

Newsletter

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Term 1 - Week 2

Thursday 2nd December, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our new school year. After a wonderful summer break I am sure we are all prepared for another action-packed year of learning, meeting, discussing, planning consulting and building; all the essentials that make Tallong Public School the friendly, diverse and inclusive community that it is, where our students are encouraged to view education as a lifelong experience. In 2017 our staff, as trusted partners in learning, will ensure that every child is confident, motivated and successful in their learning.

In 2017 the school has 60 students divided into three composite classes; Yr K/1, (Koalas, Miss Cole), Yr 2/3, (Kookas, Mrs Cox-Barlow), Yr 4/5/6, (Kangas, Mr Andrews).

As a school community, we welcome our new families. We hope your stay at Tallong PS will give you an opportunity to become involved in your children's learning, to establish life-long friendships and to become pro-active in supporting the many activities and initiatives planned for the year.

Some House Keeping Reminders

- Parking - Parents are requested not to park on the opposite side of the street and call children across, as this will place your child in danger when crossing the road. Please park and then walk to meet your child. Alternatively, use our drive-through service for drop-offs and pick-ups.
- Lunches - Students have the option of ordering a lunch every Monday. The orders and money must be given to the Tallong General Store by the previous Thursday. Please notify the store if your child is absent after ordering. Children are encouraged to eat healthy food. A healthy balanced lunch box is essential for good learning at school.



Health

- Please inform the school if your child has any allergies or any medical condition which may prove life threatening.
- Children who are obviously ill in the morning **should be kept at home.** Please inform the school of absences due to illness.
- **INFECTIOUS DISEASES**
 - **CHICKEN POX** - exclusion from school is necessary for seven days after the first spots appear
 - **MEASLES** - exclusion from school is necessary for at least five days from appearance of rash
 - **WHOOPING COUGH**

There has been a recent increase of whooping cough (pertussis) amongst primary-school-aged children and a modest increase in high schools.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and is worse at night. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children.

Children with symptoms should see a GP.

If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies

- **MUMPS** - isolate immediately from those who have not had it. Exclusion from school is necessary for ten days from the onset of swelling
- **RUBELLA** - exclude patient from school for at least five days from the appearance of rash
- **IMPETAGO** - (Scabby Sores) The family doctor should be consulted. If sores are kept effectively covered by clean dressing, children are allowed to attend school. If not then exclusion is necessary.

- **PEDICULOSIS** - (Head Lice) Treat child's hair until neither lice nor nits are present.
- **SCABIES** - (The Itch) Children with scabies are to be excluded from school until a doctor has prescribed treatment.
- **RINGWORM** - exclusion from school is required until appropriate treatment has begun.

COLA Update As you may have noticed, the COLA works have finally begun. It is unfortunate that we will be a little inconvenienced whilst the workers are on site, but the building should be completed shortly.

Monday Dance will no longer be after school on Mondays. Starting this term, Miss Cole will be doing dance during Monday lunch. Please see Miss Cole if you are interested in joining our dance ensemble.

Before and After School Care

MONDAY to FRIDAY Breakfast Club will be available from 7:45am. Children are asked to arrive no later than 8:10am. Payment will remain the same at **\$2.50** per student, per day. Payment **MUST** be made in advance or on the day for your child to utilize this service. Payments in arrears may result in your child not being able to attend.

After School Care will be run **MONDAY to THURSDAY** from 3:00 - 4:30pm. Payment for this service is yet to be confirmed. In the case of facilitators being out sourced, payment is to be made directly to them.

After School Care will run at a cost of *approximately* \$8 per student, per day.

Ellie Moore
Principal

Monday Lunch Orders

We are in need of a volunteer each Monday at lunch time to collect the school lunch orders from the Tallong General Store at 1:00pm. We have been very fortunate to have had wonderful parents collecting the lunches for us each week, but due to work commitments, they can no longer help. We would like to extend a huge thank you to those that have helped us with these deliveries.

If you are able to assist in this matter, please contact the office asap.

School Photos

Friday 24th February.



Term 1, 2017

Week 2

Thursday 2nd Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Friday 3rd Feb

Assembly 2:30pm

Week 3

Monday 6th Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Tuesday 7th Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Wednesday 8th Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Thursday 9th Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Friday 10th Feb

Assembly 2:30pm

Week 4

Monday 13th Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Tuesday 14th Feb

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

P&C AGM 7:00pm
All welcome

Wednesday 15th Feb

Swimming Carnival
Scripture starts

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

Thursday 16th Feb

Parent Information Evening
6:00pm

After School Care
3:00 - 4:30pm
Bookings essential contact office

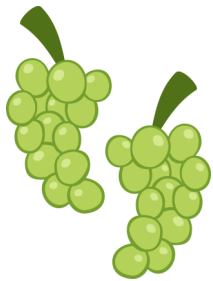
Friday 17th Feb

Assembly 2:30pm

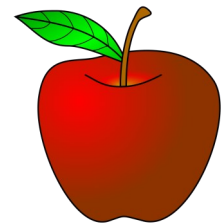


2017 Kindies and
their big buddies.





Starting with a healthy lunch!



Join the Dollarmites on a savings adventure into the future with School Banking!

In 2017, School Banking is getting children excited about the future with a brand new look for the Dollarmites. As Future Savers, students will join the Dollarmites on a journey to reach the Savings Hover Park, an amazing playground up in the clouds of a hi-tech city.

There are 8 new reward items for 2017 from the Future Savers range:

- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case
- Epic Earphones

WIN a family adventure holiday at Tokyo Disneyland!

This year, School Banking is running a Future Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker all the way to Tokyo, Japan. The winner gets an unforgettable family trip, for up to two adults and three children, where they'll explore Tokyo Disneyland with its amazing attractions, including the futuristic Tomorrowland, plus enjoy the fun rides at Tokyo DisneySea.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2017 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives from the Commonwealth Bank \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking to register.



Rusty Crook
GRC Guitar & Drum Tutor

Learn to play guitar and drums!

Individual and discounted shared lessons available

thegrc.com.au | 4821 8833



The GRC offer private lessons during school hours at Tallong Public. These lessons are at a cost of \$39 for 30 mins. If you would like your child to participate in guitar lessons at school, please contact the office for further information.

Numbers are essential to make it viable for the tutors to come out to our school.