Principal’s Message
This week will be our annual swimming carnival on Wednesday. Children will depart school via bus at 9.30am. Any parents wishing to meet us at the pool with their children may do so, however, we would appreciate it if you could let the school know prior.

This Friday, both Kate and I will be attending a training day for our Instructional Rounds network initiative. Mrs Jan Hart and Anita Moore will be on class this day.

Happy Birthday to Lili-Anne and Adrian who both celebrated their birthdays last week.

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.

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. The District Swimming carnival held at Lake Cargelligo is on Wednesday, 17th February.

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 ceased. Thank you.
Primary Class (Year3/4 + Year5/6) News
In English this week we will be continuing with our novel study of The BFG. Mathematics focus will be on addition and subtraction strategies. History will be taking a look at local celebrations and why we remember special days. In Science, students will be challenged with designing and building a structure that can withhold a given weight.

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.

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.

Reading for Meaning – Quiz
Congratulations to last week’s quiz winners Annaleise and Adrian.

Australian Formula One champion Daniel Riccardo has a big smile that shows off his 40 beautiful teeth really well. If he brushes each of his teeth individually for 3 seconds each morning, how long does it take him in minutes and seconds?

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.

Infants News
Kindergarten’s new sound this week is ‘i’. The Year 1 and 2 sound focus is ‘a’ in spelling list words. The children have been given Weekly Spelling lists to take home today, and a note explaining what their weekly homework consists of and the importance of practising spelling lists each week, as well as reading each day.
The children have enjoyed listening to some well-known fairy tales and learning about narratives, writing their own retell of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We will continue this study of narratives in the form of fairy tales in the coming weeks.
This week in Mathematics we continue our focus on whole numbers and patterns & algebra. The new Kindergarten children are doing a fabulous job of counting and ordering numbers!
In Science, the children are busy investigating our school yard for lots of creepy crawlies. They are learning to explain their existing ideas about the features and behaviours of small animals; following directions to conduct an exploration of the schoolyard; and using their senses to observe and identify small animals in their habitats.
In History, the children have started to develop a sense of inquiry when thinking about how things were different at school in the past when their parents attended school at Tallimba, and how they are now, in the present. This week they will use drawings from what they already know about the school, both past and present, and represent them in a timeline.

Year 6 Fundraising
Sorry for the slight hiccup with the Zooper Doopers last week. As an extra, Zooper Doopers will be on sale TOMORROW, Tuesday 9th, as well as this Friday. 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.

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

TALLIMBA HALL FUNDRAISER
As part of a Community Fundraiser 4Farmers wants to help support your local community by donating funds to a local community service group that is in need of precious funds.

4Farmers will donate 2% of sales through the Tallimba Dealership on selected products# to the TALLIMBA HALL COMMITTEE

#Selected products invoiced at NSW list prices by 12th FEBRUARY 2016 through the Tallimba Dealership

Contact STEAVE PETRIE (Tallimba Rural Supplies): 0437 689 933 or tallimba4farmers@outlook.com

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 continue this Wednesday, 10th February, 2016, at 9.30 am, with a BYO class to start, so the calendar can be finalised for Terms 1 and 2.