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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Families

Taroona Primary School is committed to supporting every learner, every day. Our teaching and leadership teams work hard to plan and deliver educational opportunities that both challenge and extend our learners. Together we build in our students the skills of being a great learner - such as setting personal goals, striving for excellence, building resilience when things don't go to plan, working with others and thinking creatively to solve challenges.

Throughout 2018 our school has embraced many exciting learning opportunities for our students and staff, particularly in the area of Inquiry Learning. We have:

- Embraced our whole of school inquiry into the problem of litter in the playground and provided opportunities for our students to lead this learning and to design solutions to their authentic problem;
- Documented our school's journey in the teaching of the new digital technologies curriculum - sharing this work with local, national and international educators at conferences and via our TPS Vimeo Video Channel (<https://vimeo.com/taroonaps>);
- Upgraded Play West to support outdoor learning for our Year 3-6 students, including the planting of native / cultural garden beds;
- Established a K-2 loose parts play space, used by classes during breaks and learning times;
- Run open afternoons across year groups, for children to share their learning journeys with family and community members; and
- Engaged in outdoor education day, under the guidance of Nature Play Expert Kara Spence

And there are many more achievements that could be added to this list, which are

a testament to the passion, commitment and dedication of our outstanding team here at Tarooma Primary. Altogether we have over 40 people in a variety of roles - Teachers, Teacher Assistants, Library Technician, Grounds and Cleaning, Office Administration, IT Support and Professional Staff including our school psychologist, social worker and speech and language pathologist. I would like to thank each and every member of the Tarooma Primary Team for the positive and enthusiastic contribution that they make to the education of our children, each and every day.

I would also like to take this opportunity to personally thank our school leadership team - Tony Poynter, Bianca Long, Hilary Purdie, Alex McNamara and Emma Nuttall - for their support, expertise and dedication to our school and students.

We are extremely fortunate at Tarooma to have active and hard-working parents and community volunteers; people who are committed to seeking out the best opportunities for our school and who help out with classroom programs, excursions and other school community events. It was wonderful to recognise their efforts at our recent Thankyou Afternoon Tea, and acknowledge their contributions to our students and their learning.

The Tarooma Primary School Association plays a significant role in supporting the school, and in supporting my leadership. I would like to formally thank Leah Magliano (School Association Chair), Alex Terhell (Deputy Chair) and the TPSA Executive for their ongoing commitment, support and energy throughout 2018. The working bees, meetings and events such as the welcome BBQ and the quiz night were all possible thanks to their hard work and dedication.

Lastly, I would like to end this last newsletter for 2018 by acknowledging the outstanding success of our students, who are, after all, the reason why we are here. I thoroughly enjoy watching the progress that every student makes at Tarooma and celebrating individual efforts and personal achievements throughout the year.

Tarooma Primary School is a centre of educational excellence and, with planning well underway for next year, I know we will continue to deliver outstanding programs that align with our vision of developing creative thinkers, connected learners and inspired leaders in 2019.

I wish everyone within our school community a happy, safe and enjoyable holiday

break and look forward to seeing returning and new students back at school, ready for learning, on Wednesday 6th February.

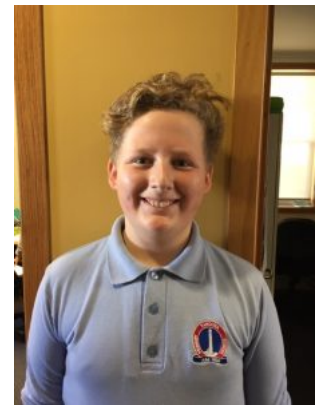
Best wishes

Danielle Bresnehan

Principal

STUDENT SUCCESS

Congratulations to Sebastian in Year 6 on his selection in the U13 Tasmanian Badminton team.



Sebastian has been training hard 5 days a week in the lead up to his selection, the team will travel to Altona, Victoria in January.

Congratulations to Sebastian on your State selection, we wish you all the best for your competition in January.

Kylie Broadbent



TPSA NEWS -

November minutes [click here](#)

Update from the TPSA Chair [click here](#)

Dear parents, students and staff,

The TPSA would like to formally Thankyou got all your help this year with fundraising. We can't do it without your involvement and we look forward to new and exciting projects next year.

