

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Parenting Ideas

Each fortnight I will include an article from Michael Grose's Parenting Ideas site. This fortnight the article neatly coincides with our Parent Information Sessions. Thank you so much to our community and staff for making the time to meet and discuss the year's programs and classroom routines. I know this team approach will be important as we start our year together. I hope you enjoy the article. Please feel free to meet with your child's teachers throughout the term. I know that they love to have parent helpers, especially for reading, throughout the year.

National Apology Day



Friday 13 February marks seven years since the then Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd offered an apology to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples for the systemic laws, policies and practices that negatively affected and continue to affect the lives of Australia's first nations people and the Stolen Generation. Throughout this week, the Australian Aboriginal Flag and the Torres Strait Islander Flag will be flown alongside the Australian Flag to acknowledge this important event in history.

It is also my pleasure to introduce Mrs Kristie Thomas who joins our staff this week as our Indigenous Community Teacher Aide. Kristie will work with students and teachers throughout the year and liaise with our indigenous playgroup on Fridays. If you would like any information about our indigenous program for this year, please contact the school.

Fire Evacuation and Lockdown Drills

Congratulations to our students and staff for their quick and organised response to our evacuation and lockdown drills last week. Each term, the school will practice these essential drills as part of health and safety initiatives. My special congratulations go to our Prep staff and students who had the furthest to walk but managed the process as smoothly as our older students. Well done Prep!

Student Attendance – Every day counts.

As we begin 2015, parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Being at school every day counts; with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year. Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year.

This year, the school will be employing Mrs Donnelly each morning to help track attendance. Please make sure you contact the school each day before 9:00am if your child is away. If your child is absent without notification, Mrs Donnelly will try to make contact with home to confirm their absence.

With attendance, sickness and emergency contacts, your current contact details are most important. If you have changed contact details recently, please contact the school office to update them.

Newsletter – 1 term left.

The count-down is on. If you have yet to update your email address, please send it through with your child to the office. From Term 2, our newsletter will be emailed to parents and available on the school website each fortnight. For families without access to the internet, paper copies will still be available from the office. We hope this channel of communication is far more effective than the scrunched copies found in bags.

Steven Vincent
(Principal)

1-2-3 MAGIC

Tullawong State School presents a program to help parents with their children to control arguing, fighting and tantrums, encourage positive behaviour and strengthen relationships.

When: Wednesday 25th February, 4th March & 11th March

Time: 6.00pm

Location: Tullawong State School hall meeting Room

Cost: Nil includes a free workbook. Refreshments provided.

Phone: 5431 4666 to confirm your attendance.
(Limited places apply)

JUNIOR SCHOOL JARGON
Prep to Year 1

Extension programs

Did you know that Tullawong has a range of extension programs that are up and running? Thank you to our parents who accepted invitations:

- **Reading Eggs** for Students in Years 1-6 runs before school and at break times.
- **Bee-Bots robotics** for Years 1, 2 and 3 is at break times. 
- **Mathletics** for Years 3-6 at break times.
- **Tullawong Young Achievers Program (TYAP)** is an extension writing program for Years 3 and 5 this semester. It is programmed during learning time.
- We will introduce a **Robotics Challenge** for students in Years 5 and 6 once training is complete.

Homework Learning Club for Years 2-6 started on Monday. There has been an overwhelming response so a waiting list has started.

Helen Williams
(Deputy Principal – P to Yr1)



STUDENT AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates on parade: -

<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 6</u>
Shianne B	Sef H	Emily P
Aden R	Elly D	Matthew H
Brodie L	Anthea C	Jasmyne D
Katryn J	Jessica W	Kylan J
Tommy F	Ben W	Amelia B
Zac P	Logan D	Jimmy F
Liberty E		Gwenda H
Cheyne T		Lachlan G
Jessica D		Kayne M
Khyle D		Sherilyn B
Naomi M		Nalani F
David I		Harry A
Dontay T		Serena B
Sara G		Sridhi S
Jordis V		
Sarah C		
Ben T		
Jayda M		



WELL DONE!

HAPPENINGS AT THE HUB

The Hub Learning Centre has started the year off strongly with all students engaged in learning. To date we have 100 students. The breakdown of verified students are 52 Autistic Spectrum Disorder, 6 Hearing Impaired and 6 Physically Impaired.

