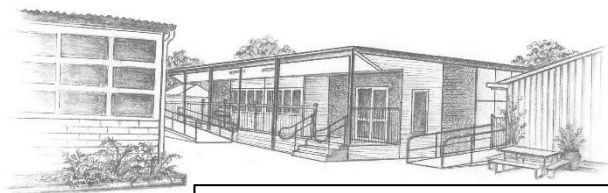


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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

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- 1. Smart Spelling Approach** - All staff are really enthusiastic, motivated and better equipped to teach spelling more effectively across the school after completing our curriculum day a couple of weeks ago. We have started specific processes in regard to this approach and we look forward to full implementation beginning in Term 2.
- 2. Reading Proposal** - We are looking at altering our reading times each morning to have a major focus from 8.45am until 9am. This will enable us to have more focus on classroom learning directed by the teachers without students going in and out for the first 2 hours to do reading. Students on the late bus will complete their reading on arrival if possible. We have had mostly positive feedback in regard to this and more specific details have been sent out via Flexibuzz. This proposal will be discussed further at School Council next week.
- 3. Trade Day** - By all accounts this was a very successful day yesterday with about 20 stalls being available. A big thank you to our Parents Club for organising this and community members who were able to support this event.
- 4. Athletic Sports (permission forms due now)** - This day is scheduled for this Friday 23rd March at McEwen Reserve in Shepparton with a backup day if needed on Monday 26th March in case of inclement weather. 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. All students will need to wear uniform on this day and bring a hat, drink and lunch / snacks. Food and drinks will be available from the canteen if required. Specific details are in the full edition of the newsletter. We need help transporting our school marquee to and from the venue - if you can help contact the school please.
- 5. Athletics (Fosbury Flop)** - Permission to perform the Fosbury Flop (landing on back) was sent home a couple of weeks ago. The students will continue practicing this technique this week and we would appreciate these forms to be returned ASAP. Contact Mrs Montgomery if you need any more specific details.
- 6. Puberty Talks** - These began today and will conclude next Tuesday 27th March. More specific details were in the full edition of the newsletter. If parents would prefer for their children to not participate - could they contact the school ASAP please. These sessions are only for Grade 5/6 students.
- 7. Easter Raffle** - Donations can be left at the school office this week. The more donations, the more prizes we can have. All money raised is donated to the Royal Children's Hospital - Good Friday Appeal. A raffle book was sent home to all families last week and more raffle books can be obtained from the school office if needed - please return any unsold ones. If we could have all donations and raffle books in by Monday 26th of March, we can then draw winners out on Thursday 29th of March and send money raised to the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal before the holidays.
- 8. School Council** - The AGM for School Council has been re-scheduled to Tuesday 27th March - this is when our new School Council will form and our old School Council will sit for the last time. The Finance Committee will meet at 6.30pm, followed by the School Council AGM at 7.30pm. The new School Council will begin their 1st meeting at 8pm.
- 9. Funky Hair Day** - This will be held on the last day of the term and it will also be an out of uniform day. It would be appreciated if each family donated a gold coin. Specific details are displayed around the school and in the full edition of the newsletter.
- 10. End of Term 1** - School finishes up for the term on Thursday 29th March at 2.25pm. The following day will be Good Friday (Public Holiday). School will resume for Term 2 on Monday 16th April.
- 11. Bike Education Program** - This will begin on Monday 23rd April for students in Grades 2-6. We will be aiming to get permission forms home ASAP for this program and any students utilising their own bikes will need to complete a bike checklist. Specific details are in the full edition of the newsletter.
- 12. Tree Planting Day** - This will be held for the whole school on Thursday 26th April with each grade participating down at the silo area near the railway line. No permission forms will go home for this event - it is covered in the local excursion section of the Green form. Parents are welcome to come along and help if they wish and suitable clothing depending on the weather should be worn on this day. Timetable at present is: 9-10am (Grade 5/6), 10-11am (Grade 2/3), 11.30-12.15pm (Grade 3/4) and 12.15-1pm (Grade F/1). Contact the school, if you would prefer for your child to not participate.
- 13. Sporting Schools** - This will need to be confirmed depending on a grant application. However, we are hopeful of holding a whole school Orienteering Program on Monday 28th May. More specific details will be available soon.
- 14. ANZAC Day** - Our school leaders (Declan N, Jhet, Tayla R & Taylah G) will represent our school at the service at Welsford Street on Wednesday 25th April. Students will need to arrive by 10.20am to prepare for this service - all students are invited if they wish and school uniform must be worn. Prior to this day on Monday 23rd April, the Parents Club will be working with Grade 3-6 students making Anzac biscuits for the whole school and we will make a school wreath at 11am - any donations of flowers would be appreciated.
- 15. Child Safe Code of Conduct (Volunteers)** - A reminder for all of our great volunteers to return this document to the office so that we are compliant with Child Safety regulations. Copies can be collected at the office if needed. Document is here - http://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/child_safe_code_of_conduct.pdf
- 16. Food Handling Course** - We would like to update our registers for 2018. Any volunteers who are involved in food preparation at Tally PS are strongly encouraged to complete this online course. Certificates can be emailed to the school at - tallygaropna_ps@edumail.vic.gov.au The Food Handling online course if found here - <http://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/welcome.php>
- 17. School Fees** - School fees are now due - contact the office if you would like to set up a payment plan. All families received individual student letters which documented parent payment charges for 2018 so your attention with this matter would be appreciated.
- 18. Unexplained Absences** - Any students away from school must be accounted for. We would appreciate a formal note or phone call in regard to any absences that occur throughout the year (ie: late arrivals, morning / afternoon or whole day absences). Absences can be submitted via Flexibuzz as well - which is very convenient and not time consuming for families. A big thank you to the many families who have responded to the absence texts which is a new process in 2018.
- 19. Easter Munch & Crunch** - This will be held on Thursday 29th March. Order forms will go home later this week and must be returned with payment by Tuesday 27th March.
- 20. OSH Care** - This is available every day this week, apart from Friday because of the Athletic Sports Day. Enrolment forms must be in before the service is used. Fees for these sessions are: \$22 for casual places, \$20 for permanent places and \$12 for places which conclude before 4.30pm.
- 21. Random Acts of Kindness (Shower Others with Kindness)** - This whole school initiative involves 3 students / teachers being picked out of a hat as the Givers and 3 students / teachers being picked as the Receivers. Kind acts (card, cupcake, and lollypop...etc) are due by the end of the week. This week's givers are Hamish, Savannah and Tait. Well done to the 3 students from last week - Lloyd, Lara and Kyle.
- 22. Specialist Program** - P.E and Library will be on Wednesday and Mrs Ceravolo and Mrs McQuilton will help with supervision on Friday this week at the Athletic Sports.

David Brodie (Principal)

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