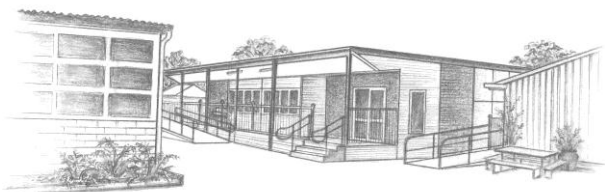


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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 NO.7 20th March 2012

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Finance and School Council is on this Wednesday. Finance is at 6.15pm with the AGM beginning at 7pm

Religious Education Begins for all students on Thursday.

Could all families please donate an Easter Egg/chocolate/Easter goods to make up the raffle prizes

Hi everyone,

All of the kids had a great day at Aquamoves last Thursday (including yours truly), and we were extremely fortunate with the weather, considering how wet it was the following day. This was the first of 4 Cluster Days for this year and there are plans for a Performance and Science Day later on in the school year. Last week, we said goodbye to our friends from Wunghnu PS. Our staff at our school should be commended for the way that they were able to merge these children into our normal classroom activities, without it affecting the learning of our students at school. I know the staff at Wunghnu PS really appreciated the support and assistance that was provided.

Hard to believe that there is less than 2 weeks until the school holidays. As always we will be busy with the Easter Raffle and Athletics Program which culminates in the Sports at McEwen Reserve next Wednesday. As always, we are after parent helpers for this day so if you can assist in any way please let us know – **Hurdles / Year 9 Girls Group**. I know parents are busy selling Easter Raffle tickets at present - feel free to pick up extra tickets at the school office if you wish also.

Over the next few weeks, I am participating in a Principals Coaching Course. This occurs over the phone with a mentor, providing me with readings and advice in regard to my role at school. Apologies in advance, if I am unavailable during this time. I will also be away on Thursday afternoon because I will be attending a make up session in regard to the Hume Region Techniques and Skills, which are integral to school processes this year. I couldn't attend this session a couple of weeks ago because of the flooding obviously. Karen will be in the office until Thursday this week, if any matters need addressing. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Teaching Principal

**If you would like to receive this newsletter by email contact our office.
An alternative is to go to our school website.**

There are late arrivals, early departures and visitor's books that need to be signed at the office counter if the need arises (i.e.: when parents are hearing reading or helping with a Munch & Crunch lunch or if students are taken out of school early). This will aid our emergency management of the school.

**If your child/ren is having an ordered lunch on Friday, please make sure that the order and money is put into the yellow tub in the Project Room.
Orders before Friday can go in the green box – which is in the office.**

Wunghnu PS has reported an incident of Whooping Cough. If any children get symptoms like a common cold – runny nose, sneezing, red and watery eyes, mild fever, and a dry cough – that may last for one to two weeks, could they contact the office ASAP.

Cluster Aquamoves Day

Last Thursday, the students of Tallygaroopna PS had a fantastic day at the Cluster Excursion at Aquamoves. It was an opportunity to catch up with some friends from other schools and we were very fortunate to have some good weather on the day. The children were able to utilise the indoor and outdoor pools on this day and this event will probably continue to be an annual event at the beginning of each year.



1. Curriculum Day

Yesterday, staff at Tallygaroopna PS participated in a Curriculum Day at Tallygaroopna PS based on Team Work and Cooperative Learning Strategies for the Classroom. This day was very informative and beneficial and we will be implementing some of these strategies into our classrooms in the next few months. Some of these processes have been embedded into our Annual Implementation Plan which focuses on Student Learning and Engagement. Each staff member received a very comprehensive manual which will assist with implementation in regard to some of these strategies so stay tuned!! Other staff who attended this day were Strathmerton PS, Lemnos PS, Wunghnu PS, Kialla West PS, Currawa PS and Springhurst PS.

2. School Council / Policies

Our Annual General Meeting will be held tomorrow night beginning at 7pm. School Council will begin at 7.30pm and I would like to formally welcome David Steigenberger, Jill McFarlane and Lori Hall to School Council for 2012. I am sure that they will make a valuable contribution to our school, hopefully over the next few years. If you have any suggestions regarding the Excursion Policy which went home last week, don't hesitate to contact the office. We are currently working on a Parents Payment Policy and this will be made available to the school community in the next few weeks also.

