



# TALLIMBA PUBLIC SCHOOL

"A LITTLE SCHOOL ACHIEVING BIG THINGS!"

**Monday 4th May, 2015**  
**WEEK 3** **TERM 2**

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Week 3

Tues 4 May Music with Denise  
Deb @ Principal's meeting.  
Welcome Mel Jones

Wed 5 May Library

Thurs 6 May Middle School

### Week 4

Tues 12 May Music with Denise  
NAPLAN Language and Writing

Wed 13 May NAPLAN Reading  
Library

Thurs 14 May Middle School  
NAPLAN Numeracy

Fri 15 May Responsible Pet Owner Program

## CORRESPONDENCE

## Principal's Message

This Sunday we celebrate Mother's Day and while we recognise that our mothers or primary carers are special every day, Mother's Day is the one day of the year that we take the time to acknowledge the work, care and love our mothers give. The P&C will be holding a Mother's Day stall on Friday, selling gifts for a donation of \$5.00 each.

## ANZAC Day

Thank you to the ANZAC committee for kindly donating an additional \$50.00 to the school, bringing the total donation to \$100. Thank you also to the following people for the kind donation of a number of books to the school. The family members of the late Frank and Heather Spackman, and The Jackson Family, In Memory of Sgt. R.A. Jackson

## Premier's Sporting Challenging (PSC).

Our first week of the Premier's Sporting Challenge commenced last week with a number of students recording a Diamond award in the first week. Well done to those students.

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"Mother love is the fuel that  
enables a normal human to  
do the impossible."

**Marion C. Garretty**

## Garden

Thank you to the Quade and Petrie families for the donation of manure for our school garden. Adrian, Dan and Lewis have worked exceptionally hard this past fortnight, along with a number of helpers, to plant cauliflowers, broccoli, celery, and snow peas.



## How2Learn

This fortnight's focus in H2L is looking at the ethical aspect of learning. The learning habit is Accountability: Standing up for what is right.

## Classroom Visits

If you wish to speak to your child's teacher regarding a matter of concern, please be advised the correct procedure is to make an appointment to arrange a suitable time. Alternatively, prior to or after school is also acceptable. Interruptions, during class teaching time is unsettling for both the students and the teacher and interrupts the key learning focus of the lesson.

## Library

Reminder - there are a number of outstanding loans. Please remind your children to return all library books on Wednesday.

## Book Club

Book Club order forms came home last week. Please place your order using the LOOP (Linked Online Ordering & Payment) system; it seems to be working really well. Thank you to those people ordering online as the school still receives the rewards.

## Steward House 2015 Donation Drive



Stewart House Donation Drive Envelopes were sent home last week. You are asked to donate \$2 for a chance to win a \$4,000 FAMILY HOLIDAY.

### Students & Supporters

Follow these 3 easy steps

- STEP 1... Take home the envelope and fill in your name, address, telephone number and school.
- STEP 2... Insert a donation of at least \$2 into the envelope and seal it.
- STEP 3... Return the envelope to your teacher.



### Update Student Information

Attached to last week's newsletter was a family contact and medical update form. It has come to our attention that a number of emergency numbers and home phone numbers are no longer current. Please complete form and return to school ASAP.

### Reading for Meaning – QUIZ

Congratulations David and Elspeth last week's winners the total "red" words in the sentence were ten.

A man was outside taking a walk, when it started to rain. The man didn't have an umbrella and he wasn't wearing a hat. His clothes got soaked, yet not a single hair on his head got wet. How could this happen?

### Infants News

The Kindergarten children are learning the sound 'd' this week. In Math's, our focus is Addition and Subtraction. The children are enjoying learning about the different wet and dry environments in HSIE, and will be studying the different habitats of plants and animals in the Great Barrier Reef. We are continuing our study of living things in Science and the children are excited about the 'All About My Pet' book that they are creating at home. It would be appreciated if the books could be completed and returned next Monday, so that the children can present their findings for news.

### Primary Class (Year3/4 + Year5/6) News

This week we continue with our debate topic, "All children should be immunised". A great deal of discussion has been generated around this and the children have presented some very good arguments for both sides. NAPLAN practise will remain a focus this week to ensure children a fully prepared for sitting next week's tests.

### Uniforms

We have lots of girl and boy, summer and winter, secondhand uniforms at the school. Parents please come and have a look and take any that are suitable for your children. FREE.

### Voluntary School Fees

The P&C committee have agreed to set the voluntary school fees this year at \$35 per child or \$55 per family. These fees assist the school in offsetting the cost of buying resources for your child. Payment may be made in instalments over the next three terms. Thank you for assistance with supporting our school.

### NAPLAN Dates

NAPLAN for all Year 3 and Year 5 students will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May  
– Language and Writing
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Reading
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May - Numeracy

### NAPLAN

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit for the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) test in May each year. The assessments are an opportunity for students to demonstrate what they have learned in class.

