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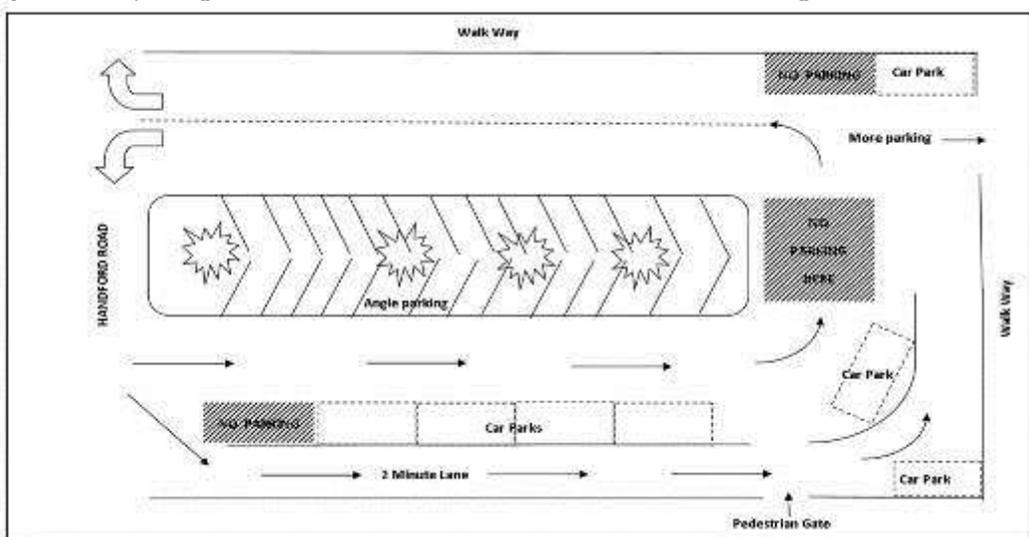
24 March 2015

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Dear Parents

As I wrote last week, the parent carpark has been causing a few problems for those using it. This is in equal part due to the number of cars entering and driver behaviour. We are, then, able to attack the problem in two ways. Firstly, we can reduce the number of cars picking up in the afternoons by encouraging our students to walk or ride, and by encouraging parents to stagger their pick up times. By 3:10pm, the carpark is mostly empty.

Secondly, we can address what drivers do once they are inside the grounds. This is the more difficult problem to solve as it requires everyone to be aware of the rules and be considerate of other drivers. The carpark is divided into two sections, one being the '2 Minute Zone' and the other, the 'park and collect' area. Those in the 2 minute zone never leave their vehicles and try to allow this lane to flow as much as possible. In general, this area works quite well. The 'park and collect' area is a bit more trouble, due mostly to drivers parking in areas that should remain clear for traffic. See the diagram below:



You will notice that there are three areas on the diagram showing no parking. These are essential for the flow to be comfortable and organised. The large square 'No Parking' area is the most important and the one most ignored. Parking here slows everything down, decreases visibility and makes the area more dangerous. The 'No Parking' area near Handford Road, allows for cars to get into the two minute zone and the third 'No Parking' area makes it easier for cars to get into the correct lane to exit. If all these areas were observed, I'm sure the car park would be much easier to navigate and much less stressful.

### Free Dress for A Former Student

Shanley McDonald was a student of ours three years ago. Sadly she was diagnosed with a brain tumour, but the good news is, it has been removed, but Shanley has a long, slow recuperation period in front of her. To help the family with the cost of this programme, this Friday will be a free dress day for Shanley. Please encourage your child to come in free dress and donate a gold coin for a very good cause.

### Running Club

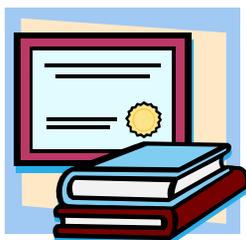
Mr Cran and Mr Martin are supervising the Running Club on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8am on the oval for students wanting to practise for cross country. Our school cross country will be held on Tuesday 21 April - the first Tuesday of Term 2. So get running!

