
THIS RESOURCE INSTEAD OF THE NEWSLETTER.
ALL FAMILIES WILL NEED TO JOIN NEW BOXES FOR
2020.***

***2020 SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE. COULD THESE BE
PAID ASAP PLEASE.***

**Absence forms can be submitted
on Skool Loop.**

Please note the change of the school email address

**OLD STUDENT TABLES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
FAMILIES FOR A SIMPLE DONATION TO THE
SCHOOL. THESE CAN BE COLLECTED NOW IF
INTERESTED - FIRST IN BEST DRESSED!**

**ICY POLES ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE (50
CENTS EACH) EACH FRIDAY - USE THOSE
VOUCHERS UP EVERYONE! ICY POLES WILL NOT
BE CUT IN HALF AS THERE IS NO SHARING OF
FOOD.**

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.**

Have you downloaded our School app yet?
Never miss important school information again!




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- ✓ Absentee
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Permission Slips



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SKOOL LOOP

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TABLES AVAILABLE FOR THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY



STAY | HOME | STAY | SAFE | SAVE | LIVES





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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

– Term 4 / Week 9






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

Found. / Grade 1 - Mrs H's Marvellous Monsters Eddie 	<p>Eddie receives this award for the leadership skills he shows in the classroom and for being able to keep us all in check! Great work, Eddie.</p>
Grade 1/2 - Mrs Fitz's Wonderful 1/2s Kealan 	<p>Kealan receives this award for the increased effort he has put into his writing this term.</p>
Grade 3/4 - Miss Love's Llama Pack Ryder 	<p>Ryder receives this award for the effort he puts daily into all of his school work.</p>
Grade 5/6 – Miss Lothian's McFries Sienna 	<p>Sienna receives this award for her consistent effort and positive attitude. Sienna has produced some exemplary work this Term and has shown improvement in all areas of her learning. Well done, Sienna!</p>
<u>Sport Awards</u>	

