

THE HIGH FLYER

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Focused On Learning!

Focused On Respect!

Focused On Safety!

2024-2027 School Priorities
Educational Achievement
Wellbeing and Engagement
Culture and Inclusion
**2025 Explicit Improvement
Agenda**
Belonging & Engagement

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Thank you to parents and community members who attended our annual Presentation of Awards ceremony on Tuesday evening at the Taroom Town Hall. We have had lots of positive feedback from parents who enjoyed the evening which included early years and primary class performances along side academic and sporting awards. It was great to see most students in attendance to celebrate the achievements of our school community. Visit the Taroom State School Facebook page to view the award recipients clip.

Semester Two Student Reports: Semester Two Student Reports will be available via QParents from tomorrow. If you have not yet registered for QParents and would like to receive your child's report please contact the office tomorrow morning. Permission packs will not be mailed to parents as in previous years. All permissions, including the student resource scheme, will be processed through QParents from the beginning of next year. Parents will receive an email on Tuesday 27 January 2026 asking for completion of permissions via QParents. Class book/stationery lists have been emailed to parents, are available on the website and at the Taroom Post Office where orders can be filled. The 2026 Prospectus will be available via the school website tomorrow.

2026 Classes: 2026 Class and subject teachers have been finalised as below:

| | | | |
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| Prep | Miss Jen Stevens | Year 1 | Miss Sylvie Lambert |
| Year 2 | Ms Rosie Cranstoun & Mrs Karen O'Farrell | Year 3 | Miss Sally Close |
| Year 4 | Miss Tasmyn Robb | Year 5 | Mrs Bronte Edwards |
| Year 6 | Mrs Meg Kelly | Year 7 Form, HPE, Food Tech & Outdoor Ed | Ms Stacey Tweed |
| Year 8 Form, Math, Digital Technology & HaSS | Mrs Kelly Newton | Year 9/10 Form, English, History & Geography | Mrs Dee Hay |
| Science, Ag Science & Design Technology | Mrs Belinda Williams | Primary HaSS | Mrs Jess Oliver |
| Primary Digital Tech Technology | Mrs Laura Boyce | EY Science & Technology | Mrs Del Croft |
| Learning Support | Mrs Katie Pitkin | Primary Arts | Mrs Pam Jerrard |
| Year 7 Math & Learning Support | Ms Jane Ziesemer (HOD) | Primary HaSS & DRT | Ms Marese Percy |
| | | Visual Art, Auslan & Design Technology | Mrs Karen Wolski (Deputy Principal) |

Calendar of Events

Last Day of the Year!

Friday 12 Decembder 2025

First Day of School 2026

Tuesday 27 January 2026

Week 10

Schoolwide Expectation

***'I care for the
school and
community
environment.'***



We have had a busy end to the school year with the Early Years Swimming Celebration, Year 6 Graduation, Presentation of Awards, class parties, and the Colour Run this afternoon. Students and staff are experiencing a range of emotions from excitement to exhaustion as we prepare for the school holidays. On behalf of all Taroom State School Staff we wish our families a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 27 January 2026.

Thank you for your ongoing support,
Angela Heslin - Principal

★ STUDENT of the WEEK ★



Students of the Week – Week 10

Macy C, Tommy L, Ruby, Ryder, Lucy, Jack I, Harry S, Harriet, Georgie, Pippa B, Hannah, Marnie, Ava W, Ethan, Maisie, Ava B, Zac

Stars of Reading – Week 10

Clancy B, Edwina, Richard, Lilly, Sharvi, Saoirse, Maleeka, Joseph, Olivia P



TAROOM IGA SUPER CITIZEN AWARD

WEEK 10: BRAXTON & ISLA



A Super Citizen:

- ✓ Shows initiative and offers to help
- ✓ Shows gratitude
- ✓ Speaks nicely to others
- ✓ Uses good manners
- ✓ Is honest and trustworthy
- ✓ Is a hard worker
- ✓ Has a positive attitude
- ✓ Says hello and goodbye in a friendly voice
- ✓ Is involved in our school community
- ✓ Problem solves
- ✓ Shows respect to children and adults
- ✓ Takes pride in themselves

Thank you to Taroom IGA for sponsoring this weekly award.



Year 6 Graduation



Congratulations to the Year 6 Class of 2025 on finishing your primary education. We wish you all the best in your secondary years.



TAROOM STATE SCHOOL 2025 Presentation Evening

2026 School Leaders



Above: The 2026 School Captains are Owen (Jnr), Addyson P (Snr), Dakota (Snr) and Keira (Jnr).

Left: The 2026 Student Council Representatives are Madalyn, Gracie B, Kalli N, Daisy, Breanna and Ifan.

Below Left: The Dawson Sports Captains for 2026 are Elle, Archie P, Jack B and Lexy.

Below Right: 2026 Leichhardt Sports Captains Willa, Mia and Rikki and Jack W (not pictured).



