

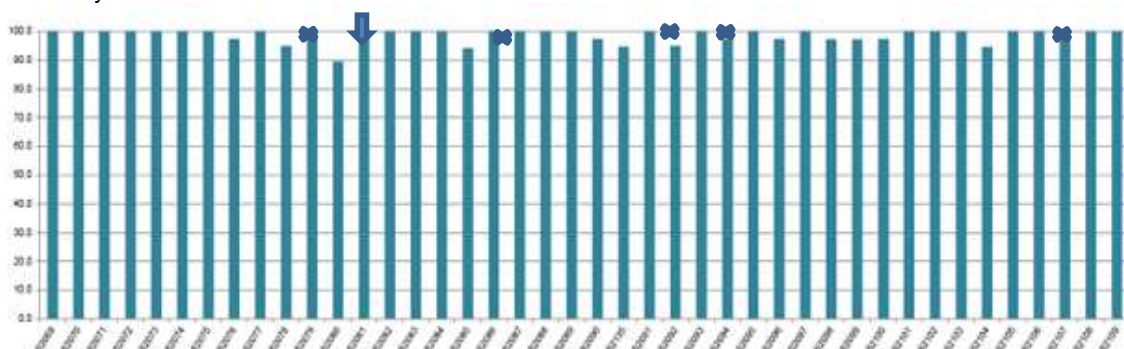
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15 November 2016

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Dear Parents

I complete the trifecta of Opinion Surveys on this issue. Two weeks ago, I showed the graph of the Parent information, last week it was the Student Survey, and this week we finish with the Staff Opinion Survey summary.



## Students of the Week

- Prep B** - **Hamish** for working hard during Daily 5  
**Prep CD** - **Amaan** for an outstanding effort to get started straight away on his work  
**Prep H** - **Setu** for settling into Prep H  
**Year 1L** - **Derek** for a great first week at Taigum State School  
**Year 1N** - **Mason** for being an enthusiastic learner  
**Year 2C** - **Jajji** for becoming more independent and completing tasks on her own  
**Year 2H** - **Faith** for a super effort with all her school work  
**Year 2J** - **Maria** for great improvements in Reading and Spelling  
**Year 3B** - **Saiya** for always doing the right thing in class, and treating others fairly and with kindness  
**Year 3M** - **Yasmin** for a fantastic effort shown throughout her technology project  
**Year 4G** - **Dennise** for giving 100% in everything she does  
**Year 4S** - **Deslyn** for completing homework to the best of her ability  
**Year 4TK** - **Tiana** for working independently in her Math work in 4TK classroom  
**Year 5P** - **Tom** for always working hard and having a positive attitude  
**Year 5WI** - **Shikayla** for making good word choices in her writing  
**Year 6C** - **Daesharn** for applying himself in Mathematics to be more actively involved  
**Year 6N** - **Kevin** for creating an effective persuasive text during English  
**LOTE** - **Jada** for excellent results in this terms written test. Ausgezeichnet!  
**EALD** - **Reseira** for great contributions in all of her English speaking, reading and writing tasks

## BOOK AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their bookwork on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016

- 1L - Michael
- 1N - George
- 2C - Harun
- 2H - Damien
- 2J - Aarnab
- 3B - Erem
- 3M - Tawera
- 4G - Ashlee
- 4S - Matthew
- 4TK - Charlotte
- 5P - Kyesha
- 5WI - Ryan
- 6C - Tayah
- 6N - Olivia

## FROM THE OFFICE

### ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL



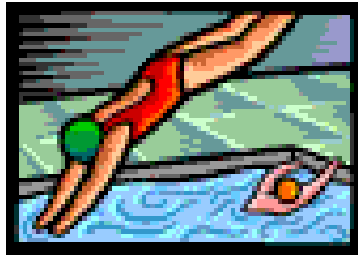
If your child is absent from school due to ill health or other reasons, please phone the Absence Line on 3632 9866, or alternatively, send an email to [admin@taigumss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@taigumss.eq.edu.au) or a note to your child's class teacher.

For auditing purposes all student absences must be explained.

