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PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Families,

Today we had our first Celebration of Learning Assembly for 2017. We were thoroughly entertained by the Junior Rhythm Ensemble and then enjoyed wonderful presentations by Grade 1 Wilson, Grade 4-5 Graham-Smith and Grade 6 Gilmour Dorney. Congratulations to Prep Pullen (ECE) and Gr 3 Hicks (Primary) for their Most Respectful Class awards. The assembly also provided us with the opportunity to celebrate those students who have been consistently demonstrating one or more of our school values during this first part of the year. Congratulations to the following students who were presented with **Taroona Awards** today:

- Resilience - Norah Nikolajew, Beth Henderson, Stella Bell, Charlie Crawford
- Respect - Nicholas Murphy, Arran Robertson, Angus Miles, Archie Voss, Jye Rees
- Creativity - Archie Reid, Tom Lane, Isabella Pisano
- Excellence - Madeline Hardie, Eva Thomas, Miles Bacic, Romy Cameron, Xavier Schmidt, Bonnie Hewitt, Nick Harnwell, Miesha Tyley, Joshua Douglas
- Collaboration & Respect - Ruby Andrews
- Creativity & Collaboration - Isaac Forwood, Lillian Coombes
- All Values - Max Rapley, Hannah Gorisch, Louis Cromer, Isla Cameron

Following our Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival last Friday, the **TPS Interschool Team** has been selected. Congratulations to the following students who will participate in this event on Tuesday 21st March.

Year 3: Nelankia Jayatunge, Felicity Yarrow, June Bacic, Claudia Todd, Hannah Graham-Smith, Bella Isles, Neve Johnston, Charlie Groves, Evan Holbrook, Daniel McKinley, Archie Voss, Daniel Kelly, Izak Sterling, Douglas Hemer, Louis Newstead.

Year 4: Neve Hagan, Holly Esposito, Lucy Thurston-Regan, Madeleine Wapstra, Jemma Voss, Stella Taylor, Georgie Parnham, Hugo Wilkinson, Ben Brown, Marley Fitzpatrick, Kaiki Massom, Lueca Thomson, Joshua Douglas, Nathaniel Oakley.

Year 5: Esther Graham-Smith, Isabella Pearshouse, Sophie Esposito, Amelie Eaves, Ruby Jacobson, D'Arcy Clifton, Giselle Macdonald, Xavier Murray, Zac Kelly, Max Di Benedetto, Oliver Murphy, Max Greenwood, Arlo Milne, Moreton Fitzgibbon, Xavier Mulcahy.

Year 6: Ruby Batchelor, Alanah Boxall-Stewart, Caitlyn Wells, Callisto Pratten, Cate Watchorn, Laura Scott, Olivia Lawless, Nick Harnwell, Jordan Sterling, Cooper Bain, Charlie Wilkinson, Max Johnstone, Jules Murray, Jezreel Stankovic, Troy Bowden, Owen Hanlon.

At Monday night's TPSA meeting I discussed the teaching team's decision not to have a School Production this year. I understand that this news will be disappointing to many students and families, particularly as we have been fortunate to run this as an annual event over the past 5 years. I also appreciate the interest, passion and excitement that a School Production brings to the community, as reflected by the number of emails and comments I have received. However, a successful Production takes an enormous amount of time, energy and planning on behalf of the Director, Producer & team of teachers and volunteers, well in advance of the current school year. Therefore, this year we have decided to spend time in the latter half of 2017 working with the team to plan for a School Production in 2018.

Prep to Year 6 Teachers are currently finalising **Primary Progress Reports**. This report provides a brief overview of how your children have settled into class routines and gives a rating for attitude, effort and behaviour across 14 markers. Reports will be sent home next **Friday, 17th March**.

Communication between home and school is very important to us and we value the information parents share with us so that we are prepared to support children each day and during changing circumstances. Whilst quick information sharing before school is often required, making an appointment with your child's teacher before or after school will enable longer discussions and the focused attention such conversations require.

Prep - Year 2 parents, please remember the **ECE Athletics Carnival is on this**

Tuesday 14th March from 1-2.30pm. I do hope you can join us on the oval for this fun-filled event.

