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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Families,

Have you heard about the 'Zones' or being in the blue, green, yellow or red zone? This year we have started to implement a new approach to supporting positive behaviour - the [*Zones of Regulation*](#). The 'Zones' framework is being used in all classes to teach self-regulation by categorizing all the different ways we feel, and the states of alertness we experience, into four concrete zones.

The **Red Zone** is used to describe extremely heightened states of alertness and intense emotions. A person may be elated or experiencing anger, rage, explosive behavior, devastation, or terror when in the Red Zone.

The **Yellow Zone** is also used to describe a heightened state of alertness and elevated emotions; however, one has some control when they are in the Yellow Zone. A person may be experiencing stress, frustration, anxiety, excitement, silliness, the wiggles, or nervousness when in the Yellow Zone.

The **Green Zone** is used to describe a calm state of alertness. A person may be described as happy, focused, content, or ready to learn when in the Green Zone. This is the zone where optimal learning occurs.

The **Blue Zone** is used to describe low states of alertness and down feelings, such as when one feels sad, tired, sick, or bored.

It is important to note that all of the zones are expected at one time or another. However, the Zones curriculum focuses on teaching students how to manage their Zone based on the environment and people around them. For example, when playing in the playground or in an active/competitive game, no one would think twice about one being in the Yellow Zone but that would not be same in the library.

Through the Zones program, all of our students will learn to identify their feelings/level of alertness, understand how their behavior impacts those around

them, and learn what tools they can use to manage their feelings and states for optimal learning.

Perhaps this is a framework that you can also use at home. Please talk to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

Best wishes

Danielle Bresnehan, Principal

[KEY DATES 2017](#)- click to open the Calendar of events

[EXCURSIONS](#) - click to see information for 3H & 3P, 4-5McN & 4-5GS

3-6 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

WANTED: PARENT HELPERS!

WHEN: Friday 3rd March

WHAT: 3-6 School Athletics Carnival 9ish - 2.35pm

WHY: Help with timing, recording and placings in our running events AND Long Jump.

WHERE: School Oval

PLEASE NOTE: EXPERIENCE NOT REQUIRED

If you are available to help on this day, please let Kylie Broadbent know, email or leave a message in the office. All help is greatly appreciated!!

CLASS NEWS & STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

TASMANIAN WETLANDS POETRY COMPETITION

Jasmine Cooper, Bonnie Hewitt and Stella Taylor, shortlisted poets in worldwetlandsdaypoetryprize.org, were awarded prizes at Parliament House Lawns last Monday. Each spoke so clearly and answered questions confidently up on stage before reading their winning poems. Congratulations to Stella Taylor who was the state winner!

Stella's Report:

On Monday the 13th February Jasmine, Bonnie and I read out our poems at Parliament Lawn at the Wooden Boat Festival, because we were all short listed in the World Wetland Poetry Competition. Our poems were about the wetlands and what lives there. It was really fun sharing our poems with other people.



KINDERGARTEN 2017

Welcome to our new Kinders. Click [here](#) and scroll for a closer look at the photos below.





HOT SHOT TENNIS

Congratulations to the six students who represented TPS at the end of last year and early this year at the Hot Shots School Tennis Challenge at the Hobart Women's international.



Joel Terhell, Cooper Bain, Chelesa March, Jordan Sterling, Kaiki Massom, & Sam Sherlock had a fabulous time, and we thank the parents who helped to manage and support these students in this awesome tennis opportunity.

Certificates will be present to students at an assembly in the next few weeks.

Kylie Broadbent.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

WELCOME BACK BBQ: FRIDAY 24TH FEB FROM 5PM

Hello all Taroona Primary families and welcome to a brand new year. The TPSA would like to invite you all to this years Welcome back barbeque.

We are relocating the BBQ to the QUADRANGLE this year.

We feel it will be easier for you to keep an eye on and supervise your children on the oval and nearby play equipment. Please remember that your cherubs are your responsibility during the BBQ.

We are going to need some parent help to set up tables, chairs, BBQs and flags after school finishes and a few Master Chefs for the BBQ during the evening.

If you can help on the BBQ, cake stall, soft drink stall or Bar please contact Martine at martine.siltman@gmail.com.

WELCOME

BBQ, SUSHI,
COFFEE, TEA, COLD DRINKS,
CAKES AND SLICES,
ICY POLES

BBQ

5PM-7PM

TAROONA PRIMARY SCHOOL
QUADRANGLE

FRIDAY 24TH FEB 2017

TO ENSURE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON FOR ALL,
PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR KIDS AND KNOW WHERE THEY ARE PLAYING.