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

– Term 4 / Week 10

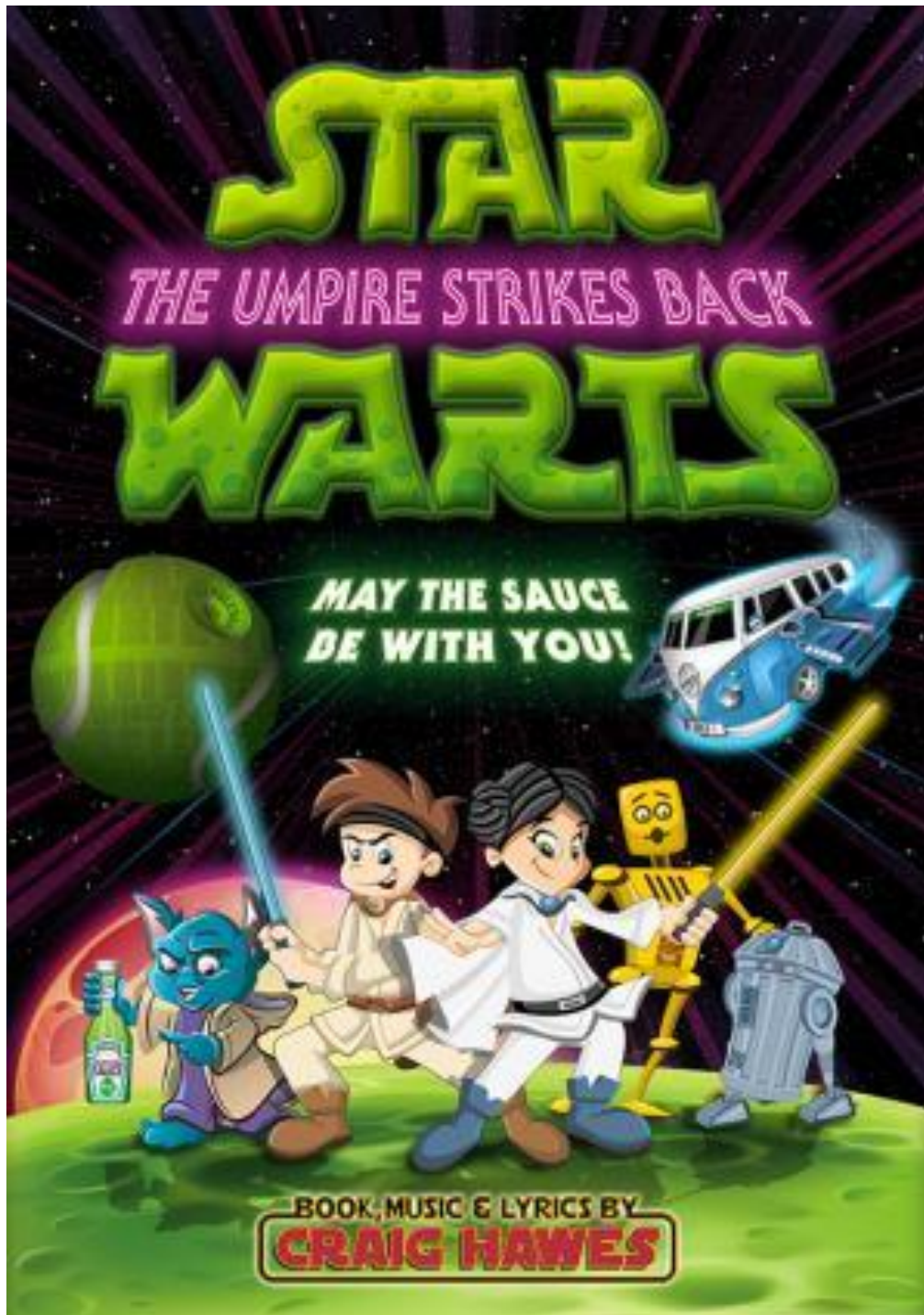
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Found. / Grade 1 - Mrs H's Marvellous Monsters Ivy 	Ivy receives this award for the fantastic effort and perseverance she has displayed in her learning. Well done, Ivy.
Grade 1/2 - Mrs Fitz's Wonderful 1/2s Evie 	Evie receives this award for the AMAZING year she had in Grade 1!
Grade 3/4 - Miss Love's Llama Pack Benjamin & Ellie  	Benji receives this award for the outstandingly positive attitude he has to all areas of his schooling. Ellie receives this award for the outstandingly positive attitude she has to all areas of her schooling.
Grade 5/6 – Miss Lothian's McFries Beau 	Beau receives this award for maintaining a positive attitude in the classroom and continuing to work hard this term across all areas. Beau's can-do attitude is admirable! Well done, Beau!

**THANKS TO NEIL WALKER & GEOFF AKERS FOR THE
REMOVAL OF SOME BROKEN TREE BRANCHES AFTER THE
RECENT STORM.**

PRODUCTION 2021

Grade 4 and 5 students have been given scripts to look at over the holiday break. Auditions will be early in Term 1 – so be prepared and may the sauce be with you!!

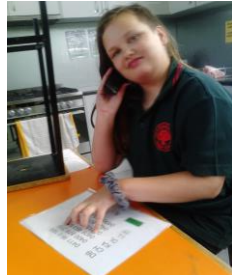


December OSH Care Newsletter 2020

Photos from our OSH service with the children having some delicious of pancakes, rice cakes, honey joys & coloured cupcakes



Practicing to use the phone



Washing hands certificate



Self portrait drawing



Tic, tac, toe



Pony Club ribbon



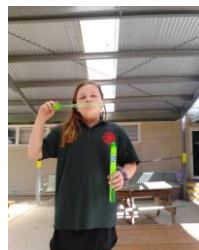
Twister game



Uno card game



Blowing some bubbles



Sandpit play



Slide time



Chalk drawings



Welcome to our new OSH Care Staff for 2021 – you may know them!

Dee and Beck have kindly offered to implement OSH Care for 2021 – sharing this role after school. We are still working through the logistics for this and what it may look like. We hope that this service will be utilised by families frequently to make this program financially viable for the future. A new enrolment form will be sent home with all families on Tuesday 8th December – it is mandated that this is returned for enrolment in this service.



