Dear Parents/Caregivers

Although it seems like the 2016 school year has just begun, our 15 Prep students along with other new students and staff have settled into school routines very well and are now part of the furniture.

We have had a very productive term. Students from Prep to Year 10 have completed units of work across a wide range of subjects, and teachers have enhanced their teaching skills through professional development aligned to our school priorities of Numeracy and Explicit Instruction.

Over the past week Jacyntha Baker and Sophie Herbert participated in a two day Beginning Teachers’ workshop in Dalby, all primary teachers attended an Explicit Instruction conference in Toowoomba and six teachers travelled to Miles to work with experts in teaching numeracy. This ongoing professional development ensures that our teachers are completely up to date with regional initiatives and are positioned well to maximise student outcomes and ensure that every student is succeeding.

This week on parade I reminded students that they must not be on school grounds after school and on weekends unless they are participating in supervised training sessions organised through the school office. I also explained that we are expecting work to be carried out on the Prep building over the Easter break, therefore it is important that students understand that they are not to be on the school grounds for their own safety.

Finally I would like to wish all families a happy and safe Easter break and look forward to catching up with many of our parents at the Football/Netball Carnival tomorrow.

Regards

Angela Heslin
Artslink – Queensland Arts Council – “Chores”

On Tuesday 22 March we had a visit from Artslink. Every student attended the show “Chores” it was an hilarious slapstick acrobatic show about a boy who hates doing his chores. Everybody had a good laugh and enjoyed the show.
School-wide Expectations

Term 2 Schoolwide Expectations

Focused on Learning
1. I positively contribute ideas.
2. I wear my uniform and follow the dress code.
3. I know how to win and lose.
4. I bring healthy food.
5. I accept the consequences

Focused on Safety
6. I am safe online.
7. I watch out for hazards.
8. I know where to walk and run.
10. I arrive and leave safely.
11. I keep my hands and feet to myself.

Student Council News

Primary and Secondary Curriculum News

At Taroom P-10 State School, we implement positive strategies and programs to help students become resilient and make the right choices. ALL students have the right to LEARN and feel SAFE and RESPECTED. As do staff. Unfortunately even with this support, some students test the boundaries. In the junior secondary school we have seen a recent spate of students “testing these boundaries” repeatedly.

The school is a workplace for staff and inappropriate interaction by students towards staff immediately becomes a workplace health and safety violation. Any untoward behaviour from one student to another immediately becomes a student protection violation. Hence, the following process has been devised to “nip in the bud” any inappropriate behaviour so it avoids becoming a repeated pattern with major consequences.

Students celebrating success with last week’s Schoolwide Expectation “I follow the rules of the game” are:

Oli Lethbridge
Jayden Newby
Jackson Layton
Kendall Anderson-Peall
Secondary Student Behaviour Consequences Process

1. **Student disrupts** the learning environment by breaking one or more of the following rules: Focused on Learning; Focused on Safety; Focused on Respect. Their behaviour is addressed by the teacher. These are minor behaviours as outlined in the *Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students*. *(1st warning)*

2. Student continues to disrupt. *(2nd warning with detention; recorded in One School with referral to HOD; HOD conducts a meeting with the student and outlines further consequences)*

3. Student continues to disrupt. *(Class teacher contacts parent/carer; student has an Office detention at the next lunch time; recorded in One School; meeting with Principal)*

4. If a student acquires three (3) detentions over a short space of time, they are placed on a **Behaviour Support Monitoring Card** for one week. This will require them to take their card to each lesson and break time and have it signed off by the teacher. The Card will go home each day for signing by parents. Whilst on the card they will have the option of meeting with the Guidance Officer or any other support person or engage with any other positive strategies they think would help them make positive changes to their behaviour. **If the conditions of the Behaviour Card are not taken seriously, students will be given an internal suspension as a first warning and school work and break times will be completed at the Office (parents informed).** Extended time on their Behaviour Card will ensue as a result. Any further breaches of the Behaviour Card will result in an external suspension (parent and student meeting).

During any suspension period, students will not be permitted to participate in school-related activities such as Friday district sport, even if they have been selected. After the suspension period is over, eligibility to participate in activities that represent the school and camps will be discussed with staff and this will depend on the nature of any suspension, the period of time between the suspension and the activity/camp date and whether there has been a repeated occurrence of the suspension behaviour and further suspensions. Day curriculum excursions will still be permitted.

On a lighter note, some cartoons have been included to share the more humorous aspects of school life.

