

TALBINGO PUBLIC SCHOOL

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TALBINGO CAMP

Preparations are well underway for our camp which will take place in Week 5. We are all looking forward to hosting approximately 100 students and staff from throughout our Mountain Small School's Network.

We have many exciting activities planned including drama and leadership workshops, visiting author Jan Carroll will work with the children on writing skills and Bushwahzee, a band from Melbourne, will present singing and dancing workshops as well as perform for the students and the community.

On Wednesday morning the band will perform for the children in a special concert following up with music and dancing workshops to prepare the children to help them perform in a combined student and band concert for the community at 5.30pm on Wednesday evening.

Parents are reminded to return their helper timetable sheets so that final rosters can be drawn up. The combined small schools camps are a great highlight for all the students and provide them with great learning and socialising opportunities. We realise that without help from our parents, holding a camp would be impossible and therefore we thank all parents in advance for their help.

Priority Schools Program (PSP)

In March, 2012 we will be taking part in a survey in an attempt to qualify for the next round of the PSP Funding Program which will be in effect from 2013-2016. The Priority Schools Program provides additional funding, staffing and consultancy services to schools which are identified as Priority Schools. Priority Schools are those which serve communities with the highest concentrations of low socio-economic status families.

The survey measures: type of occupation of parents/caregivers, educational qualifications of parents/caregivers, proportion of sole parent families in the school community, unemployment in families and the proportion of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander families in the school community. If we are found to qualify, the additional resources provided will be very beneficial to our students and staff.

The survey is short and returned to school in a sealed envelope so that all information remains confidential. As survey time approaches there will be further updates in the newsletter and on our website.

School Website Maintenance

The school website has been undergoing some maintenance work recently and as a result we have been unable to update our site at all this term.

The work is taking longer than originally expected but we hope it will be completed in the next week or so. We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused.

DIARY DATES

Week 5 – Beginning Monday 7th November

Wednesday/Thursday - Talbingo School Camp

Wednesday Bushwahzee Bush Cabaret 5.30pm

Week 6 – Beginning Monday 14th November

Wednesday Swimming - Cabramurra

Yr 6 to 7 Transition Tumut H.S

Week 7 – Beginning Monday 21st November

Wednesday Swimming - Cabramurra

Week 8 – Beginning Monday 28th November

Wednesday Swimming - Cabramurra

Week 10 – Beginning Monday 12th December

Thursday Annual Presentation Ceremony

Crazy Camel Fundraiser – P&C

Order forms for calendars and card packs featuring your child's artwork, are due tomorrow
Friday, 28th October 2011.

Term 4 Swimming Activities

This term we will be travelling to Cabramurra on Wednesdays for swimming.

Mrs Wiggins, Cabramurra Public School teacher and qualified AusSwim instructor, will lead the children in a range of water based activities designed to develop their water confidence and swimming skills. These activities will be terrific preparation for our intensive swimming lesson program at Tumut swimming pool in term 1, 2012.

Travel to Cabramurra will be by private vehicles and some parent volunteers will be needed to help each week. In addition to the swimming activities, students will also participate in some combined literacy and numeracy lessons with the students at Cabramurra.

Bushwahzee – Free Community Concert

All members of the community are invited to come along to Talbingo Public School for an hour of song and dance performed by students from our Mountain Small School's Network and Melbourne musicians Bushwahzee at 5.30pm on Wednesday, 9th November.

Students and band members will present "A Bush Cabaret" featuring traditional Australian songs and dance.

It is sure to be terrific fun and we hope to see everyone there.



Sunrise



Today we had to get up at 6:45 to get ready to go to school. We had to be there by 8:00 am because we were going to be on T.V. Exciting right?

Turns out Aisha, Danielle and I were early. Mrs Levey had just arrived. As soon as everyone was here and ready we set off to the Tumut 3 Power Station.

We were stuck for a while but not for long. The man's name was Grant Denyer. He had two other people with him and the man with the funny microphone and the man who took the video, who was basically the camera man.

I was surprised because Aisha was a little taller than Grant and Grant was weird. When he said "You're a ripper... Snowy hydro..." I started to giggle, but only because it was funny.



It gave me second thoughts about becoming a reporter. He was remarkable! But what made it worse was that Mum and Hugh's Mum were there watching the whole thing. But a good thing was when Grant read out the weather. It was very clear and I could understand every single word he said. He also talked about the town and the importance of the Power Station. He told a bit of its history and he interviewed someone who helped create the ripper... Snowy Hydro... He also was very good at emphasizing his voice.

After that we took some pictures!

Then we went to Hugh's house to watch us on T.V. I reckon we were ok! I had an awesome time there! Maybe I might become a reporter some day! After seeing his great work and effort it made me think!



By Molly