Dee Palmer



Beck Wayman

There Might Be No Christmas

BREAK-UP

But we are still having the
ANNUAL XMAS RAFFLE

A wheelbarrow full of goodies
To be won

In this crazy year we are doing the
raffle a little differently - all online

TICKETS

\$2 each or 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10

Please let Karen or Paul Bollard how many tickets you
would like and we will make sure you are in the draw

Message us on either facebook via the
Northerner's page or inbox us

Direct Deposit or cash at the club

BSB 063-547

ACC 10070853

We will draw the raffle on Saturday 19 December

Photos of the Week – Teddy Bear Picnic (Transition F-2)



GOOD LUCK TO OUR GRADE 6 STUDENTS AS THEY VENTURE ON TO
SECONDARY COLLEGE. YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME BACK TO VISIT OUR
SCHOOL.

Reading Eggs progress report

(1 January to 30 November)

Tallygaroopna Primary School



Please find below your personal school Reading Eggs usage and achievements report for Tallygaroopna Primary School.

Engagement

Minutes spent learning with Reading Eggs:

49,076

Progress

Students have completed a total of

1,370

lessons

Students have read a total of

21

books from the library

Mastery

Your students have completed a total of

300

driving tests

Mastery

Students across Australia have earned a total of **123** Certificates



Mathletics Progress Report (1 January to 30 November)

Mathletics

Tallygaroopna Primary School

Please find below your personal school report detailing Tallygaroopna Primary School's Mathletics usage and achievements.

Curriculum progress and mastery				
Learners have attempted	Learners have earned	Here's how your students are progressing with their skills and understanding. Achieving >85% on a topic means learners attain Concept Mastery .		
9,169	1,079,160	Results >85%	Results 50-84%	Results <50%
curriculum activities	Curriculum Points	4,973	3,186	1,010

Learner improvement	Success and awards
<p>See how much learners across your school are improving, by comparing their first attempt at an activity to their latest attempt.</p> <p>On average, learners have improved by 18% this school year.</p>	<p>Learners achieving more than 1,000 points in a single week receive an award certificate. Certificates are continuous records of achievement which are based on a bronze, silver and gold scale.</p> <p>That's a total of 218 certificates awarded to your learners this school year.</p>

Targeting fluency									
Live Mathletics is perfect for practising mental arithmetic and improving fluency. This table shows how many questions your learners have answered correctly on each level of Live Mathletics.									
L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	L6	L7	L8	L9	L10
19,244	816	762	354	46	41	1	1	1	3
That's a total of 21,269 quick-fire questions answered by learners at Tallygaroopna Primary School this school year.									

Music Lessons – 2021

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.

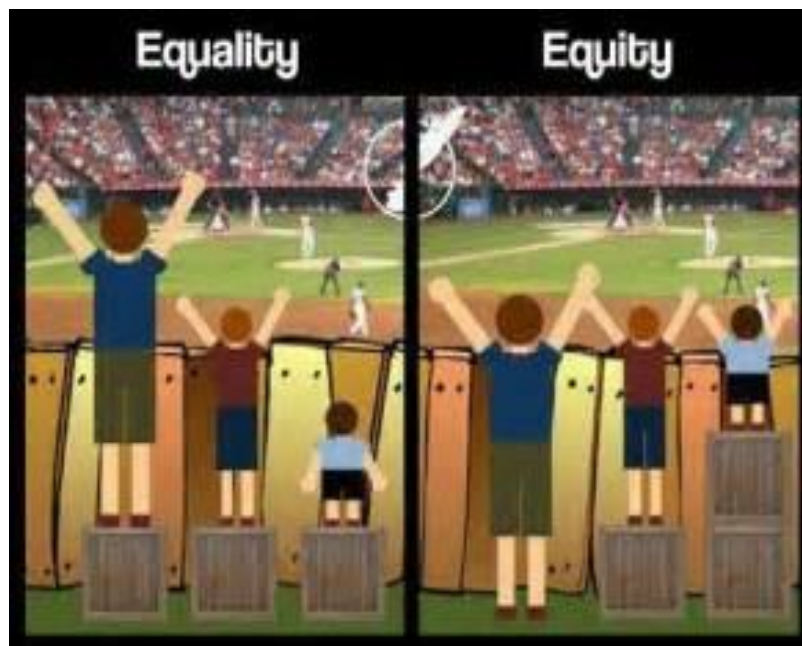
**PLEASE NOTE: ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE EXEMPT
FROM WEARING FACE COVERING WHILE AT SCHOOL**

