31 August 2016

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents

Our school-wide focus is on the teaching of Reading and Numeracy in every classroom. Our students are currently participating in our annual PAT testing in Maths and Reading. We monitor individual student reading progress and error trends in a school-wide process to inform our ongoing teaching programs in Reading and Numeracy.

Last week was the last week of the Premiere’s Reading Challenge. In reality, every child in the school reads everyday through their class reading program. I am very proud of the work that we have done as a school to ensure that every child is progressing with learning to read. In the course of the week, children receive three guided reading lessons at their instructional level. Next week, selected students from year 3 and 4 will compete at the Junior Reading Challenge. This is a pre-cursor to the Reader’s Cup Competition.

On Wednesday, we had a visit from Dave Hackett (AKA Cartoon Dave), Cartoonist and Author of “UFO – Unavoidable Family Outing” and “The Summer of Kicks”. Dave was a lot of fun for the students who witnessed some of the zanier side of being an author.

On Friday, students from Tinana will test their mathematics capability at the Fraser Coast Mathematics Teams Challenge at Hervey Bay. Students have been in training with Mrs O’Donoghue to prepare themselves for the competition. We wish them every success.

We have been successful in recruiting a new Strings teacher. Mr Trevor Schulze commenced this week. We welcome Trevor and look forward to continuity in our music program for the remainder of the year.

On Friday 5 August, students from our Tinana Track and Field team competed in the Maryborough Track and Field Trials at the Jock Anderson Oval. A number of students were selected in the district team to travel to Kingaroy for the Wide Bay Trials. Congratulations to Alyssa Cherrie, Tim Keene, Rohan Myers, Shayla Willman, Gemma Clark, Harley Lapthorn, Lachlan Neilson, Kellie Davies, Thomas Martin and Teya Rufus. Lane Wagner was selected in the 13-19yrs Maryborough District Team. Kellie Davies and Harley Lapthorn were selected in the Wide Bay Track and Field Team to compete at the State Championships in Brisbane in October.

Our latest Queensland Cross Country representatives Adam Moss and Harley Lapthorn had a very successful trip to Canberra for the National Cross Country last week. Adam was placed second in his classification with Harley achieving 6th. Thanks to everyone who dressed up last week to raise money to assist in their campaign.

This Friday night is our Student Council Disco for term 3. The theme is Disney which sounds like lots of fun and gives plenty of scope to dress in theme. The price of entry includes a sausage sizzle and there will be loads of prizes. Mr Oulds is looking forward to trying out the new Student Council Disco lights.

During the September vacation, the P&C will be moving ahead with the next stage of our air conditioning program. The Prep
rooms and C Block will be the next rooms to be completed. Thanks to the P&C for their ongoing commitment to fundraising for this project.

I am in communication with the Queensland Fire Service about conducting hazard reduction burning in the vacant bushland behind the school. A letter to residents in the area will be delivered this week. Again, I take this opportunity to remind everyone that the bushland behind the school is out of bounds to all.

A new shipping container has been purchased to store chairs that were recently purchased from another school.

This Friday, I will be attending the Principals’ Business Forum in Bundaberg. Once each term, principals from across North Coast Region gather to meet with the Regional Director and other senior officers from Central Office to discuss the latest policy Initiatives and their implications for our schools.

David Burns
Principal

“EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY, LEARNING AND ACHIEVING”

Clearing & Roadworks

QLD Department of Transport is clearing trees on the dirt track that connects the school to Cedar Court. Please avoid this area for safety reasons. Road work has also begun on Lindah Rd West. Students walking or riding to school on this route should be aware of large machinery operating in this area, and take extra care to avoid the clearing & road works taking place.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on Students with disability.

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without a disability.

All Australian State Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on students with disability.

Please be reassured that the Departments will not provide any data that could identify an individual student to any other organisation. The only data being collected at the school level is the:

- Number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability
- Level of adjustments we provide for these students and
- Broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please let the school administration staff know at your earliest convenience.

Information and fact sheets are available. Please see attached sheet for further information for parents/ carers or head to: https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability

Library News

How to be part of the Great Book Swap…..

Follow 2 simple steps!!!!
1. Bring a book from home to donate (make sure it has no rips/tears etc) Hand it in at your classroom!
2. Bring $1 on Wednesday 7 September to choose your book to take home! A book for you to read!!

Student Council Disco

SCHOOL DISCO!

Come dressed as your favourite Disney character.

Friday 2 September

Prep – Year 3: 5 pm – 6:45 pm
Year 4- Year 6: 7 pm – 9 pm

Entry: $5 with sausage & drink, $2 Entry only

Supporting the building of a permanent shade shelter for the future handball courts.

