**Principal’s Message**

Dear Parents

Welcome to the final school term for 2016. At the completion of this term, you will receive the second progress report for the year for your child.

Congratulations to all year 6 students who completed the Ology assignment and participated in the celebration last week. It was obvious the significant amount of work that the students put into their task. Students were all passionately sharing interesting details about their topic as they conversed with the many visitors from younger grades, parents and family members.

Congratulations to the students who entered the UNSW ICAS tests in English and Mathematics. In the English Test, Clinton Dullaway (Distinction), Lily Fraser, Alysha Tranent, Tea Page (Credits), Harrison Fraser, Tate Peterson (Merits) all achieved admirable results. In the Mathematics Test, Harrison Fraser (High Distinction), Clinton Dullaway, Riley Goldenstein and Billy Poulter (Distinctions), Lily Fraser, Zahlee Wheeler, Lachlan Neilsen and Julienne Deecke (Credits) all excelled. These are all outstanding results given that this is an international test competition.

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Last weekend, four teams of Tinana students competed in the Station Square Spelling Bee Competition. The students battled it out with teams from other schools in a closely contested competition. All four teams progressed to the semi-finals to be held on Saturday 22nd October.

Bookfair has been operating in the library this week. Thanks to Mrs Yates for organising this event for us and to everyone for your support of Bookfair. It is interesting to expose our students to some of the wonderful book resources available to them.

Now that interschool sport has concluded for the year, students in years 5 and 6 will complete their final rounds of recreational sport. Students in years 3, 5 & 6 are currently swimming on Tuesdays. These lessons are part of the physical education curriculum and very important in our geographic location. Please support your child’s participation by ensuring the relevant levy is paid and students have their equipment at school on Tuesdays.

Throughout 2016, staff have been collecting photographs and stories about school activities including key school events, sporting and cultural events and other special occasions. This information is being collated into a Yearbook which will be on sale at the end of the year. The books will sell for $15 and are intended to be a keepsake of the school year. We will be inviting orders in coming weeks and there will be only one print run.

During 2013, we looked closely at becoming an Independent Public School. Independent Public Schools (IPS) are high performing schools who receive significant additional school funding to innovate as they continue their school improvement journey. I am currently speaking with staff and P&C about the significant opportunities associated with IPS with the view to applying to become an Independent Public School in 2017. If you would like to know more about this, feel free to make contact with me.

I am currently looking at teachers and classes for 2017. If you are planning to leave our school at the end of the year, please notify the office as soon as possible. While I do not accept
requests for specific teachers by name, I am happy to receive requests from parents outlining the characteristics of a teacher that you feel will suit your child.

I will be away on Thursday and Friday this week on leave. Mrs Donohue will be acting principal in my absence.

David Burns
Principal
“EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY, LEARNING AND ACHIEVING”

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:


Library News

You’re invited to our
BOOK FAIR!

Mon-Thurs 8:00AM-4:00PM. Closed Friday.

EFTPOS Available!

Full details on the front page of this newsletter.
Help raise money for our school!

Tinana State School P&C
If you see a cheaper price at Big W or elsewhere the librarian will match it. It's all about raising funds for our school.

As part of the G&T program, students constructed their own short stories and poems around the theme of fantasy.

Award winners were:

Lachlan Nielsen - 1st Place - Poetry (years 3-5)
Harrison Fraser - 2nd Place - Poetry (years 3-5)
Tea Page - 2nd Place - Short Story (years 3-5)
Congratulations to you all!

Tinana students Isaac Rufus (Chess Captain), Harrison Fraser, Charli Beazley and Maverick Pappin will be heading to the Qld Interschool Chess Finals this weekend in Brisbane. Good luck!

Spelling Bee

Tinana students completed at the The Station Square Spelling bee last Saturday. All 4 Tinana teams made it through to the semi finals on October 22nd. Congratulations everyone and thanks to Mrs Doyle & Mrs Evans for their coaching!

Chappy News

Welcome back everyone.

Term 4 is here!!! It is full of so many exciting things like swimming, theatre restaurant and so much more. It’s going to go quickly so be sure to make sure every day counts and have your students at school as much as possible.

I was so impressed with the ‘ologies’ and the presentations hosted by our senior students and staff last week. The standard is high and the students excelled themselves. We really are blessed to have such dedicated senior staff—I don’t know how they possibly mark it all. What I do know however is that as a High School Chappy and a Youth Worker working with students from all our local high schools, Tinana students excel at high school and I am sure the wonderful grounding they have been given at primary school has a lot to do with this success. It was so lovely to see so many parents and grandparents attend the presentation day—I am sure the students appreciated your support.

I have been making the most of my student’s artistic ability and we have facilitated a group that has designed some signage for our new ‘Buddy Benches.’ Betty has painted the student’s designs on two signs for these benches and will complete the third next week. After that Betty will be helping paint signs for the upcoming Golf Day. I am so grateful for her support and willingness to jump on board and contribute to the awesome Tinana Community.

