Principal's Message
Welcome back! I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break. We welcome our new Kinders to our school community; Lily Hueske and Viarna Oxenbridge.

Congratulations
SCHOOL LEADERS FOR 2016
School Captain: Annaleise Stokes
Talmore Captain: Sarah Burns
Buralyang Captain: David Hardie

Staffing will remain the same for 2016. Mrs Kate Quade will be teaching Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2. I will remain teaching the Primary class. Mrs Kim Reid will be continuing in her role as School Learning Support Officer and Mrs Rowena Sutton will be fulfilling the School Administration Manager’s postion whilst Mrs Tyra Cattle is taking extended leave.

CORRESPONDENCE
Swimming Permission note
Middle School Permission Note
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Update of Family contact details
Swimming
There has been a change to our swimming timetable this term in order to work in with the Swimming Centre bookings. For the next 5 weeks we will be swimming for sport on **WEDNESDAYS**. The swimming carnival will be held on **WEDNESDAY 10th February**. Please read attached note for further information. The District Swimming carnival held at Lake Cargelligo is on Wednesday, 17th February.

Assembly
A small assembly, run by the School Captain and assisted by Year 6 students will be held twice a term, once in Week 5 and Week 10. Parents and community members are invited to attend these assemblies to help celebrate the achievements the students have been making during the term.

Absenteeism Notes
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.

Medication at School
The only medication to be administrated at school is to be prescribed by a doctor. If it is necessary for a pupil to receive prescribed medication during the day, parents/caregivers must clearly label the medication with the child’s name, the dosage and time to be taken. All medication must be taken to front office at the beginning of the school day, where it will be safely stored and administered. This should be sent in original packaging with the doctor’s instructions.

Middle School
Students in Year 5 and Year 6 begin the Middle School Program next Thursday 4th February at West Wyalong High School. This is an excellent opportunity for students to make a smooth and successful transition into High School and is a highly regarded program for our district. Please carefully read the letter attached to this week’s Newsletter.

Primary Class (Year3/4 + Year5/6) News
Over the holidays our classroom was refurbished with new carpet and repainted. It looks fantastic and a great way to start the new school year. Thank you to Mark and Rowena for their tireless efforts in reinstalling shelving and furniture. This term our units of work are:

**English:** Novel study ‘The BFG’
**Maths:** Whole number and Length
**Science:** Build It Up - Students learn all about structures and what makes them strong.
**History/Geography:** Community and Remembrance
**Health:** Healthy Harold Program
**PE:** Swimming
**Music:** Keeping the Beat
**Art:** Artist study – Andy Warhol

**How2Learn**
How2Learn strategies will continue to be a focus in our learning. This term we will commence with the skill development of Self-regulation. Through the four learning habits students learn to manage their emotions and stay connected to the learning. The first learning habit we will be focussing on is **Absorption.** Strong learners pay attention and get into the flow of their learning.

**Reading for Meaning – Joke**
Q: “What’s the difference between a guitar and a fish?”
A: “You can’t tuna fish.”

Q: Did you hear about the race between the lettuce and the tomato? A: The lettuce was a “head” and the tomato was trying to "ketchup"!
Best Start
Best Start assessment was conducted today for our Kindergarten students. Parents will be contacted by Mrs. Kate Quade with further details.

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 labeled.

Library Borrowing
This term library borrowing will be on Friday afternoons. Each child is asked to bring a bag to protect school books. Library will return to Wednesdays after swimming has completed. Thank you.
The state and nationally recognised Middle School program is operating from West Wyalong High School. This program has been designed to offer your child a range of educational, social and intellectual benefits that would not ordinarily be available to children in small schools such as Tallimba Public School.

Expert tuition by trained teachers in specialist rooms for subjects such as music, art, P.E. design and technology (food, wood, metal), agriculture and science as part of the program. Participation in larger classes with children the same age as your child provides social development with peers that your child may attend High School with in the near future and which is not available in our small school.

The children are significantly exposed to a much larger school environment allowing them to acclimatize to ordering and using a canteen, a greater exposure to a variety of teachers, the layout of the High School and the general organization such as returning permission notes, rollcall and playground etiquette.

As well incorporated in the Middle School for Tallimba children is a literacy and numeracy enrichment program with English and Mathematics teachers.

This program is provided at nil cost to you and your child. As a consequence of this program your child may have to leave home each Thursday a little earlier than other days and arrive home a little later as they travel the regular High School bus services.

The Middle School program for Tallimba Public School will begin next Thursday 4th February, 2016. If you would like any further information about this program please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Deb Morden
Principal

I give permission for my child ................................................................. to participate in the Middle School program for 2016.

Signed .......................................................... Date ................................
Swimming Permission Note

Tallimba Public School students will be participating in swimming activities for sport each Wednesday, commencing 3rd February, 2016 until the 2nd March, 2016.

The students will depart from school by bus for West Wyalong Swimming Pool, after lunch, at 12:30 pm and return to school at 2.55 pm in time to catch school buses home.

The students will be supervised by Mrs Morden, Mrs Reid, Mrs Sutton and Mr Westaway. Mr Westaway is our accredited co-ordinator. As all staff will be involved in this activity there will be no supervision at school, all students must travel to the pool where non swimmers will be supervised.

Students will need to bring a swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, sunhat and a t-shirt or swim shirt, as well as a plastic shopping bag for wet clothing. Please apply sunscreen to your children before they leave home, however, it will be reapplied before swimming. Please do not allow your children to wear their swimsuits to school under their uniforms.