## PERSONAL DETAILS UPDATE

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

## SWIM CARNIVAL DATES



Please note the following changes to our swimming carnival dates:

**Prep Carnival: Friday 25 November (9:15– 11:00am)**

**Junior Carnival (Years 1 – 3): Thursday 24 November**

**Senior Carnival (Years 4 – 6): Thursday 1 December**

# TAIGUM STATE SCHOOL Junior SWIM CARNIVAL 2016

### **Year 1-3 Junior Swimming Carnival**

Parents/Friends the Year 1-3 Junior Swimming Carnival will be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November and you are invited to come along and cheer for your child and see them compete at this fun and exciting event. The format for this Year's Junior Swim Carnival is attached below for your information. The emphasis for this Carnival is placed on participation and fun as our students are exposed to competitive swimming. Every child who swims will be rewarded for their efforts with students achieving a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place being rewarded with extra points for their House. Parents please note that children will not have the opportunity to swim in every event on the day however they will swim in at least 2 individual races as well as a relay race. The events that the students will swim in will reflect some of the work our students have been undertaking during their swimming lessons this term.

We look forward to seeing you at the Junior Carnival and helping us cheer on our young swimmers.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

### **Program**

9.45-11.00am Year 3 Session

11.00-11.30am Lunch

11.30-12.45pm Year 2 Session

1.00-1.45pm Lunch

1.45-3.00pm Year 1 Session

## **2017 BOOKLISTS**

2017 Booklists have been sent home with each student. If you wish to order your pack for collection from the school, please return your order with payment to the office by Friday 25 November 2015.

Packs will be available for collection from the school between Tuesday 17th and Friday 20th January 2017.

## **PREP – YEAR 6 ENROLMENTS – 2017**

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012 are eligible for enrolment in Prep in 2017

If you have a child, or know a family living in our catchment area that have a child eligible for enrolment in Prep - Year 6 in 2017, could you please ensure that an enrolment form is completed and submitted to the school's administration office as early as possible.

To best support our staffing allocation for next year it is important that we have the correct number of students intending to attend Taigum State School enrolled.

## **FROM THE CHAPLAIN**

The Salvation Army wants to help families in our community have a great Christmas! If you're struggling financially, The Salvos can help with Christmas presents and food! Ring the Salvation Army at Taigum on 3865 1088 for more details or come down on Wednesday November 16th, between 10am and 12noon for an interview. The Salvation Army at Taigum is on the corner of Handford and Roghan Rds.

SU Qld run some great Christian camps during the school holidays. SchoolzOut camp is just for grade 6's and it runs the week after school finishes in December. Father/Son Gents camp is for boys in grade 5-9 and their dads and is happening Jan 6-10. To register and see even more camps go to [www.suqld.org.au/camps](http://www.suqld.org.au/camps)

Have a good one!  
Steve Unicomb

## **SCHOOL PARTICIPATION OFFICERS**

### **Every Day Counts**



School absenteeism can impact significantly on students' learning and wellbeing.

Research shows that higher student attendance is associated with higher student achievement.

Additionally, attending school every day helps children to build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.

Schools monitor attendance of students and follow up with parents and caregivers any unexplained absences.

If your child does not want to go to school, or is missing too much school, please contact the school for assistance and support.

*Children do better when they go to school all day, every day*

*They learn better*

*They make friends*

*They are happier*

*They have a brighter future*

***Together let's make Every Day Count***

**If you want your child to be successful at school then YES, attendance does matter**

## FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

### Performing Arts News

Thank you to all the band children who did a fantastic job on Friday's assembly. You inspired lots of students for next year.

I have given all children interested in learning an instrument a form to take home this week. We would like to offer places to current year 3 and 4 students (year 4, 2017) first as they will hopefully be playing for the next few years. Other students will also get the opportunity to try out as long as we have enough instruments. Please return your interest form by **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November** so Mr Lincoln can "match" children to instruments.