**Everyone 12 years and
over entering school
grounds must wear a
face covering**



For detailed information visit:
<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>





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.

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.

Introducing

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SUPA IGA

Community

REWARDS

FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

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Your School... Join Today!**



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and Madeline
Foundation
Keeping children safe from violence

2021 Enrolments

- **Have you notified the school about your child starting Foundation?**
- **Have you notified the school if your child won't be here in 2021?**
- **To assist us with our planning, please remind other school families to enrol their child**

If you have a query, contact David or Karen on 03 58 298264



Mobile Phone Policy Reminder

FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER IS A CASUAL DAY – THERE IS NO COST FOR THE DAY FOR FAMILIES.



Are you or your child...

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?
- Aged between 6 & 25 years?
- Engaged in full time Education, Training or Employment?
- Seeking work?
- Living in Greater Shepparton?

Ganbina can support you

03 58217 333
www.ganbina.com.au

GANBINA PROGRAMS

Ganbina provides financial and additional support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth in the Greater Shepparton region to help them reach their full individual potential.

PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

- Mentoring
- Financial support

EDUCATION PROGRAM

- Case management
- Job skills training

TRAINING PROGRAM

- Vocational training
- Higher education

DRIVER SKILLS TRAINING*

- Driver Skills
- Independence

*Additional programs available to clients

EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

- Career planning advice
- Post-employment support
- Mentoring

YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM*

- Skills development
- Unique experiences
- Cultural identity
- Community connection

ACCELERATED LEARNING*

- Tutoring
- Academic confidence

2021 PRIMARY SCHOOL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

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Scholarship Information

Ganbina's Primary School Education Scholarships are designed to help cover some of the education expenses incurred by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families.

The 2021 Scholarship applications are open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from Foundation through to Grade 6 who are attending Primary School in the Goulburn Valley.

2021 Application Dates

Applications open on Monday 1st February, 2021.
Applications close on Friday 26th February, 2021 at 5:00pm.

*We can only accept applications within these dates

How to Apply

If you would like to apply for a Ganbina 2021 Primary School Education Scholarship, please call our office on 03 58217 333 to arrange an appointment with us.

Appointment bookings open on Monday 1st February, 2021.

When you come into the office for your appointment, please bring with you:

- Proof of enrolment (for Foundation students)
- Your child's 2020 end of year school report
- Proof of address (i.e. a gas or electricity bill)
- Parent /Guardian proof of identification (i.e. drivers licence, birth certificate or health care card)

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Reduce your risk of coronavirus

- ✎ **WASH** your hands often with soap and running water, for at least 20 seconds. Dry with paper towel or hand dryer.
- ✎ **TRY** not to touch your eyes, nose or mouth.
- ✎ **COVER** your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow.
- ✎ **STAY** at home if you feel sick. If you take medication make sure you have enough.
- ✎ **PHONE** your doctor or the hotline – **1800 675 398** – if you need medical attention. They will tell you what to do.
- ✎ **CONTINUE** healthy habits: exercise, drink water, get plenty of sleep.
- ✎ **WEARING** a face mask is not necessary if you are well.
- ✎ **BUY** an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with over 60% alcohol.



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If you are concerned, call the
Coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 (24 hours)
Please keep Triple Zero (000) for emergencies only

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Coronavirus (COVID-19) phone advice line

For immediate questions and up to date guidance and advice, the Education Department also has a dedicated coronavirus (COVID-19) phone advice 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.

