Monday 1st February 2016
WEEK 2 TERM 1

IMPORTANT DATES

Week 2

Tues 2 Feb Music with Denise
Wed 3 Library changed to Friday Swimming
Thurs 4 Middle School

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Tues 9 Music with Denise
Wed 10 Swimming Carnival
Thurs 11 Middle School

CORRESPONDENCE

Swimming Permission note
Middle School Permission Note
Permission to Walk to Excursions Note
Permission to Publish Note
Update of Family contact details

Principal’s Message
Well here we are, the first of February already and into our second week of school. Thank you to those families who returned their information and permission notes so promptly. I know there were a large number attached to the newsletter last week however, your prompt response means that we can complete all necessary administration duties and not have to bother you with chasing up the notes.

Helpers required!
SWIMMING CARNIVAL! Wednesday, 10th February!
Please notify the school if you are able to assist in any way with our swimming carnival.

I will be on family leave this Friday, 5th February. Mrs Mel Jones will be taking the Primary class.

Good luck to our Year 5 students who will be commencing the middle school program this Thursday. I am sure the current Year 6 students are old hands and will assist you in settling in.

Happy Birthday to Max Meredith and David Hardie who both celebrated birthdays, during the school holidays.
Primary Class (Year3/4 + Year5/6) News
Last week, we spent a large amount of time setting up and establishing classroom routines and expectations. This is an important time for students when settling into a new class with a different teacher and peer groupings. Whilst every effort is made to ensure a smooth transition upon the students return, it may be necessary for the student to complete tasks at home to ensure they are able to catch up with their class mates.

We commenced our unit study on ‘The BFG’ last week and there was much excitement over the story line of the novel. We also took inspiration from the Pop Art movement. We looked at Andy Warhol’s works to inspire us in developing our own Pop Art masterpieces. We then used these paintings as book coverings for our Learning Journals.

This week we will be commencing our units in Science and History.

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 – Quiz

Q1. The Latin word dies februatus refers to what?

Q2. Who was ‘Claudius the Cruel’? And what did he do?

Q3. What does 111,111,111 x 111,111,111 equal?

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, and family reasons). Please ensure the school is notified in a timely manner regarding any absence, emails are accepted.

Infants News
It is lovely to see all the children back at school with bright smiley faces, eager for another year of fabulous learning! This term our units of work are:

**Literacy:** Fairy Tales
**Mathematics:** Whole Number and Patterns & Algebra
**Science:** Life, camera, action
**History/Geography:** The past in the present – a significant local site
**Health:** Healthy Harold
**PE:** Swimming
**Creative Arts:** Paper craft

Included with the newsletter today is an information note concerning library borrowing, news days, and other details about routines. I will be sending home a note next week regarding homework - spelling lists and readers will accompany this.
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.

Year 6 Fundraising
Each Friday during Term 1, the Year 6 students will be selling Zooper Doopers for 50c each. All money raised will go to a gift for the Year 6 to donate to Tallimba Public School at the end of the year.

Middle School
Students in Year 5 and Year 6 begin the Middle School Program this 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 the Newsletter.

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.

Piano Lessons
Mrs Krause will again be teaching Piano in 2016, starting tomorrow 2nd February. If you would like to start lessons, or maybe even just do some refreshing, timeslots are available for new students.

West Wyalong Cubs and Scouts
We will be recommencing Wednesday, 17th February, 2016. Boys and girls aged 8 to 15 are all welcome! For further information, please contact Barb Penny 69722558

Tallimba Tongue Waggers
Will recommence this Wednesday, 3rd February, 2016, at 9.30 am, with a BYO class to start, so the calendar can be finalised for Terms 1 and 2.

It Takes A Village
Will commence Wednesday, 10th February, at 10am. The first class will be Quilling. If you have a Quilling tool, please bring it along. Activities will be available for the children.
WEST WYALONG JUNIOR BASKETBALL

REGISTRATION AFTERNOON THIS FRIDAY, 5th FEBRUARY 2016 LAST and only CHANCE to register!

4-00pm – 6.00pm at the Stadium. All new players are welcome!

All players will need to pay a $35.00 competition fee.

If your BNSW rego is due (now or shortly after the comp starts), you’ll need to pay that cost additionally to comp fees.

If you are 7 yrs and NOT turning 8 yrs anytime in 2016 your BNSW rego cost is $10
If you are turning 8-11 yrs anytime in 2016 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is $30 (normally $47)
If you are turning 12-17 yrs anytime in 2016 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is $40 (normally $63)
If you are turning 18 yrs anytime in 2016 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is $50 (normally $77)

***If you have 3 or more children participating, we will discount your fees by $10 per player.

The competition is to start on the Friday 19th August, 2016.

Current players are encouraged to register electronically by sending an email and paying fees direct to the Association account - please refer to your last email for instructions.

AUSSIE HOOPS
If your child would like to play Aussie Hoops on every Friday of our comp between 3.30 – 4.10pm please register online before 5th February.

* Please note -Your child must have turned 4 years old before 19th February 2016 to be able to register. Cost is $55 per new Aussie Hoops Registration (new pack included) or $30 for returning players (no pack included).

Visit our WWJBA website:  http://www.foxsportspulse.com/assoc_page.cgi?c=1-10511-0-0-0

All new players are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Justine and Sheridan at the Registration day at the Sports Stadium, Friday 5th February between 4.00 and 6.00pm.