Dear Parents,

This will be our final newsletter for 2015. I would like to thank the parent community, staff and students of Taroom P-10 State School for accepting me as your Principal this semester. I have thoroughly enjoyed all of the challenges associated with the job. As you are aware Mr Dale Magner has been permanently appointed as Principal of Chinchilla State School, therefore I am pleased to announce that I will continue as Principal for Semester One 2016. At some stage next semester applicants will be called and the successful applicant will begin in Semester Two.

Presentation Night
Presentation Night will now be held on Monday evening. We would encourage all students from Prep to Year 10 to attend this awards evening to celebrate student achievement across the school. Students are encouraged to wear their formal uniform or best everyday uniform on the night.

Pre Prep
Today was our last day of our Pre Prep program. Thank you Mrs Katie Pitkin and Mrs Margie MacLachlan for facilitating this program. We look forward to seeing the new Prep class all dressed up in their Taroom State School uniforms in 2016.
2016 Staffing
Ms Kelly Hollingsworth’s and Mr Brett McNee will take up permanent positions at Hercules Road State School Redcliffe and Bowen State School respectively. We wish both of these teachers and their families the very best of luck at their new schools.
I would like to welcome both Ms Jessica Perrett and Ms Sophie Herbert who join our staff in 2016. We are now able to announce primary class teachers and secondary subject teachers for 2016.

Primary Teachers
As you are aware Mrs AJ Nowell will take leave next year as she is having a baby. AJ has been holding the Head of Primary, curriculum support position this semester. We have decided not to call for applicants to fill this position, instead Karen Wolski, Head of Secondary, will take on this role until there is more certainty around the Principal position.
Mrs Katie Pitkin is also taking leave from Term 2. In Term 1 Katie will work as a support teacher in the Early Years classes. I believe that this will be of great benefit to Ms Jacynthe Baker who is excited about teaching Prep, Ms Michelle Peall who will teach Year 1 and Mrs Bianca Willis who will take up a full time position teaching Year 2.

Ms Sophie Herbert has been appointed to Taroom P-10 State School. Sophie is a high achieving graduate and is very excited about coming to Taroom to teach Year 3.

Ms Glenna Mason Hackett joined our school at the beginning of this semester and she will take her current Year 3 class on to Year 4. This will be a 4/5 class so the current Year Fours will be allocated to either the 4/5 or 5/6 class. Mr Ashley Cooper will teach the Year 5/6 class. Ashley and Glenna are excited about working together and supporting each other next year.

Mrs Mandy Hay will return one day a week and teach Year 4/5, Year 5/6 and Prep History in Semester 1 and Geography in Semester 2.
Ms Jessica Perrett has been transferred to Taroom State School from Charleville State High School and will teach Secondary Science as well as Year 1, 2 and 3 Science.
Mrs Pam Jerrard will teach Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Arts.

Secondary Teachers - Semester One
Mrs Dee Hay – Year 7, 8 and 9/10 English and 9/10 History.
Mr Clint Adamson – Year 8 and 9/10 Mathematics, 9/10 Furnishings, Year 7 Manual Arts, Year 8 Design & Technologies and 9/10 Ag Studies.
Ms Stacey Adamson – Prep- Year 10 PE, 7/8 Food Technology, 9/10 Hospitality.
Ms Jessica Perrett- Year 7 Mathematics, Year 7, 8 and 9/10 Science.
Mrs Pam Jerrard – 7/8 Visual Art, 9/10 Visual Art, Year 7 and Year 8 History,
Mrs Karen Wolski – Year 7 and Year 8 LOTE

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Taroom Town Hall at 6:30pm on Monday 7th December.
I also look forward to working with you in 2016.

Kind Regards
Angela Heslin
Principal
Student Council News

Week 9 School-wide Expectation – Be safe in the holidays
Teachers will be looking for students who display these values:

- I make the right choices
- I am trustworthy

Students celebrating this week are:
Yas Lethbridge
Caitlin Hickey
Ben Hebbes
Caitlin Hamilton
Wesley Smith
Jack Hay
This week’s school-wide expectation-

“Be safe in the holidays”

During the coming week, we ask parents and carers to talk with their children about holiday safety and the environments in which the family may encounter where the rules and expectations may change or be different and unfamiliar from the usual family routines. This expectation sits under our “Focused on Safety” rule. In Week 9, we will be learning about holiday safety and the potential hazards that may be encountered whilst participating in holiday activities. Below is the message all students will hear on Parade and be reminded of during classes in the explicit teaching of this expectation.

It is imperative that you remain safe during the holidays. School has finished and this is a time to relax, wind down and have some recreational fun. However, it is also a time when we let our guard down and participate in activities that have a higher than normal risk than sitting in a classroom does. Be aware of your surroundings and make sure that you have a safe place to be or to go. Whether you live on a farm, walk or ride to the shops, swim in the river or visit the beach, there are dangers all around. Remembering to follow the rules of each environment you are in, and be prepared and organised in advance. This will help you, your siblings and friends, remain safe during the holidays and all year round.


https://www.productsafety.gov.au/content/index.phtml/tag/safesanta


**Secondary News**

**PRESENTATION NIGHT MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER - SUPPER**

We are following tradition again this year and asking Year 9 Parents to serve supper and clean the kitchen after Presentation Night which is being held on **MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER** at the Taroom Town Hall from 6.30pm until 8.30pm.

*We are asking all families to provide a plate of food ready to serve for supper* which should limit the amount of clean up.
**P&C News**

**UNIFORMS – 2016**

If you require school uniforms prior to the commencement of the 2016 school year Mrs Andrea Stevens will be at school on Thursday 21\textsuperscript{st} January and Friday 22\textsuperscript{nd} January between 9.00am and 10.00am.

If you require uniforms urgently please contact Andrea on 0419 798 889

The office does not hold a key to the uniform cupboard as this is run by the P&C.

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**Presentations Night**

**TAROOM TOWN HALL**

6.30PM – 8.30PM

**Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} December**

**ALL WELCOME!!**

**Joining Together – Reaching Excellence!**

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**Last P&C Meeting for 2015 will be held on Wednesday, the 9\textsuperscript{th} of December at 3.15pm.**

*Please email Lisa Kallquist prior to the meeting with any agenda items. lisa.kallquist3@bigpond.com*