



**TINANA**  
State School



"Every Child, Every Day. Learning and Achieving"

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Term 1 Week 4 2025

## News of the Week

As part of helping students to #DoYourBest we strive to build a sense of belonging and community among our students, staff and families. This Friday at parade our school community will celebrate the induction of the 2025 Student Leaders. The P&C Association is preparing a special welcome for Prep 2025 students and their families with a 'Teddy Bear's Picnic' on March 5. These are just a few recent examples of how this work underlies the activities of a school.

Tinana SS has an Enrolment Management Plan and there has already been enquiries about Out of Catchment enrolments for Prep 2026. Due to this strong interest, we will be emailing a information link to existing school families for them to advise of any Prep 2026 siblings; both in catchment and out of catchment enrolments. Please note that **under the TSS Enrolment Management Plan siblings of out of catchment enrolled students must still go through the out of catchment enrolment process.** It is essential that existing parents/carers start the out of catchment process as soon as possible to ensure their Prep 2026 student does not miss out on a place. We are also working on streamlining the enrolment process for our existing school families and request return of this information by the end of this term.

### Tinana 150<sup>th</sup> 31.05.2025

Can you spare some time to assist with preliminary tasks or event set up? A new email address has been established [events@tinanass.eq.edu.au](mailto:events@tinanass.eq.edu.au) Please email name, and best contact details along with what you can assist with. An RSVP form will come out through the newsletter later in the term.

The 150<sup>th</sup> will be on the agenda at the first P&C meeting of the year – next Tuesday February 25 at 6pm.

### Home- School Partnerships

This Thursday the School Council will meet to look at the 2025 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP). AIPs are used by state schools to identify particular focus areas for improvement each year. The focus may come from an internal or external context. The 2025 improvement areas are:

1. The implementation of version 9 of the Australian Curriculum in English and Maths
2. Further development of school-wide teaching concepts of students social-emotional learning.

The social emotional learning in state schools is drawn from the General Capabilities of the Australian Curriculum. Personal and Social Competencies ( see more [here](#))

They are embedded in school subjects are also taught through the explicit teaching of expected behaviours related to learning and being part of larger social groups.

## Office News

1. Tinana State School has a Facebook page!  
Subscribe to get up to date information about what's happening at school!

### 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.

#### Invoices via Email

You should now be receiving all your child's invoices via email. If you need to provide the office with an updated email address, please do so as soon as possible, as some school notes and information will also be sent via email.

REFLECTION LETTERS are also being sent out via e-mail.

[https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1732/2025\\_school\\_calendar.pdf](https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1732/2025_school_calendar.pdf)

#### 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. Please minimise disruptions to teaching and learning by organising early departures in advance and for break times.

#### Student Attendance - Same Day Absence Notification

The safety and wellbeing of students are the highest priorities for the Department of Education 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, QParents 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, QParents 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.

#### 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 ARRIVALS

Please be aware that there are **NO** staff members on duty before 8 am. We have more students arriving before this time. If there is a legitimate reason for students to be at school before 8am, then contact the office to make arrangements. These students must then follow the rules by sitting quietly at the far end of the Administration Building.

#### 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.

## Time Out

[https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1749/timeout\\_poster.pdf](https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1749/timeout_poster.pdf)

## Free Hearing and Vision Tests

[https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1266/09\\_tss\\_hearing\\_vision\\_flyer\\_colour\\_fold\\_.pdf](https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1266/09_tss_hearing_vision_flyer_colour_fold_.pdf)

## Important Dates

- Before school Running Club M/T/Th/F
- **Thursdays Term 1** - Swimming - 5M & 5K students must be at School by 8:30 to get ready for departure.
- **Friday 21st February** - 8:50am Student Leader Induction Parade
- **Tuesday 25th February** - Term 1 Wide Bay Chess Tournament
  - P&C Meeting 6pm
- **Thursday 27th February** - 2pm MSHS Principal visit to Y6
- **Friday 28th February** - P-3 Parade
- **Wednesday 5th March** - P & C Teddy Bear's Picnic for Prep families
- **12th-24th March** - NAPLAN test window

## Welcome Fraser

We welcomed Fraser the therapy dog last Wednesday to TSS





**Meet Miss Mel & Fraser – Your Spot-On Wellbeing Team!**

Hi Tinana State School!