For students in Years 3 and 5, there are four tests covering numeracy, reading, writing and language conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar). For students in Years 7 and 9, there are five tests including two tests in numeracy – a calculator allowed test and a non-calculator test.

The NAPLAN test results and the student reports are released in September.

The results provide information about student achievement that can be used to inform teaching and learning programs. NAPLAN tests provide point-in-time information regarding student progress in literacy and numeracy and are intended to complement the wide range of formal and informal assessments that are already conducted in schools. NAPLAN test results are not intended to be used in isolation from other school-based assessment programs.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has responsibility for the central management of the NAPLAN. The Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards NSW (BOSTES) is the NSW Test Administration Authority (TAA) and is responsible for the administration of the NAPLAN tests in all NSW schools.

Specific information, including details about the tests, student participation, disability adjustments and reporting can be found on the [NAPLAN website](#) and in the weekly *Board Bulletin*.

## Advertisements

### A Quick Bite ...

#### 5 Tips to Help With Screen Time at Home

Are you having trouble getting your child off technology or watching television?

Try some of these ideas to reduce the amount of screen time your child has each day:

- Go screen free for weekdays
- Try technology free Tuesdays
- Try imagination Wednesdays
- Restrict times on when your child has access such as "no screen time before dinner"
- Provide seven ½ hour vouchers on a Friday afternoon to last for the week. When your child watches the television, or plays on the computer they hand a voucher back. This limits the child to 3 1/2 hours of screen time over a week.

For more information visit

[mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy](http://mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy)

Live Life Well  
@ School



Health  
Murrumbidgee  
Local Health District



### LAW TALK – NATIONAL LAW WEEK 2015

Join Tony Dacey from NSW Trustee and Guardian Wagga Wagga Branch for a talk on \*Wills

\*Power of Attorney

\*Enduring Guardianship

\*Advanced Care Planning

\*Indigenous Resources

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2015 @ 11 am Bland Shire Council Chambers.

For any person wishing to have a will written, Tony will be available on the day, free of charge, by appointment only. Light luncheon provided (bookings essential for catering). For further information and bookings, contact the library on 6979 0272

### West Wyalong Hospital Auxiliary MOTHERS DAY LUNCHEON



Sunday, May 10  
Lions Park - 12 noon to 2 pm  
or the Masonic Hall if inclement weather  
BBQ and Salad, slice, tea & coffee  
Adults \$10 Children \$5 Family \$25  
All Welcome

### WEST WYALONG JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

##URGENT##

The delivery of the shorts, socks and guernsey's has been delayed and won't be available for the first round of games.  
PAST PLAYERS – could you please bring your gear from last year and any extras that you may have at home for others to borrow.

Thankyou.

### NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Join the estimated 500,000 other people nationwide, in reading all at the same time, Aaron Blabey's 'The Brothers Quibble'

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May

11 am

Bland Shire Library

For more information or to book please  
phone 69790272



# May 2015

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3	
4 TERM 2 Week 3		5	6	7 Middle School	8	9	10
11 TERM 2 Week 4		12 NAPLAN tests Years 3, 5, 7 & 9	13 NAPLAN tests Years 3, 5, 7 & 9	14 NAPLAN tests Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 Middle School Year 6 only	15 Responsible Pet Program	16	17
18 TERM 2 Week 5		19	20	21 Middle School	22 Assembly	23	24
25 TERM 2 Week 6		26 GRIP - Yr 6 to Wagga	27 District Cross Country Carnival	28 No Middle School Due to P6 - Debating	29	30	31 

\*School development days occur at the beginning of Terms 1, 2 and 3 and the last two days of the school year. Check with your school, as schools may vary some of these dates. Don't forget that school zone speed limits apply on ALL school days including school development days.

## Mother's Day Quotes



Crystal: I love my Mum because she helps me get dressed.

Abigael: My Mum is Awesome!

Rowdy: I hope my Mum likes her presents.

Max: I love my Mum.

Ella: I love my Mum because she is Very Special!

Elvis: I love my Mum because she is the Best.

Lewis: I love my Mum because she helps me.

Jake: Beck, I hope you come out of hospital soon.

Jasmine: Beck, because she helps me learn stuff.

Kate: I love my Mum because she first loved me.

Darcy: I love my Mum because she is Awesome!

Luke: I love my Mum because she buys me heaps of cool stuff.

David: I love my Mum because she is really nice, and she helps me with all sorts of things that I need help with, and she is buys nice stuff.

Sarah: I love my Aunty Meg, because she looks after me, especially when I need help.

Annaleise: I love my Mum because she loves me, feeds me and I hope she never leaves me.

Elsbeth: I love my Mum because she feeds me, and she looks after me.

Isabella: I love my Mum because she is special!

Adrian: To Beck, I hope you get better soon and here is a surprise for you.

A-Jay: I love my Mum because she takes good care of my whole family.

Oliver: I love my Mum because she cares about me, and she asks questions about what is wrong before she gets cranky at me.

Absent – Joe and Dan Quade.