I have quite a few students booked in for one-on-one appointments at the moment and this is consuming most of my time during the day. You Can Do It Club will most likely change to a Monday lunch time to accommodate swimming lessons and will start in Week 4.

Welcome back and enjoy each and every moment of a term that has a history of flying by all too quickly.

Amanda the Chappy

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.
MONDAY 17th OCTOBER is a STUDENT FREE DAY! Please make other arrangements for your children on this day.

SWIMMING IS UNDERWAY FOR ALL STUDENTS IN YEARS 3, 5 & 6. PAYMENT IS NOW OVERDUE. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR $55 PAYMENT IS MADE IMMEDIATELY!

Does your child have Asthma?
Have you advised the school of your child’s Asthma?
If not, please notify the office 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.

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. http://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete
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 will be announced on Facebook and in the next newsletter. Everyone is encouraged to attend!

Air Conditioning Update
More Air Conditioning!
The Year 3 (and 2SB) block as well as all of the Prep classrooms have been air conditioned over the holidays just in time for the heat of Term 4!! Please help us continue fundraising so that the remaining buildings (Year 5 block, Year 4 block and the TLC can be air conditioned as soon as possible. We now have air conditioned classrooms for Prep to Year 3 as well as Year 6!

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
Pie Drive Coming Soon!!
Keep an eye out for the upcoming pie drive forms that will be coming home with your students shortly! Enjoy a delicious, quick and easy meal while supporting Tinana State School!

Golf Day Date – 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.
The P & C are chasing a few more Hole Sponsorships for our annual Charity Golf Day. If any businesses would like to sponsor a hole, please contact the School office. Sponsorship costs $260 and this entitles you to the following:-

- Hole advertising for your business for the day
- 4 X complimentary games of golf
- 4 X complimentary burgers

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!

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

Get ready for next year and start a Lay-by for school packs and Prep packs.
Please welcome our new Volunteers to the Uniform Shop! Your help is very much appreciated. Pop in and welcome them!
Toys available from $2
Hair accessories - available in assorted colours
Chair Bags – Great Girl and Boy Designs available

Library Bags $12

Volunteers Required
Are you available to help out on Mondays or Fridays from 8-9am? Small children are welcome to come along. Please let the office or Uniform Shop know if you are able to help out!
Welcome back, hope you are all feeling refreshed and ready to start Term 4.

Firstly, we would like to thank Jodie Anson who has been a volunteer as our School Banking Co-ordinator since April 2015. Jodie’s last day was Tuesday and we wish her all the best.

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.

Banking Rewards

Remember, there are more rewards available before our Outback adventure is over. School Banking have released it Term 4 reward items and are sure to keep students saving. After completing 10 deposits, your child can redeem for either a Bush Fly Fan or a Wriggly Glow Worm.

Competition

School Banking is rewarding our Tinana School Bankers by running a competition that will see everyone wanting to continue banking.

There are 2 prizes available: 1st $20.00 Itunes Card & 2nd Dollarmites Prize Pack. For your chance to win simply make 3 deposits and you will be placed in the draw. Competition will be drawn Wednesday 7th December.

Good Luck Students.

Volunteer Needed

The program requires a volunteer to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week and the Commonwealth Bank will provide support in how to run the program. Your help with the program will greatly benefit the students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program please leave your name and contact details with the office.

Regards School Banking Co-Ordinator

Community Notices

Maryborough Community Kindergarten will be holding its annual open day on Saturday 22nd October 2016 from 10am to 2pm. Come along and discover all the kindy has to offer. Jumping castle, face painting & craft activities. Food & drinks available. All qualified educators on hand to answer all your questions. We will also be holding a garage sale from 6.30am.

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 McRoberts, on 41214010.

**Piano lessons** for all ages and levels of ability! Please phone Rachel 0431155332.

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**Shopping trip to Sunshine plaza**

**Sunshine Coast**

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 Mattisson 0408020853

Perrine Farber 0409874885

Everyone is welcome for a good day out!

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**AFL Wide Bay** will be running an exciting girls program at the Maryborough Bears Field this term. This program will be starting the 26th October 2016 and will run for 5 weeks, ending on the 23rd November 2016 and only for one hour each week on the Wednesday afternoon from 4pm-5pm. The age group we are aiming for is grade 4 - grade 6! Last year we ran a
very similar program to this one in Hervey Bay which was quite successful in participation numbers.

Throughout this program AFL Wide Bay Development Officers will be teaching the girls skills and tactics to do with AFL and also implement them into a game of footy each session. Our aim at AFLWB is to get as many girls involved in our sport and for them to have fun, meet new people and get a girls competition running in the future!