SCHOOL VIRTUAL TOUR

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=560547707944476>
<https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/178/Enrolment>

1. Policies Updated - A number of policies were updated at School Council last week. We anticipate that these will be on the school website by the end of the week. The policies included the following:

- Information Technology Policy
- Visitors Policy
- All Child Safe Standards Policies
- E Smart Policy
- Student Engagement Policy
- BYOD Policy

2. OSH Care (Enrolment Form) - All families for 2021 have been given an OSH Care enrolment form. 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.

3. BYOD Program – 2021 - We will be offering families in Grade 5/6 the BYOD program again next year. We have plenty of information on our website so families may be able to make an informed decision by looking at the link below. Information available online is summarised as:

- Pad Policy & Acceptable Use Agreement for 2021
- App List
- iPad Information
- iPad Information Night Presentation (VIMEO).

An updated Bring Your Own iPad Policy & Acceptable Use Agreement (2021) 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.

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

4. School Leadership for 2020 (Captains / Vice Captains) - The current Grade 5 students will present their captain's speech before the end of the year. This will occur on Wednesday 16th December at 11.55am and families are welcome to attend if they wish. The current captains will present badges to the new captains at our last assembly on Friday December 18th at 2 pm. Students have started working on their speeches in class.

5. 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.

6. Grade 5/6 Muck Up Day - On Thursday 17th 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.

7. School Council meetings for 2021 - 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. There are a couple of openings for next year if anyone would like to join School Council – feel free to contact David for any clarification.

Term 1	Week 4: Tuesday 16 th February	Week 9: Tuesday 23 rd March - AGM
Term 2	Week 4: Tuesday 11 th May	Week 9: Tuesday 15 th June
Term 3	Week 3: Tuesday 27 th July	Week 10: Tuesday 14 th September
Term 4	Week 3: Tuesday 19 th October	Week 9: Tuesday 30 th November

8. School Reports - These were distributed in sealed envelopes today. 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.

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.

9 Student Borrowing - This has concluded for the 2020 school year and invoices will be sent out to families with outstanding books for the MARC Van this week. Could any books outstanding please be returned to Congupna PS before the end of the year – this will be parent's responsibility.

10. 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 email the school a message to the office detailing the breakdown of the payment.

11. Parent / Community Helpers - The staff would like to thank all parents and people from the community who may have assisted in the following areas during 2020. Obviously this has been pretty limited this year because of COVID-19 restrictions and we look forward to more parent involvement and continued support in the new year.

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

12. OSH Care Costs - At School Council we decided to not increase OSH Care fees for 2021 – Term 1. These will continue to be \$25 for a full session and \$15 for a short session (finishing by 4.30pm). We hope these charges will make this service financially viable for the future and we hope that this service will be well supported by the school community.

13. 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 a staff meeting in the morning on Wednesday 27th January and will be setting up classrooms in the afternoon. As a result, all students will start on Thursday 28th January. **Foundation students will not be at school on Thursday 4th and Friday 5th February while English Online Testing is completed – this testing is mandated for 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 27th until 1st April (all students from F-6 to start on Thursday 28th January)

Term 2 – 19th April until 25th June

Term 3 – 12th July until 17th September

Term 4 – 4th October until 17th December

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

Week 2 – Wednesday 3rd February

Week 3 – Wednesday 10th February

Week 4 – Wednesday 17th February

Week 5 – Wednesday 24th February

The first full week for Foundation students may begin on Monday 1st 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.

14. Bus Costs Proposal - Bus travellers should this week receive a formal letter from School Council regarding fees for bus use in 2021. 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.

15. 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.

16. Borrowing Agreement MARC Van (Library) - At the last School Council meeting, we again endorsed a borrowing agreement for 2021 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.

17. Chaplaincy Funding - We can confirm that we will be having Chaplaincy support (Welfare) in 2021 and 2022 and we will be formally accepting an extension of 24 months. 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 2021 and more information will be available later in Term 2.

18. Key Changes to COVID-19 Operational Guidelines from DET – Below are a number of key changes to COVID-19 operational guidelines from DET which began on Monday 30th November.