Best wishes

Danielle Bresnehan, Principal

[KEY DATES 2017](#) - click to open the Calendar of events *****Please note: Monday 13th March is a public holiday = no school**

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

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

TAROONA PRIMARY SCHOOL GRADE 3-6 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL - FRIDAY 3 MARCH

What a truly fabulous day. We could not have asked for better weather. Student's participation was extremely positive, the most exciting and most rewarding moment for myself on Friday was to look around to see so many students participating in each event and having fun all at once!

The parent support was amazing. Thank you to all parents who volunteered to help out with recording, places and marshalling on the day.

Thank you to the 11 Taroom High students who were exceptional at helping to run our field and novelty events on the day.

Thank you to Kingborough Little Athletics Centre for hiring the timing gates to our school. Many thanks to Laurence, Ron and Michelle who helped on the day and the lead up to our event, your assistance was invaluable.

Thank you to Jack Lloyd-Parker a Year 6 student, who in between his events ran around taking photos of all students to celebrate later. These photos are now on our photo drive at school.

Lastly thank you to the teachers who worked tirelessly all day to give students such a wonderful day.

Kylie Broadbent.



CLASSROOM NEWS

Prep Sattler

Each week we have a letter/sound focus and do lots of activities to reinforce those, including handwriting, literacy, Mathematics and art activities. We also have a password to say as we enter and exit our doors, which also starts with that letter.

Last week our letter focus was li. We tried to write our names and draw an iguana in ink using a nib. We thought it was very difficult, and it was very messy! Lots of ink was spilled and got all over our hands! Some of our lovely drawings are here for you to see.

We also made icecream cones and the icecream scoops were made using our handprints. The most popular was chocolate. It was another very messy job! We

wished we could eat them, but they were made of paint! Some of our pictures are here for you to see.

Please click on images below.



ZONES OF REGULATION

I have enjoyed many conversations with parents and family members over the past few weeks about our whole of school Zones of Regulation framework and how these ideas are starting to be used in homes across Tarooma! What is really interesting (and exciting) is that parents are seeing their children trying out strategies at home to self-regulate. You might like to try out some of these calming techniques yourself!

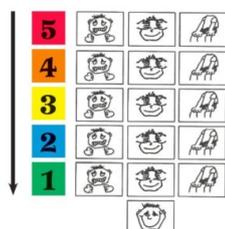


6 Sides of Breathing - Start on the star. Trace with your finger the side of the hexagon as you take a deep breath in, feeling your shoulders rise as the air fills you. Trace over the next side as you hold your breath for a moment. Slowly breathe out as you trace over the next side. Continue around the hexagon until you feel calm and relaxed.



Lazy 8 Breathing - Trace the Lazy 8 with your finger starting at the star and take

a deep breath in. As you cross over to the other side of the Lazy 8, slowly let your breath out. Continue breathing around the Lazy 8 until you have a calm body and mind.



My Calming Sequence Visual - Squeeze your hands together; close your eyes and rub your head; then rub your legs. Repeat the sequence five times, bringing your stress down.

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

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 Taroona 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 immediately. 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



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



SUSHI NEWS

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

We have some new fillings available - 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.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Hats

Slouch hats (all sizes) are back in stock.

Spare hat cords are now also available.(\$1.50)

Second hand

Thank you for all the donations, the second hand rack is looking a lot healthier. Come and have a browse!

Jumpers

As the mornings start feeling fresher, it's a reminder that the cooler weather is on its way. We have 3 choices of jumpers to go over the polo tops.

	<p>We have a light windcheater. This is especially popular with the younger children, but due to popular demand we have also re-introduced limited stock of the larger sizes. The remaining stock with the white logo is going out a crazy \$20. Windcheaters with the new red, white and blue logo range from \$28-\$30, depending on the size.</p>
	<p>This is the popular zip up polar fleece jumper. Prices range from \$45 - \$50 depending on the size.</p>
	<p>This is the ultimate winter weight garment, definitely our warmest jumper available. Made in Tasmania from 80% wool, these are superior to earlier cotton versions of this style. Whilst initially more expensive, they keep their appearance longer than the other styles. Prices range from \$60 - \$75 depending on the size.</p>

Cargo shorts

We are phasing out of the old cargo shorts. They are exceedingly sturdy and are going out at the bargain basement price of **\$10**. We have limited stock in sizes 4 and 6. And plenty of sizes 10, 12 and 14's. Size 8's have sold out. Grab yours before they disappear forever!

We are open Tuesdays 2:45 - 3:15, or you can place an order at the office anytime.

SCHOOL BANKING



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