Dear Parents

With only three weeks to go until the end of the school term, there are many school events and class celebrations forthcoming. We have had a highly productive year of learning. Student progress reports will be issued in the last week of term. Learning continues for your child every day until the end of term.

I was impressed both by the number and the quality of applications of applicant from our year 5 students for the School Leaders positions for 2016. The student applications have been assessed by the panel and shortlisting has been completed. Congratulations to Emily Goodwin, Taryn Knight, Layla Steffen, Jade Taylor, Tyla Sheard, Shakira Pearse, Jake Wagner, Ethan Morris, Jack Clayton, Archer Yates, Ethan Howell and Jack Malouf on being shortlisted for school leader. Students will present their speeches to the assembly on Friday after which students will cast their vote.

During 2015, your child has received expert instruction in reading. Our teachers have worked hard to deliver well-planned guided reading lessons to your child every week. Most students have made strong progress in their reading development. These important skills are necessary for learning in every area of the curriculum. We remain committed to ensuring that every child is reading at level when they leave our school. To the many volunteers who have assisted with reading groups and with the changing of reading books, we extend our sincere thanks.

2015

Principal’s Message

Reading Targets by the end of Term Four

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In Week 10, as is our tradition, we will farewell our seniors at a farewell assembly at 12noon on Thursday 10 December. Year 6 students will be presented with awards and a memento courtesy of the P&C. The last official duty for the school leaders is to announce the new school leaders. Everyone is invited to attend this ceremony. The last whole school assembly will take place in week 9 on Friday. Mrs Yates assures me that I am in for another “lovely” surprise as a result of meeting our target for Book Fair this term.

On Monday night, it was a pleasure to attend our Music Gala Night. Congratulations to the students who performed well. It was sad to farewell Miss Rosi Franklin, who leaves us to pursue a new career trajectory in the private school system and Miss Shari Ward, who has been transferred to Palm Beach State School on the Gold Coast. Both teachers have been key members of our music team and our students have had strong beginnings learning under their instruction. We wish both ladies every success for the future. The Music Breakup movie and pizza night is scheduled for Monday night the 7th December.

On Monday, it was a pleasure to meet our newly appointed music teacher Miss Yasmin Shaw. Miss Shaw has an impressive resume and will be a great addition to our teaching team and a wonderful replacement for Miss Ward. We also welcome Mrs Mel Board to our teaching team. Mrs Board will teach with Mrs Steffen on year three.
Last weekend, a group of P&C dads began the installation of the *digging boxes* for the oval area. These areas will be for students to dig and play similar to a sandpit area. After the installation, there will be no digging in any other area of the oval. The next major project will be the regeneration of the lower oval area to arrest the erosion that occurred following the drought. Thanks to Luke Clayton, Craig Strange, Michael Simpkins and Tim Nuttall for their considerable efforts in the heat.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our *wonderful volunteers* who have contributed to a successful year for our school. Parents, Grandparents, community members, relatives and friends have all given of their time to assist us so that students can learn to their optimum potential. Your time has been an investment that continues to pay dividends every day in the lives of students and their teachers. We look forward to this ongoing relationship.

**David Burns**  
Principal

“EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY, LEARNING AND ACHIEVING”

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**From the Deputy’s Desk**

As we approach the end of the year, Rewards Day is once again upon us. The students who receive a C or above for behaviour will be invited to attend their class rewards activity.

The Prep Students will participate in Water Play on Wednesday the 9 December.

Students in years 1-4 will travel to WetSide – There will be a small cost for students going to WetSide and notes will come home with more information later this week.

- Year 2 and Year 3 students will be attending on Thursday 3rd December
- Year 1 and Year 4 students will be attending on Monday 7th December

The year 5 and 6 students will participate in activities involving the inflatable obstacle course at the town pool on their last swimming day, Tuesday 8 December.

Thanks to the Bridge Builders who have given up some of their lunchtimes and afternoon tea times during this term to establish this program into our school.

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**Library News**

**Chess Kids having fun while learning!**

**Chess Counting**

*Counting* is all about evaluating potential exchanges to see whether you come out ahead or behind. This is an essential skill to develop before moving on to more difficult tactical problems.

Piece values as follows:

- **Queen** = 9
- **Rook** = 5
- **Bishop** = 3
- **Knight** = 3
- **Paw** = 1

Consider the example to the right. It's white's move. Can he play Rxd5 and safety capture the Black Pawn?

The answer is yes. Black only protects the Pawn with one piece, while white attacks the pawns with two pieces. The exchange might go:

1. **Rxd5**
2. **Bxd5**

White has exchanged a Rook (5 points) for a Rook and a Pawn (5 points). He has come out ahead by a Pawn in the trade.

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**Office News**

Payments for Year 6 Graduation are past due - $30 per person payable at the office ASAP.