Mark Fisher  
Principal

## Students of the Week

- Prep B** - Kai for making us a sign for our classroom reminding us to be happy  
**Prep CD** - **Antonia** for always completing her work quietly and neatly. Beautiful illustrations  
**Year 1F** - **Kayla** for writing excellent sentences for her retell of Just Jack  
**Year 1L** - **Zahli** for trying her best when writing  
**Year 1N** - **Nate** for working conscientiously in reading groups  
**Year 2HM** - **Sanjana** for a great improvement in reading  
**Year 2J** - **Nikita** for fantastic work in all subject areas  
**Year 3B** - **Joshua** for giving the cheeriest "Good Morning" replies to the roll call each day  
**Year 3JM** - **Jessica** for writing with great detail and imagination  
**Year 3M** - **Arian** for excellent behaviour and contributing to classroom discussions  
**Year 4G** - **Jordan** for always being there with a response and insightful comment during Maths  
**Year 4S** - **Ben** and **Hunter** for outstanding work in history learning about convicts  
**Year 5C** - **Braydan** for a positive and friendly attitude to his peers  
**Year 5WI** - **Ben** for great participation in class discussions by giving well thought out responses and for always working hard  
**Year 5/6P** **Shivani** for always working hard and giving 100% effort in every lesson  
**Year 6S** - **Kurt** for trying hard to sit and do his work and being the most fantastic helper.

## BOOK AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their bookwork on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015

- 1F - Otis-Dean
- 1L - Faith
- 1N - Sarah
- 2HM - Gianni
- 2J - Tameika
- 3B - Riley
- 3JM - Andrie
- 3M - Richard
- 4G - Stacey
- 4S - Saiful
- 5C - Jada
- 5WI - Hope
- 5/6P - Ariet
- 6S - Hayley

## FROM THE OFFICE

### LOST PROPERTY

There are a large number of unclaimed items in Lost Property. If your child has misplaced any item during the year could you please encourage them to have a look as all unnamed items will be donated to a charity at the end of each term.

## **ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**



If your child is absent from school due to ill health or other reasons, please phone the Absence Line on 3632 9866, or alternatively, send an email to [admin@taigumss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@taigumss.eq.edu.au) or a note to your child's class teacher.

For auditing purposes all student absences must be explained.

## **SCHOOL SWIMMING**



Please remember all students must wear a swimming cap and rash vest so please remember to pack these items along with your child's togs and towel.

Only those students with an illness substantiated by a letter from their parent or a medical certificate will be excused from swimming lessons.

Class swimming lessons for your child are held on either Monday or Tuesday. Please ensure they have packed their swimming items as the office will no longer be making phone calls home for these items.

## **PERSONAL DETAILS UPDATE**

If you have recently changed your address, contact phone number or emergency contacts, please complete a form at the office to update your details.

## **FROM THE TUCKSHOP**

### **NEW OPENING TIMES**

***Tuesday – first break only***

***Friday – both lunch breaks***

Commencing this week, Tuckshop will be open on Tuesday – First break only, and Friday – both lunch breaks. Our tuckshop menu can be found on the Taigum SS website or you can collect a copy from the office.

If tuckshop is to continue to provide this extra service, we will need to ensure there is enough interest from our students, and enough parent volunteers to make this possible.

We are always looking for extra help so if you have some time on a Tuesday or Friday and would like to volunteer in the tuckshop, please leave your name and contact details with the office.

Many thanks,  
Lisa Virtue  
*Tuckshop Convenor*

## **FROM THE P&C**

### **EASTER RAFFLE**

Tickets have been sent home with the youngest child in each family. Please ensure all tickets sold or unsold are returned to the school by Tuesday 31st March.

Thanks and have a great week!  
Chloe Boswell  
P&C President

## **UNIFORM SHOP TIMES**

Monday to Friday mornings: 8.15am to 9.00am

## **SCHOOL PARTICIPATION OFFICERS**

### **Every Day Counts**

Is your child at school today?

*You must.*

- Enrol your child at school
- Send your child to school every day
- If your child is away from school, make sure you tell the school.



