

TALBINGO PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Welcome New Students

It is great to see everyone back at school after the summer break and we welcome some new students to our school this year. Alyssa (Year 3), Chloe (Year 1), and Jessica (Kindergarten) have recently moved to Talbingo and we hope that the students and their families are settling in happily to their new community. Ryan also joins our Kindergarten group and is already familiar with our daily routine having attended some orientation sessions last year.

We also welcome back our staff and are not expecting any significant changes in this area this year.

Our intensive swimming lessons commence on Monday at the Tumut Swimming Pool and will continue over the next few weeks. On Friday, 8th February we are planning to attend the Small School's Swimming Carnival at Tumbarumba. Parent volunteer drivers are needed to ensure we are able to go, so please return the permission note immediately so that arrangements can be made. In recent years the students have really enjoyed this opportunity to demonstrate their improved swimming abilities and we have had some excellent results as well.



SCHOOL BELL TIMES

9.00am	Morning Bell
10.00am	"Fruit Break"
11.00am	Recess
11.20am	Classes resume
1.00pm	Lunch
1.45pm	Classes resume
3.00pm	Home Bell

Please note: students should not arrive prior to 8.30am as there is no supervision provided until this time.

DIARY DATES

Week 2 – Beginning Monday, 4 th February 2013	
Monday	Swimming Lessons
Tuesday	Swimming Lessons
Wednesday	Swimming Lessons
Thursday	Swimming Lessons
Friday	Small Schools Swimming Carnival, Tumbarumba
Week 3 – Beginning Monday, 11 th February 2013	
Monday	Swimming Lessons
Tuesday	Swimming Lessons
Wednesday	Swimming Lessons
Week 4 – Beginning Monday, 18 th February 2013	
Monday	Swimming Lessons
Tuesday	Swimming Lessons
Wednesday	Swimming Lessons Principals Conference

Do You Have Any Concerns

I would like to remind you that if, at any time, you find that you have a concern about anything to do with the school; you are encouraged to come to the school and tell someone so that your concern can be resolved.

It is our aim to work with all of our school community to ensure that we do the very best we can to ensure a productive, safe and enjoyable experience for our students. However, should you feel that you must raise a concern formally, the NSW Department of Education and Training has procedures for ensuring that complaints are handled fairly. A brochure which provides information about how to lodge a complaint and a Complaint Form are available from the school office. Further information is also available in the Department's Complaints Handling Guidelines, including a guide to Lodging a complaint. These documents can be accessed on the Department's Internet website at <http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/about-us/how-we-operate/how-we-handle-complaints/schools>

RECESS AND LUNCH AT SCHOOL

Remember to pack healthy foods for your child to eat at school to enhance their memory and concentration, and help them to think clearly throughout the day. For some healthy food tips visit: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/smart-foods-to-boost-learning>

For the morning "fruit break" students should bring a small amount of fresh fruit. It is also school policy that students drink water at all times whilst at school.

Please note that on most days there is only one teacher on duty and therefore students need to be able to manage their own food items. Teaching staff are unable to heat or cut up food for students.