Tinana Students Only

Chappy News

Buddy Benches

Our school will soon be introducing three ‘Buddy Benches’ into our playgrounds. The idea behind these benches is to help children meet new people and make new friends. If a child feels lonely or doesn’t feel like playing the game their usual friendship group is playing, they can sit on the ‘Buddy Bench.’ Other
students then invite children on the Buddy Bench to join their game or activity.

A small group of students has designed the artwork for the first bench that will go in the Prep playground. This week we will be working on a design for the older students. Uncle Glen Miller has given us permission to use some significant Butchulla symbols on a third bench. These symbols were used by the Butchulla people to welcome new people to their camp fire.

We hope these benches will make our playgrounds even friendlier than what they already are.

**My Grateful Story**

If you have a child at High School, I have registered Aldridge in this awesome competition, however other high schoolers can register under our community youth group called ‘United Youth Maryborough.’

The idea behind this is that once students register (with parent permission), they take one photo a day of something they are grateful for and upload it to ‘My Grateful Story.’ They do this for the first 21 days in September.

There are awesome prizes to be won including: Polaroid cameras, go pros, iTunes vouchers and more. The winning photos were published in a calendar last year.

For more information (and to register before September 1st) go to

http://www.mygratefulstory.com.au

**BEAR Plan**

I have started classes in the lower primary helping them to understand the difference between bullying and conflict and then looking at ways to resolve conflict.

The first lesson teaches children that conflict is a normal part of life and that when there is conflict, our body automatically feel changes that cause us to behave like a ‘shark’ (yell, hit, punch, pull faces, call names etc) or a ‘jellyfish’ (run away, cry, do, sulk, leave the game).

The next lesson helps children learn that when they feel like a ‘shark’ (fight) or a ‘jellyfish’ (flight) they need to calm their body and mind to behave like a ‘dolphin’ which is the bravest animal in the ocean. We do this by using our BEAR Plan strategies—Breathe..Exit..Ask..Relax.

After these introductory lessons we look at different ways of bravely solving different conflict situations. There are many strategies we look at and rehearse.

The idea being, staff would really like to encourage children to bravely attempt three different ways to solve simple conflict situations before they ask an adult for help. These skills will set them up for a very successful life.

_Have a wonderful fortnight.
Amanda the Chappy._

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**Student Attendance – Same Day Absence Notification**

The safety and wellbeing of students are the highest priorities for the Department of Education and Training and for the Queensland Government.

At Tinana State School we endeavour to contact a parent or carer via text message when a student’s absence is unexplained after the first roll marking of the day.

As home and school work together, student safety will be increased. Here are some guidelines to make this process more efficient:

- Notify the school by phone or email before 9:00am if your student is going to be absent that day. Please give a brief explanation for the absence.
- If you receive a text message regarding an unexplained absence, please respond promptly, either via text or phone call.
- Please ensure that your mobile phone number and other contact details are up-to-date on the school records. This is critical, as we need to be able to contact you in case of emergency.
- If your student arrives late to school, they must go to the office for a late pass before going to their classroom. If they are leaving early, a leave pass must be obtained from the office.

**Office News**

**Does your child have Asthma?**

Have you advised the school of your child’s Asthma?

If not, please notify the school as soon as possible.

**Do you have any outstanding payments?**

Please ensure your payments are up to date.
**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.

**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.

**PARENTS**

1. **Online System | Pay School Invoices**
   - Pay School Invoices
   - Access via ANY Computer or Smart Phone
2. **Payments Accepted:**
   - MasterCard | Visa
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Free Hearing and Vision Tests

Tinana State School
Support Teacher: Literacy & Numeracy
2379 Gympie Road
Tinana QLD 4650
Ph: 07 41 200 000
Fax: 07 41 233 148

Did you know?
Your child’s hearing could be improved by having their hearing and vision checked.
A small investment in time (and it’s free) could be very beneficial to picking up undiagnosed problems which may affect learning.
Also, if your child needs to be seen by the Guidance Officer, a hearing and vision test MUST be done first and the results sighted.

Music News
This week we welcome our new strings teacher, Mr Trevor Schulze. Strings lessons have restarted this week. Please ensure your child brings their instrument on their normally scheduled lesson day.

Tuckshop News
Tuckshop operates on Mondays and Fridays

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. Even if you can just help for an hour with breakfast that would be great! 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 next P&C meeting is Tuesday, September 13th from 6-8pm in the Staff Room. Everyone is encouraged to attend!
**Air Conditioning Update**

**Tax Deductible Contributions**

The P&C now has **Tax Deductible status** and we are now in a **new tax year** so if you would like to make a donation for this year, please complete the form below.

