

# TALBINGO PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Gold Fever to Hit Talbingo Public School

This term we have been doing a unit on Gold as part of our HSIE studies. To complement this learning, we have arranged for Mr Martin Byrne, to visit our school on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> to bring his "Experience Treasure Panning" activity to our school.



During his visit, students will learn more about rocks and minerals then take part in some gold panning – even getting to keep what they find.

After that they will get to do some metal detecting around the grounds. It sounds like great fun!

Cabramurra Public School will come down to join in with the activity so it should be a great day!

Also on this day, Mrs Levey and Mrs Cherry will be working with Mrs Jennifer Heinjus, DEC Road Safety Adviser, to update school Road Safety Policies.

## Morning Nibbles at School

During the morning students are encouraged to enjoy some "nibbles" to ensure they don't run out of energy. We recognise that it is a long time from breakfast time to recess for young children and a small snack can make all the difference.

However, this is not a scheduled break in the school day – but rather lessons continue whilst the children eat their snack. For this reason it is important that the children bring something suitable – their snack needs to be something healthy that they can eat quickly whilst still managing to concentrate on the lesson. Some suitable items include chopped up fruit, dried fruits, carrot and celery sticks, and cheese for example. Large whole pieces of fruit are not suitable as they take too long to eat and interfere with the children's ability to continue working – these are better suited to recess or lunch time breaks.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Term 3 Ski Program

During Term 3 we will be going skiing as part of our winter sports programme. We have combined with Cabramurra Public School for this activity which will take place over 4 consecutive weeks at Mt Selwyn Snowfields.



Our first ski trip will be on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Week 2 next term, and an information letter will be sent home with the students shortly. As with previous years students will enjoy a 2 hour lesson with qualified ski instructors at a level suitable to their age and abilities.

## Diary Dates

Week 7- Beginning Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2013	
Monday	Public Holiday
Tuesday	Regional Cross Country, Deniliquin
Week 8 – Beginning Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2013	
Wednesday	Road Safety Policy Update Martin Byrne – Gold Panning Activity
Week 9 – Beginning Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> June	
Friday	Last day of Term 2
Term 3	
Week 1 - Beginning Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	
Monday	Staff Development Day
Tuesday	Students return to school

## Phone Book Delivery

Once again we have been approached to deliver the new phone books to members of our community. Students are happy to help out with this continuing P&C fundraiser.

We are still waiting on delivery of the phone books, but expect to be delivering the books during the week beginning Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

It would be appreciated if parents could help out with this activity as we will need some vehicle transport for the books (they are pretty heavy). If you can assist please contact Mrs Levey as soon as possible.

## Making friends

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. Teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs. To find out more visit:  
<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>

## Do You Have Any Concerns?

Once again I would like to remind all parents that if you have concerns about what may be happening at school you should contact Mrs Levey to discuss any issue, large or small, at any time.

Unfortunately, Mrs Levey cannot help to resolve your concerns if she is unaware of them. Talking to her directly will alleviate any misunderstandings and allow her to address your concerns fully.

If you have questions that relate directly to your child's learning progress you may address the relevant teacher directly or speak with Mrs Levey if you prefer.

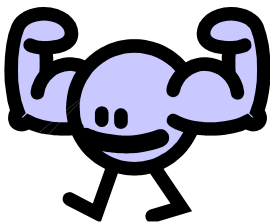
# How 2 Learn

Mrs Levey has been taking part in a new program called "How 2 Learn". How 2 Learn is a strategy focused on building students' capacity to learn and aims to develop a learning culture that enable students to:

- be self-aware in their learning
- use the language and dispositions of successful learners
- share a belief that intelligence is learnable and expandable.

This week the students have been working out what kind of thinkers they are.

I am a muscle thinker.



I am not a bucket thinker.



Muscle Thinkers are:

- risk takers
- okay with making mistakes
- try new things
- think "what can I learn from this"
- hard and tricky

They

- believe in no pain no gain
- try hard
- always see room to improve
- are life-long learners

Bucket Thinkers think:

- they were born smart
- mistakes are bad
- avoid any effort
- ignore information (believe they are right)
- shirk / blame /are competitive.

## ***Life in the Goldfields.***

Hundreds of years ago, many people went to the Australian gold fields to dig for gold. Their life was hard.

The lucky people had a house and family, but others had a rough time living in miserable, disgusting cold tents. They had to keep digging and digging until someone found gold, so they could buy a house. If someone came in and stole it, they would have to dig again.

I would not like to go there.

*By Jade*