- **Arrival and departure:** This will return to front of school only. Supervision will begin at 8.30am, with students moving to their classrooms at the 8.45am bell. In the mornings, staff will be preparing the day.
- **Physical distancing:** Students and families should not congregate at the school gate before or after school and will be required to maintain 1.5 metres between each other as far as is practicable at the start and end of the school day.
- **Graduation:** Our Graduation Ceremony on Tuesday 15th December at 7pm at school is now open to family members
- **State-wide Orientation Day at Tallygaroopna PS:** This took place on Tuesday December 8th.
- **Face masks:** These are no longer required outdoors except where 1.5 metres physical distancing cannot be maintained. Individuals over the age of 12 must carry a face mask at all times.
- **Drinking fountains and taps will be reopened for normal use.** Taps will be flushed for a number of minutes before use.
- **On-site Access:** Parents can be welcomed back on site, for example for school drop-offs and pick-ups. To support contact tracing, we must keep a record of all staff, students and visitors who attend on-site for more than 15 minutes. Please use the visitor book at the office to do this. Parents should continue to schedule appointments with staff when required – use Class Dojo for communication.
- **School tours:** We can now conduct on-site school tours for prospective students and their families during operating hours, in accordance with gathering limits.
- **Illnesses:** Students with underlying conditions (such as hay fever or asthma) should still be tested for coronavirus (COVID-19) if they develop symptoms that are different to or worse than their usual symptoms. Parents/carers should also consider getting a medical certificate from the child's treating GP to confirm that it is safe for them to attend school with persistent symptoms that may overlap with some of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) such as cough or runny nose.
- **Assemblies:** These will continue via Webex each Friday, with some exceptions – communicated via Skool Loop.

19. End of Year Celebrations – As stated previously; our Christmas concert will not go ahead this year but we have some Christmas songs that have been performed by each class along with a whole school performance. These will be available on one of our online platforms soon.

20. Graduation Night – This night will go ahead on Tuesday 15th December. There will be some modifications in line with COVID-19 restrictions. We have invited all of our Grade 6s (Grade 5 students who have returned a permission form will assist as waiters) to have a sit down meal with staff beginning at 6pm. A formal ceremony will be held at 7pm on the Outdoor Learning area. Families can attend this ceremony but will need to maintain social distancing.

21. Bus Driver – Dyson Bus Service are looking for someone interested in bus driving work in the Tallygaroopna area. If anyone is interested please contact Dyson's Shepparton office on 58312150 for more information.

22. 2021 School Fees – Parent Payment Arrangements for 2021 have been sent home to families and are available on the school website under Information < School Fees. These fees were approved at school council on 20th October 2020 and are summarised below:

Foundation	-	\$215	Grade 1/2	-	\$150
Grade 3/4	-	\$135	Grade 5/6	-	\$140

Payment is not required until 2021 but we would appreciate payment by the end of term 1, 2021. As stated in the Parent Payment arrangements forms, these fees do 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>

23. Class Teachers 2021

Classroom staff are summarised below:

Junior Unit

Foundation / Grade 1 – Mrs Claire Haberfield

Grade 1 / Grade 2 – Mrs Tahnee Fitzpatrick

Senior Unit

Grade 3 / Grade 4 – Miss Rebecca Rosevear

Grade 5 / Grade 6 – Miss Liss Lothian

We hope to begin the new year with 79 students. The grade structure for 2021 will be the following, but class numbers may change with any future alterations to enrolments.

Junior School

Foundation / Grade 1 – 13 students

Grade 1 / Grade 2 – 21 students

Senior School

Grade 3 / Grade 4 – 21 students

Grade 5 / Grade 6 – 24 students

24. Staffing

Education Support Staff – Dee Palmer, Beck Wayman, Sue Muston (Volunteer)

Specialist Staff – Bev Montgomery (P.E.), Jannah Tucker (Music)

We will also be utilising the MACC (Art) and MARC (Library) Vans. Welcome to Clark Pettigrew who will be doing the Art Program each fortnight. Katrina Campbell will be continuing with her Library Program for 201.