3. School Oval Use

I have been informed that our School Oval is able to be utilised for students during recess and lunch time. Obviously, some minor maintenance work was completed in a couple of spots, as a result of the flooding in the area, and we ask that children stay away from these areas as much as possible.

4. Grade 5/6 Camp

A huge thank you to all of the families who were able to contact the school last week regarding the Grade 5/6 Camp to Queenscliff. All 14 students have indicated that they would like to attend this camp and these numbers have subsequently been passed onto Lemnos PS to assist with general planning and organisation. There were a number of families who also expressed an interest in the Somers Camp, which unfortunately is planned during the same time. When both camps are closer, we will be able to confirm numbers and students attending each camp.

Places for the Somers camp may be limited whereas we can guarantee attendance at the cluster camp at Queenscliff.

5. Bus Route

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been in touch with Jacobson's on a daily basis in regard to our bus route which had to be diverted as a result of the flooding situation. We were contacted again yesterday and the bus company is still using the diverted route until perhaps the middle of this week. This has only affected 2 families and these will be contacted as soon as the school bus is back to normal. Sorry for any inconvenience in regard to this.

6. Ultranet

Unfortunately, we have had some minor issues with our Prep students coming onto the Ultranet. These have now been resolved and all students at Tallygaroopna PS can now access the Ultranet. New Prep Parents will get Welcome Letters this week inviting them to join the Ultranet.

7. Science Specialists Tests

Part of our Science Specialist Program involves collecting some student data. As a result, Mrs Thomas will be conducting some of these with students 1 on 1 tomorrow instead of normal Science lessons. This data will remain confidential and no student names will be identified. Testing is very informal and not meant to be threatening in any way to the children.

8. BER Defects Visit

Last Wednesday, Peter Hill from Coffey Projects inspected our new BER building in regard to some specific defects which have become more obvious over time. These included such things as the fading floorboards on the veranda, cracked concrete and loose railing on the veranda. We hope to hear of a positive outcome in regard to these in the next few weeks.

9. Easter Raffle

We will again be holding an Easter Raffle to **be drawn on Thursday 29th March**, 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 this week with each family (there will be more available at the Office). Tickets are 50 cents each - \$5.00 for the book (please write on both sides of the ticket). Tickets will need to be returned with payment by Wednesday 28th March so that a cheque can be sent to the RCH Appeal before the Good Friday Appeal.

10. Visitors to our School

Over the next few weeks we will be fortunate to have some visitors come into our school to assist with normal classroom activities. Megan Arnold (Year 10 from Wanganui Park SC) will be completing Work Experience at our school during the last week of school and Gemma Tyack will be completing Teaching Rounds for a short period as well. Gemma will be placed in Mrs Haberfield's room for a 2 week block beginning on Monday 30th April and she will be taking some lessons with the children under the close supervision of Mrs Haberfield during this time.

11. Flood Support

A website is currently available to address the needs of people affected by the flood situation. Information regarding financial support (business and agricultural), information for farmers and reconstructing and rebuilding is included.

Website - www.dhs.vic.gov.au/floods

12. Angel Flight Talk

On Tuesday 27th March at 10am, our whole school will be having a special visit from Angel Flight Australia. This talk will complement our current themes which relate to Australia, Community and People Who Help Us. This organisation is a charity that co-ordinates non-emergency flights for financially and medically needy people. All flights are free and assist patients or compassionate carers travelling to or from medical facilities anywhere in Australia. Angel Flight pilots do not carry aeromedical staff or medical equipment so do not act as an alternative to the Flying Doctor (RFDS) or Air Ambulance in that capacity. Angel Flight services are entirely free.

As a result of this visit, our school will receive two Angel Bears which can be used for fundraising purposes. A quantity of Angel Flight brochures and a few posters will also be included.

13. Grade 5/6 Classroom

The majority of students were able to formally discuss the interview they conducted with their peers last Friday. Overall, I have been very impressed with the initiative and preparation during this task and the students showed a lot of enthusiasm and confidence when speaking in front of their intended audience. Collated results will be included in next week's newsletters – similarities and differences.

