Dear Parents,

This week it has been somewhat quieter here at school with the Year 5 and 6 students away at Tallebudgera Camp. We have been receiving regular updates from the teachers who are reporting that everyone is having a great time. Please visit our Taroom State School Facebook page to view photos and videos of our students in action. The bus is set to return our exhausted students to school at 5:30pm tomorrow.

Tomorrow the secondary students will participate in a Road Trauma Scenario facilitated by Simon Stevens from QAS, the local police and emergency services. The purpose of this activity is to highlight the dangers associated with fast cars and substance abuse. Parents of secondary students are welcome to attend this event which will commence at 9am on the Primary oval behind the fort.

I would like to thank Mr Bruce Clothier, President of the local RSL Sub Branch for addressing Parade this week on the significance of Remembrance Day. Tomorrow morning our Senior School Captains will represent our school at the community service being held at 10.45am at Leichhardt Park.

This week Mrs Newton and I have had the pleasure of interviewing secondary students who are applying for leadership positions in 2017. All applicants have shown maturity and commitment to future leadership and we look forward to hearing their speeches on parade on Monday, 21 November 2016. Next Wednesday applicants from Year 5 will be interviewed for suitability for junior school captain and house captain positions. Good luck to all applicants!

Angela Heslin
Principal

PRINCIPAL’S PEN  Term 4, Week 6  10 November 2016

Student Absences
Please email/phone Roslyn Queitzsch rquei1@eq.edu.au 4628 9333 prior to 9.30am if your child is absent from school.
Let’s make every day count!!
SCHOOL DATES TO REMEMBER

Year 5 & Year 6 Students – Tallebudgera Beach School Camp  
Friday 11 November – students arrive home at approximately 5.30pm - drop off school bus zone  
Tallebudgera

Road Trauma Scenario Years 7-10 (morning)  
Friday 11 November  
Taroom

“Hooked on Dance” presented by Moura School of Ballet Theodore/Taroom Branch  
Saturday 19 November – Doors open at 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start Adults $15 Seniors $10 Children 4-15yrs $7  
Taroom Town Hall

Junior Cricket  
Saturday 19 November – 8.30am – all welcome  
Taroom State School

Year 10 Class – Last day of school 2016  
Friday 25 November  
Queensland

Presentation Night 2016  
Tuesday 29 November  
Taroom

Last day of school 2016  
Friday 9 December  
Queensland

Dawson Jockey Club New Year’s Eve Races  
Saturday 31 December 2016  
Taroom Racecourse

2017 Term 1 – school commences  
Monday 23 January 2017  
Queensland

2017 Term 1 – last day  
Friday 31 March 2017  
Queensland

2017 Term 1 – school holidays (includes Easter)  
Monday 3 April – Monday 17 April 2017  
Queensland

2017 Term 2 - first day  
Tuesday 18 April 2017  
Queensland

2017 Term 2 – last day  
Friday 23 June 2017  
Queensland

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 6

Breanna Woodard  
Joshua Chapman  
Maisie Hay  
Cleo Lethbridge  
Charlie Sommers  
Harry Lawardorn  
Casey Stower  
Ty Tooley  
William Donner  
Brontie Hay

Japanese Awards

Congratulations Lucia Welsh, Sophie Smith, Eloise Welsh and Ally Graham (absent) who received Japanese Excellence Awards from LOTE Brisbane SDE Teacher Mrs Rachelle Geddes.

STARS OF READING

Maisie Hay  
Gracie Bunker  
Kobi Symes  
Glenrowan Roberts  
Marley Ellis  
Oliver Willis  
Heidi Symes
Schoolwide Expectation Week 6

“I am sun smart”

During this week, we ask parents and carers to discuss with their children the importance of being sun smart. This includes protecting your skin from the sun by wearing long-sleeved shirts, hats, sunscreen and sunglasses. It also includes protecting yourself from becoming dehydrated.

Why is this expectation important?

Being sun safe now is important because it helps avoid premature skin aging in later life, and most importantly, skin cancers.

If you are sunburnt you can get sunstroke and will feel lethargic, dizzy and unwell. Make sure you drink lots of water too so that you stay hydrated especially in the hotter months. “Slip, slop, slap, slide and seek” means that we need to slip on a shirt, slop on sunscreen, slap on a hat, slide on sun glasses and seek shade. Being safe in the sun means you have to be well-organised and remember to take what you need for the activities you are doing in the day. At school, always wear your wide brim hat and put on sunscreen when out in the sun all day at sports carnivals.

