TALLYGAROOPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 3067





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The AGM for School Council will now be held on Wednesday 17th March.

15th March 2010

School Values:

Tallygaroopna Primary School aims to:

- Develop in each of our students a desire for lifelong learning so that they become valuable members of society
- Place an emphasis on teaching the students how to live with others and encourage their creativity
- Endorse the philosophy of "Consider the feelings of others at all times."

Dear Parents,

The Grade 2/3/4 students had a very enjoyable day at Shepparton last Friday, visiting some of the local community agencies around town. A huge thankyou to Mrs Haberfield for organising such a successful day with Congupna PS. A decision in regard to her replacement for Term 2 will be made ASAP, but I can assure everyone this will be based on what I believe is best for the children in the grade.

A major focus for the school this year is on attendance and certificates regarding this will be presented to students the first day back next term. A reminder also about the Prep News Feature which will come out in the Shepparton News this Wednesday, so keep a look out for that one! I have had some positive feedback in regard to the school website, but I am open to suggestions, so if any one has any ideas on how to make this a better link between school and home don't hesitate to tap me on the shoulder. So far, I have received about half of the Engagement Policy forms back at school so try hard to have these signed and returned before the holidays.

Last but not least, we have a very important School Council meeting on Wednesday which will shape some of the directions of the school for this year. The Annual Implementation Plan and 2009 Annual Report to the School Community will both be endorsed and the latter will be available for families to look at in the near future. The Annual Report provides a concise summary of school achievements and progress towards improving student learning, engagement and wellbeing and transitions and pathways

This year is also a very important one because Tallygaroopna PS will be going through the process of a School Self Evaluation and Review. This allows the school to work toward a new Strategic Plan which focuses on goals and targets over a 4 year period. The school community will have a big role in the formation of this document so watch this space!

I will be away on Wednesday afternoon at a Cluster meeting in Shepparton and at a Regional Director's Day in Wangaratta all day on Friday. Have a great week everyone.

Grade 2/3/4 Local Community Excursion with Congupna Primary School













Provisional Principal Appointment

After formal process, Mr David Brodie has accepted the Provisional Principal position at Tallygaroopna Primary School. On behalf of the School Council I would like to congratulate him and I am sure that the school will benefit from the expertise and experience that David brings with him. I am confident in saying that the whole community will profit from this appointment.

All the Best, David Bagley, School Council President

1. Engagement Policy

All families should have received a copy of the Schools Engagement Policy by now. Just a reminder, that the last page is the only one which needs to be signed and returned to school. Please make an effort to talk through this with your children at home, so that a consistent approach can be implemented by everyone. If you need another one you can download it off the schools website or contact Karen at the office.

2. School Fees

Changes have been made to the Excursion / Voluntary Levy and details are provided below. It is important to note that these are the only fees for the school year as no other fees are associated with the school. These fees are now payable. It has also been a number of years since the last increase and families may pay these in instalments if they wish. Feel free to contact Karen at the office in regard to this.

The following structure was ratified:

- Excursion Levy \$90 per student. This will cover the cost of most school excursions throughout the year. This is a compulsory levy for all students.
- Fundraising Levy (Voluntary) Single child families \$60 / Families with 2 or more children \$90.

3. Art Van / Library Van

A reminder that Children will need an art smock (when the Art MACC Van visits the school every second Friday), with a name on it (most already have one) eg. old shirt, etc to protect their clothes from paint, glue, etc. The Library MARC Van is also visiting the school on a fortnightly basis and children are asked to bring a library bag (either cloth or strong plastic) to protect the library books.

4. Keyboard

Today was the last Keyboard lesson for the Term with Cliff Doornkamp. A big thankyou to the families involved, for being so prompt with the payments for these lessons. These sessions will continue to be held on an individual basis next term at a cost of \$15 per session. If parents would like to pay now for lessons in term 2, they can see Karen at the office – cheque to be made payable to Cliff Doornkamp

5. Absences

It is DEECD policy that the school is notified when a student is absent from school. This can be done by phone or by written note.