***Together let's make Everyday Count***

## **SCHOOL BANKING**



Don't forget that Wednesday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a Dollarmites token. The first token will be received upon the first deposit at school. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

What a fantastic competition the Commonwealth Bank has on offer this year to reward our most consistent School Bankers. Who wouldn't want to win a trip to California's Disneyland? School Bankers need to make at least 25 deposits into their School Banking account within the competition dates. (27/01/15-18/12/15). The prize includes return airfares, five night's accommodation, transfers and 3 days park entry for up to 2 adults and 2 children as well as AUD\$20000 spending money.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

 MARCH / APRIL 2015	
24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	After school Swimming Round 2 – Lesson 6
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	School Banking
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Walking Wheeling Wednesday
26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	After school Swimming Round 2 – Lesson 7 <b>(Final Lesson)</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Assembly – Easter Hat Parade
2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Last Day of Term 1
3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Good Friday – Public Holiday
20 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Term 2 commences

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### ZILLMERE LIBRARY – HOMEWORK HELP



Zillmere library is now able to host homework help on a Thursday as well as our usual Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:45pm.

We currently have students from St Pats and St Rita college who are helping us to deliver this service.

We are also hosting some fun events for school holidays and we still have plenty of spaces for the following programs.

- Nadia Sunde – The Treasure of Captain Curlylocks Friday 10th April (No bookings required)
- Create your own Manga Monster 7th April (bookings required)
- Spy Secrets – 14th April Bev is running (bookings)
- Billie B Brown – 8th April Suzette is running (bookings)
- Maker Space- crafty fun-Tuesday 14th - Friday 17th April

For further information on any of the above programs please contact Brad Rampton at Zillmere Library on 3403 1455.

### RANGATAHI KOHANGA

Rangatahi Kohanga is for any young person aged from 11 to 17 years old who wants to learn Maori culture, language, dance and song as well as learn about mental health, healthy & active lifestyles, sexual health, positive relationships, drugs and alcohol, spirituality, leadership and loads of other topics. in a maori environment.

Rangatahi Kohanga meets every Friday evening from 6pm to 8.30pm at Te Kohanga ote whenua hou Community where: 60 - 62 Delaware St, Geebung

Dinner is served at 5.15pm

Cost is \$3 per young person & Healthy kai supplied

Call 0431 171 041 for more info

## TAIGUM TINY TIGERS PLAYGROUP

### **What We Do:**

At Taigum Tiny Tigers Playgroup we cater for children from birth to 5yrs old, and offer a safe and fun environment for little ones and their parents / carers to come and spend a couple hours each week.

We organise a range of fun activities for the children that include: Story Time, Arts & Crafts as well as Imaginative Play!

Coffee and tea is provided for the adults and we encourage everyone to bring something to share for Morning Tea.

For the grown-ups Playgroup is a great way to meet fellow parents / carers. It's a chance to enjoy a cup of tea and have a chat, whilst at the same time participating in the activities with the children!

### **When and Where:**

Taigum Tiny Tigers meets on Tuesdays from 9am – 11am

Commencing on Tuesday 10th February 2015.

We are located at Taigum State School (Room 9 – next to the Tuckshop)  
266 Handford Road, Taigum 4018

For any further information please contact Chloe Boswell on: 3632 9888.

We Look Forward To Seeing You There!!

## CRAIGSLEA STATE HIGH SCHOOL – OPEN DAY

On Sunday, 3 May, Craigslea State High School will present our Open Day for interested parents, carers, prospective students and friends wishing to view our range of resources and programs. This is an opportunity to meet students and staff and to take a tour of the school. This occasion will commence in the school hall at 1.30pm.

For further details please see the flyer below.



**Open Day 2015** Craigslea State High School  
...Striving for Excellence...

**Sunday 3 May**  
**1.30 - 4.00pm**

Academic Excellence  
Traditional Values  
Excellence Programs:  
Science Music Volleyball

1.30 pm - Meet the Staff and Students  
2.00 pm - Presentation: Year 7, 2016  
2.30 pm - Tour the School  
3.00 pm - Afternoon Tea  
School Assembly Hall

For more information, please call - 3326 5222. Visit Website: [craigsleahs.qld.edu.au](http://craigsleahs.qld.edu.au) 885 Hambley Rd West Chermade Qld 4032

## SENSORY MOVIE DAYS & INCLUSIVE EVENTS

### Sensory Ten Pin Bowling – Caboolture Bowls & Indoor Golf

I have already been taking bookings for tenpin Bowling, there are still places available.

2pm Sunday 29th March 2015

\$5each Player

No back ground music and earmuffs available to borrow.