The choir will be performing this Friday on Assembly (18<sup>th</sup> November) and will be a practice performance for the following week when they go on tour and have an end of year celebration. The choir children will get a permission letter to take home today. **If you haven't already done so, please return your permission slip by Friday.**

Have you marked our Annual Christmas Carols in your calendar yet? This is a fantastic end of year celebration where all year levels have the opportunity to perform for you. All clubs will also be performing on that night. So, remember to come along to rehearsals.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Before school	Instrumental Band (any student learning an instrument)			
1 <sup>st</sup> break	Keyboard Club (5 - 6)	School Choir (1 - 6)	Guitar Club (4 - 6)	Recorder Ensemble (4 - 6)
2 <sup>nd</sup> break		Drum Club (5 - 6)	Art Club (1 - 6)	

Looking forward to finishing the year on a high note.

Andrea Mackay  
Music Specialist

## FROM THE P&C

### UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

*Monday to Thursday mornings: 8.15am to 8:45am*

The uniform shop accepts cash or EFTPOS.

### SALE ITEMS

New Skorts in all sizes are currently on sale for \$12

### CHRISTMAS HAMPER



Christmas is just around the corner!

Our P&C are now preparing to organise this year's Christmas Hamper. If your family would like to make a contribution towards the hamper, please drop your donation/goods to either the uniform shop or office.

Thank you

## McDONALDS DAY

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December the P&C will be holding a McDonalds Day to coincide with the Senior Swimming Carnival.

Orders are open for all Year Levels (Prep – Year 6), and order forms have been sent home with each child today.

If you wish your child to participate please return the completed order with correct money to the school office by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

## FROM THE STUDENT COUNCIL



Icy cups will be on sale each Wednesday. Please have your child give their order and money to the class teacher. **Still only 50 cents** so why not enjoy a cool, refreshing treat during our warmer weather while helping to support our Student Council.

## FROM THE LIBRARY



“A house without books is like a room without windows.” *Horace Mann*



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair is now open in Room 26 until 8:30am on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Hundreds of books will be available to purchase before and after school, and at first lunch break (11:10am) during this time. All purchases benefit our school.

***So come along and catch the reading bug!***

## SCHOOL BANKING



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.




## Keep saving to win a Wildlife Adventure Holiday

This year School Banking is running a wild Grand Prize competition. We're giving you the chance to win a family trip to Australia Zoo, where you'll get to meet Bindi and Robert Irwin, plus:

- Enjoy a full day Platinum Zoo Adventure Tour, where you'll get to pat wombats, cuddle koalas and feed wallabies, all while your personal photographer captures every amazing moment.
- Domestic return economy airfares to Sunshine Coast Qld, 4 nights accommodation, 5 days car hire and \$1000 spending money.

Find out more at [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

 NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2016	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Bookfair commences – Thursday 10 Nov 3:00pm and continues until Wednesday 16 Nov 8:30am
15 <sup>th</sup>	Youngstorm Program (Years 3-6)
16 <sup>th</sup>	School Banking
22 <sup>nd</sup>	PCYC Touch Football Carnival
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Choir & Music Club Performance Day
24 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Swim Carnival (Years 1-3)
25 <sup>th</sup>	Prep Swim Carnival
30 <sup>th</sup>	Carols Night – Salvation Army Hall
1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Senior Swim Carnival (Years 4-6)
1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	McDonalds Day – <b>orders due by 28 Nov</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Graduation
6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Senior Leader Excursion
7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Final Assembly – Students of the Year
8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Class Party Day
9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Last Day</b> – school resumes Mon 23 Jan

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### 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.

#### **When and Where:**

Taigum Tiny Tigers meets on Fridays from 9:30am – 11am  
We are located at Taigum State School (Room 9 – next to the Tuckshop)  
266 Handford Road, Taigum 4018  
For any further information please contact Bambi Silvertand on: 3632 9888.  
We Look Forward To Seeing You There!

## HOMWORK HELP



### ***Zillmere Library ~ Homework Help***

We would just like to remind everyone about our Homework Help program. Any students needing help with reading, writing, assignments or school work are welcome to join us in the library for this free service for primary and high school students throughout the school term.

Homework Help is available every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 -4:45pm at Zillmere Library. If any staff or parents need any more information please call us on 07 3403 1455.

