2 March 2016

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents

Last week, it was our pleasure to have Mr Simon Done, Principal of Maryborough State High School attend to present our school leaders with their badges. Mr Done shared some leadership insights and presented the students with a congratulatory gift from MSHS. I want to again publicly offer my sincere congratulations to all of our leaders on their appointments and remind them of the important responsibilities that accompany these appointments. Special thanks to the senior teachers for their work in preparing for the badge presentation ceremony.

Our student leaders attended the GRIP Leadership program today accompanied by Mrs Donohue. The students had a full day of speakers and activities designed to build their capability and understanding of what it means to be a leader. The program was held in Maryborough which allowed more students to be able to attend than in past years.

Already this year, we have had two visits from our Assistant Regional Director Mr Steve Case. Mr Case has endorsed our Annual Improvement Plan and our Investing For Success Agreement for 2016. Both these documents outline our key improvement agendas and the development work that will occur during 2016.

In 2016, we are enhancing the teaching of reading and numeracy in every classroom with additional teacher aide support. Lessons have begun for students using the Reading Links program. This program has demonstrated great success across North Coast Region with the latest data showing majority of students in year 7 achieving 6-24 months of improvement in just 6 months. We are using this program as an intervention program with students who have not achieved their benchmark level for whatever reason. We are committed to every child achieving their year level benchmark reading and Numeracy standard.

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Some Tinana students attended the Chess Tournament at St Mary’s Primary School today. Our chess team has been working tirelessly with our coach to hone their skills. Chess offers a unique experience in developing strategy and higher order thinking skills which is valuable in reading, numeracy and academic study. Thanks to all of the students, volunteers, Chess Coach John Surridge from Monarch Chess Club and Mrs Yates for your contributions to this valuable program.
We are partnering with the Maryborough Cinemas to raise much needed funds for our Chaplaincy Program. When you buy a movie ticket to the premiere screening of Kung Fu Panda 3, profits from that screening is passed onto the school chaplaincy program. The first screening will take place on Friday 18 March and Saturday 19 March at 6.30pm. Tickets are $12 and available from the school office.

On Friday, our year 5 and 6 students attended Interschool Sport. Interschool Sport in Term 1 doubles as a selection trial for Maryborough District School Sport teams with the final selections to happen on March 11 at Gala Day. We wish all students every success. Students from Tinana have a proud history of representation and a reputation for high quality sportsmanship. Thanks to Mr Keiman and Mrs Upton for taking on the additional duties of convening Netball and rugby league.

The AGM of your P&C was conducted recently. It was great to see some new faces and a willingness of parents to take the lead on the committee. Special thanks to Mr Liam Kearney for taking on the President’s role. Liam has been a regular contributor at meetings and a tireless worker at working bees. We have two vice-presidents in Justine Ohl and Wendy Fraser with Wendy also continuing in the Publicity Officer space. Tracey Clayton continues in the Secretary role as does Ellen Boldarow-Strange in the Treasurer role. Maria Tobin takes over from Jo Douglas as the uniform shop co-ordinator. Thanks to outgoing President Leanne McIndoe and Jo Douglas for their extensive involvement in P&C over many years. Their contribution has contributed to amazing improvements in the school. Leanne’s children are now at secondary school and this is Jo’s last year with us. I extend my sincere gratitude to all of the P&C executive for your commitment to our students’ education and to our school community.

David Burns
Principal

“EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY, LEARNING AND ACHIEVING”

Library News

Tinana State School is participating in Clean Up Australia Day this Friday!

Schools Clean Up Day on Friday 4th March 2016 inspires thousands of Australians to take to their local park, beach, bushland, streets and schools to clean up their local environments. Why not get involved and clean up your neighbourhood!

WHERE: Tinana State School
WHEN: Friday 4th March
TIME: Lunchtime (11:00-12:00 PM)
WHY: To keep our school beautiful!
REMEMBER: Sign on to receive your certificate (see your class teacher).

ORGANISERS: Mrs Yates & Sustainability Squad Leaders: Tara Barsby & Archer Yates

Tinana State School P-3 classes are looking for sponsorship for this program offered by QMulching. Please see Sponsorship Flyer to see how you can help.

The Program is a waste, recycling and composting education pack. The aim is to teach the next generation the importance of Recycling and to get this message to as many people as possible. I have also attached a brochure for you to have a look at what it is on offer for the school. There is no cost to the school, as it is paid through sponsorship from local businesses, and the Fraser Coast Regional Council has been kind enough to donate the mulch to fill the gardens.

SUSTAINABILITY CAPTAINS 2016

Hi!