I'm Miss Mel, and this is Fraser. He's a 4-year-old Liver Spotted Dalmatian. Together we've shared many adventures in the sporting dog world providing us with solid foundations, ready to unleash our PAWtential within the animal-assisted wellbeing space. We are excited to bring that experience to you!

**Our mission? To be Spot-On!**

We're here to spread smiles, boost confidence, and help everyone feel their best: one pat, one wag, one sniff, and one sprinkle of Dalmatian glitter at a time! Fraser has a special way of bringing out the best in everyone he meets, and we can't wait to share that magic with you.

**A bit about Fraser:**

- ✓ Loves: Sniffing, agility, long walks, and chest scratches!
- ✗ Dislikes: Dogs with angry eyes and being too far from his favourite humans.

**A bit about Me:**

As for me, I bring experience in dog handling, behaviour & enrichment, wellbeing & mental health, amongst other skills. I recently completed an Undergraduate Certificate in Mental Health and am working towards becoming a volunteer Peer Support Officer within emergency services.

We're here to support everyone in the Tinana SS community - whether you're a student needing a calm moment, a parent wanting to learn more, or a staff member looking for encouragement.

Fraser loves making new friends, so come say hi and enjoy a wag or two!



**CLEAN UP SCHOOLS DAY**  
**Friday 7th March**  
 Meet Mrs Hooper at the Library at 11am.

**GRIP Leadership**

Friday our school captains and vice captains joined other student leaders at the Grip Leadership Conference to learn about more about leadership. #doyourbest #studentleaders #tinana #maryboroughld

**TLC Afternoon Tea**

[https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1766/afternoon\\_tea\\_invitation\\_march\\_2025.pdf](https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1766/afternoon_tea_invitation_march_2025.pdf)

**School Student Broadband Initiative**

<https://qeducorp.sharepoint.com/sites/SchoolCommunities?e=1%3Aa876f0b92d5e4f1599ea682fb268be33>

**Clean up Schools Day**



**Preparing for NAPLAN 2025**

Tinana State school is currently preparing for our students in year 3 & 5 to sit the National Assessment Program Literacy & Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests which will be held from 12 March – 24 March 2025.

NAPLAN is a nationwide measure through which parents, teachers, schools, education authorities, governments and the broader community can determine how well young Australians

are developing the literacy and numeracy skills that provide the critical foundation for other learning, and for their productive and rewarding participation in the community.

NAPLAN tests are one aspect of each school's assessment and reporting process. NAPLAN does not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance. A child's teacher will have the best insight into the child's educational progress. NAPLAN results do not measure overall school quality.

NAPLAN questions are aligned with the Australian Curriculum: English and Mathematics. As such, the best preparation students can do for NAPLAN is to learn what they do in the classroom every day. On its own, NAPLAN is not a test that can be studied for, and students are not expected to do so.

The assessments allow parents to see how their child is progressing against national standards in literacy and numeracy, and over time. Along with other school assessment reports, NAPLAN supports parents in discussing their child's strengths and areas for improvement with teachers.

NAPLAN results can assist teachers by providing additional information to support their professional judgement about students' levels of literacy and numeracy attainment and progress.

NAPLAN can support school improvement by enabling teachers to monitor their students' progress over time against the national

measure, to identify strengths and areas to improve in teaching programs, and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.

Students and parents wishing to familiarise themselves with NAPLAN can visit the public demonstration site on the NAP website. Some

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Attached to this article is our school testing schedule. If you have any questions regarding NAPLAN please contact Mr Marler at the school.

