

Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 3

Thursday 9th August, 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Education Week Open Day



We were delighted to have so many families participate and share our Education Week Open Day yesterday. Braving the blustery, cold, Tallong weather, parents and carers were joined by grandparents and even

great-grandparents, aunts and uncles, to take the opportunity to visit our school. They were able to look at great learning in practice, talk with teachers and attend our school assembly, very capably presented by our school leaders. Thank you Mrs Cox-Barlow for supporting our leaders to be such confident presenters. Our families were also entertained by the school's very recently established guitar ensemble, tutored and led by Mr Garth, who is nurturing and supporting the talent of very musical students at TPS. A special thank you to Kim Paviour, Director of Educational Leadership, for joining us in our celebrations. The Teddy Bears' picnic was fun but a battle with very unkind weather. Thank you Miss Jeffers for organising the games that followed the picnic. Finally thanks also go to Mrs Murray for preparing the warming morning tea and to the P&C for their raffle draw.

NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test

Our school will once more be participating in the NAPLAN School Readiness test, (SRT) in Week 6, 27-31 August. This is a practice test for Year 3 and 5 students in readiness for NAPLAN Online in 2019. The practice test will enable students to become familiar with the test environment and will have a variety of questions similar in style to the Writing, (for Year 5 only in 2018), Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy tests.

There are demonstration tests available to the public and these can be accessed at the link:

<http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

Ellie Moore
Principal



2019 Enrolments

2019 enrolments are open for families. School tours and information sessions are available for prospective Kindergarten student families. Please contact the office to arrange a tour and hear our vision for school community and student success and the values that guide us. Enrolment forms are available at the office and when submitted, the partnership between school and home will begin with regular information to support your child's transition to school.

School Concert

Letters and Dojo messages will be sent to all families regarding costumes for the school concert, which will be held in the last week of this term (27th September). Please contact your child's teacher if you need clarification on costume requirements.

Dress Like A Farmer Day

The SRC is supporting our drought-affected farmers by supporting the Dress Like A Farmer fundraising initiative. On **15th August** students are asked to come to school dressed like a farmer and bring a donation, (gold coin), to support our drought-affected farmers.



Reminders

Mathletics and Reading Eggs

Students have access to these online programs that are used at school. They can be used at home to support their learning and supplement and consolidate concepts taught at school. Both programs provide data for teachers on student achievement. All students are provided with their username and login to enable them to access these programs from school or home.

Mathletics courses are aligned to the requirements of the NSW Maths curriculum and designed for all learning styles. Questions include animated tutorials, audio support and adapt to the learning pace of each child. Teachers set tasks for students to complete from which they can earn rewards.

Reading Eggs is a program to support students in learning to read. There are structured reading lessons with step-by-step teaching of phonemic awareness, phonics, high-frequency words, vocabulary, fluency and comprehension. The student sits a placement test to ensure they are working at their optimal level.



Premier's Sporting Challenge

This term we are participating in the Premier's Sporting Challenge. It is a 10 week physical activity challenge period which aims to have more students, more active, more often. Physical activity isn't just about being fit, it's about building resilience, improving concentration and supporting overall health and wellbeing. A letter will be sent home today with more information attached.

We encourage you to help your child reach their physical activity goals.



Positive Behaviour for Success

Respect

Responsibility

Safety

Tidy an area before you leave it.

Tennis Lessons

On Friday mornings this term we are lucky to have a qualified Tennis Coach come to Tallong School and provided tennis lessons for our students. The cost of this is \$50 for the 10 weeks, which equals \$5 per lesson. Payment can be made in full or weekly **in an envelope clearly marked with child's name.**

Unfortunately due to students that may be absent on the day, payment is still required as we need to cover the coach's fees for the term.

Students in previous years have thoroughly enjoyed these lessons and have a wonderful, fun, learning experience.

P&C Uniform Shop

Now open Monday afternoons
2:45 - 3:15pm for all you uniform needs!



TPS School Concert


The Adventures of Snugglepoot and Cuddlepie in Tallong

**Thursday 27th September 6:30pm
in Tallong Memorial Hall**

Mark the date in your diaries now.