6. Student Information

Attached to the first newsletter of the year was an envelope containing your child/ren details held at school. Could you please check these details to ensure they are accurate, sign, date and return the form with any changes back to the school office as soon as possible. Extra student information forms can be collected from the office.

7. School Volunteers

Thank you to the many parents, who have seen Karen at the office regarding this. Our list of parents with working with children checks is growing fast and this list will continue to be approved at School Council. We still require any volunteers to leave their name at the Office and let us know if they have a current Working with Children Card. Information about getting a Volunteer's Working with Children Check (which incurs no cost) is available at the Office.

8. Asthma Management Plans

Last week, Asthma Management Plans were included in the school newsletter. Can this form be returned to school before the end of term please – see Karen at the office is you require a new form. In the Schools Reference Guide (4.5.10.3.2), it states that every student with asthma attending the school should have a written Asthma Action Plan, ideally completed by their medical/health practitioner, in consultation with the student's parent/carer. A School Asthma Action Plan should be offered annually to parents/carers whose children have asthma. It is the parent/carer's responsibility to convey clear instructions from the doctor to the school about the student's asthma medication requirements.

9. Zone Basketball / Soccer / Netball / Football

I have put information regarding this on the School Noticeboard outside the office. These trials occur in early Term 2 and if students would like to try out for these teams, permission needs to be granted by the school. Most of these zone trials occur during school time so parents would need to be responsible for transport. In order for children to qualify, they must not turn 13 during 2010 and there is a maximum of nominations per school, so it will be first in best dressed. I would like to have nominations entered before the school holidays begin if possible, so please see David ASAP.

10. Easter Raffle

We will again be holding an Easter Raffle to be drawn on the last day of Term 1 with proceeds to go to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday appeal. We ask that all families donate an Easter Egg/chocolate/Easter goods to make up the raffle prizes. Raffle books will be sent home with each family (there are more available at the Office). Tickets are 50cents each - \$5.00 for the book (please write on both sides of the ticket). Tickets will need to be returned with payment by Wednesday 24th March so that a cheque can be sent to the RCH Appeal before the Good Friday Appeal.

11. Athletic Sports

The EGPSSA athletic sports will be held on Monday, 22nd March at McEwen Reserve, Shepparton (Little Athletics track beside the Sports Stadium). Parents are requested to transport athletes to and from McEwen Reserve. Children will need to be dropped off no later than 9.00am and will report to Mrs Sidebottom who will mark the roll. At the conclusion of the sports, parents are to collect them. This should be approximately 3.00pm. If families think they will have difficulty transporting their children to the sports please contact the school. In the event of inclement weather, the wet weather committee will meet at 8.00am, if there is going to be a postponement, this will immediately be announced on 3SR and 96.9FM and the principals of the schools will be contacted. A Back Up Day has been scheduled for Tuesday 20th April (Term 2 – week 2).

Children are asked to bring their own drink which will travel with them, or a plastic mug labelled with their name. Cold water will be available at each activity. Children may bring their own lunch or lunches and drinks can be

purchased from the Canteen which is being catered by Dookie PS. Children who are not competing in an event must bring along a note signed by a parent.

If any parents can help out in any way on the day of the sports could you contact the office ASAP. This year, we are trying to cut costs by <u>not</u> hiring a marquee, so if any families have a shade structure which may be used on the day could they also contact the office.

12. "You Can Do It' Awards

Congratulations to the following students – Week 6 (ending 12th March)

- **P/1** Brooke Voss for the confidence and persistence she shows in her work, especially with Reading Eggs and Mathletics. Well done Brooke.
- **2/3/4 Ebony Mills** for her exemplary behaviour on Friday for our excursion. You were a great help Ebony.
- **5/6 Emily Stivala** for her persistence in her school work and the great effort she has shown in her attitude towards school.



TALLY NETBALL

If there are any girls interested in playing Under 11 Netball in the Shepparton Saturday morning Competition, please leave your name and DOB at the school Office.

