

Newsletter

Tallong Public School

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Term 1 – Week 10

Thursday, 3 April 2014

Principal's Report

It has been great to meet parents and chat about student learning both in the recent Home Reading Workshop-“Helping Your Child At Home” and also at individual parent/teacher interviews.

Students benefit enormously when parents are partners in their child's education. Finding out about ways to assist your child at home has a direct impact on student progress.

We look forward to your attendance at our Easter Assembly and Hat Parade at 1:45pm on Friday 11th April. Of course extended family and community members are most welcome.

Reminder that the Cross Country is on Friday the 4th of April. Parents are more than welcome to attend.

S. Matthews
Principal

Upcoming Events

Term 1

Thursday 3 rd April	Art Club with Mrs Botticchio \$2 3:15pm - 4:30pm
	Centenary Meeting 5:30pm
Friday 4 th April	Cross Country for K-6

Week 11

Parent Teacher Interviews this Week!!

Monday 7 th April	Explorer's Club \$2 3:15pm - 4:45pm
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Tuesday 8th April

NO CLUBS

PJ Day – SRC Asthma Fundraiser, Gold Coin Donation

Wednesday 9th April

NO CLUBS

Thursday 10th April

Art Club with Mrs Botticchio \$2
3:15pm - 4:30pm

Friday 11th April

Easter Hat Parade and Assembly 1:45pm

Cross Country Carnival Program

Events commence at 11:30am:

- Race 1** 6 year olds
+ Senior Ball Games
 - Race 2** 7 year olds
+ Captain and Tunnel Ball
 - Race 3** 8/9 year olds
+ Juvenile Ball Games
 - Race 4** 10 year olds
+ Corner Spry and Tunnel Ball
 - Race 5** 11 year olds
+ Junior Ball Games
 - Race 6** 12 Year olds
+ Corner Spry and Tunnel Ball
- Concludes approx. 1:10pm

SRC News

On **Tuesday 8th April** we are raising money for the Asthma Foundation. We are holding a “**PJ Day**”. Students come dressed (appropriately) in their PJ's and slippers and bring a gold coin donation to raise money for this worthy cause.



PBS

Our playground focus for week 8 is “**Play by the Rules**”

Aboriginal Elder Visit

Today we were very privileged to be visited by Aunty Eleanor, a local Aboriginal elder. We learnt about the local inhabitants of Tallong, the Gundugurra people. We learnt about their way of life: hunting and gathering, celebrations, education of their children, crafts and bush skills as well as bush tucker. We also were told about the dreamtime stories and how they were used to teach values and discipline to the children.

Aunty Eleanor brought along artefacts and displays. The students were able to ask lots of questions. It was a very enjoyable and informative session.



Moran Workshop Tallong Public School Photo Day

On the 26th of March 2014, Tallong Public School had a photo day. They had a blast. During the

Photography Workshop the class learnt how to take photos from an ant's eye view (from the ground up) and a bird's eye view (looking down from above). Ellie said, "It was cool and I had lots of fun!"

Samantha said, "It was great because we learnt how to take photos in different colours and the photos came out perfectly."

Tahlia said, "It was spectacular and I had lots of fun."

Part of the workshop was that all the pictures the students took were automatically entered into the Moran Photo Competition. The prize is one of 30 digital cameras.

I participated in this workshop and found it amazing how photos can tell a story and capture emotion. Overall, it was a fun day had by everyone and very generous of the Moran Arts Foundation.

Reported by Meg Schweers

Photo Workshop

On the 26th of March Tallong Public School had a photo workshop for the 4/5/6s. We took photos from every angle – bird's eye, ant's eye and others. Most photos that we took were plants, landscapes and animals.

Our photo expert was called Sally. She talked about photos telling stories, making records, capturing feelings and showing things in a different way. She talked about the third rule. One of the most difficult things to capture were shadows. One of the main problems we had was getting our pictures into focus. Due to the rain we were able to capture a better look due to the droplets of water on the plants.

There was also a competition to win one of 30 cameras.

In a nutshell, our whole class enjoyed the day.

By Patrick O'Leary

Easter Hat Parade

Our Easter Assembly will be held on Friday 11th April at 1:45pm. This year we are asking students to make an Easter hat at home and bring it to school on Friday morning.

We will have our usual assembly under the COLA and end the assembly with the hat parade.



Uniform Shop open Friday mornings

8:30am – 9:30am
in the Breakfast Club room.

School Banking



Private Music Tuition Term 2

Please return EOI by Friday 4th April.

Art Club Needs Lead Volunteers for Terms 2-4!

Last year we were very kindly assisted by Robyn Carey, Sue Nagy, Marianne Parsons and Nina O'Leary who led 5 week sessions of art lessons for Art Club.

We are looking for new volunteers to come forward in 2014 who may have a particular craft or art skill to share.

Ideally we would like volunteers who might be able to take on a 5 week block where their particular activity can be developed and created over 5 sessions to completion.

Some activities could include but are not limited to:

Card making

Painting

Weaving, sewing, knitting

Printing

Collage

Masks

We would love our parents and community members to think about:

- What skills you have
- Consider whether you have the time to commit to a 5 week program
- What resources you would need purchased to get started and
- When during the year you would be available.

Please see Mrs Matthews or phone the school on 48410292 if you are able to assist.

Of course there will always be a staff member assisting with Art Club to assist all volunteers and cover supervision.

Chrissy and Margaret have put in an incredible effort this term with the help of many extra parent volunteers. It will be time for them to rest after Term 1 and Apple Day and let others take over and share their artistic skills.

Expanding Horizons Benefit Concert

Come along for an afternoon showcasing amazing talents that our locals have to offer. A BBQ lunch and afternoon tea will be available.

Proceeds from this great day will be going towards the amazing 'Expanding Horizons China Music Tour', of which local student, Sarah Gilson, will be attending.

Sunday 25th May, 2014

1:00pm – 5:00pm

Tallong Memorial Hall

Entry is a gold coin donation.

Contact Lynn Blazer for more information on 4841 0100



NetSetGO!

Netball for 5-7 year olds. Learn skills and basics and get a netball goody bag.

\$60 for 10 weeks.

Trial session and registration on 9:30am, 3rd May at Eridge Park.

Contact Kylie on shna.netsetgo@gmail.com