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7 March 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

To add further to my discussion last week on the 'High Five' strategy and how to discuss what is bullying and how to prevent it, the following poster may be of assistance. It may help you discuss with your child what is bullying.(repeated intentionally hurtful behaviour) We have use this successfully in classroom explanations.

IS IT BULLYING?

When someone says or does something *unintentionally hurtful* and they do it once, that's

RUDE

When someone says or does something *intentionally hurtful* and they do it once, that's

MEAN

When someone says or does something *intentionally hurtful* and they keep doing it....even when you tell them to stop.... that's

BULLYING

High School Experience Days

Last week, all our Year 6 students and teachers spent their day enjoying a variety of arts activities at Aspley State High School. They learnt a little about secondary schooling and met Ms Jacquita Miller, the principal. They also learnt about the structure of the school, how classes are formed and what subjects they can expect to be studying.

A similar day will be held at Sandgate DSHS on Friday 5 May. These days are a great way for our students to gain more knowledge about the schools they may attend in 2018

Interhouse Cross Country

Our school cross country is only a little over two weeks away on Thursday 23 March. There will be races for every child in every year level, instead of only having races for the upper school. On the day, much of our carnival will be about participation

Students from Prep to Year 3 will be having a 'fun run' to get used to cross country running and the distances they are required to do. Year 4s and up will also be running for places in our school team which will participate in the Bramble Bay Cross Country at St Pauls School, Bald Hills, after the Easter holidays. I'll put out a full programme in the week before the event.

Parent-Teacher Interviews Tuesday 28 March

Parent Teacher Interviews, for all year levels will occur in the assembly hall, starting just after 3pm and running until 6pm. Each interview is scheduled for 15 minutes which is usually more than enough time to have a meaningful discussion. Booking forms for these interviews are going home on Monday 13 March. Please return these by the due date on the form as we want to give every parent the opportunity to come to school and talk to their child's teacher. Please ensure you get the form from your son or daughter on Monday 13 March.

Mark Fisher
Principal

Students of the Week

- Prep B - Layla** for a detailed personal connection to the story "Queenie"
Prep CD - Nianu for great work in Maths
Prep H - Tatiyanah for working hard to complete her English activity
Year 1C - Nimarpreet for always having a happy attitude and enthusiasm with his work
Year 1H - Braidyn for great participation and knowledge on different topics
Year 1N - Rashandeep for always using wonderful manners
Year 2H - Talitha for a great improvement in reading
Year 2J - Kiki for great attitude towards classroom tasks
Year 3B - Eva for huge improvement in a Maths assessment
Year 3M - Daijah for following instructions first time every time
Year 3 - Maddy for working hard to improve your behaviour during lessons in order to stay focussed on your learning
Year 4 - Alex for his great understanding of the agents that cause erosion at Uluru and his preventive measures listed to help stop it
Year 4S - Devine for writing a great new chapter for The Twits and displaying fine work skills in class
Year 5G - Richard for giving 100% effort and participation during literacy group activities
Year 5WI - Adina for always being prompt with her responses and showing enthusiasm in class
Year 6C - Raymond for working hard in Mathematics, looking for extra work to make improvements
Year 6N - Stacey for consistently working well and engaging meaningfully across all subject areas
LOTE - Stacey for very neat and accurate bookwork in German

BOOK AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their bookwork on Friday 3rd March 2017.

- 1C - Po Eh
- 1H - Areej
- 1N - Summer
- 2H - Jessica
- 2J - Anowar
- 3B - Mia-Bella
- 3M - Caelouve
- 3T - Syna
- 4S - Darzel
- 4T - Harry
- 5G - Kyeron
- 5WI - Rhianna
- 6C - Jordan
- 6N - Georgia

FROM THE OFFICE

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Student Absences - How You Can Help

Parents who have notified us of their email address will receive a message if their student is absent or late at the beginning of the day without notification. These messages will be sent to your email each morning. The email message looks like this:

Taigum State School records show is absent on .././.