If you are planning on leaving Tinana School next year, please let us know as soon as possible!
Booklists have been sent home! You can also download your child’s booklist for next year here:

Or head over to Insert link www.officemaxschools.com.au and order straight away! Order before Thursday 10th December for FREE delivery!

Please remain vigilant about checking and treating your children for head lice. For more information on breaking the cycle, please click here:

**ABSENCES**

Please Phone 4120 8066 and leave a message on the Absence Line in the event of a student being absent. Please phone each day your child is absent from school unless the office has been previously advised of the absence. Verbal messages by the student are not sufficient. This prevents any misunderstanding and ensures the safety of your child. Please note that, by law, we are required to report any long term unexplained absences from school which may then be investigated by the police.

**LATE ARRIVAL**

The school day begins at 8:45am and all staff will begin instruction at this time. Arrivals after 8:45am are considered to be late. Late arrival should be accompanied by a note but parents may ring the office with this information. Students must first report to the office to obtain a late slip that is to be given to their teacher.

**EARLY DEPARTURE**

Children leaving school early must be picked up from the office. Parents may ring in advance to arrange for their child/ren to be ready for collection, or send a note to the class teacher. Your child will be given an early departure slip from the office.

**MONEY COMING TO SCHOOL**

Would parents please ensure that any money sent to school for any purposes other than tuckshop is sent directly to the office and is placed in an envelope with student’s name, grade and...
particular item or excursion they are paying for, clearly marked on the front of envelope. Pre-printed envelopes are available at the office for any payments. Parents that prefer to deposit the funds directly into the school bank account are requested to advise the office of the deposit and to use the student surname and invoice number as the payment reference. As large amounts of money pass through the school office it becomes difficult and time consuming to identify payments without this information.

NEW PAYMENT METHOD

There is a new payment method available for parents to pay invoices, please check out the pamphlet for more information.


2016 Prep Enrolments

Check out this video.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-xobleB9s9U

If you know of families that intend on enrolling in Prep 2016, please ask them to call us on 41208000, or email news@tinanass.eq.edu.au

Our last meeting for the year was held last night at the Westside Tavern for a dinner to celebrate the hard work of the P&C Committee this year.

A big thank you goes out to all the executive and committee members that have done a great job this year.

President – Leeanne McIndoe
Vice President – Justine Ohl
Secretary – Tracey Clayton
Treasurer – Ellen Boldrrow
Tuckshop Treasurer – Luke Clayton
Tuckshop Convenor – Chanel Bishop
Uniform Shop Convenor – Jo Douglass
Publicity Officer – Wendy Fraser
Fundraising Committee – Theresa O’Connell, Teena Sanders, Lisa Pointon

Thank you as well to all the members who contributed to one or many of the Facilities, Grants, and Tuckshop Committees including: Liam Kearney, Sarah Lang, Tracie Rodgers and Tara Nuttall.

The School Banking Program is an integral part of the P&C and Tinana State School. Thank you to Tammy Sheriff and Jodie Anson for all their hard work running the program this year.

Thank you to all of the Tuckshop and Uniform Shop volunteers throughout the year as well as the parents who helped out at Working Bees and Family Fun Day. Every bit helps the school, so thank you for contributing your time and effort!

A big thank you also goes to our school principal, Mr David Burns, as he attends all of our meetings and helps to guide the committee in the best ways to help Tinana State School.

2016 Meetings

Our first meeting for 2016 will be held Tuesday, February 2nd at 6pm in the Staff Room.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held Tuesday, February 23rd at 6pm in the Staff Room. It would be great to see lots of interested parents come and find out how the P&C Committee works.

Tuckshop News

Tuckshop is operating on Mondays and Fridays for Term 4.

Ordering

Make your mornings easier by ordering on Flexischools, our online Tuckshop ordering system!

http://www.flexischools.com.au

Tuckshop Menu

Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop is open Tuesdays and Fridays 8-9am.
Pie Drive

The money raised from this fundraiser is being put into the Air Conditioning Fund. The delivery date for pies is the 2nd of December.

Volunteers are required on the day to help pack orders. Please leave your details at the Office or Tuckshop if you are able to help on the day. Delivery time will be available closer to the day.

The family who has sold the most items will receive a $50 voucher to Big W!

School Banking

Don’t forget that Tuesday is School Banking Day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once you have collected 10 tokens, students can redeem them for a variety of exciting rewards items.

Parents do not forget to write your child’s deposit book out properly. We have had a number of deposit slips not filled out. This way it ensures that the correct amount is deposited and it also helps us to process the banking quicker.

iTunes Competition

This term we are running a competition to reward our Tinana School Bankers. We are offering a chance to win a $20 iTunes card. For a chance to win simply make 3 deposits in Term 4. We will draw the winner at the end of term. Good luck.