Projects on Australia / Government / Federation are due on Monday 26th March. Most of this work has been completed at school. Our Big Spelling Test covering all words so far this Term will be held on Tuesday 27th March at 9am. During the last week of school we will also have a quiz based on facts from the House of Representatives and the Senate. Information regarding this was sent home a month ago.

Mr Brodie

14. Athletic Sports

The EGPSSA athletic sports will be held on Wednesday, 28th 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 Haberfield 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.

Children are asked to bring their own drink which will travel with them, or a plastic mug labelled with their name. Children may bring their own lunch or lunches and drinks can be purchased from the Canteen which is being catered by Kialla West 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 will use our new school marquee for the first time so there should be plenty of shade available. **Tallygaroopna PS will be running the Hurdles event at the sports along with Congupna PS. We are seeking helpers for the 9 Old Year Girls.**

School Uniform and School Hats are required for the day – sun cream can be provided on the day if needed.

HELPERS FOR THE ATHLETIC SPORT – Preferred Times

I can / cannot assist with the Hurdles event at the Athletics Sports.

All Day / Morning Only / Afternoon

Or 9.30 – 10.30am / 10.30am – 12 noon / 12.30 – 2.15pm.

I can / cannot assist with the 9 Year Old Girls Group

All Day / Morning Only

Signed.....

15. AASC Program

Aerobics is on a Monday and Hockey is on a Tuesday. **Both sessions start at 3.35pm and finish at 4.35pm.** Participating students will be given fruit for afternoon tea prior to the start of each session. If your child/ren are interested, please contact the office or fill out the form that was attached to the newsletter a couple of weeks ago – new forms can be collected from the office. Andrea Walker will be our school supervisor on Monday's and Jill McFarlane will fulfil this role on a Tuesday. The free icy pole voucher this week went to Cerrie Cason

Aerobics will not be held on the 19th of March because of the Curriculum Day.
Instead this session will be held on Wednesday 21st March.

16. Student of the Week

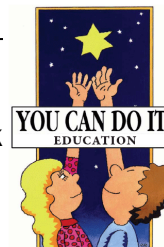
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Prep / 1 Brock Rumsey for the persistence and enthusiasm he shows in all the work he participates in. Well done Brock.

Grade 2/3/4 Brooke Voss for the confidence she has displayed in coming back into our classroom and for her excellent getting along skills. A wonderful effort Brooke!

Grade 5/6 Marc McHale for the way he has persisted through tasks so far this year and for his great organisational skills every morning at school. Great effort!

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



17. Term Dates

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Confirmed dates for TERM 1 are:

March 21st – School Council & Finance
March 27th – Angel Flight Talk
March 29th – Munch N Crunch / Easter Raffle Draw
March 30th – Term 1 Finishes – 2.25pm
April 23rd – Zone Netball Trials
April 30th – Bike Ed. Program Begins
May 4th – Zone Basketball Trials
May 15th > 17th – NAPLAN Testing

March 22nd – Religious Education Begins
March 28th – Athletic Sports – date change
March 29th – Mother's Day Activity Day
April 16th – Term 2 Begins
April 25th – Anzac Day Ceremony – 11am
May 2nd – Finance and School Council
May 11th – Jump Rope for Heart Day
May 18th – School Photos

Game On - Multi Sport Fun - School Holiday Program

April 2, 3, 4, 5 or April 10, 11, 12, 13

Premier Soccer in conjunction with the **Shepparton Sports Stadium**, are running the popular '**Game On**' school holiday program! This fun-filled program offers a variety of different sports and activities to all primary school aged children (5 - 12 years).

COSTS: \$35 per child per day or \$120 for 4 days
(Discounts apply for enrolling a sibling or friend)

TIMES: Drop off from 8.30am

Pick up by 4.00pm (late pick up fees apply)

REQUIREMENTS: Children must bring a packed lunch,
drink bottle, morning/afternoon tea and a hat.

Bookings are essential, so get in early to avoid disappointment!

