Week 4

Day for Daniel – This Friday, 30th October marks the 10th Day for Daniel. We are asking all students, staff and our parent community to wear red on Friday. The ‘Wear Red & Educate’ initiative was established by parents Bruce & Denise Morcombe in 2005 after their son Daniel was abducted and murdered in December 2003. The Foundation was established as a lasting legacy to Daniel and now has two main aims; to educate children on how to stay safe in a physical and online environment and to support young victims of crime. On Friday, our students will participate in activities to help empower them to recognise, react and report if they feel something is not right. We are asking for a gold coin donation to support this very worthwhile child safety initiative.

Head Lice - It has come to our attention that many students across the school have head lice. It is very important that this is treated immediately to prevent further infestation to other students. An information sheet is attached to this newsletter. Students should return to school after their hair has been treated.

Year 8 Theatre Restaurant - Last night we were treated to a night of fine dining and theatre. Our Year 8 students delivered a well-polished and dramatic performance of the play “Adolf’s Girls”, a historical recount set in the midst of the German war effort. The young girls of a BDM group (the female equivalent of the Hitler Youth) are oblivious to the horrors of the European fronts. That is, until circumstances - and a Gestapo officer - threaten to change their lives for the worse. Thank you to our Hospitality students and Mrs Stacey Adamson for the wonderful meal. Congratulations Mrs Dee Hay for directing this fabulous performance.

RSL Community Links Project - To date we have received some entries in the competition we are running in conjunction with our Local RSL branch. We have invited students to write an information report about a family member who has or is currently serving our country. The due date is this Friday 30th October and the best 5 entries will have their community links badges paid for by our local RSL branch. Please encourage your children to submit their entries by Friday.

Contact Details - Finally, if your contact details have changed could you please update this information by contacting the office or completing the Change in Contact Details Form which can be found on our website.

Angela Heslin
Day for Daniel!
Friday 30th October – Wear Red Gold coin donation
Taroom

School Dental Service
Return Registration form to the school office no later than Friday 30th October
Taroom

SW Rugby League Gala Day (Grade 5/6 age group)
Friday 6th November – 10.00am-2.30pm
Roma State College Middle Campus

P & C Working Bee
Saturday 7th November commencing at 9.00am
Taroom

P & C Meeting
Monday 16th November at 3.30pm in the school library. All welcome!
Taroom

Presentation Night 2015
Thursday 3rd December
Taroom Town Hall

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE
Government funded dental care is offered to all Queensland students through the School Dental Service from the age of four years old to the completion of Year 10. Students of Taroom State School are being offered dental treatment at Mobile Dental Clinic 174A which will be located at Taroom State School.

Parents/Guardians must attend. If you would like your child to participate in the government funded dental care program, please complete the registration oral health services form, sign and return it to the School Office as soon as possible.

Students in Year 10 and siblings and those that have emergencies (triaged assessed) will be given priority for dental appointments.

CHILD DENTAL BENEFIT SCHEME

We are accepting clients eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme for general treatment also for children under 4 years old. Contact Medicare to check your eligibility on 132 011

Oral Health does not accept any responsibility for transport of the children to and from their appointments.

For information regarding this service contact: 0417 600 988

Regards,

School Dental Service
Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service
Oral Health - Western Downs and South Burnett

The dental registration form (one per family) is due at the school office tomorrow, Friday 30th October. If you did not receive a form last week with your newsletter please contact the school office.
Week 5 School-wide Expectation – Following emergency procedures

- I am reliable
- I am cooperative
- I make the right choices

Week 5 School-wide Expectation

“Following Emergency Procedures”

During the coming week, we ask parents and carers to talk with their children about the emergency procedures and safety practices operating around your home. This expectation sits under the “Focused on Safety” rule. In Week 5, we will be learning what constitutes an emergency at school and the steps we need to follow if one occurs. Below is the message all students will hear on Parade and be reminded of during classes in the explicit teaching of this expectation.

