Principal's Message

Last Friday, we welcomed Lili-Anne and her parents, Nathan and Nicole Marinkovic to our school. Lili-Anne is in Year 3 and will be a valued member of our primary class.

Mrs Jenny Cox from the Department of Education, Work, Health and Safety and Mr Guy Baddock from the NSW Rural Fire Service paid a visit to our school to assist with the implementation of new fire prevention, safety and evacuation procedures in the unlikely event of a bushfire. One of the issues discussed was, how do we contact parents? During a bush fire, phone lines may be affected and with no mobile reception in the area, communication with families may be difficult. Jenny has suggested we compile a list of families with UHF units and the channel they use. We are asking families if they could please pass this information onto the school. Your prompt reply to this request would be greatly appreciated.

Kate and I participated in a video conference last Friday, outlining a new initiative the Department of Education is looking into trialling, in the near future. Visible Learningplus is a professional development program for teachers. It explores how evidence can be used to create innovation in the learning environment. The work is focused on John Hattie’s research and the principles of Visible Learningplus and visible teaching. The principles outlined in the program compliment and support the strategic directions and programs we have implemented here at Tallimba. Consideration for Tallimba Public School to take part in a trial of the program is currently being investigated.
This coming Thursday and Friday, I will be returning to Wagga to attend the final two days of training in the How2Learn strategies we have been implementing into our school. Tallimba Public School has been asked to present a short presentation on the strategies and how they have impacted on our learning. I would like to thank the students for their assistance in designing and making booklets, photo displays, storyboards and posters for this presentation.

Welcome Miss Alix Grinter, who will be taking the Primary class on the Friday. During my absence this week Mrs Kate Quade will be the teacher in charge.

**Infants News**

The new sound for this week in the Kinder class is ‘qu’. The Year 1 and 2 sound focus in spelling list words is ‘ou’ and ‘ow’. The children have been involved in a unit on persuasive writing, focussing on how to identify the point of view in a text and suggest alternative points of view. This week we will examine the structure of a persuasive text, as well as the language features that help to convince the audience of an argument.

Our Math focus for the week is Whole Numbers and Addition and Subtraction. The Kinder children will be exploring the numbers that make 10 and other related addition and subtraction facts, whilst Year 1 and 2 will be looking at three-digit numbers and place value.

We will be examining the different roles that are carried out by family members around the world in HSIE, especially the role that grandparents play in families.

In Science, the children will consider what happens when it rains. Does it soak in or run off? They will look at questions, such as: ‘What do you think happens to the rain that soaks into the ground? Where does it go? Do you think we could collect this water and use it?’ The children will then contemplate what run-off is, by considering the questions: ‘What do you think happens to rain that runs off? Where does it go? Do you think we could collect and use this water again?’

**Primary Class (Year3/4 + Year5/6) News**

No Primary report this week due to Borambola excursion.

**How2Learn**

Our How2Learn focus this term is **RESOURCEFULNESS**. The learning strategy for this fortnight is **Imagining**. Strong learners can picture how things might look, sound and feel. They rehearse things in their mind before they do them.

**Sun Safe Policy**

In line with our sun safe policy, **ALL** students are required to wear a hat while playing outside during Term 4.

**Reading for Meaning – QUIZ**

**Congratulations** to Annaleise last week’s winner. The answer was $224,719.10 per centimetre.

**This week’s quiz**

The price of petrol has dropped a great deal. Last week it cost $1.05 per litre, compared with around $1.56 per litre 6 months ago. If Mrs Morden’s fuel tank took 53 litres to fill, how much cheaper was it for that amount of petrol last week than it would have been 6 months ago?

**Assembly**

A whole school assembly will be held next Monday, 9th November at 2.15 pm. Please note change of date, due to swimming commencing on Friday.

**Year 6 Photos**

Year 6 students have been asked to bring in a baby photo. These photos will be scanned and returned immediately.
Infants Excursion

Tallimba Public School students have been invited to watch a performance of the Beecroft Public School Band. This invitation has been accepted by Mrs Quade and the Infants class.

This concert is a free performance and will be performed by approximately 60 students and 4 staff from different schools, who will be touring the Riverina for three days only, giving performances at six schools. The Beecroft Public School Band Program has for many years given the members the opportunity to gain confidence and skills in performing while fostering a love and understanding of music, and helping students to build friendships with others from a broad section of their communities.

Date: Wednesday, 11th November, 2015

Place: Binya Public School

Time: to depart Tallimba Public School at 9 am

Take: a water bottle and recess

Travel: by bus, cost $5 per student

Return: depart Binya Public School approximately 12 pm, return to Tallimba approximately 1 pm

Deb Morden
Principal

I give permission for my child/ren………...………………………………………………… to travel by bus, with Mrs Quade and Mrs Sutton, to Binya Public School, for the Beecroft Public School Band performance on Wednesday, 11th November, 2015. We will depart Tallimba Public School at 9 am and return at approximately 1 pm.

Enclosed $……………...

Signed ………………………………………….. Date …………………………………………...
Perpetual Trophies
We are asking anyone who took home perpetual trophies at the end of last year to return them to school.

CANCELATION
Due to the large amounts of rainfall over the weekend, the Bland Shire Council has closed the sports ground in West Wyalong so there will be NO Little Athletics this afternoon, Monday 2nd November, 2015.

Selective High School Placement Applications
Applications for placement in Year 7 in selective high schools in 2017 are now open and will close on 16 November 2015. Parents of students currently in year 5 who are interested in sending their child to a selective high school in 2017 are asked to apply online. No late applications will be accepted.
Application information can be downloaded from the High Performing Students Unit website at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

Primary Excursion
This morning, the Primary class left for Borambola Sport and Recreational Centre just after 8.00 am. We know the students and Mrs Morden will have a fantastic fun time and learn a lot from the experience. We look forward to all the storytelling of their adventures with their return to school.

Melissa’s Swim School
2015/2016 Swimming Lesson Dates
Block 1 – 7/8/14/15 November 2015
Block 2 – 5/6/12/13 December 2015
Block 3 – 4/5/6/7 January 2016
Block 4 – 30/31 January 6/7 February 2016
To register contact via Facebook, email mjs152@bigpond.net.au or 0401 735251
VOLUNTEER AWARD – YOUTH & OPEN CATEGORIES

Sport and Recreation are again holding the Central West Winter Sport Volunteer Award. It’s the end of the winter sporting season, but it’s not too late to recognise the efforts of the outstanding volunteers who keep sport going in our communities. The Award has separate categories for both open and youth (25 years and under) to recognise the importance of all aged volunteers in grassroot sports.

In 150 words or less tell us how your volunteer is worthy of being nominated. All nominees will receive a certificate, with the winner and runner up being awarded $250 & $100 (respectively) to spend on approved sports development programs. It’s a great way to say thank you to a coach, committee member, official or manager. It’s a simple process that won’t take long, but will make the nominee feel valued as a volunteer.

Nominations can be made online via the Sport and Recreation website sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/volunteeraward or call 6362 6623.

Nominations close Friday 6th November 2015.
Squad Training started on Monday 19\textsuperscript{th} October, 2015.
What better way to stay refreshed while exercising the whole body in the heat.

Not sure what squad you would be in? Don’t worry, come down and see the coaches, and we will do a quick assessment and pop you in the right squad program for you.

All squad members will require their own goggles, flippers and kick board for this session. (If you are new, for your first session you will be able to borrow flippers and kickboard) Eyeline merchandise will be available for purchase from the kiosk.

Specific details on squad level are attached in the Flyer.
Looking forward to seeing all our squad members returning for what looks to be a great swimming season.