Contact PREMIER SOCCER 0401 843 372 email: shepparton@premiersoccer.com.au

REGISTER ONLINE at **www.premiersoccer.com.au**

or drop in to the Stadium to pick up a registration form at
120 Numurkah Rd, Shepparton

Girls in Gr.3,4,5,6 interested in playing netball this year

If anyone is interested in playing in the Shepparton Netball Association 2012 competition, 9 and Under, 11 and Under, 13 and Under, could they please leave name, contact no. and D.O.B at school or contact Bev Montgomery on 0400914464. She cannot guarantee a team/teams, but Congupna P.S have shown some interest. In the past there has always been other schools or players looking for girls to make up a team. Registration night is Wednesday 21st March – tomorrow night.

PARENTS CLUB

AGM IS THURSDAY 29TH MARCH AT 7.30PM.

On Thursday 29th March the Parent's Club is organising an activity day for Mother's day. Mother's day is not until May but the project needs time to be successful. The cost will be \$4 per child please. The activity day will be the same day as munch and crunch, if anyone is able to help out please ring Deb 58298461. Thankyou

Easter Munch & Crunch

Parents' Club will be holding an Easter Munch & Crunch on Thursday, 29th March. The menu and cost will be as follows.

Option 1 – chips, Hot Cross bun and Easter egg - \$4.50

Option 2 – 2 fish fingers, chips, Hot Cross bun and Easter egg - \$5.00

Option 3 – 4 fish fingers, chips, Hot Cross bun and Easter egg - \$5.50

The Hot Cross bun will be served at recess. Please fill out the following form and return to school with payment as soon as possible.

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Easter Munch & Crunch 29th March 2012

Family Name:

Child: Menu Option: Cost:

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Orders and payment are due back by Tuesday, 27th March

Tallygaroopna Primary School Recipe Books

These can still be purchased from the School Office at \$12 each.

Northerners Soccer

Could any students wishing to play soccer this year please leave their name and date of birth at the School Office. Any enquiries to Donna McNab ph 58298 313

Northerners Football

Any children who would like to play school age football for the Northerners Football Club, please contact Ed Slavich on 0427 804 808 to leave your name and details.

U CAN DANCE

Starting in Numurkah

Term 2

Hip Hop

Ballet

Jazz

Tap

Cheerleading

www.ucandance.com.au

Ph: 0419398230

To express your interest please see our website and email: aliesha@ucandance.com.au



Our TDay.

On Wednesday 7th of March, we had a Teddy Bear's Picnic to experience the letter "t". We started our picnic off by eating lots of "T" food, like Tic Tocs, Twisties and Tiny Teddies. We danced the Twist and played in the tunnels. It was fun playing with our Teddies. We changed 'Duck, Duck, Goose,' to 'Teddy, Teddy, Tiger' and played Tunnel Ball. We made the letter 't' with our bodies.





Shepparton
Rafting Festival

We invite residents from the Greater Shepparton area
to take part in this 1st annual event

Saturday 14th April 2012
Victoria Park Lake, Shepparton
Races commence from 11.00am

Featuring a youth race to celebrate National Youth Week
and a range of youth entertainment and activities!

If you are part of a school, youth organisation, sports club,
business, or just a group of friends we invite you to
start designing and building a raft!

For entry forms and more information contact Emma
on 5822 8100 or ewheatland@berrystreet.org.au

Entries close 30th March 2012
Entry Fee per Raft: Youth Race \$20.00
and Open Race \$50.00

Logos: Youth Connections Goulburn Murray, Greater Shepparton, Word and Mouth, Shepparton Race & Series

The Shepparton Badminton Association Junior competition for 2012 will be commencing shortly and we invite all past, present and new players to join us. The Junior Competition will be played on Fridays at the Shepparton Sports Stadium on Numurkah Rd Shepparton. The Grand Final will be played on a Sunday with presentations and a BBQ after play is finished.

There is no play during school holidays. There will be a registration night on Friday 23rd March at the Shepparton Sports Stadium commencing at 5.30pm where players are invited to come along and register. If you are unable to make it to the registration night and would like to join the competition, or if you have any queries please call 0438 905759 and a form can be sent to you.

Please be mindful when filling out your registration form that badminton is a team sport and you need to ensure you are able to commit to playing for the entire season!

The A and B Grade registration fee is \$85

The C and D Grade registration fee is \$75

For those juniors who will also be playing in the senior mixed competition the total fees is \$150