### ***Kurbingui Homework Help***

The aim of Kurbingui Homework Help group is to provide tutoring, mentoring and homework help for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth in the Zillmere and surrounds local area, it is also intended to develop confidence in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people and help them socially and academically participate in school in a more meaningful way. If you require further information please contact Sio Kite on 3156 4808 or email: [bridges@kurbingui.org.au](mailto:bridges@kurbingui.org.au)

## ZILLMERE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY



Join us for

## **ZILLMERE COMMUNITY CENTRE'S**

## **Community Christmas Party**

**DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> • 1pm-5pm**

### **SANTA IS COMING...**

Children aged 0-10  
will receive a present.

\$3 per child goes towards the purchase of presents.

*Food, drinks and Christmas goodies!*

Zillmere Community Centre:  
Address: 54 Handford Rd, Zillmere QLD 4034  
Phone: (07) 3865 2880

### **RSVP**

Registration and payments to be  
made by  
Friday 9th of December





## **BRACKEN RIDGE FUTSAL GROUP**

We are trying to get a Futsal competition going in the Bracken Ridge area. If you are interested or would like more information on either of the following, please contact Christina on 0410 616 929

**Friday Night Futsal:** Mixed teen competition commences at 6:00pm followed by mixed adult social at 7:30pm. Individuals and teams welcome

**Saturday - Euro Futsal School:** Want to learn Futsal? Saturday at 10:30am, ages 3-8 and 9 and over. Learn *Attacking, Defending, One Touch, Ball Control, Coordination, Team Building, Game Tactics and more.*



**Euro FutsalSchool**

**5-A-SIDE INDOOR SOCCER  
FUTSAL SCHOOL PROGRAMS  
FOR BOYS & GIRLS, AGES 3 YEARS & UP  
SATURDAY'S – (Bracken Ridge)  
Second Venue - West End - (Sunday)**

**REGISTER NOW**

Kids of all skill levels welcome .

To Sign on or for more information.  
Contact **Maria** on 0417 755 917  
Visit –  
[www.brisbanecentralfutsal.com](http://www.brisbanecentralfutsal.com)



## **AFS INTERCULTURAL PROGRAMS AUSTRALIA**

**Would you like to be a Host Family to an AFS exchange student arriving in February?**

Are you ready to get an unforgettable experience, get to know another culture, make a lifetime friendship by adding a new member to your family from different country?

If your answer is YES, then log on to our website [www.afs.org.au/host](http://www.afs.org.au/host) and get to know our amazing students arriving in February.

We have students from a variety of different countries eagerly awaiting any kind of information regarding their future host families who will host them here in Australia for the length of their program.

If you believe you can be such host family for 5 or 11 months, then please contact the Hosting Coordinator at the AFS National Office: on 1300 131 736.

# NORTH STAR FOOTBALL CLUB – TRIAL DATES

## North Star Football Club – 2017 Trial/Training Dates and Times

Age Group	Date	Time
Under 13s Div	8 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	15 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	22 <sup>nd</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	29 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Under 14s Div	9 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	16 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	23 <sup>rd</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	30 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Under 15s SYL Trials	10 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	17 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	24 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	1 <sup>st</sup> December	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Under 15s Div	10 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	17 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	24 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	1 <sup>st</sup> December	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Under 16s Div	10 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	17 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	24 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	1 <sup>st</sup> December	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Under 12s Div	8 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	15 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	22 <sup>nd</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
	29 <sup>th</sup> November	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Under 9 Komodo Dragons (Academy)	19 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	9:00am – 10:30am
	26 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am – 10:30am
	3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9:00am – 10:30am
	10 <sup>th</sup> December	9:00am – 10:30am