Our names are Tara and Archer and we are your Sustainability Leaders for 2016. This year Tara and I will work together with the Sustainability Squad to make this school more beautiful, than it already is, in the following ways:

- Building new garden beds to expand our Wicked Water-Wise Teaching Garden with our QMulching Garden Project.
- Participate in community events e.g. Our Schools Clean Up Australia Day is this Friday March 4th!
- Nude Food Days
- Kids Teaching Kids Event
- Waste reduction activities (worm composting, Bokashi waste bin etc.), and
- Enter our school into competitions.
What is your best read this year?

Complete the form and hand in or email to the library. Your review may be published in the next Tintaks.

Check out these great sites with e-books to read or make!

http://en.childrenslibrary.org/
http://www.ipl.org/div/storyhour/index.html
https://www.storyplace.org/
http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/
http://www.only2clicks.com/
https://www.speakaboos.com/
http://www.abc.net.au/dustechoes/
http://www.carnegielibrary.org/kids/storymaker/
https://learningplace.eq.edu.au

Chappy News

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to our newly elected school leaders! It was a wonderful whole school parade and it was especially lovely to see so many parents, family and community members there. Tinana SS have a wonderful community—and one of the real treats of working in a high school each week is the joy of seeing how so many of our students thrive in high school because of the great start they have had in primary school.

It was a real joy to listen to the sports captain speeches. I was astounded at the amount of effort, energy and confidence that was invested in those speeches. The competition was tough. Well done students and staff.

Just a reminder that we have a BEAR Plan in our school for students who suffer from anxiety or aggression. It is a plan developed by Bundaberg North State School after the recent floods. We have quite a few students who are working through the BEAR Plan strategies with me and are finding it helpful. If you have any questions about this plan please see me.

I will be hosting Kung Fu Panda 3 Movie Night on Friday 18th and Saturday 19th March. Both sessions will run at 6:30pm and tickets will cost $12. Please support this event to help raise funds for the Chaplaincy program in our school. Tickets can be pre purchased at the school office. Any tickets bought at the school office will ensure the profits go directly to our school. Tickets bought on the night will be halved between Tinana SS and St Helens SS Chaplaincy programs.

I will be at PD at the end of this week in Sydney so I will only be at Tinana SS on Tuesday.

Have a great fortnight!
From Chappy
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 must 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.

SMS NOTIFICATION

The school is now utilising an SMS system to notify parents of any unexplained absence. If you receive a text message stating your child’s absence is unexplained, you can reply via text, stating your child’s name, and reason for absence. If you believe your child should be present at school, please phone the office immediately on 4120 8000.

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.
Tuckshop News

Tuckshop operates on Mondays and Fridays

Free Dress Day – Stock the Pantry

Students are invited to come in Free Dress on Thursday, March 3rd. In order to wear free dress we ask each student/family to bring an item/items to stock the Tuckshop Pantry. This reduces costs and increases the Tuckshop profits that are used for many projects and programs throughout the school.

Please see the list below of suggestions for each year level donations in order to spread the type of donations that are received.

- Prep
  - Paper Towel
  - Box of Jelly
  - Plastic Spoons

- Year 1
  - Snack Zip Lock Bags
  - Plastic Forks
  - Tin Corn

- Year 2
  - White Vinegar
  - Alfoil
  - Tin Beetroot

- Year 3
  - Vanilla Essence
  - Blue Chux
  - Tin Kidney Beans

- Year 4
  - Pink Chux
  - Self Raising Flour
  - Honey

- Year 5
  - White Patty Papers
  - Caster Sugar
  - Strawberry Jam

- Year 6
  - Baking Paper
  - Poppers (Not pop-tops) (prefer no Home Brand please)
  - Vegemite

Other items that are always welcome and needed:
- Tea towels
- Big Tins of Milo
- Aprons
- Oven Mitts
- Washing Detergent
- Gift Card from Coles or Woolworths to help purchase Fresh Fruit and Salad Items

Volunteers Required

In order for Tuckshop to run we require volunteers to help the Tuckshop Convenor on Mondays and Fridays. It is easy and you meet lots of great people. Once a week or once a term, any help is appreciated. Please let the Tuckshop Convenor or Office know your details and preferred day if you are able to help.

Ordering

Make your mornings easier by ordering on Flexischools, our online Tuckshop ordering system!
http://www.flexischools.com.au

P&C Meetings

All parents are invited to come to the P&C Meetings to find out about the exciting things happening at Tinana State School.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held Tuesday, February 23rd. There was a good turnout of new parents and lots of continuing members. Please remember anyone is welcome to come to any meeting of the P&C.
The next P&C meeting is **Tuesday, March 22nd** from 6-8pm in the Staff Room. Everyone is encouraged to attend!