Banking Rewards

The reward items touching down to earth in Term 4 are:

- Outer Space Saver Money Box
- Galaxy Glider

The ET DVD, Invisible Ink Martian Pen and Intergalactic Rocket are still available.

The Commonwealth Bank also have some old rewards still available such as:

- Scented Pencils
- Shark Plush Toy Keyring

Regards Tammy & Jodie Banking Co-Ordinators
Keep in Touch through Social Media

Check us out on Facebook!

https://www.facebook.com/TinanaStateSchoolPandC

We have a YouTube Channel for Tinana State School P&C!

Community Notices

Do you have your Christmas Cards yet?

Mitrofanoff Support Australia Christmas Cards are beautiful, unique and carry a personal message.

Jacob is a prep student at Tinana State School and was born with a rare bladder condition and required a mitrofanoff procedure last year. MSA was created to support others living with chronic bladder dysfunction undergoing complex reconstructive surgery and they have supported Jacob and his family for the last few years, which has been invaluable.

All profits from the sale of the Christmas cards will go back to MSA who provide emotional support, educational resources and guidance to patients, families, schools and nurses all across Australia.

This year’s card is even more special to Jacob and his family as the Christmas tree on the front cover was coloured in by Jacob.

If you would like to purchase some Christmas Cards, please email Jacob’s Mum Ellen ellicraig@bigpond.net.au or phone/text on 0488 746 701. Maybe ask your family and friends if they would like to purchase some too.

Packs of 10 cards are $10 + postage.

MSA is a registered Australian Charity with DGR-1 status.

Thank you for your support.

Domestic Violence has no class!

If you had to leave your home with nothing, except maybe your children, what would you need most (that can be bought at a shop)?

Please donate to the Maryborough Women's Domestic Violence Service Yoorana.

Donation items can be brought to the Office until Dec 4.

Thank you, Toni Minnis

Summer Reading Club

Get lost in good books this summer and join the Summer Reading Club.

Join in the fun at Fraser Coast Libraries and online at www.summerreadingclub.org.au

7th December 2015 to 16th January 2016

Read 10 books or complete 10 hours of reading to qualify for our major prize draw

Major prizes include –
An iPad mini *** Big W/Kmart gift cards
Incentive prizes are also given
Ages birth-16

To join, enquire at the Information Desk of any branch of the Fraser Coast Libraries.
For more information contact the Children’s and Youth Services Librarian on 0190 5788
The Paint Pit Art Studio will be offering children’s art & craft workshops over the Christmas vacation. Workshops will include rock painting, paint a portrait, underwater mixed media, cardboard puppet & more. Open to Grade 4 and over. Check out our “Paint Pit” facebook page to keep updated, or email Robbyn Gergos at robyn@southernphone.com.au

The Paint Pit also offers hire of Photo Boards for private & community functions. See here for more details.

Are you looking for caring, fun, safe, inspiring and educational environment for your child to begin their lifelong journey of learning? Why not enrol them at the Maryborough Community Kindergarten and Pre-Prep where your child will have access to quality early education and care within a supportive, local community. Health Care Card Subsidies are available for Pre-Prep children also. Taking Enrollments now for 2016. Please also contact us if you were on our waiting list for 2016. If interested, please phone the Kindy on 41213865.

Young Leaders

Burnett Division, Tinana Branch hold their Craft mornings at the QCWA Hall in Gympie Road, Saturday mornings from 9 - 11. $2 entry, and morning tea is provided. For more information, please contact Ethel on 4121 6134, or just come along.

- Are you under 25 and looking for an organisation to join, where having fun and learning are priorities?
- Are you under 25 and would like to join the QCWA but would prefer to mix with people your own age?
- Are you a young lady from age of 6 to 25, who would benefit from getting involved in activities and in meeting others?

The QCWA Young Leaders or as it used to be called - the ‘Younger Sets’ - has been around since the 1930s. Of course, Young Leaders has evolved as times have changed. It used to be about debutante balls, fundraising, an annual leadership school, and about having fun for those under the age of 25. It’s about having fun, learning and undertaking activities which boost confidence and help to develop friendships.
Maryborough West Scout Group presents

TOMBOLA

Maryborough Pensioners Hall
84 Adelaide Street
Saturday 28th November

1pm START
(Doors open at 12.00 Midday)
Free afternoon tea

Maryborough Heritage Combined Crafts Inc

Christmas Shop

Will be held at
Maryborough Central Plaza (opp IGA)
266 Alice Street, Maryborough

23rd November to 23rd December

Open: Mon to Fri 8.30am to 5pm
Saturday 8.30am to 3pm
Sunday 9.30am to 2pm

Closing 23rd December, 3.30pm

Quality Crafts for all the family.

Including...Home baking, dressed dolls and teddies,
Crochet, baby knits, jewellery, vintage plate stands and
bird feeders, wooden toys, homewares, woodwork,
Preserves, handmade soaps, painted glasses, beadwork.