**Clubs, Organisations, and Businesses**

If you know of a club, organisation or business that might be interested in making a donation towards our air conditioning project please let the P&C know by leaving a message at the office or through a private message on the Facebook page.

**P&C Fundraising Information**

**Father’s Day Stall -**

The Father’s Day Stall will be held today and tomorrow or until sold out. Students will be able to purchase items for their Father’s at 8:00am at the Tuckshop. Prices range from $1-$7.

**Golf Day Date Claimer – Sunday, 30th October**

Tinana State School’s Charity Golf Day – get a team together ready to play! If you are not a golfer, helpers will be required on the day to help sell food and drinks.

**Five Cent Fundraiser**

Now you can use **any silver coins** as well!!! Keep bringing in your silver change to go towards the air conditioning fund!

**School Banking**

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

Each week you can bank as much as you want or as little as 50 cents. Do not forget School Banking is a great way to teach kids the importance of savings. Introducing kids to the concept of money from an early age puts them in good stead to make financial decisions later in life.

**Banker of the Week**

Congratulations to Caitlin, Kaelab, Mia & Riley who are our lucky winners. Don’t forget you have to bank each week to go into the draw.

**Uniform Shop**

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

Chair Bags – Great Girl and Boy Designs available
New Banking Rewards

Exciting new Term 3 rewards with an Outback Savers theme are now available.

- Jump and Skip Rope
- Backtrack Eraser Pen

Students, who have earned 10 Silver Dollarmite tokens through the School Banking Program, please complete your rewards card coupon and return it, along with your 10 tokens, on the next School Banking day and the item will be ordered for you.

Mud Splat Handball or Flying Snake Tail rewards are no longer available.

Term 3 Commonwealth Bank Competition

Commonwealth Bank are giving Dollarmites students the chance to win some spectacular prizes. Students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 for a chance to win one of the Star Savers prizes, including 90 Instant Cameras, 50 Camping Kits, 200 Magazine Packs.

Students who complete the fun Stargazing online activity, along with making 3 or more School Banking deposits during Term 3, will also go in a separate draw to win one of the Supernova prizes – a PlayStation 4 Pack. Students can complete the Stargazing activity online at any time during Term 3 by visiting: http://www.commbank.com.au/prizelights

Win a bag of sports equipment for our School

Commonwealth Bank are also giving schools participating in the School Banking program the chance to win one of 75 bags full of sports equipment, valued at $200.00, when students make 3 School Banking deposits during this term.

Regards School Banking Co-Ordinators

Community Notices

Enrolment Interviews for Year 7, 2017

Sunshine Coast Shopping trip

Tinana Hockey Club is holding a fund raising shopping trip by bus to Sunshine Plaza, Sunshine Coast on Sunday 27th November 2016.

Cost: $30 per head
Departs: Hervey Bay at 7:00am
Maryborough at 7:30am

Bus trip departs Sunshine Coast at 4:00 pm

For bookings and further information phone:
Beryl Matthews 0431022051
Pamela Farber 0410997435

Everyone is welcome for a good day out!
Maryborough Junior Cricket Sign-on

This Saturday from 10am – 2pm, Maryborough Junior Cricket will be holding their sign-on at the cricket grounds. This season players have the opportunity to participate in the following programs:

- **In2Cricket** for 5 – 8 year olds just starting out
- **T20 Blast** for 7 – 12 year olds
- **U/14 & U/16**

Come along on the day for a BBQ, raffles & activities!

**TENNIS**

Free Come and Try Days in August and September. (Not during school holidays).

Have fun playing Doubles or Singles with your friends.

**When:** 3-5pm Saturdays  
**Where:** Alice St courts

Am I Good Enough? Definitely. Three different stages, Red, Orange and Green. We will place you in a level where you have fun.

Enquiries please contact Bruce Rayner 0408740418

**Musical is looking for a leading lady!!**

The Maryborough Players are looking for talented actors and singers to audition for the lead role as Eliza in the upcoming musical production of My Fair Lady at the Brolga Theatre next March.

It is a challenging role and those interested should ideally be aged from around 17 to 20 years.

Auditions will be held on November 19 and 20. Anyone interested can phone the production Director and Choreographer, Cleone McCroberts, on 41214010.