JUNIOR STADIUM NETBALL FRIDAY NETBALL 2010

"LEARN AS YOU PLAY" PROGRAM

SHEPPARTON SPORTS STADIUM

TO TALLYGOOROOPNA NETBALL PLAYERS AND PARENTS.

Games for children ages 7 - 9. Two qualified teaching umpires on court and team leaders assistance welcome on court.

New players and/or net- set- go participants welcome. Term 2 begins Friday 16th April running over 10 weeks, Fees \$65.00 – No VNA required and Insurance included. Games played at 4.00 or 4.45pm.

For team or individual registration please call Kylie on 58212572 or 0419 998190. Junior Stadium Co-ordinator, Shepparton Sports Stadium.

Easter Munch N Crunch - Thursday 25th March

Orders will need to be in by Friday 19th March. **No** late orders will be accepted.

Option 1 – Chips, Hot Cross Bun and Easter Egg \$4 Option 2 – Two Fish Fingers, Chips, Hot Cross Bun and Easter Egg \$4.50

Option 3 – Four Fish fingers, Chips, Hot Cross Bun and Easter Egg \$5

 Hot Cross Buns will be served to the children at morning recess.

Tennis News

Players need to be at McEwen Res by 11am on Sat 20th March to receive their runners up trophy from SJTA. If you can't make it please let me know. Thanks Yvonne

Urgent Soccer Meeting

On Tuesday, 16th March at 4.15pm there will be an urgent Soccer meeting at the school to discuss teams as registrations are being finalised on Wednesday. Fees need to be paid in full before registration, so if you have yet to pay fees, please bring payment to the meeting (cheques to be made payable to Tallygaroopna Primary School)

School Uniform Order

If you would like to order any new school uniforms could you please fill out the attached order form and return with payment by this Thursday, 18th March. An order will be sent off on this date.

Junior School Council

Thanks to the JSC and a couple of other Grade 5/6s for their help with organising the day last week. We raised \$50 from our efforts. Well done everyone for supporting this, and it was yum!

President: Phone: Aileen Trevaskis 5821 3645 Office Administrator: Phone: Stacey Cole 5831 5866

Shepparton Netball Association Midweek Netball

The Shepparton Netball Association is once again running their Thursday morning midweek netball competition. If you would like to get fit, have a bit of fun and meet some new people please come along.

Games times are 9.30am or 10.30am. Baby sitting is provided free on a roster system for teams that are not playing at that time slot. You can enter a team or as an individual and we can put you in a team.

Registration is on Thursday March 18th at 10am at the Club rooms in Brauman Street. Competition starts Thursday April 15th and runs for 10 weeks.

If you are interested or have some questions please feel free to contact Kim Pettie Midweek convenor on 5831 1085 or 0412 568 377.

Expression of Interest – Grade 3/4 Camp

Peter Farrell from Zeerust Primary School is organising the Cluster School Camp for Grade 3/4 students at Curumbene. This is set for Term 3 from Monday 2nd August until Wednesday 4th August. This outdoor camp is a great experience for students and it is highly recommended. Below is an expression of interest form which needs to be filled out ASAP so that adequate planning can occur next term. If you would like to find out more information about Camp Curumbene, have a look at the website listed below as it is very comprehensive. More details regarding costs...etc. will be available in the near future.

Camp Website - http://www.campcurumbene.com.au

Signed.....







Expression of Interest – Grade 5/6 Camp

Lemnos Primary School is organising the Grade 5/6 Cluster Camp for 2010. Details regarding the venue are still to be confirmed, but it is expected to be a Beach Camp perhaps on the Mornington or Bellarine Peninsulas. At this stage, it is planned for the Camp to be in late November during Term 4. Expression of interest is needed now, because students in Grade 5/6 may be attending the Somers Camp in Term 2 from the 8th to 16th June. Below is an expression of interest form which needs to be filled out ASAP so that adequate planning can occur next term. More details regarding costs...etc. will be available in the near future.

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