**What’s Happening This Week**

Tuesday, 15th March ~ Excel Music Lessons 9:00am-11:00am

Friday, 18th March ~ Summer Sports Day (Gr5/6)

Tuesday, 22nd March ~ Excel Music Lessons 9:00am-11:00am

**What’s Happening Next Week**

Wednesday, 23rd March ~ Student Lead Conference & Expo ~ 6:00pm-7:30pm

Thursday, 24th March ~ Last day Term 1 ~ Assembly 2pm, Dismissal 2:30pm

Thursday, 24th March ~ Easter Dress Up Day

**Internet Banking**

Just a reminder that any fees and/or excursion payments can be made via Internet Banking using the following details:

- **Account Name:** Tallarook School Council Official Account
- **BSB:** 633 000
- **Account Number:** 155 467 343

In the reference section please put in your family name as this is how we know who made the payment.

**HOUSE POINTS**

Rook Ranges was the winner for this week with 2500 points

Ongoing House Tally:

- **Dabyminga:** 8100
- **Rook Ranges:** 7500

**TALLAROOK PLAYGROUP**

Play is fundamental to your child’s social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development. It enables children to learn about themselves and others around them. Through early play experiences, children are able to organise and make sense of their own world and develop a positive sense of self.

Playgroup allows children to make choices and engage in self-directed play. They develop and improve body control, hand-eye coordination, spatial awareness and balance. They discover shape, size, texture and quantity and develop hand-eye coordination skills. These are all skills necessary for success in more formal learning environments such as kindergarten and school.

The Tallarook playgroup is open Wednesday’s 9:30 to 11:30 at the primary school.

For more information visit our Facebook page or contact Cassie on 0412 598 193.

**TALLAROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL’S VISION:**

To develop well adjusted individuals who strive to achieve their full potential in a dynamic, caring and supportive environment.
We’ve almost come to the end of Term 1. A reminder that our school policy around attendance is “IT’S NOT OKAY TO BE AWAY”. Of course, if you are unwell we absolutely encourage and support this absence. If your child IS away, please ensure you complete a green slip OR login to the parent portal on SENTRAL and complete the absence notification directly. It is a DET requirement that parents notify the school of each and every absence.

We have an unbelievable supply of second hand school uniforms for sale. If you’re able to run the second hand uniform sales, please let me know as soon as possible.

I regret to also inform you all that we have a large amount of lost property awaiting their owners’ attention. If these items are not claimed before the end of this term, they will become second hand uniform items.

Next Tuesday, 22nd March at 3:00pm we will be holding our first Breakfast Club and Canteen Subcommittee meeting. Please join us if you’re interested in assisting with the organisation or running of breakfast club and/or canteen.

This Friday our Grade 5/6 students will be participating in the Cluster Summer Sports. Our students will be playing basketball and I’d like to thank Megan Atar for accompanying our students and umpiring on the day.

Today we had three preservice teachers at our school. Mrs Bradshaw will be in the Rook Ranges learning space while Ms Stute will be in the Dabyminga learning space. Ms Ruth will be back for another 39 days, spread over the next few terms.

Have a great week……………………

Lynette Robberts

PARENTS AND FRIENDS CLUB REMINDER

The Easter raffle draw will take place at our final assembly for Term 1 - that is, next Thursday at 2pm.

Thank you to those families who have already brought their donations in to the office. If you haven’t done so yet please could you do so by Tuesday next week so the baskets can be finalised.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

CASUAL DRESS DAY

Last Friday we had a casual dress day. We collected $74 from the students. This money will be donated to The Salvation Army as they help people who are living in poverty.

Thank you for your support ~ Kiara (JSC President)
How am I going to get through the tyre by getting lifted up without touching the tyre?

Kaylan (Gr 5)

The Team Challenge (Nitro Vortex) we had to climb through the tyre without touching it, we only had 8 touches on the tyre.

How are we supposed to get everyone on that tiny island!

Ryan (Gr 4)

We’re doing the team challenge. This is the shrinking islands, the first one was really easy but the second one was really hard!
Many of our students are involved in a variety of out of school activities and was sure the school community would be equally as interested. With this in mind I've decided to include items of personal endeavour into the newsletter. Any student wishing to share an achievement can forward their articles to me for inclusion into the newsletter. Will McGhie will start us off….

CUB SCOUTS - GREY WOLF AWARD

On Thursday the 3rd of March I went to scouts for my second time (I am linking in from Cubs to Scouts). At the end, just before we did our break-off, Yowi our leader called me up to the front beside him. I had no idea what it was for. I received my ‘Grey Wolf’ Award which is the highest award a cub scout can get. It was a lot of effort to achieve this award which consists of a badge for my uniform, a pin to wear around, my name engraved on the honour board and a piece of paper showing all the things that I achieved and an Award Certificate with my name on it for me.

I am one of only sixteen cub scouts who have achieved this award in eleven years at Broadford Scout Hall. Some of the main things I had to do was; plan, coordinate and lead a hike (including hike list of clothing, food, water and first aid) from Broadford High School to the top of Mount Piper and back with nine cubs and leaders. I also had to be part of at least four outdoor and overnight activities in the last twelve months and some other things. I had to participate in two pack councils and complete a lot of other badges (at least ten in the past year including four level two badges). I developed a presentation and quiz on The Jungle Book and presented this to my pack.

I am pretty proud of my achievements!