Associated RISE Values:

Responsibility - ♦ I make the right choices   Self-management- ♦ I am organised

Student Council News

Associated RISE Values:

Responsibility - ♦ I am considerate/I am respectful   Self-management- ♦ I am resilient

Students celebrating success with last week’s Schoolwide Expectation “I wait my turn” are:

Lucinda Hay
Jaylan Roberts
Isobel Welsh
Fletcher Conway
Toni Lamb
Janai Bryan
Sophie Smith

Student Council Pizza Slices

Every Thursday at lunch time from the hospitality window

Topping: Bacon & Cheese (McCain Pizza)

Serving Size: 1/8 of a pizza = 1 slice

Price per slice = $1.00
Primary and Secondary News

Presentation Night Award Sponsors
Our annual Presentation Night is being held on Tuesday 29 November 2016 at the Taroom Town Hall. We are grateful for the ongoing support we have from the Taroom community in sponsoring our awards each year through the donation of funds towards books, book vouchers, medallions and trophies, which are given to our students in recognition of their achievement during the year. Correspondence has been sent to our current sponsors, but I would like to invite parents and community members to contact me (Kelly Newton – knewt29@eq.edu.au or 4628 9333) if you are interested in joining our sponsorship group. A single sponsorship is $20.

2017 Subject Selections for current Year 8 and 9 students
All Year 8 & 9 students have been provided with a subject selection form for elective options for 2017. In addition, each student has been provided with a Secondary Handbook containing updated information for 2017 and descriptions of each elective. Please feel free to contact Karen Wolski at the school Office on 46289333 for further information or email kwols3@eq.edu.au
Forms are due back next Wednesday, 16th November.

Year 6 Transition into Year 7
To promote a positive start for all Year 6 students and parents into Year 7 for the 2017 school year, we are holding two transition sessions, one for students and one for parents, on Thursday 1st December.
All Year 6 students will participate in a half-day transition with secondary teachers. This will involve students tasting a sample of subjects they do not currently experience in their program and participating in an information session. Further details will be made available when the program has been approved.
In addition, all Year 6 parents are invited to attend a parent information session at 5:00pm on the same day. The session is aimed to address questions parents may have regarding the first year of secondary school for their child and for themselves as a parent of a secondary child. Further information regarding the topics to be discussed will be made available prior to the day.

Hello from Tallebudgera!
**Taroom Wandoan Rugby League Football Club AGM**
The Taroom Wandoan Rugby League Football Club will be holding its Annual General Meeting at 7pm, Tuesday 15th November at the Leichhardt Hotel. All welcome to attend.

**Taroom State School P & C Recipe Book**
Do you have a family favourite recipe you would like to add to our recipe book? We invite all students/staff/families/local businesses/community members to submit a recipe and be part of our Taroom State School P & C Recipe Book. Please email your special recipe to Michelle Phipps at mickeyed93@hotmail.com or deliver to the Taroom State School office.

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**P & C General Meeting – Tuesday, 6 December 2016 at 3.15pm**

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**Tuckshop**

**Group 8 16 November**

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**TUCKSHOP 2017 – RESPONSES NEEDED URGENTLY**

Please find below the roster preferences for tuckshop in 2017. Could you please nominate your choice of whether you can work as a volunteer in the tuckshop, donate ($30 per term) or cook a slab cake (as school numbers have increased you need to supply a cake or cakes that can be cut into at least 40 reasonable sized pieces). If you choose to volunteer you can request to work with a group of people and I will do my best to accommodate you.

Please remember that we need 3 workers each week for tuckshop to be able to function. While I understand that cooking and donating is all that some families can contribute what we really need is for people to volunteer their time. Each term next year is 10 weeks long so to ensure each group only works once during the term we need 30 families (dads are always welcome) to volunteer a worker for the roster.

Please circle your preferred choice below and return this form to the office as soon as possible or send me a quick email so we can arrange for tuckshop to be operational as early as possible in first term next year.

NAME: ……………………………………………………………………

WORK: (preferred people to work with) ………………………………

DONATE  ($30 per term)  COOK (Slab Cake)

Many thanks - Cassie Hickey

billncas@bigpond.com

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**Junior Cricket**

Saturday 19 November 2016

Taroom State School

Lefty – 0428 270 339

Lisa Kallquist – 0427 273 621

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**2017 P & C AGM – 13 February 2017**

Please consider putting your hand up to take on an Executive role on the 2017 P & C Committee.

**All positions vacant**
Christmas!

Prep - Year 3 Christmas Songs & Poems and Prep Graduation

When: Wednesday 7 December 2016 (Week 10)
   Christmas Concert: 10:30am - 11:30am
   Prep Graduation: 11:30am - 12:00pm

Who: Family and Friends are invited to celebrate!

What to bring: A plate of food for a shared lunch at 12:00pm.

Keep a look out for a letter with information about costumes in the coming week!
In Year 2 this term we have been working on narratives and we have become budding writers. Students are working on an assessment task involving writing a new complication and resolution for a story. The students were very excited to be able to use the iPads this week for work on their narratives. They are using an app called StopMotion which allows them to create cartoons or animations. They are also able to add voice over to their cartoon, allowing the new event to come to life!

Students were extremely enthusiastic and keen to begin creating today! Mrs Heslin dropped in for a visit and she was impressed to see the Year 2’s getting so focused on their work!

Year Two students collaborating together!