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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Families,

The TPSA Welcome BBQ last Friday evening was a wonderful community event. Thank you to Martine Siltman and her amazing group of parent volunteers who coordinated the set up, purchase and delivery of BBQ goods, cakes and sushi, manned stalls, as well as assisted with the clean up at the end! It was a fantastic team effort that was enjoyed by many families within our community.

This week Year 6 students have had a number of opportunities to shine. With our Daily Fitness program in full swing, I have observed confident and organised leaders, working collaboratively and creatively with their groups; an excellent start.

On Tuesday, Mr Poynter accompanied fourteen Year 6 students to Kingborough Twin Ovals to participate in the T20 Blast Cricket (Boys and Girls) Program. Our students were wonderful ambassadors for our school. They participated fully and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and skills throughout their events.

Also on Tuesday, two Year 6 Student Representative Council members, Cate Watchorn and Floyd Taylor, attended the GRIP Student Leadership conference at the Hotel Grand Chancellor, accompanied by Mrs Hilary Purdie (SRC Coordinator). The GRIP conference concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as school leaders and key messages from this training will be shared with other SRC members as the council begins its activities for 2017 this week.

Today's Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival also provided an opportunity for our newly elected 2017 House Captains to demonstrate all of our school values, particularly collaboration, respect and resilience. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding leadership throughout today's event:

Waratah

Sarah Jameson & Charlie Wilkinson (Captains) / Floyd Taylor & Laura Scott (Vice-captains)

Melaleuca

Cate Watchorn & Jake Voss (Captains) / Isabella Pisano & Nick Harpur (Vice-captains)

Acacia

Ruby Batchelor & Nick Harnwell (Captains) / Eloise Kidd & Max Johnstone (Vice-captains)

I would also like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to Mrs Kylie Broadbent, for her thorough organisation of today's carnival, and to the teachers and many parent, community and student helpers, including the Tarooma High School leaders and Deb and Rob from Little Athletics whose contributions today made the event run so smoothly.

Best wishes

Danielle Bresnehan, Principal

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

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

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

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

On **Monday 6th March** our school is again participating in the national event, Clean Up Australia Day. This is a long running event aimed at developing awareness of the impact of litter on our environment and empowering members of the community to take action to reduce it. If possible, please send your child to school with a glove (or two) on Monday to assist with our clean up efforts.

ZONES OF REGULATION STRATEGIES

In the past two newsletters we have introduced The 'Zones of Regulation': a framework to teach self-regulation by categorizing all the different ways we feel, and the states of alertness we experience, into four concrete zones: **red**, **yellow**,

green and **blue**. The framework also provides a common language for us to use when describing the different ways we feel when in a particular zone. Here are some phrases that you might hear at home as a result of this learning:

Blue Zone:

- Down in the dumps
- Downhearted
- Why the long face?
- Feeling blue
- Under the weather

Green Zone:

- On top of the world
- Cool as a cucumber
- Pleased as punch
- I'm cool
- I'm down with that

Yellow Zone:

- Wound up
- At my wit's end
- Butterflies in my stomach
- Cause a stir
- Ants in your pants

Red Zone:

- Lost my cool
- Go to pieces
- Beside yourself
- Come apart at the seams
- Go bananas
- Thrilled to bits
- Jumping for joy

For more information go to: <http://zonesofregulation.com/index.html>

THE GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Tuesday the 28 February we went to the GRIP leadership conference and learnt about the responsibility of being a leader and how to make your ideas happen. We learnt about different strengths and weaknesses that people have by playing fun games. At the end of the day we learnt about taking action by doing an acrostic poem about **ACTION**.



- **A** - agree on an idea
- **C** - create a proposal
- **T** - talk widely
- **I** - identify tasks
- **O** - organise roles
- **N** - navigate challenges.

