

Newsletter

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Term 1 - Week 3

Thursday 9th February, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

There is a wonderful "feel" in and around Tallong PS this term and I would describe it as synergy.

Synergy - definition

The interaction of elements that when combined produce a total effect that is greater than the total sum of the individual elements, contributions.

We have energetic students, staff and parents/carers who are all keen to contribute to creating the best learning environment that we can. Together we are creating the positive buzz that we are experiencing this term.

Thank you James McKellar for making six stage boxes for students to stand on. We had to borrow some from Bundanoon PS for last year's concert. Thanks to James we now have our own.

Swimming Carnival

All students participating in next week's swimming carnival must arrive at school by 8:00am. The bus departs at 8:15 sharp.

Breakfast Club is running very smoothly thanks to the teachers and volunteers who give up their spare time to care for and feed the early arrivals at school.

The COLA upgrade is slowly moving forward with the window frame and some flashing going in.

A Parent Information Evening will be held next Thursday 16th February. This is an evening of information sessions presented by each class teacher about their teaching programs, expectations and classroom management. These sessions ARE NOT about the progress of individual students. Instead they are to help parents/carers understand the day-to-day running of their child's class. The sessions are as follows:

Koalas 5:30pm, Kookas 5:45pm, Kangas 6:00 pm.

Library Borrowing books from the school library has commenced. All students have been issued with a bag. It is expected that all library books are cared for at home and are returned to school on the due date.

Have You Got A Minute

There are times when, as parents, you have a concern about your child's learning or behaviour, and you wish to discuss the matter with your child's teacher. Teachers welcome communication about your child because it will give them a better understanding, or an explanation of whatever it is that is impacting on learning or behaviour. However **the worst time** to have this conversation is just before bell time when a teacher is about to commence a full day of planned teaching. **If you have a concern, please make an appointment to see the teacher at an agreed time.**

Voluntary Contributions, School Programs and Text Books

All families will be receiving their beginning of the year notice to pay for text books, school programs and voluntary contributions. This payment is essential to give your child the best resources possible for learning. Voluntary contributions are an essential supplementation to the provision of resources such as classroom and sports equipment, library resources and technology.

Gymnastics

This year we are introducing a gymnastics program. Like the tennis program, Gymnastics classes will be led by an expert coach, Vaughn Edmonds, and will be held every Friday for ten weeks, commencing in Term 2.

Ellie Moore

Principal

Tallong Dance Group

On Monday Miss Cole had a large number of students put their name down to participate in dance for this year. It was excellent to see so many enthusiastic and motivated students wanting to participate in an extra-curricular activity. Due to the large number of students, Miss Cole has decided to split the group in two, to create a junior and a senior dance group. The junior dance group will be for Years K-3, and the senior dance group will be for Years 4-6. Boys and girls are both welcome to participate.

Junior dance will run each Monday at lunch time (after eating time).

Senior dance will run each Tuesday at lunch time (after eating time).

Dance is a fantastic way for children to develop their confidence, physical health, coordination, motor skills, and social skills. Any student wishing to participate in dance is to see Miss Cole if they have not already.

**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.

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.

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

Term 1, 2017**Week 3****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

Playgroup Commences
Art & Craft with Janet

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

School Photos - CHANGE OF DATE

Thursday 23rd February.



Welcome to Tallong PS Marli (K) and Elisha (Yr 5)



Department
of Industry
Resources & Energy

Support to Pay Electricity and Gas Bills*



Help is available to pay
your energy bills.

For information on
rebates and emergency
assistance go to:

[www.resourcesandenergy
.nsw.gov.au/rebates](http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/rebates)

or phone Service NSW
on 137 788

* eligibility criteria apply

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

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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.