Our first meeting back is the **12 Feb** and you are all very welcome to come along.

We wish you all a wonderful festive season and some well earned rest over Summer.

Many thanks again

Leah and the TPSA

Uniform Shop News

2019 Price List with pictures - [click here](#)

QKR!

We have now introduced online shopping via Qkr!

Please click on the following link for:



Uniforms via Qkr

Following on from the successful introduction of Qkr for Canteen Friday, the TPSA has now implemented Qkr as an additional payment method for the Uniform Shop (In person cash and EFTPOS payments will still be available).

How to order uniform on Qkr

- If you are new to Qkr:
 - Download the app to your phone, or login on your PC at <https://qkr.mastercard.com/store/#/home>
 - Create an account, locate "Taroona Primary School" and set up one or more profiles. Child profiles are needed for your canteen orders, and may be used for your uniform order. Alternatively, set up a parent profile (select "Parent" under Year and Class)
- Scroll down to "Taroona PSA Uniform", and enter the shop. Select the profile you wish the order to be associated with – this is the way your order will be identified for pickup.
- Order and pay for your uniform.
- If you order by Tuesday 11am, your order will be available for pickup from the uniform shop on Tuesday afternoon (send your child!). If not picked up, then it will be available at the office from Wednesday morning.

For more information

Uniform Shop Coordinator: Carolyn McKinley at basil_carolyn@bigpond.com

TPSA Deputy President: Alex Terhell at alex.terhell@outlook.com.au

TPSA President: Leah Magliano at leah.magliano@calvarycare.org.au

Back to school uniform sales

We will be holding our back to school sales on the following dates:

Thursday 31 st Jan	9:30am - 11:30am	Music room
Friday 1 st Feb	9:30am - 11:30am	Music room
Tuesday 5 th Feb	1pm - 3:30pm	Uniform Shop

You will have a better shopping experience if you attend on the Thursday or Friday, as we will be set up in the Music Room on these dates.

If you can't make these dates, then order your uniform online using Qkr during the school holidays, and we will fill the order during the back to school sales dates. Uniform can then be collected from 31st January onwards.

Help needed

Please contact Carolyn on basil_carolyn@bigpond.com if you would like to assist at one of these sales days and /or volunteer regularly at the Uniform Shop.

SCHOOL BANKING

Any Dollarmites tokens that are not redeemed this year can be used in 2019.

From Alison (retiring!) and Agnes

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Duty of Care

Please note that students are not to arrive before 8.30am. This is for the students' protection and safety as there are no teachers on duty prior to 8.30am and classrooms remain locked until this time. Supervision is provided before and after school:

- Playground (EXCLUDING PLAY WEST & OVAL) 8.30am to 8.55am
- Car park & bus area 2.50pm to 3.05pm

Lady Gowrie Tarooma Before and After School Hours Care

[Vaccination Program](#)



Lady Gowrie Tarooma After School Care operates from the hall each school day from 7.30-8.30am (Before School Care) and 3.00-6.00pm (After School Care), catering for children aged 4-12 years. We offer a safe and stimulating environment based on the children's interests incorporating both indoor and outdoor play. We employ trained Educators and provide a nutritious breakfast and afternoon tea each day. Please contact the Lady Gowrie Outside School Hours Care Office on 6230 6806 or email us at oshc@gowrie-tas.com.au for more

information.



To ensure the safety of our school property, please ring Crime Stoppers if you see anyone acting suspiciously in our school grounds.

Uniform Shop News

- [Amended Uniform Information and Price List \(PDF\)](#)

MOVE WELL EAT WELL

Move Well Eat Well

Free active ideas for out and about



There are plenty of places to visit that help get kids active.

Visit

- Beaches for sand castle building, beach cricket or drawing pictures in the sand
- Parks and playgrounds for climbing and balancing on equipment or playing soccer
- Reserves and green spaces for walking the dog, bird spotting or collecting leaves or rocks.



Take

- Bats or rackets
- Balls
- Hoops
- Binoculars
- Kites
- Pedometer
- The dog

For more ideas visit:

www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au/families