TINANA STATE SCHOOL NAPLAN 2025 TESTING SCHEDULE

Time	Week 7				Week 8			
	Wednesday 12 MARCH 25	Thursday 13 MARCH 25	Friday 14 MARCH 25	Monday 17 MARCH 25	Tuesday 18 MARCH 25	Wednesday 19 March 25	Thursday 20 MARCH 25	Friday 21 MARCH 25
8:45am - 10am	3GR 3S 23F 5K Writing	23F 34GA Reading	5K Reading  CATCH UP TESTS	3GR 5K Conventions of Language	5K Numeracy  CATCH UP TESTS	34GA Numeracy	CATCH UP TESTS	CATCH UP TESTS
10am - 11:15am	56A Writing	3GR Reading	5M Reading  CATCH UP TESTS	23F 34GA 5M Conventions of Language	5M Numeracy  CATCH UP TESTS	3GR Numeracy	CATCH UP TESTS	CATCH UP TESTS
11:15 - 11:45	Morning Tea							
11:45am - 1:00pm	5M Writing	3S Reading CATCH UP TESTS	56A Reading  CATCH UP TESTS	3S 34GA 56A Conventions of Language	56A Numeracy	3S Numeracy	CATCH UP TESTS	CATCH UP TESTS
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Afternoon Tea							

## Winners of the Gotcha Keys for week 2 & 3

Student	Class
Chaya	1 S
April	2 F
Skyla	2 F
Quinn	3 J/S
Zoe	3/4 GA
Hendrix	5 M
Kaitlin	5/6 A
Khai Jay	6M

## Tuckshop

Hi all, Firstly, a massive thank you to our new volunteers that have put their hands up to help out the tuckshop. We are back up to a full menu now as our new helpers are very fast learners. If these ladies hadn't come on board, we may not be operating, so please thank our volunteers. We are always looking for more helpers to come on board as 'fill-ins' when people can't make it. Anyway enough of that, thank you all, for supporting the tuckshop with your orders already this year. Last year we had over 7200 orders, lets see if we can beat that this year.

I have just introduced a Monday Only special of a sausage sizzle for every Monday. Choose between a pork or Bbq Sausage on a piece of bread for only \$3 (sauce extra) all details are on Qkr, These sausages are supplied by our butcher (meat @ Westside), not from a super market.

Big thanks again to the new members of the Tuckshop team and a big thanks to you for supporting the tuckshop.

To keep up to date with all the Tuckshop news, please like and follow our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1BBmCyDauT/>

## Prep Families

[https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1750/teddy\\_bear\\_picnic\\_invitation\\_5th\\_march\\_pdf..pdf](https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1750/teddy_bear_picnic_invitation_5th_march_pdf..pdf)



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Hello Tinana Prep Families,


 **Preps Teddy Bear Picnic 2025** 


If you go down in the woods today, you're sure of a big surprise. Wednesday the 5th of March is the day the Teddy Bear's have their picnic (Please note the change in Date to week 6).


The Tinana School P&C is so excited to have you as part of their first ever Preps Teddy Bear's Picnic 2025.

Its a multifaceted event to


 Welcome new families and our new prep students to the school.

 An opportunity for parents to meet each other and chat.

 P&C information session, see what we are about and what we have planned for the year.

 Helping hands information session if you're needing out of school hours care.

 Tuckshop tour if you've considered volunteering and want to check it out.


 Tuckshop baking available for taste testing. Let us help you know what healthy, yummy food you're ordering from the Tuckshop.

☆The P&C has generously funded the full cost of ALL 'Stuffers' Bears for enrolled prep students. And we are so proud that all our preps will be included in this picnic event.


☆We are very grateful that **Tanners Electrical, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning** have jumped on board as a sponsor to help us get this event up and running.

☆And **Helping Hands Network** have generously sponsored all the baking ingredients so you can have some yummy taste testing to enjoy.

Join us for a cuppa, story time and a song, build a bear with your preppy, and chat to other prep parents and caregivers Let's make 2025 great.

 **PICNIC PACKS-** You can order for fruit break on the schools QKR app. Picnic packs include a fruit salad and a packet of tiny teddies.

Head to the P&C fundraising events menu in QKR.

 **SIBLING BEARS** -we have some extra bears available for purchase on QKR for younger siblings wishing to join in all the fun. Let's get them excited for prep.