During an emergency it is very important to remain calm and follow directions. Emergency procedures are designed for our safety and we can be responsible by knowing the procedures and the purpose. When we know the steps to follow, the outcome will often end positively for everyone. Emergencies may include, fire, storm, wild animals, sports injuries and gas leaks. We must report all injuries to the playground duty teacher. Looking out for each other is the Taroom way!

Use your common sense.

Theatre Restaurant

Congratulations to our Year 8 English students for their fabulous production of the play “Adolf’s Girls”

Thanks to…

- Mrs Adamson and the Little Rascals for the delicious meal
- Mr Adamson for doing the sound and lights
- The Design Technology classes building our great set
- And our parents and teachers for supporting us!
DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES WORKSHOP

On Monday, Mr Cooper and Mrs Wolski attended a training workshop introducing teachers to the new Australian Curriculum Digital Technologies syllabus. The curriculum requires students from Prep to Year 12 to develop their capabilities for system thinking, design thinking and computational thinking. Students will not be the only learners on this journey. Teachers will be heavily supported through onsite professional development opportunities, online communities of excellence as well as a coding academy.

The Queensland government has recently distributed a discussion paper titled “Coding Counts”. Below are several statements that best sum up the importance of this subject in our curriculum.

“Coders change the world. They build new, amazing things faster than ever before. Anyone with imagination can learn to write code.”

“The Queensland Government is lighting up new opportunities for every student and teacher, no matter where they are, to get engaged in the digital future. The next wave is about Queensland developing every student’s digital literacy, skilling young coders, nurturing young innovators and creating young entrepreneurs”.

“It is likely that the students of today will be working in jobs that don’t yet exist. Technology is fundamentally transforming the world of work and generating new ways of doing business on a global scale. Current jobs will change through technology, requiring skills in coding and robotics.”

“New jobs are emerging as technology integrates the digital world in every aspect of our life. Cyber security experts, nano-technology developers, drone programmers and virtual reality designers are emerging in the fields of health, agriculture, education, law enforcement, engineering, mining and retail services. UX (user experience) designers are constructing customer digital interfaces to meet personal preferences and use data mining to anticipate future user trends. Coding skills are needed to program our cars, our smart homes and our lives through our personal wearables.”

“The accelerating integration of digital elements into most work processes – coupled with growing employee digital dexterity – is leading to a world where every employee is a digital employee.”
Secondary News

Term 4 Assessment Schedules.
Secondary Assessment Schedules are now available on the school website in Forms and Documents/Student Assessment Schedules. From Week 5 onwards, students will be busy on the final pieces of assessment for the school year. Making an extra effort and seeking descriptive feedback may progress students to an improved overall semester grade.

Business, Career and Life Design
This semester, all Year 9/10 students have undertaken a combined Business and Career course. The Australian Curriculum Work Studies syllabus for Years 9 and 10 has been implemented to identify connecting themes, integrating Business concepts and Career Studies. Last term, students focused on Workplace Health and Safety which saw our Year 10 students prepared for their Work Experience placements in Week 10. This term, students are seeking employment as junior executives however, must prove themselves worthy by adopting a role division within the company-TRADES, UNIVERSITY, TAFE or OPEN EMPLOYMENT- and in teams of four, assess various client (student) profiles. They will advise the company as to the most appropriate careers for these clients to undertake, related to the four role divisions in the company. The company management will look at their advice to see if they are indeed their new Junior Executive!

P&C and Community News

WORKING BEE – Saturday 7th November 2015
Thank you to our families who have confirmed that they can help out at the working bee. For catering purposes, we are asking families to indicate if they are intending on coming along. We have compiled a list of jobs that we will aim to get through. The commencement time is 9.00am and we will finish with a sausage sizzle. Please bring along your gardening gloves, tools, hedgers, trailer and esky! Why not make it a family day out? If you can spare a couple of hours please contact either Bill Hickey or Lisa Kallquist - lkall3@eq.edu.au

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The next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 16th November 2015 at 3.30pm.
Please email Lisa Kallquist prior to the meeting with any agenda items.
lisa.kallquist3@bigpond.com

JOINING TOGETHER – REACHING EXCELLENCE!