Principal's Message

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the District Swimming Carnival. All children performed extremely well. By all accounts their behavior was a credit to the school.

Assembly: This Friday 27th February at 9.10am in Library. Due to swimming our first Assembly will be held in the morning. All are welcome to attend.

How2Learn
How2Learn is a Riverina led program being undertaken at Tallimba Public School Children will be:
- Self-aware in their learning
- Able to use language and dispositions of successful learners
- Able to share a belief that intelligence is learnable and expandable

HOW2Learn complements the NSW Quality Teaching Model.
How2Learn Focus for our students this fortnight is: Managing Distractions
Clean Up Australia Day
The students of Tallimba Public School will be participating in Clean Up Australia Day this Friday 27th February. We will walk around the village and school collecting rubbish. Children are encouraged to come in old clothes and bring a garbage bag, gloves, hat, water bottle and plenty of energy.

Life Education
The Life Education Van will be visiting our school Friday of week 7. The Life Education Van is a not for profit community based organisation that delivers specialised programs to address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PD/Health/PE curriculum. Coming home with this Newsletter are Life Education Permission notes and Harold Merchandise price list and order form.

Swimming for Sport
We are still looking to secure an Austswim trained instructor to coordinate our swimming lessons for sport on Friday. If we are successful a note will go home this week with students.

Infants News
A reminder to parents that it would be greatly appreciated if you could send in photographs of your children to be photocopied and used to construct a timeline of their lives. Our new sound in the Kindergarten class this week is ‘i’.

Primary Class (Year3/4 + Year5/6) News
Success! We were able to view the first episode of the Australia: The Story of Us TV series. The children were very interested and a lot of discussion was held afterwards on the difficulties and hardships faced by the European settlers. Our Science experiments, while messy, also created a lot of excitement and some interesting concoctions were made. This week we will continue to focus on the changing composition of atoms under heat. In Accelerated Literacy, we are learning to compose great sentences like the author Lynne Reid Banks using common nouns and proper nouns. In mathematics, we will be continuing to learn about addition and subtraction of larger numbers.

Art Smocks
Thank you to everyone who sent in art smocks.

No Hat No Play
A reminder that Tallimba Public School supports a “no hat no play” in the sun policy. Children are requested to wear a broad brimmed hat in the playground. Children who do not have a hat will be supervised in the COLA. Hats may be purchased from the P&C uniform supplies or via the front office at a cost of $8.50.

School Lunches
During this hot weather all students are encouraged to keep their school lunch in the refrigerator in the staffroom. This keeps food cool and safe from birds. All children are supervised during fruit break and first lunch, however we encourage all children to be responsible for their lunch boxes and eating their own lunch. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled.

Music
Music lessons with Denise Krause will continue tomorrow. If you would like your child to have piano lessons please contact Denise on 69757636 to arrange a time.

Please be aware
Tyra’s days are Monday, Friday and every second Wednesday. Emails are usually checked in the morning. Urgent messages need to be by phone to ensure the message has been received in time.

Reminder
Written notes are required by law for an absence or to leave school grounds (visit to doctors, dentist, family reasons). Please ensure the school is notified in a timely manner regarding any absence, emails are accepted. Notes are required within 7 days of the absence.
The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education and Communities initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at:

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 9 March and 2 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you *do not* want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Friday 27 February**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.
Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.

You can learn all the simple steps on how to teach a learner driver at a **FREE** two hour workshop.

**The next workshop in your area will be held:**

- **Tuesday 3rd March**
  - **Bland Shire Council Chambers**
  - **6972 2266**

Helping learner drivers become safe drivers

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**It Takes A Village**

We are coming out on the 11th March 2015 at 10:00am til 12:00pm for Scrapbooking with Rhonda Humphries. Please let us know by COB on Monday the 4th March if you are attending otherwise there may not be enough packs for everyone. Toy library is available and is free again this year. Morning tea will be provided. Recipe books are available for those who haven’t picked theirs up yet.
Hosted by Jackie Murphy
(former NSW Swifts player)

Wagga Wagga Netball Courts, Equex Centre,
Kooringal Road, Wagga Wagga
14th - 17th April 2015
9am—3.30pm

7/8/9/10 Years
Tuesday 14th / Wednesday 15th April

11/12/13/14 Years
Thursday 16th / Friday 17th April

COST $120.00*
* Includes Junior Netball Camp Gift Pack

West Wyalong Junior Netball Competition
Starts Today

All players to be at the netball courts ready to play at these times;
4pm – Primary Division (Yr 3 - 6)
5pm – Secondary Division (Yr 7 - 9)
Limited spaces still available in both divisions.

Interested new players please contact Suz 0410 602542.

Outstanding payment for regos can be finalised today.

Net Set Go – still open for registrations

ANZAC Day 2015 at Tallimba

This Anzac Day, commemorate the 100th anniversary of the landings at Gallipoli by attending a Picnic in the Tallimba Park. Please pack your Picnic Lunch and folding chairs and join family and friends for this historic day.

BYO: Picnic Lunch, Drinks and Snacks

12.30pm
Picnic Lunch in the Tallimba Park

3.00pm
Anzac Day March followed by Commemorative Service in the Tallimba Hall

Afternoon Tea will be available following the service for $5 per person to support the Tallimba Hall....

*This is a family friendly event, and the Tallimba Park is an alcohol free venue.

In the case of unsuitable weather the event will be held in the Tallimba Hall.

Contact Robert Blackstock or Tony McDonell on behalf of the Tallimba RSL if you need any more information