Dear Parents,

On parade this week I reminded students that, with only 4 weeks of the school year remaining they need to remain focused on completing all assessments to the best of their ability in order to achieve the great results they deserve. Our Year 10 students will complete their education at Taroom State School next week. They are very busy finishing assessments and excitedly preparing for their Graduation next Thursday night.

Today we held interviews with Year 5 students who have nominated for leadership positions next year. All candidates have demonstrated that they have the enthusiasm and commitment necessary to join the student leadership team. All applicants will present their leadership speeches to the school community immediately after parade in the school library next Monday 21 November. Parents and interested community members are welcome to attend to support our aspiring leaders.

Finally we are proud to announce that the Prep area upgrade is now complete with the installation of a bright blue shade sail. I am sure you will all agree that the Prep area looks fantastic.

Angela Heslin - Principal
# SCHOOL DATES TO REMEMBER

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### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Week 7**
- Melinda Sorrell
- Shai Watson
- Cooper de Percy
- Hugh Bunker
- Emily Fitzgerald
- Ben Hebbes
- Sam Rose
- Jessica Moore
- Maisie Hay
- Leon Moffat
- Willow Argus
- Roland Roberts
- Clancy Bradshaw
- Lachlan Conway
- Breanna Moore
- Joshua Chapman
- Brontie Hay
- Dominic Kallquist
- Eloise Welsh

### STARS OF READING

- Brontie Hay
- Ryleigh Walton
- Roland Roberts
**Schoolwide Expectation Week 7**

Week 7, Term 4, School-wide Expectation

“Solve problems myself”

During the coming week, we ask parents and carers to discuss with their children the importance of having a go to solve problems on their own. This expectation sits under the “Focused on Learning rule. In Week 7, we will discuss how “Solving problems” can help develop resilience and independence as well as keep us and others safe.

**Why is this expectation important?**

We need to be able to solve problems ourselves so that we can become independent learners and make responsible decisions later in life. We cannot always depend on adults to solve our problems for us. We need to learn strategies to assist us in making sensible decisions and recognise the signs for when we actually should ask for help from an adult. To solve problems ourselves means we are also developing resilience to better cope with changes and take ownership of these decisions.

**Associated RISE Values:**

*Responsibility - ♦ I make the right choices / I take ownership  Self-management- ♦ I am resilient*

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**Student Council News**

Associated RISE Values:

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

Students celebrating success with last week’s Schoolwide Expectation “I am sun smart” are:

- Brontie Hay
- Rory Knudsen
- Kendall Anderson-Peall
- Alice Kallquist
- Claudia Welsh
- Maddix Lovett
Primary and Secondary News

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP SPEECHES
Our 2017 Leader Nominees will be giving their nomination speeches after parade on Monday – 21 November. Parents and interested community members are welcome to attend and listen to the presentations. Parade begins at 8.50 am.

SOUTH WEST PHOTOGRAPHS
I would like students who participated in a SW representative team to wear their SW uniform to school tomorrow – 18 November – for photographs to be used at presentation night. Students have been notified by their teachers and are to meet me at the checker board under Administration at 8.50 am. If your student participated in a SW sport, please remind them to wear their uniform. Thank you – Mrs Newton

PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARD SPONSORSHIP NEEDED
Due to a number of our sponsors moving from the area, we are in need of sponsors for our student awards for Presentation Night – Tuesday 29 November. Sponsor donations fund the books, book vouchers, medallions and trophies which are given to our students in recognition of their achievement during the year. If you are interested in sponsoring any awards, please contact Kelly Newton – knewt29@eq.edu.au or 4628 9333. A single sponsorship is $20.

PRESENTATION NIGHT SUPPER
As is our usual practise, we are asking all families to provide a plate of food to share after the formalities of Presentation Night – Tuesday 29 November. To limit the amount of preparation and clean up, could all food be supplied ready to serve. We also ask our Year 9 Parents to serve supper and clean the kitchen area at the end of the night.

PRESENTATION NIGHT - DRESS ATTIRE
Students are asked to wear their formal uniform to Presentation Night. If this is not possible, the normal uniform is acceptable. No Miles and District or South West Uniforms. All Year 10 students are to wear appropriate clothing in black and white.

Anglicare Youth Worker - Lisa Limpus
Banana Shire Youth Service – Based in Biloela

Offers a range of services for youth - working with young people around Central Queensland to help them grow into the strong, confident citizens of tomorrow.

Contact Lisa Limpus for a confidential chat.

Email: llimpus@anglicarecq.org.au Phone: 49992 2421 Fax: 4992 4063

Lifeline : 13 11 14 Kids Helpline : 1800 551 800 13 Health : 13 43 25 84
2016 Presentation Night

Staff and students would like to invite

our school parents and relatives, and interested community members

to participate in a celebration of 2016 student achievement and the induction of our 2017 School Leaders on

Tuesday, 29 November 2016 at the Taroom Town Hall from 6.30 – 8.30 pm.

Supper will be served after the formal presentation.

Enquiries:
Phone: 4628 9333
admin@taroom.eq.edu.au
Last week the Year 5/6 class travelled to Tallebudgera Beach School to participate in the Hero’s Journey. It was about discovering the hero within. The four types of heroes are Materminds, Champions, Warriors and Guardians. Each day we did challenges to suit the hero we were investigating. Some challenges included highropes, tobogganing, tubing canoeing, bush walks, riddles and team building activities. Many people slayed their dragons. Slaying dragons means people faced their fears or tamed their fears. Every morning we got to go on a beach walk, discovering the natural habitat around Tallebudgera. Then throughout the day we investigated our chosen hero and discovered the purpose of them. Later on we had a night time activity to finish off our exhausting day. Some activities included a magic night and a movie night. We all enjoyed our Tallebudgera experience and we hope all future students will enjoy it as much as we did.

Written by Katie Bunker, Kasey Smith and Monika Bruggemann
**P & C and Community News**

**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**

**Tuckshop**

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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!