The Hub students are working in class in an inclusive environment supported by their dedicated SEP Teachers and teacher aides.

Dolores
(Hub Admin Officer)

MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSTER
Year 2 to Year 3



For over 25 years, the Camp Quality Primary School Education Program has been delivering its unique brand of cancer education to primary schools across Australia.

The free program uses an interactive puppet show to

dispel common myths and misconceptions about cancer in an engaging, safe and effective way. The Camp Quality Puppets have helped schools create a supportive environment for children living with cancer and their families for generations.

The program is being held on **TUESDAY 3 MARCH** at the following times in the Hall:

9.00 – 9.45	Prep & Year 1
10.00 – 10.45	Year 2 & 3
11.45 – 12.30	Year 4 & 5
1.45 – 2.30	Year 6

This is a free performance for all students to enjoy.

Regards
Tim Adsett (Deputy Principal Yr 2 & 3)



Join us for some tips on helping your child with their *reading and writing*.

Reading workshop -

When: Wednesday 25th February

Where: Hall meeting Room

Time: 2.00 to 2.30



Writing Workshop

When: Wednesday 11th March

Where: Hall meeting Room

P&C MEETING
Tuesday 24 February
6pm – Hall Meeting Room

SENIOR SCHOOL SCOOP
Year 4 to Year 6

I would like to thank all of the students that have applied to be Prep monitors. Your applications were well written and I have been receiving positive feedback from the staff in the Prep area. Once you have completed your three session trial your name will be taken to a final meeting with other class teachers to select our Prep monitors for Term 1. Once chosen you will receive your badge on the next parade.

Student council representatives have also now been selected and we welcome Ms Munro as our new Student Council facilitator. Please read the student council column for more information.

Our student leaders for 2015 will be receiving their badges this week at a **special Investiture ceremony at 10am on Wednesday 18th February**. Congratulations to all of those students as we look ahead to a fabulous year including our **leadership conference** coming up soon on **Thursday 5th March**.

Finally I would like to thank all of the staff, students and parents and their families for a great start to the year.

Vicki Hyne
(Deputy Principal Yr 4 to 6)



FROM THE STUDENT COUNCIL

On behalf of the Student Council I would like to thank all the Year 6 applicants who applied for positions on the Student Council and would like to congratulate the following students who will be working hard representing their school peers this year:

6A	6B
Kylan J	Kaitlyn G
Kaitlyn S	Hannah D
	Abbie W
6C	6D
Nikita M	Jayden G
Abigail H	Danielle M
Fayith M	Amiliya W
Lachlan R	

Keep watching this space for fundraising days and other events our school will be participating in during the year.

Kind Regards
Miss Munro

MUSICAL INSTRUMENT FOUND

A musical instrument was found in one of the classrooms at the end of 2014. If you have misplaced one please contact the office on 5431 4666.



P&C PATER

Please remember that **ALL** profit generated by the P&C (including Tuckshop, Uniform/Stationery Shop, Book-packs and Fund Raising events) is used to benefit the students through purchase of school resources and school improvements.

The P&C 'base of operations' is the Uniform/Stationery Shop. The Convenor, Kerry Randle, is our P&C Operations Manager and is employed by the P&C to keep things running smoothly. Please feel free to come into the Uniform Shop (when we're not too busy) and find out more about the P&C, its members, and executive committee.

Upcoming P&C Events/Information

Term 1

- P&C Meeting 24 February @ 6pm (all welcome in the Hall Meeting Room!)
- Bookclub – due Thursday 26th February
- Year 6 shirt orders – due Wednesday 18th March
- Disco – 27th March – Costume is Easter theme or any letter from the word **EASTER**

Term 2

- Cookie dough
- Mother's Day Stall
- Bookclub

P&C Meetings are open to all parents/carers who are interested in the welfare of Tullawong State School and its students. This is the best opportunity to sit down with the principal and other parents, to hear about, discuss, and vote on matters concerning the school and the community. Please come along on February 24th for a cuppa and a chat.