25. Reading Changes in 2021 – Miss Lothian and Mrs Haberfield have put together an introductory video explaining some changes to reading occurring at our school in 2021. These changes are being made so that our practices align with evidence-based research, rather than continuing to do what has always been done. In summary, we will be moving away from levelled take home books to decodable texts as this will better support our systematic phonics instruction in the junior classrooms. ***This video goes for 13 minutes and can be found at:*** <https://vimeo.com/474262268/077622399b>



More information will be shared before the end of the year. Please send any questions to Liss so that frequently asked questions can be compiled and answered - liss.lothian@education.vic.gov.au

26. Bus Travellers for 2021: Updated – 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. All families will be updated via Skool Loop on a regular basis.

Run 1 – 18 students

Oscar Buckland	Gemma Thomas	Tait Buckland	Alira Bux
Ryder Thomas	Max Grinter	Jai Brown	Mitchel Blight
Zoey Kotoulas	Savannah Thomas	Mason Brown	Georgia Kemp - F
Ayla Kemp	Ethan Kemp	Nate Prossor	Paige Brooker
Seth Downie	Skylah Radojcic		

Run 2 – 7 students

James Mawson	Bailey Mawson	Olivia Akers	Chelsea Zarb
Abbie Mannes	Nathan Mannes	Penny Gavenlock - F	

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

School Website (COVID-19 / Remote Learning):

<https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/238/COVID-19>

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

Principal Webex Meeting ID - 576 739 057 (Assembly each Friday at 3pm)

Second-hand Uniforms

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

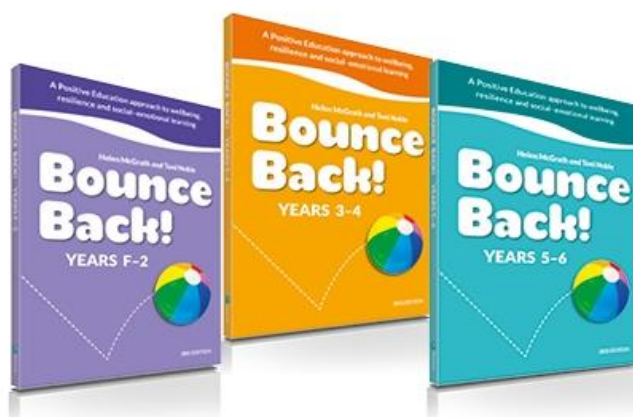
2021 DANCE VOUCHER



Greater Valley Calisthenics Club wishes you a

Merry Christmas

Our gift, to the bearer of this voucher, is 4 free dance classes during February 2021.
Calisthenics is a sport rich in fun, teamwork, and learning. It is a fabulous way to keep fit.
For more information you can visit us at <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/gvcc/home/>
and email us at info@greatervalleycalisthenics.com.au



TALLY P.S. CALENDAR – TERM 4 2020 / TERM 1 2021 (ALL DATES TBC)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
7 OSH	8 OSH Chaplain State Orientation School Council 8	9 OSH Chaplain Art	10 OSH	11 Italian
14 OSH Reports Home	15 OSH Chaplain Graduation Night	16 OSH Chaplain PE Leadership speeches	17 OSH Muck Up Day	18 End of Term 4 Dismissal – 2.25 OSH / Music Shirt Signing Assembly – 2pm Cricket at school
21	22	23	24 Xmas Eve	25 Xmas Day
SUMMER HOLIDAYS				
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day
SUMMER HOLIDAYS				
4	5	6	7	8
SUMMER HOLIDAYS				

DECEMBER / JANUARY

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
11	12	13	14	15
SUMMER HOLIDAYS				
18	19	20	21	22
SUMMER HOLIDAYS				
25	26	27 Teachers first day	28 Students first day OSH	29 OSH Cricket at School
1 OSH	2 OSH	3 OSH Art / PE Prep Rest Day	4 OSH No Preps – English Online	5 OSH Respect. Rel. No Preps – English Online
8 OSH	9 OSH Info Night / BBQ	10 OSH Library / Music Prep Rest Day	11 OSH Rotation Day	12 OSH

JANUARY / FEBRUARY