To book contact Chanelle on 0422416509 or email me names of players

Prepaid in to NAB Bank account "Sensory Movie Day"

BSB 084745 ACC 840883360 Please use TPB and your name as reference

## **Stone Age Family Day** (GET IN QUICK TAKING BOOKINGS NOW)

WHEN: Thursday 9th April 2015 First week of school holidays.

WHERE: Abbey Museum, 1-63 The Abbey Place (off Toorbul Point Rd) Caboolture

COST: 4+ \$11each, under 3 Free, Parents/Carers free.

TWO TIME SLOTS: 10am-12pm OR 1-3pm. Numbers limited

WHAT TO BRING: Hats, Sunscreen, insect repellent

LUNCH: Sausage sizzle \$2.50 or Cheese Burger \$3.50 (need to order for catering purposes) or you can bring your own lunch. "Eyes Wide Coffee" Coffee Van will be there to buy hot drinks, between Noon -1pm

ACTIVITIES: Archery, Mini Dig, making your own Clay pots & designing a Bullroarer, Giant Mammoth Puzzle, Storytelling & drumming, Craft activities (including cave painting) & Stone Age treasure Hunt and more...

RSVP: Numbers are limited. Priority will be given to those that prepay first. NAB Sensory Movie Day BSB 084745 ACC 840883360 Please put your name and SSAE as reference Ph. Chanelle 0422 416 509 or email sensorymovieday@hotmail.com

## **Pine Valley Train Day** (GET IN QUICK TAKING BOOKINGS NOW)

Last year we ran the Pine Valley Train Day and it was booked out within 24hours. This year we are giving priority to those that prepay first. The Pine Valley Train Club are a private club. The Club own their land and have an amazing train track, with tunnels and bridges, one of our members timed it and the train ride went for 23mins. This was one of our most memorable days. Some of the children also got the opportunity to ride their own train.

Wednesday 15th April '15 Two sessions 10.30am—12pm or 1—2.30pm.

Pine Valley Railway, Warner. This is invitation only so once booked and paid we can give you the address \$10 each person for unlimited train rides, a sausage sizzle and drink. Parents/Carers have to ride with your child. Sausage sizzle will be served between 11.30 & 12.30. Then there will be a half hour break for the train drivers before the next group.

It is a strict rule that all people attending the day need to be in covered shoes. No one is allowed on the trains without covered shoes. Long jeans or pants or shorts are better for the rides then skirts and dresses.

Hat, Sunscreen, insect repellent and water. There is a canteen that sells drinks, tea and coffee. The toilets have disability access.

RSVP: Numbers are limited. Priority will be given to those that prepay first. NAB Sensory Movie Day BSB 084745 ACC 840883360 Please put your name and STFD as reference Ph. Chanelle 0422 416 509 or email sensorymovieday@hotmail.com

## **FITNESS AND DANCE**

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[www.fadcheeranddance.com.au](http://www.fadcheeranddance.com.au)

## SURFERS PARADISE FESTIVAL

Coming up shortly in Surfers Paradise is their sixth annual Surfers Paradise Festival! It's a favourite time of the year when they celebrate the fun-loving, care-free buzz of Surfers Paradise with loads of FREE family fun! This year's festival features food, art, music, and entertainment in the precinct, with an action-packed program guaranteed to suit the whole family. Returning to the festival will be some of our Festival favourites – The Australian Street Entertainment Championships, SIPFest short film festival, and the ever-popular Seafire Fireworks Challenge, plus a new addition – the Festival Pavilion.

For more information, visit our website <http://www.surfersparadise.com/whats-on/free-events/surfers-paradise-festival>



The poster features a vibrant, multi-colored background with a diamond pattern. At the top, the text reads "SURFERS PARADISE FESTIVAL" in large, bold, blue letters, with "FREE" in a white circle to the right. Below this, it says "3 - 18 APRIL 2015" and "SURFERSPARADISE.COM". The central image is a close-up of a person's face wearing a purple top hat and a colorful feathered headpiece. The person has bright blue eyes and colorful makeup. At the bottom, there are logos for sponsors: "SURFERS PARADISE GOLDCOAST.", "paradise centre", "mantra", "102.9", and "SIPFEST".



A blue rectangular banner with white text that reads "JOIN US ON facebook". Below the banner is a small logo for "TAIGUMSS" and the URL <http://www.facebook.com/taigumss>.