The cost of entry into the pool is $2.40 per child per week. The cost of travel has been heavily subsidized from school funds and a Sporting grant. If your child wishes to remain at the pool after swimming lessons they must be under your supervision. Notification of your child being picked up from the pool must be given before we leave the school each day.

Deb Morden
Principal

I give permission for my child (ren)……………………………………………………………to travel by bus from Tallimba Public School to West Wyalong Swimming Pool each Wednesday, commencing 3rd February, 2016 until Wednesday 2nd March, 2016. I understand that the cost of this activity is $2.40 per child per week.

Enclosed $....................................

Signed………………………………………………     Date…………………………………..
School Swimming Carnival

All students, Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in the Tallimba Public School swimming carnival at West Wyalong swimming pool on Wednesday 10th February, 2016, from 10 am until 2 pm.

Travel to and from the West Wyalong Swimming Pool will be by bus, leaving Tallimba School at 9:30 am. As all staff will be involved in this activity there will be no supervision at school, so all students will travel to the pool where non participants will be supervised.

Students will need to bring a swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, sunhat, and a t-shirt as well as a plastic shopping bag for wet clothing. Please apply sunscreen to your children before they leave home. Sunscreen will be available to re-apply throughout the day. Each child needs to bring their own water bottle, recess and lunch. If you wish, children can purchase their lunch from the canteen which will be in operation throughout the day. Please order at the beginning of the day if ordering from the canteen.

At the conclusion of lunch there will be a presentation. The first competitor from each event aged 8 years or older and competently swimming 50 metres or more will qualify for Lower Lachlan District Swimming Carnival to be held on Wednesday 17th February 2016 at Lake Cargelligo.

Students and family members are encouraged to show their support for their house – either Talmore (RED) or Buralyang (BLUE) by dressing in house colours.

The cost of entry to the swimming pool is $2.40 per Tallimba Public School student. Parents and family members are more than welcome to attend for the duration of the day and assist staff with the running of the carnival. If your child wishes to remain at the pool after the swimming carnival they must be under your direct supervision.

Deb Morden
Principal

I give permission for my child (ren) to attend the West Wyalong Swimming Pool on Wednesday 10th February, 2016 to participate in the Tallimba Public School Swimming Carnival. I understand that the cost of entry is $2.40 per Tallimba student and that travel will be by bus, leaving Tallimba Public School and 9:30 am and returning by 3 pm for buses home.

Signed.............................................................    Date.............................................
## Age and House Group for 2016

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UPDATE OF STUDENT DETAILS
Please return to the School Office

Student Surname: …………………………………………………………………
First Name: …………………………………………………………………………..
Year: …………………………………………………………………………………
Class: …………………………………………………………………………………
Previous Suburb:

New Home Address:

Mailing Address: As Above  Yes: ☐ No: ☐
New Mailing Address:

Billing Address: As Mailing  Yes: ☐ No: ☐
New Billing Address:

New Home Phone: ……………………………………………………………………….
New Email Address: ……………………………………………………………………….
Mother's Mobile: ……………………………………………………………………….
Mother's Work: ………………………………………………………………………….
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Father's Work: …………………………………………………………………………….
Emergency Contact 1 Name & Mobile: ……………………………………………….
Emergency Contact 1 Home: …………………………………………………………….
Emergency Contact 2 Name & Mobile: ……………………………………………….
Emergency Contact 2 Home: …………………………………………………………….
New/Additional Medical Information:

Changes to Access Information:

New Court Orders Attached: Yes: ☐ No: ☐
These Changes Requested By:

Print Name   Relation to Student    Signature    Date

New Mailing Address:

Billing Address: As Mailing Yes: ☐ ☐ No: ☐
Permission Letter for Publication of Students’ work or Photographs on Websites, School Newsletters, School DVD’s and Newspapers.

I am writing to request your permission for photographs of your child to be taken during school activities. If photographs are taken, this would be for the purpose of educating students, promoting the school, promoting public education or recognising their achievements. I am also seeking your permission for the school to publish photographs and/or samples of your child's work.

If you give your permission, the school may publish photographs of your child and/or samples of work done by your child in a variety of ways. The publications could include, but are not limited to, school newsletters (online and in hard copy), Department of Education and Training Internet or Intranet websites, school annual magazines and local newspapers. If published, third parties would be able to view the photographs and work samples.

If you sign the attached form it means that you agree to the following;

1. The school is able to publish photographs and images of your child and samples of your child's work as many times as it requires in the ways mentioned above.

2. Your child’s photograph may be reproduced either in colour or in black and white.

3. The school will not use your child's photograph or samples of your child's work for any purpose other than for the recognition and education of students, or for the general promotion of public education and the school.

This consent, if signed, will remain effective until such a time as you advise the school otherwise.

I agree, subject to the conditions set out above, to the taking of photographs of my child during school activities, to be used by the school in educating students and promoting the school and public education. I also agree to the publication of photographs or samples of work of my child. I will notify the school if I decide to withdraw this consent.

Parent/Carer _____________________________

Signed _____________________________  Dated __/__/__
Local Walking Excursions

Every year children are expected to attend a number of walking excursions from the school, which include ‘Clean Up Australia Day’, Cross Country Carnivals, P.S.S.A. Tennis competitions or functions at the Community Hall, where the children may leave school grounds supervised by staff or a responsible community member. It is a legal requirement that we have written permission from a parent or legal guardian for each student to leave the school grounds.

This permission note covers all such excursions for the school year 2016. Please complete and return the attached note to school as soon as possible.

Regards
Debbie Morden
Principal

I give permission for my child ___________________________ to attend local walking excursions, supervised by staff or responsible community member for the school year 2016.

Signed ___________________________    Dated __ / __ / __