By Floyd & Cate, Grade 6 students.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Plant Science in Prep P

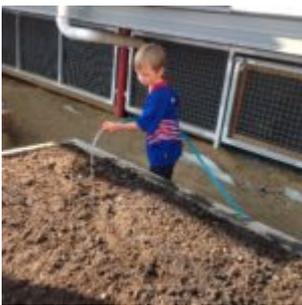
In Prep P we have learning about how plants grow and what they need to grow.

We looked inside a seed with a microscope and saw that it had three parts: a seed coat, an embryo (the baby plant inside) and some food.

We have planted some vegetables seeds in pots in our greenhouse. There is beetroot, Chinese cabbage and Fireball radishes.

We dug some manure and mushroom compost into the soil in our garden bed to make it healthy, ready to put our seedlings in soon.

Our class is also having lots of fun playing in the Garden Shop.



click on each image to enlarge.

Three Weeks in 3P

The past few weeks have whizzed by as we have got to know each other. Click on the link to our padlet below which shows a few of the things we have been up to from singing, games and excursions with 3H to writing about our beautiful river.

[Three Weeks in 3P](#)

CONCERT BAND PROGRAM (YEAR 5-6 STUDENTS)

Auditions will take place at Tarooma High School on Tuesday 7th March, with the ensemble starting lessons on Tuesday 14th March.

INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE

LEVIES

All families should have received an invoice for levies via mail. If you have not received your invoice please contact the school office where a copy can be printed for you. Levies are due for payment by the end of term 1, Wednesday 12 April. If you are experiencing difficulties with payment by the due date please contact Bianca Long our School Business Manager.

Payment options:

- Bpay (school invoice)
- Service Tasmania (School invoice)
- Eftpos facility available
- Credit card over the phone 6227 8325
- Cheque payable to Tarooma Primary School
- Cash

If your circumstances have changed, Student Assistance Scheme forms are available from the office.

FORMS

- Student Validation Forms
- Special Data Collection Forms
- Major Excursion Consent and Medical Information Form - Off Campus Excursions
- Annual Consent form for Aquatic (water-based) Activities

Student Validation Forms have been distributed to families. These forms should have been returned to school by today, however if you have not already returned them, please return first thing Monday 6th March. It is important that we have the most up-to-date emergency contact details for each child. It is also necessary for us to have the "Permissions" section signed and dated every year. All

validation forms must be signed and returned to school, even if there are no changes to be made. **Without this updated information students cannot leave the school for any excursions.**

VOLUNTEERING

A reminder to parents/grandparents and carers who volunteer in our school that you must have a current Working with Vulnerable People Card. When applying for the card please remember to “attach yourself” to Tarooma Primary School by choosing Department of Education from the organisation drop-down box and then select Tarooma Primary from the location drop-down box. For more information follow the link below. The cost is \$18.36 and the card is valid for 3 years. At Tarooma Primary School we appreciate and value the support parents/carers continually give us.

http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

TPSA SURVEY

The Tarooma 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

SCHOOL INFORMATION



SUSHI NEWS

Thank you to the Taroona Primary families for your ongoing support of Friday Sushi! Just a couple of updates for families.

From next week (starting Monday 6th March) we will have some new fillings available these will be: Still at the price of \$3.50 each

- Prawn: Tiger prawns, cucumber and Japanese mayo
- Californian: Crab stick, Japanese mayo, Avocado and cucumber
- Soboro Beef: Soboro beef & Japanese mayo

Just a reminder when you place an order please write your child's name, class (using their year and the first letter of the their teacher's last name - ie. 2PY, or 1N), and the amount enclosed clearly the envelope. For Example, Jo Moore, Prep S, 1 x Avocado, \$3.50. Please ensure correct money is enclosed. Also please don't use foreign coins for payment as they can not be banked.

**** Volunteers needed to help pack sushi on Friday morning between 9 - 11am. If you are able to help with this please contact the office - 6227 8325.**

LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING (Birth - 4 years)



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

Click [here](#) for LiL Bonorong Excursion Information, Thursday 9th March

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 started 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.

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 CREEK PLAYGROUND & OVAL) 8.30am to 8.55am
- Car park & bus area 2.50pm to 3.05pm

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.