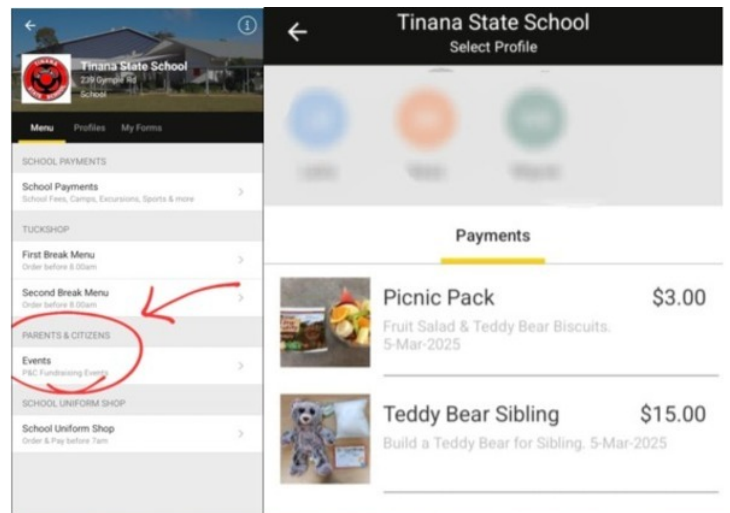
Order of event (subject to change)

- Welcome parade-under cover area.
- Build a bear activity- grass area outside prep rooms.
- Story time/ song
- Fruit break
- Preps will then embark on a bear hunt activity with their class in the prep playground
- While Parents meet and greet and enjoy taste testing back in the undercover area.

There's lots of marvelous things to eat and wonderful games to play.

Thank you to all the wonderful mums and dads who have been helping with this event.

See you there.



**QParents**

**Have you signed up for QParents!?**

This is our BEST & PREFERRED communication tool for Permissions, Payments, Reporting and Events! Come into the office from 9am-2:45pm any school day with 100 points of ID to get signed up easily! (Or do it at home on a laptop or computer)!

(ID can include any license, any government issued photo ID, Medicare Card, Health Care / Pension Card, Birth Certificate, Passport, Utilities Bills showing your name & address, Centrelink Letter with your name & address). If you have already done a low document application at home, you need to bring your 100 points of ID into the office so we can approve your access.

## SRS

### Have you received your invoice for your SRS (Maths workbook & paper)?

If not, it's because you haven't opted in! You must return the consent form or sign up on QParents!

Your child is required to have the correct Maths workbook.

For children whose parents opted in, your child's book has already been delivered to their class!

Payment is due by 28th February.

Check emails for the invoice - Payment preferred via bPoint link on bottom left-hand side of invoice, or via QParents.

## Uniform Shop


 Uniform shop hours 2025



Friday's 8-9am (excluding holidays and student free days). 

QKR app orders will be FRIDAYS ONLY.

ORDER BY 7AM

Items can be collected from the uniform shop during open hours 8-9am or collect from the office after 9am.

 please note- Red Polos order did not arrived in time for 2025 Information on arrival will be provided as updates are recieved.

 Thank you to everyone who has been supportive and understanding with this delay. 

Donations of second hand uniforms are greatly appreciated. Drop them in to the school office any time.

Thank-you

Tinana State School P&C / Tuckshop



Hi everyone,

### GET CONNECTED AT TINANA – because BELONGING at school really makes a difference.

There are so many ways to get connected to our school community. Being connected is not about having mobile phones and computers and checking our Facebook pages and newsletters – ALTHOUGH THESE ARE IMPORTANT. It's about knowing you can get support that you will be listened to, and that you can work together with school staff to help your child learn and develop. Working together to care for children is the best way we as a school community can help your children to learn and develop. We have fantastic teams at Tinana – all of them are positive ways to contribute to making our school community the fabulous one that it is. They are also a great way to meet new friends. Why not check out: Tuckshop, uniform shop or P&C. There is sure to be a group that will welcome you with open arms.

### KINDNESS IS COOL AT TINANA STATE SCHOOL

Our kindness Goal for **Week 4** includes all the different ways we can **demonstrate kindness to our class**. It might be having good manners, sharing a smile, lining up responsibly or being quiet during learning time. It might also look like picking up rubbish off the floor – even if it isn't yours.