CLASSROOMS WILL BE OPEN FROM 4.30-5.00PM
A GREAT CHANCE TO MEET NEW PARENTS AND TEACHERS

ALL WELCOME

A Taroon Primary School Association fundraiser.
For more info please contact Martine Siltman: martine.siltman@gmail.com

TPSA SURVEY

The Taroon Primary School Association (TPSA) serves two key purposes:

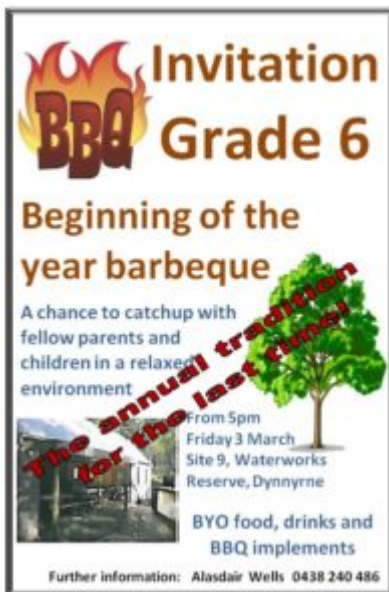
1. to raise funds and provide resources and opportunities for enriching the

- learning environment of the school, and
2. to assist in building and maintaining a sense of community within the school.

The TPSA also offers a forum for the discussion of school community issues and all members of the school community are welcome to attend meetings. We value input from the wider school community and in order to support the needs of our community, we are seeking feedback to help up guide the School Association. To that end, we have constructed a short anonymous online survey for parents to complete and would welcome as many parents and carers as possible completing it. The survey is now open and will close **on Friday 17th March, 2017**. Please click on the following link to take the survey.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TPSA2017>

Martine Siltman, TPSA Chair

GRADE 6 BBQ



SCHOOL INFORMATION

LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING (Birth - 4 years)



Click [here](#) for a calendar of events.

SENIOR SCHOOL CHOIR

In the role of a parent volunteer, I will be conducting a Grade 3-6 school choir at TPS this year. This will be run on Tuesday lunchtimes in the GP room. Students will bring their lunch to the GP room and eat together before the rehearsal starts at 11.15am.

I am very excited to see as many students as possible coming along and committing to choir, where they will learn invaluable skills in team work, singing technique and healthy vocal production, singing in harmony and performance skills, all with flow on effects to other areas of their schooling. It is widely documented how engaging in music, and in particular singing in a group environment, supports pitch recognition, social and emotional resilience and wellbeing, and literacy and numeracy development.

If your child has not already filled out a Choir Form, please collect one from the office.

Andrea Smith

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open on Tuesdays between 2:45 and 3:15. It is under the staffroom, and accessed via the playground near the quadrangle. If you can't make this time, then place an order at the office for collection the following Wednesday morning. Please note that we do have a second hand section. If you would like to donate goods (in good condition only please) then we will sell them and proceeds will go to the school association for the benefit of the school.

SCHOOL BANKING



School Banking will return on Thursday 23rd February

To participate your child will need a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. Bank books are due to the office by 9.30am each Thursday please. From 2017, Youthsaver accounts can be opened online by parents who bank with CommBank, as well as those who don't. Accounts can be opened from a mobile, tablet or desktop device so parents will have the flexibility of opening the account from home at their own leisure. For all new accounts opened online where they have selected to participate in School Banking, a School Banking welcome pack will be mailed to their home address, including their Dollarmites deposit wallet and book.

Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open the Youthsaver account.

Or In branch

Visit any Commonwealth Bank branch and our friendly staff will assist. Parents will need to bring along identification for themselves and their child, like their Driver licence and their child's birth certificate.

BOOK CLUB



Orders can be made online or by completing the form and placing in the Book

Club box in the office. The first order is due no later than Monday 27th February.

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 8.30am to 8.55am
- Car park & bus area 2.50pm to 3.05pm

Free workshop for
parents & carers of
young people on the
autism spectrum!

Hobart

28 February 2017

Register your place:

positivepartnerships.com.au

 positive partnerships

Click [here](#) for registration information

Click [here](#) for a copy of the brochure

SUSHI ORDERS

When placing an order, please have the **correct change**. Please place this in an envelope with your child's name, their order and class clearly written on the front. We cannot give change and the office does not carry a lot of cash.

SUSHI - \$3.50 each

INARI - \$2.50 each

Orders must be placed in the box at the office no later than Wednesday morning.



[COMMUNITY NEWS](#) - click to open Community News