Dear Parents,

Student Leadership 2017: On Monday morning after parade students, staff and parents sat quietly and listened attentively to speeches delivered by students from Year 5, Year 8 and Year 9 who have nominated for leadership positions next year. All students should be congratulated on the quality and the delivery of their speeches. Voting has taken place and our 2017 student leadership positions will be announced at Presentation Night next Tuesday. Good luck to all candidates!

Prep letters: The Prep students have been busy writing letters as part of their English unit, and this week I had a visit from a very enthusiastic group of Prep students with beautifully handwritten letters of appreciation for the work we have done in the Prep area. Letters have also been delivered to Mr Brannan and Esmae for taking care of the new grass, and Mr Adamson for relocating a snake. We are all very impressed with the quality of work our Prep students are producing.

Farewell Year 10: Finally I would like to say farewell to our graduating Year 10 students who finish their schooling at Taroom State School this week. This wonderful group of students have been a pleasure to teach and have been great leaders this year. Over the past few weeks I have been chatting with them about life and education beyond this place, and I believe that wherever they go they will do us proud. We hope they enjoy their Graduation Dinner tonight and party day at the Glebe Weir tomorrow.

Regards  Angela Heslin - Principal
### SCHOOL DATES TO REMEMBER

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### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Week 8**

- Lachlan Stevens
- Riley Watson
- Cooper Bradshaw
- Clancy Bradshaw
- Isabelle Hickey
- Kobi Symes
- Alice Kallquist
- Archer Coutts
- Emma Hebbes
- Jennifer Sommers
- Kasey Smith
- Brooke Hay

### STARS OF READING

- Shai Watson
- Melinda Sorrell
- Jackson Layton
- Lachlan Layton
- Isabel Adcock
- Isabelle Hickey
- Beau Higgins
- Summer-Jane Kehl
- Yas Lethbridge
- Cooper de Percy
- Sterling Stevens
**Schoolwide Expectation Week 8**

Week 8, Term 4, School-wide Expectation

“Congratulating others on their successes”

During the coming week, we ask parents and carers to discuss with their children the importance of congratulating others on their successes. This expectation sits under the “Focused on Respect” rule. In Week 8, we will discuss how “Congratulating others on their successes” can help develop supportive and collaborative environments in our school.

**Why is this expectation important?**

Giving positive feedback to others shows that you are a person who is gracious and community-spirited and takes pleasure in seeing other people succeed. When someone is successful, it is important to acknowledge their achievements as it may encourage them to extend their talents. It might even make their day. Don’t chop down tall poppies; they are the leaders, inventors and entrepreneurs of tomorrow. Turn to the person right of you. You may be looking at a future Prime Minister, a future computers game wizard, a future inventor of a cure for cancer or a future Olympian.

**Associated RISE Values:**

*Responsibility* - ◆ I show Sportsmanship/ Teamwork  
*Self-management* - ◆ I have school pride

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**Student Council News**

Associated RISE Values:

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

Students celebrating success with last week’s Schoolwide Expectation “I solve problems myself” are:

Roland Roberts  
Chelsey Hay  
Tom Graham  
Skye Lethbridge  
Toni Lamb  
Georgie Keating

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**Student Council Pizza**

**Topping:** Bacon & Cheese (McCain Pizza)  
**Serving Size:** 1/8 of a pizza = 1 slice  
**Price per slice =** $1.00

**LAST WEEK FOR PIZZA IS WEEK 9 – 1 DECEMBER 2016**
YEAR 8 HAMBURGER BUSINESSES
The Year 8 students have been studying business enterprises and structures in Economics and Business lessons, and researching healthy food choices in Food Technology, where they have created a range of healthy hamburger options. We have merged the two subjects and the students have created small Pop-Up hamburger businesses and will be selling their products to staff and students on Friday, 2nd December. Please see the advertisement included in the newsletter for details regarding burger choices and ordering options.

PRESENTATION NIGHT SUPPER
As is our usual practice, we are asking all families to provide a plate of food to share after the formalities of Presentation Night – next Tuesday, 29 November. To limit the amount of preparation and clean up, could all food be supplied ready to serve.

We also ask the Year 9 parents to serve supper and clean the kitchen at the end of the night. School staff will be assisting with this as well.

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

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

Prep Students delivering letters of appreciation to Mrs Heslin for the work completed in the Prep Area.
STUDENT LEADERSHIP 2017

Congratulations to the following students who presented speeches on parade on Monday morning. We look forward to finding out who will be representing our school in school and house captain positions in 2017. Well done and good luck!

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![Image of students]
YEAR 8 HAMBURGER BUSINESSES

Leave your packed lunch at home next Friday – 2\textsuperscript{nd} December – and try one of the Year 8’s gourmet hamburgers!

$6.00 full burger       $3.50 half a burger

Burgers will be available for collection from the Alfresco Area at Friday lunch – look for the Pop-Up stalls!

This is a combined Food Technology and Business Studies project.

Order by Wednesday 30\textsuperscript{th} November to allow for purchasing of ingredients.

Order using a brown bag with correct money please. Place orders in the collection box outside the office. (List any ingredients not wanted.)

Burger options:

- **Aussie Beef Buster** – Steak, cheese, capsicum, tomato, lettuce, pineapple, BBQ/tomato sauce
- **Trippa Snippa** – Steak, lettuce, tomato, mushroom, capsicum, beetroot, cheese, BBQ/tomato sauce
- **Double Trouble** – Grilled chicken, onion, lettuce, carrot, capsicum, cucumber, salad dressing and mayo
- **Flippin’ Chicken** – Grilled chicken, tasty cheese, sweet tomato chutney, grated carrot, lettuce
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 pm – 8.30 pm.

Supper will be served after the formal presentation.

Enquiries:
Phone: 4628 9333
admin@taroomss.eq.edu.au
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.

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

Junior Cricket –
Saturday 3 December 2016
Taroom State School
Lefty – 0428 270 339
Lisa Kallquist – 0427 273 621

2017 SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Please place your senior school formal uniform orders with
Andrea Stevens by 10.00am on Monday 28 November
andrea.stevens1@bigpond.com or 0419 798 889
Go **Nude** next Thursday!

**Bring your Food Nude on Thursday the 1st of December, 2016**

**Look out for the posters around school for ideas to do a**

‘**Nudey Lunchbox’**

- That means **NO** plastic wrapping or packaging.
- Pack your lunch in its **natural** packaging – skin! Whole fruits and veggies – it is a lot healthier.
- Save money on plastic wrapping and pre-packaged processed foods.
- Pack your food in re-useable containers to use over and over.

During Term 4 the Year 4/5 Geography class have been looking at natural resources and sustainability. We brainstormed how we, as a school, can be more sustainable and decided to persuade the school to have a Nude Lunchbox once a week. Please support our initiative and bring your lunch **plastic free** on Thursday the 1st of December, 2016.
Please consider putting your hand up to take on an Executive role on the 2017 P & C Committee.

**All positions vacant**

P & C AGM Date: 13 February 2017

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Taroom Kindergarten AGM

Date: Sunday, 29 January 2017

Venue: Leichhardt Hotel

Time: 3pm

Taroom Kindy is seeking enthusiastic and motivated parents to take on Executive Positions in 2017.

For further information please contact Vicki Groves-Pearce on 0429 013 905.
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!