Our **Week 5 challenge** is all about being an **active listener**. Listening is something we do with our whole body. Whether we are at home, in the car, on the sport field or in class, we use our whole body to actively listen. This involves our eyes, hands, physical body and our minds. Perhaps this is a good week to have a conversation with your child about what this might look like at home. It's always helpful to grab your child's attention before giving them instructions by calling their name and establishing eye contact. It's a good reminder for us also to be active listeners with our family.....I know this is often a struggle for me.



## Chappy Chat

**KINDNESS IS COOL @** 

**Listen to others.**

**Week 5 Challenge: Listen to your friends without interrupting them this week. Also, make an extra effort to listen in class.**

**FLASHBACK Friday**

**Change over time – our buildings**

- A Block is the oldest building at Tinana
- The original school classroom is no longer here
- This is what it looked like in the 1960s



1960s The back of A Block – now the Prep grass area  
No school uniform and now a bus to come to school.  
Boys sat on one side and the girls the other.

1960s Mrsborough's Classroom – this was the library back then

No SCPA yet!

Source: Tinana State School, 125 Years of Memories by Jocelyn Kemp

CELEBRATING OUR PLACE, OUR PEOPLE, OUR PASTORAL  
**Commemorating 150 Years of Tinana State School**  
FROM 19  
SATURDAY MAY 31, 2020

**Play at the Powerhouse**

Play at the Powerhouse got off to a great start last week. We looked at animals and attention span. This Monday will be all about colours and the concept of ‘same and different.’ If you have a child that isn’t old enough for Prep, you are welcome to join us Monday 9:30-11:00. For more information, please email me:

amanda.watson@suchaplaincy.org.au

**How to access the Chaplaincy Service**

If you would like me to speak with your child, a new permission form needs to be completed each year. You can email me at the above email address to learn more or speak with your child’s class teacher.

Have a wonderful week – remember that every day counts.

Amanda the Chappy

**Helping Hands News**

**Before & After School Care Information**

<https://www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au/find-us/tinana-state-school/>



**Community News**

**Curriculum Corner**

[https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1751/curriculum\\_corner\\_newsletter\\_t1\\_week\\_4\\_and\\_6.pdf](https://tinanass.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1751/curriculum_corner_newsletter_t1_week_4_and_6.pdf)

**150 Years of Tinana State School**

This year Tinana SS is celebrating 150years! Did you go to TSS in the 1960s?

Follow our Facebook Page and subscribe to our newsletter to be kept up to date with event details.

#tinana #maryboroughqld #widebay



Tease Your Brain & Win Cash Prizes!

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# GRANVILLE KINDY TRIVIA NIGHT

**Saturday, 10TH MAY** **\$15**

per person / tables of 4-8 people

at Aldridge High School Hall  
Doors open at: 06:00pm  
Trivia starts at: 07:00pm

*Silent Auctions, Jag the Joker, Monster Raffle, Food & Drinks, Bar - Beer, Spirits & Wine*

To Book a Table - 4122 3320 / kindy@granvillekindy.com.au

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## Are you a parent?



To find out more, please contact:  
Juan Zhong  
(juan.zhong@uqconnect.edu.au)

To Better Understand  
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Researchers at UQ are seeking  
Australian parents  
of 3 - 12-year-old children  
to participate in a survey about  
parent and child self-regulation.

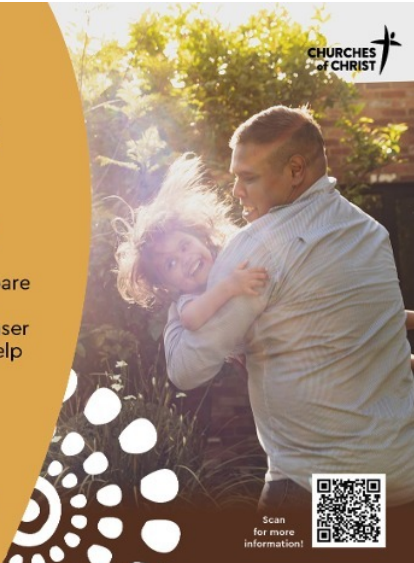
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The Parenting and Family Support Centre



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Now is the time to become a foster carer.

Search 'cofc foster care'

Scan for more information!



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Call our local team on 4120 0400

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