## Air Conditioning Update

At the February 22nd meeting of the P&C the committee was informed that due to budgeting arrangements of Tinana State School the P&C will not need to donate the usual $5000 per term to the school. This allows $20,000 to be put towards air conditioning of classrooms.

A motion was made and passed stating that the **Year 6 classrooms** (4 units) be air conditioned at the earliest possible time in order that all students currently attending Tinana State School will have air conditioning in their classroom at some point in their schooling at Tinana.

This means all of our current air conditioning fundraising will be going towards the next hottest block of classrooms with hopes to install more units later this year. We have thermometers installed and have been taking readings from all the classrooms to determine the hottest blocks. The P&C will have **Tax Deductible Contributions** set up very shortly and a note will be coming home that will allow you to contribute to the Air Conditioning Fund while saving on your taxes!

## Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop is open **Mondays and Fridays 8-9am.**

![Uniform Shop Image](image)

Super Second-hand Savings – Red Polos and Sports Polos from only $2. Great Deals!

Second hand uniform and Band/Strings uniforms are available at the Uniform Shop. Get in quick to be ready for performances in 2016!

## P&C Fundraising Information

### Five Cent Fundraiser

Now use your **10 cent pieces** as well!!!

Start looking around your house, your car, your handbag, your fruit bowl and all other places where your silver coins tend to hide. The silver coin round up provides an easy way to raise funds for our school air conditioning.

Each class will have a plastic bottle for students to put their silver coins in and during term 4 the class with the most coins will win a fantastic class prize.

Almost $3000 was raised last year through the 5 cent collection so let’s beat this amount and cool down the classrooms.

### Election Day BBQ and Bake Sale

**Note coming home soon**

The P & C Association are conducting a Baking Stall and Sausage Sizzle at the Local Election on **Saturday, 19th March 2016.** All profits from these stalls will go towards raising funds to air condition the classrooms.

Families are asked to donate an item of baking for our stall. Baked items will need to be dropped off to the School office on the **Friday before the election or by 9.00 a.m. on Saturday morning** to the stall. For more information and backing labels please click on the links below:
Sno Cone Day

There is an upcoming Sno Cone Day on **Wednesday, March 16th**. Please let the Tuckshop or Office know if you are able to help serve Sno Cones during the breaks on this day. All profits from this day will be put towards the Air Conditioning Fund.

If you have any fundraising ideas you would like to share please leave them at the office or message the P&C Facebook page.

School Banking

**Tuesday is School Banking Day**, so bring your Dollarmites Bank book and place in the Grey Banking Bag located in your classroom and we will do the rest.

Parents don’t 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.

Banker of the Week

Our lucky school bankers are Benjamin, Mila & Odin. Each week a lucky banker will be drawn and gets to choose a prize from our prize bank. Don’t forget you have to bank each week to go into the draw.

Banking Rewards

Our Term 1 Outback Rewards:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set

If you have 10 Silver Tokens you can redeem straight away by completing your reward coupon and place in your school bank book.

**PARENT NOTE** – you can’t use sibling token to redeem.

Competitions

Once again we are running a competition to reward our Tinana School Bankers. For a chance to win simply make 3 deposits in Term 1 and you will be in the running to **WIN a $20 Australian Geography Card**.

For all those new students that have started with Tinana State School. We are offering you the chance to also **WIN a $20 Australian Geography Card**. Simply go into the local Commonwealth Bank, open a Dollarmites Account and make a deposit with school banking and you will go into the draw to win this prize.

We will draw the winners at the end of term.

**Regards School 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!
CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2016

It’s time to take a look around your local area – your streets, parks, sporting grounds, beaches, bushland and waterways to find those rubbish hotspots that need attention.

Join an existing group or register your own site for Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday 6 March 2016.

Or get your school involved and register to clean up around the school grounds on Friday 4 March.

This is your chance to get involved and join the hundreds of thousands of volunteers who will grab their white and yellow bags and don their gloves to clean up their local community.

Over the last 26 years volunteers have donated more than 29.8 million hours towards caring for the environment through Clean Up Australia Day, removing the equivalent of 315,776 ute loads of rubbish from 158,809 sites across the country.

To register go to www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au

www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/recycling
Maryborough Community Kindergarten currently has vacancies for children 3 years to school age.

Educational program with qualified educators, 2 kindergarten groups - 5 day fortnight. Come down and experience our fantastic indoor and outdoor environments and enquire today.
Ph 4121 3865