ICPA Award



School Spirit Award



Class Citizenship Award



Sporting Spirit Award



Effort Award



For the full breakdown of all award recipients please visit the Taroom State School Facebook page.

WHAT IS OOBLECK?

In science this term, Year 5 are learning about states of matter. We are learning about liquids, solids, and gases. The students were able to use the Oobleck mixture. Oobleck is a mixture that doesn't follow the usual rules of liquids and solids. It's called a non-Newtonian fluid because its viscosity (thickness) changes under pressure. When you apply pressure (like squeezing it), it behaves like a solid, and when you let go, it flows like a liquid. This happens because the cornstarch particles suspended in water form a temporary bond when force is applied but separate when the force is removed.





In math we have been learning about probability. The students are really enjoying this unit. When the students have completed their set tasks they have the opportunity to work with other students to revise what we have already learned this year.





P & C NEWS



**NEXT MEETING
DATE**

**TUESDAY
10 MARCH 2026**

AGM & General Meeting

3:15pm

Taroom School Library.



Follow us on
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TUCKSHOP

**Tuckshop will
re-commence in**

**Term 1
Week 2
2026**

Thank You

to everyone who
supplied supper for
the Presentation
Evening. It was a hit!

Thanks also to those
who helped with the
bar, kitchen and
clean up after the
event

**THANK
YOU**

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2026 TUCKSHOP ROSTER V.2

| WEEK | DATE | WORKERS | CAKE COOKS | DONATORS |
|------|--------|---|---|--|
| 2 | 4-Feb | Kasey Phillips | Carlyn Brennan | Melissa Rodger Peta Hay Tammie Lewis <u>SPARE WORKER</u> <u>CAKE GUIDELINES</u> 24 pieces of cake or muffins. Please deliver to the tuckshop by 9am on your day with all pieces cut and individually wrapped. For those unsure, a 40x28cm cake tin does the trick. Thank you. |
| | 29-Apr | Ally Becker | Alleisha Symes | |
| | 22-Jul | Caroline Wright | Jodi Hay | |
| | 14-Oct | | Belinda Williams | |
| 3 | 11-Feb | Catherine Perrett | Katie Pitkin | |
| | 6-May | Karen O'Farrell | Rosie Cranstoun | |
| | 29-Jul | Kirta Twidale | Sheree Adcock | |
| | 21-Oct | | Christie Newton | |
| 4 | 18-Feb | Casey Ayre | Kimberley Keleher | |
| | 13-May | Christie McLennan | Tegan James | |
| | 5-Aug | Ayla Bell | Hilary Coulter | |
| | 28-Oct | | Amanda Adams | |
| 5 | 25-Feb | Jess Oliver | Jessica Ellis | |
| | 20-May | Nadine Lethbridge | Cindy Green | |
| | 12-Aug | Heidi Phillips | Bec Coutts | |
| | 4-Nov | | Laura Kehl (Term 1) Kristy Hawkins (Term 2-4) | |
| 6 | 5-Mar | Jess Garnsey | Sarah Crawford | |
| | 27-May | Chantelle Argus | Emily Blackley | |
| | 19-Aug | Amanda Lamb | Bronwyn Dascombe | |
| | 11-Nov | | Joanne Hawton | |
| 7 | 12-Mar | Amy Bryant | Em Knight | |
| | 3-Jun | Laura Boyce (Term 1 & 3) Kristin Pearce (Term 2 & 4) | Laura Boyce (Term 2 & 4) Kristin Pearce (Term 1 & 3) | |
| | 26-Aug | Hannah Hewitt | Josie Christiansen | |
| | 18-Nov | | Del Croft | |
| 8 | 19-Mar | Laura Kehl | MKarla Lawlor | |
| | 10-Jun | Jacinta Little | Vicki Groves-Pearce | |
| | 2-Sep | Sandra Blackley | Kritika Goundar | |
| | 25-Nov | | Danielle Boson | |
| 9 | 26-Mar | Cassie Cox | AJ Nowell | |
| | 17-Jun | Sally Symes | Stacey Brodie | |
| | 9-Sep | Naomi Roberts | Kim Argus | |
| | 2-Dec | | Fiona O'Connell | |

WORKER NOTES:

Please aim to arrive at tuckshop by 8:30am and ensure you **sign in and out of the school office.**

There is a Messenger chat group to assist workers in swapping shifts or finding a replacement at short notice. Let the tuckshop coordinator know and they may be able to assist, especially if you aren't on Messenger.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF WORKERS AND CAKE COOKS TO SWAP OR FIND A REPLACEMENT IF YOU ARE UNAVAILABLE ON YOUR SELECTED DAY.

Make Back to School Simple in 2026!

TAROOM POST OFFICE ARE HERE TO HELP!

All your
stationery
supplies to fill
your booklists
are now
available
locally!

Also, keep all
their homework
neat, tidy
and safe by
picking up a
Gidgee Smith
homework
folder.