Age Group	Date	Time
Under 10 Komodo Dragons (Academy)	19 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	9:00am – 10:30am
	26 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am – 10:30am
	3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9:00am – 10:30am
	10 <sup>th</sup> December	9:00am – 10:30am
Under 11 Komodo Dragons (Academy)	19 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	11:00am – 12:30pm
	26 <sup>th</sup> November	11:00am – 12:30pm
	3 <sup>rd</sup> December	11:00am – 12:30pm
	10 <sup>th</sup> December	11:00am – 12:30pm
Under 6s, 7s, 8s – Free training sessions	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	9:30am – 11:30am
	20 <sup>th</sup> November	9:30am – 11:30am
	27 <sup>th</sup> November	9:30am – 11:30am
	4 <sup>th</sup> December	9:30am – 11:30am
	11 <sup>th</sup> December	9:30am – 11:30am
Girls Development Under 12s –16s	Every Monday	5:30pm – 6:30pm
	10 <sup>th</sup> October – 12 <sup>th</sup> December	
Women's Development Training	Every Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November – 7 <sup>th</sup> December	6:30pm – 8:00pm
For any enquiries, please contact <a href="mailto:bradnorthstar@outlook.com">bradnorthstar@outlook.com</a>		
		

## WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL – ORIENTATION DAY



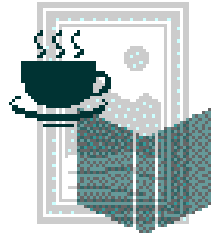
**WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL**  
*Orientation Day for students  
 in Year 7 2017*  
**Monday 5 December 2016**  
**Assembly Hall**  
**Telopia Avenue, Wavell Heights**  
**8:30am for 8:45am start**  
**3:00pm finish**  
**(Morning Tea provided for parents at 10:00am)**

**Students to bring/wear:**  
 Primary School Uniform  
 Notepad & pens  
 Morning Tea & Lunch

**Combined Shop Hours – Monday 5 December**  
 Stationery & Clothing      1:00pm – 5:30pm  
 (Pre-purchase your requirements prior to Orientation Day.  
 Shop opens Monday – Thursday 8:15am – 11:15am)

**Applications still welcome.**  
**Enrolment Enquiries: Contact : Sandra Lock**  
**Enrolment Officer on 3350 0328**

## FITZGIBBON COMMUNITY CENTRE – FAMILY EVENT



Sandbag's Unplugged Café comes to the Fitzgibbon Community Centre

**When:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016

**Time:** 5:30pm – 8:00pm

**Where:** Fitzgibbon Community Centre, 545 Roghan Rd, Fitzgibbon

Bring a picnic, enjoy the music with family and friends, get to know people in your local area, their culture & traditions.

### **\*Alcohol Free Event**

Food & Refreshments available for purchase. Lions Club BBQ & Vegetarian options

Free: Musical Entertainment & Face Painting

For more information call SANDBAG on 3869 3244

## BAREFOOT NATURE PLAY – HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



creatIng URBaN oPportunities For NatURal gRowth

Get the kids out of the house, away from their screens and into the great outdoors these school holidays with Barefoot Nature Play.

We provide a great outdoor location and lots and lots of stuff (eg: pallets, pvc pipes, cardboard, paint, old chairs, tyres and lots more) and the children make the fun... creating, exploring, building, imagining and playing. Barefoot Nature Play provides a unique opportunity for 'city kids' to develop a play space that is truly their own. Each day at Barefoot is guaranteed to be different from the last and even the most indoorsy child can't help but have a blast at Barefoot.

Whether it's hot, cold, sunny, rainy or windy we are outside playing, creating, exploring and having fun. Children can come for a morning, an afternoon, a single day, a few days or the full five days.

Book now for the summer holidays. Register online at [www.barefootnatureplay.com.au](http://www.barefootnatureplay.com.au)

**Who:** Primary school children

**When:** Monday 12 December – Friday 16 December 2016

Monday 16 January – Friday 20 January

7:30am – 4:00pm (Morning and afternoon sessions also available – see website for details)

**Where:** St Paul's School, Bald Hills

*Limited spaces available.*

*For more details and to register visit our website [www.barefootnatureplay.com.au](http://www.barefootnatureplay.com.au)*



**BROTHERS RUGBY – 2017 SIGN ON**



**The Family Club**

Visit the website for further sign - on details

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Players from 3yrs old to Premier Grade  
Your Pathway to the Wallabies  
Play Rugby NOW!

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