Calendar of Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3	6/8	7/8	8/8	9/8	10/8
EDUCATION WEEK		Debating P&C Meeting 7pm	Grandparents Day/Teddy Bears Picnic/Open Day Playgroup 9:30 - 11:30am	Thirsty Thursday \$1 	Sport Day Tennis \$5 Early Learning Hub 9-11am Assembly 2:30pm
Week 4	13/8	14/8	15/8	16/8	17/8
	Soccer Knockout @ Bodalla	Maths ICAS Exam 8am	Playgroup 9:30 - 11:30am with Janet	Thirsty Thursday \$1 	Sport Day Tennis \$5 Early Learning Hub 9-11am Assembly 2:30pm
Week 5	20/8	21/8	22/8	23/8	24/8
BOOK WEEK		Book Week Parade Book Fair	Playgroup 9:30 - 11:30am	Thirsty Thursday \$1 	Sport Day Tennis \$5 Early Learning Hub 9-11am Assembly 2:30pm
Week 6	27/8	28/8	29/8	30/8	31/8
		African Drummers Incursion	Playgroup 9:30 - 11:30am with Janet	Thirsty Thursday \$1 	Sport Day Tennis \$5 Early Learning Hub 9-11am Assembly 2:30pm P&C Father's Day Stall

Remember the best way to keep in touch with what is happening at our school and receive newsletters is with the School Stream app.

Download it today, it's FREE! Once downloaded search for 'Tallong Public School'.





2018
Education
Day

**2018
Book
Week
Parade
+
Book
Fair
Tues 21st
Aug**

You're invited to our Scholastic
BOOK FAIR!
Reading Is Out of This World!



Choose from a huge selection of books at the Fair!

**Mittagong Cricket Club Junior Team
Grades 3-6**



Rego Heads Up

Mittagong Cricket Club junior team will hold registration day in August at Welby Oval (date TBA).

Friendly, supportive team – **new players most welcome!**

Training: Wednesdays 4-5pm (start date TBA)
Where: Welby Oval, Currockbilly Street, Welby

For further queries contact **Rob** 0415 989 825.

DYNAMIC, EDUCATIONAL & RESILIENCE-BUILDING



**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP
8 - 12 OCTOBER 2018**

An exciting 5 day adventure, enjoying fun activities including Self Defence, Mountain Biking, Archery, High Ropes, Flying Fox, Cooking, Art and Craft.

Experience the beauty of Tallong's natural environment, spotting wildlife and exploring Barber's Creek. Tallong is situated 2 hours drive from Sydney and 1.5 hours from Canberra.

BOYS AND GIRLS FROM ALL SCHOOLS ARE WELCOME. AGES 7 -14

5 DAY PACKAGE \$415 PER CHILD

BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY ADVENTURE. BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

Email tallong@ssc.nsw.edu.au or call 02 4841 0439

Bookings Close 10 September 2018

Package includes accommodation (4 nights), all meals & equipment. Bus transport to and from Sydney available. Day-only stays and short-stay options are available.

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Santa Sabina College
Outdoor Education
& Retreat Centre
ssc.nsw.edu.au/tallong

All costs inclusive of GST

TALLONG FAMILY BUSH DANCE

TONY RODWELL & THE MOUNTAIN DEW BAND

Saturday
15TH
SEPTEMBER
6.30PM



BYO
FOOD
&
DRINK

At Tallong Memorial Hall

Ticket Prices - Adult \$10
(under 12) - Child \$5
-FAMILY \$30



Bookings recommended, Limited tickets

Complete slip and drop into The TCFG mailbox at The Midge

Contact: Chrissy 0418648610 or secretary@tallong.com.au

TALLONG COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUP INC



Bush Dance Ticket Order Form

Name:

Contact Number:

No# of Adults:

No# of Children:

Payment by cash/cheque -Amount enclosed \$

Pre-Purchased Tickets issued at the door. If available tickets available at the door

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LUCKY DOOR
PRIZES