Student resource Contribution Scheme 2015
(formerly ICT levy) - \$20 per student

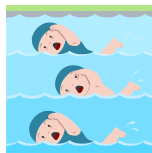
Tullawong State School, in conjunction with the P&C Association, is asking parents/carers for financial contribution towards our school's Classroom Printing and Consumables. The School is resourced by the State Government, through grant funding, to provide a core educational service. In order for us to supply a broader, well sourced enhanced curriculum, worthy of meeting your child's needs, it is necessary for us to supplement our basic financial resources with additional funding.

This Scheme can be paid at the Uniform Shop. We look forward to your support in 2015.

SPORTS TALK

District Swimming Report

Congratulations to Maddison E(5D), Kyle E (5D), Courtney K (6C) and Tracey G (6B) for their efforts in competition at the District Swimming Trials on Wednesday night, February 11.



All students went away with an experience to remember, representing our school and competing with the best swimmers in Caboolture District. Under the scrutiny of fully qualified swimming officials, the students raced in Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Butterfly events over fifty metres. Club times were also taken for 100m, 200m and 400m events.

Maddison came third in Breast Stroke and Back Stroke plus a second in Butterfly. Courtney came third in Back Stroke, what an effort! All competed in the right spirit and are a credit to all associated.

Thank you to the students, parents, district teachers and swimming club officials for a successful and enjoyable night of competition.

Well done Tullawong Swim Team.

2015 Sunshine Coast Junior Rugby League Blitz

The National Rugby League Game Development and Rugby League Sunshine Coast have been at our school each Monday and Friday for three weeks to run the 2015 NRL Blitz. The FREE program is run by accredited and professional development staff and trainee high school students.

We have been participating in the following;

HPE class skills session – this program provides motor skill development in a fun and enjoyable environment.

Lunch break NRL Come & Try Clinic – This program is an inclusive and fun non-contact introduction to students that "Do Not" play Rugby League and would like to experience the skill practices to play Rugby League for either the school or local club.

Our students have enjoyed the program, have behaved exceptionally well and will leave a positive impression on our guests.



WOT'S THE HAPS?

24 Feb	P&C Meeting
27 Feb	Gala Day
5 Mar	Leadership Conference
19 Mar	NRLD Cup
24 & 27 Mar	School photos
27 Mar	Gala Day
23 – 28 Apr	Yrs 3, 4 & 5 Writing workshops
24 April	ANZAC Ceremony
29 Apr	9 – 12 yrs X Country
30 April	P – 3 X Country
7 & 8 May	Mother's Day School
12 – 14 May	NAPLAN Testing
19 May	District X Country
22 May	Gala Day
26 May	Girls NRL Gala Day
3 – 5 June	Year 6 Camp
5 – 12 June	Athletics Carnival
25 June	Arts night
21 Jul	Ditto Show (P – 3)
4 & 5 Aug	District Athletics
10 Aug	SHOW HOLIDAY
14 Aug	Gala Day
24 Aug – 6 Sept	Learn to Swim Yrs 1 - 3
11 Sept	Gala Day
2 Sept	Alpha Show
19 Oct	PUPIL FREE DAY
6 Nov	Gala Day
13 Nov	School Swimming Carnival
26 Nov	End of Year Music night
4 Dec	Gala Day

Inter School Sport Gala Days 2015

This year our School is participating in "A" Schools (Large Schools) Gala days as our main interschool sport activity.

Two gala days will be held in terms one, three and four. Term two will be mainly Athletics training.

Notes will be given out to team members soon.

Season	Sports	Week
		A Schools
Term 1	Rugby League Boys Soccer Girls AFL Girls Softball	5 & 8
Term 3	Boys Touch Boys Basketball Girls Netball Girls Soccer	5 & 9
Term 4	Boys AFL Boys Cricket Girls Touch Girls Basketball	5 & 9

Indigenous Playgroup

Free Program

0 to 5 years

Every Thursday

9.00am to 11.00am

For more information contact Mistie Woodbridge on 0432 543 544

CHAPPY'S CHAT

Lifeline Saving Lives
Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

17-19 April 2015
8.30am to 4pm

Lake Kawana Community Centre
114 Sportsmans Parade
Bokarina, Sunshine Coast

www.lifelinebookfest.com