**Past & Present MSHS Family and friends, could you spare 2 hours over the weekend of ‘Tech Challenge’ to man the Sussex Street Gate Marshall Site and help cheer.Marshall the hard work and endurance that the students have put into making this event a great asset for the Fraser Coast. There must be at least 2 people over the age of 18 in attendance at all times.**

We need volunteers from 11.30 Saturday until 12 noon Sunday for 2 hour time slots. Marshalls work in pairs, need no experience, and will have refreshments provided. You and a partner/friend could be at this great vantage point, which is usually incident free, to enjoy the race.

There are 24 Marshalling time slots, and I currently only have a couple filled. Please help our cause, and your support will be greatly appreciated. Please contact the school on 41209333 with your details to be added to the roster.

**Triple P**

[100+ SEMINARS WITH MORE TO COME]

It's never been easier to get free parenting support in Queensland! Right now there are more than 100 free positive parenting seminars for parents, grandparents and carers to attend in more than 35 locations across the state. From Cairns to Coomera to Cooroy – Triple P has Queensland parents covered. To find a seminar that suits you (and to register) visit the website below. You can also do Triple P in a group, online, one-to-one, over the phone, or DIY with a workbook – visit the website for information on these options too.

http://www.triplep-parenting.net
PARENTING MAGAZINE JUST FOR QUEENSLAND

Triple P’s new Queensland-only parenting magazine is hot off the press. The Tippaper has everything you want to know about Triple P in Queensland and more! And the great news is, the Tippaper is available online.

If you’ve received hard copies, please continue to make them readily available to your parents and carers (as every Tippaper helps spread the word about free Triple P for parents of kids aged up to 16 years). And if you would like more hard copies please email: qld@triplep.net.

TRIPLE P ONLINE – YOUR PERSONAL PARENTING COURSE

Strapped for time? Can’t get to see a Triple P provider face-to-face? Prefer to do Triple P in the privacy of your own home? Triple P Online is the way to go. More than 8000 parents from across Queensland are already doing the eight-module program including football star, father-of-four and Triple P ambassador Corey Parker who says: “We’re always learning as parents, and Triple P’s a great way to do that.” It’s easy to find out more and sign up for Triple P Online.

Wide bay – Burnett Gem Clubs assoc.

MARKET DAY

Gemstones - Crystals - Craft
General Goods - Sausage Sizzle

Children’s Activities

WHERE Tinana Primary School

WHEN Sat. 17th September

TIME 8.30a.m. to 3.30p.m.

Everyone welcome – free entry

Sites available 3.5 x3.5mtr
Stall enquiries and bookings
Contact :- Trish Ph 41 535631  Mob 0409777006

Maryborough Amateur Athletic Club's season starts soon!
Inspired by the Olympics?? Maryborough Amateur Athletic Club's (Little Athletics) new season begins Friday night September 2 from 5.45pm.
Come and try twice before joining up. All you need is $4 and
sandshoes.
All the information can be found on our Facebook page
https://www.facebook.com/MaryboroughAmateurAthleticClub- and-Little-Athletics Info Page-150427097331524733/ or email maacinc1@hotmail.com

The Spine Society of Australia recommends all girls in Years 7 & 9 participate in the National Self-Detection Program for Scoliosis. For more information, head to scoliosis website or download the Self-Detection Brochure here:
http://www.scoliosis-australia.org

You are Invited to attend a Fundraising high tea For
The Wide Bay Hospitals Museum Society and
Fraser Coast Palliative Care
It will be an afternoon of tantalising delights, raffles, things to purchase and entertainment to boot.
Date: Sunday 2nd October 2016
Venue: Grounds of the Hospital Museum
Corner of Walker & Vorella Str, Maryborough
Time: 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Cost: $30 per head
Gather: 36 Woodlaue 4655 3379 / 0428 333 791 or Larag9@bigpond.com
Or Collect Mary 4652 3098
Book now as spots are limited to 100.
Tickets given after payment received.

For further enquiries and contact Amanda
Town & Country Community Options
07 4123 6288
Do you have a water Leak?

It could be costing you money

The most common types of leaks are toilets, taps and underground pipes. One dripping tap can waste more than 2,000 litres a month.

If your toilet is running constantly, you could be wasting between 20 and 1400 litres of water every day.

The easiest way to find out if you have a water leak is to:
1. Check your water meter and take a reading.
2. Do not use any water for at least two hours.
3. Take another reading of your water meter.
4. If the meter reading has increased, you most likely have a leak.

Water saving tips
- Make sure you repair your taps and toilets.
- Replace washer seals in your toilets.
- Check tap washers for wear and replace if necessary.
- Make sure your showerhead is fitted correctly.
- Get a licensed plumber to fix any leaks.

For more information or to download our brochure visit
www.housecoast.qld.gov.au/water