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**School Policy Snapshot**

**Aerosol Deodorants, Sprays and Perfumes**

Aerosol sprays and perfumes can act as a trigger to a serious asthma attack, eczema or bring on a severe migraine in a sensitive individual. The allergy can be sufficiently serious to put a student into anaphylactic shock if an aerosol can has been used anywhere in the student's vicinity. This can be a life-threatening situation. The chemicals in aerosol sprays can also cause discomfort and irritation to eyes, nose, skin and upper respiratory tract. They may also impair breathing and cause brain damage. The flammable properties of aerosol sprays provide a further risk to staff and student safety if such items are deliberately misused for pranks that may unintentionally harm others and damage school property.

- **Aerosols are banned** from the school premises, excursions, sporting events and all events where students are in confined spaces.
- Students are encouraged to follow correct hygiene procedures by applying deodorant at home after showering: a good deodorant will last all day if applied to clean skin before dressing.
- Roll-on and stick deodorants are permitted at school.
Remember:
No student is to use or bring aerosol deodorants or sprays to school.

Teachers have been asked to confiscate any aerosol products found at school and bring them to the Office. Students can collect them at 3:00pm to take home. If a second a violation occurs, parents will be informed that the products have been collected from their son or daughter and that they can call into the school and collect the product.

IMPORTANT

Parent Teacher Interviews will now be held in Week 2 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday NOT Week 1 Secondary interview times are to be made through the office.

Primary Interviews will be organised by class teachers.

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Sports News

2016 ARL Miles & District Development Cup Team

Well done to all students who competed, it was a great day with some great footy played by all. Thanks to Mr Radel for once again being our head coach. We look forward to seeing most of our team in the Miles & District Team. Well done to Barney Radel who won Man of the Match. Barney graciously accepted this award and purchased an ice block for the rest of his team mates! Well done Barney.

CAFÉ 54

Great effort by all of the girls who attended the Netball Carnival in Roma on Sunday. Congratulations to Katie Bunker who received most valued player of the day! We certainly enjoyed Katie’s prize on the way home! Thanks Katie

Secondary Netball

Congratulations to all girls who attended the South West trials on Monday in Roma. Thanks to Mrs Deb Graham and Jessica Perret continued coaching the team in preparation for the carnival.

TOUCH TRAINING

Touch training will continue next term from Week One for U10-U15 on Wednesday afternoon from 3.00pm-4.00pm. Trials will be held during Week One to name the Miles & District team. Please find attached the secondary touch teams for next term. Please fill out the permission slip located on our website and return it to the office by Tuesday 12 April 2016.
PLEASE NOTE THE TUCKSHOP MENU HAS CHANGED FOR TERM 2 ATTACHED

TUCKSHOP ORDERING PROCESS

STEP 1
Fill out your child's morning tea & lunch paper bags and tally up amounts as below. If your child is ordering something hot and cold (ie cake and party pies) please send 2 paper bags so hot and cold items can be kept separate.

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STEP 2
Put correct money securely in each bag

or

if multiple siblings, you can put the total cash amount securely in one of the paper bags. If parents wish to put their money in a separate zip lock bag/envelope stapled to the paper bags please do so.

STEP 3
Your child delivers these orders to the tuckshop ordering area where the orders will be processed and the bags will be placed in the year level tuckshop tubs. Prep orders are to be delivered to the prep room.

To ensure ease of processing for school staff and tuckshop volunteers please ensure your orders are placed on paper bags and money is placed securely with the order.
Taroom Kindergarten Mother’s Day Multidraw Raffle

The Kindy is having a Mother’s Day Multidraw raffle, great prizes donated by Chinchilla Jewellers, Chas Sanky Fraser Optometrist Roma, $100 Tupperware Hamper, 1 hour Massage from Delacey Kehl, $75 Deluxe Facial from Zig Zags Hair Salon, tickets are $2.00 each or 3 for $5.00. The raffle will be drawn on Sunday 8 May at the Taroom Trot Leichhardt Park. Tickets are available at the school office. Your support for the kindy would be appreciated.

Congratulations Jeremy Dwyer

Jeremy Dwyer attended the Open Rugby League School Boys trials held in Roma on Monday 21 March 2016 and was successfully selected in the Open School Boys South West Rugby League Team. Jeremy will now compete at the Gold Coast in May. Good luck and well done Jeremy!

In an endeavour to take advantage of the wonders of digital technologies and save paper and printing resources, we are asking families to complete the following information and return to the school. Please tick and/or circle the desired response.

Family Name: ___________________ Child/ren ____________________

☐ I am currently receiving the newsletter electronically, and do not OR still do require a printed copy.

☐ I would like to start receiving the newsletter electronically by email

_______________@_______________

☐ I would prefer to continue receiving the newsletter in printed hard copy (not electronically).

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Have a Happy and Safe Holiday!