Please reply by email student name / absence reason / absence date.

Students arriving at school after 8:45am must report to the office before going to their classroom. These students will receive a late slip to take to their class teacher. Failure to notify the office of your child's absence or late arrival will result in you receiving either the above email message, or a phone call from school staff to explain your child's absence

To explain an absence or lateness please reply by email message. Our **Student Absence phone number 3632 9866** is available for parents/carers to ring in to notify us of an absence. This is an automated service where you will be asked to leave details including student name, the date of the absence/s and reason.

As with previous years, success in 2017 will be built upon sustained, regular attendance at school. Thank you for your support with student attendance.

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 LIBRARY

Orders and all monies for Book Club Issue 2 is due back to school no later than Wednesday 15 March 2017"



"You know you have read a good book when you turn the last page and feel a little as if you have lost a friend" **Paul Sweeney**

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

FROM THE MUSIC ROOM (PERFORMING ARTS)

Clubs are running well and we have many children coming to the music room to have some fun. As there are quite a few excited children in year 3 wishing to learn the recorder, I have extended the invitation for recorder club to all 3 – 6. If you remember, please check to see if your child has brought back their club notes. I have plenty of spares if your child still wishes to join.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1 st break	Keyboard Club	School Choir	Guitar Club	Recorder Ensemble
Year Level	5-6	2-6	4-6	3-6
2 nd break				
Year Level			1-6	

Band started with an enthusiastic group of musicians. Well done band for helping each other get started. For those children just starting to learn an instrument, they are welcome to join the band as soon as they know about 5 - 6 notes. Remember band will be on every Monday morning 8:00am in the hall. Lessons will still be WEDNESDAYS so don't forget to bring your instruments on that day too.

We still have some instruments left so if your child would like to play trumpet, saxophone, bass clarinet, tuba, trombone or euphonium, please let me know and I can organise the letters and information for you.

Congratulations to 3M for being this week's star musicians for outstanding behaviour and beautiful singing. Who will be the music stars this week?

We have an exciting event coming up this term. For the first time, Taigum State School will be presenting their very own Art Gallery, where every student will be displaying a piece (or two) of their artwork.

Come along to a fantastic ONE NIGHT ONLY Art Gallery evening. This will be on the same afternoon as the

Parent / Teacher Interviews, so while you wait, or have finished, come and visit our gallery. More information will be sent home soon.

Thank you to all for your support,

Andrea Mackay
Music Specialist

FROM THE P&C

UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

Monday to Thursday mornings: 8.00am to 8:45am

SALE ITEMS

We currently have limited stock of old style school fleecy jackets on sale. Normally \$30 now selling for \$10.

Available in size 4, 12 and 16 only.

SCHOOL BANKING

Taigum State School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.



The rewards available during 2017 are:

Term 1-

- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers

Term 2-

- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case

Term 3-

- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball

Term 4-

- Pencil + Tech Case
- Epic Earphones

School Banking day is Friday. Each week you need to bring your deposit book to the office before school.

Should you wish to open an account for your child/ren we will be holding a School Banking Information Session at our school:

Time: 8:00am – 9:00am

Date: Wednesday 22 March 2017

Location: Under D block

Please join us and find out more about the School Banking program and how your child can get involved.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank account for your child you prior to this morning, you can also visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account. A School Banking representative will be available at the Information Session to show you how you can do this. In order to verify yourself and your child, you will need your driver’s licence and your child’s birth certificate, but if you don’t have these with you on the day, you can complete verification online at home.

Win a family adventure holiday at Tokyo Disneyland

This year, School Banking is running a Future Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker all the way to Tokyo, Japan. The winner gets an unforgettable family trip, for up to two adults and three children, where they’ll explore Tokyo Disneyland with its amazing attractions, including the futuristic Tomorrowland, plus enjoy the fun rides at Tokyo DisneySea.

This prize includes:

Five nights' accommodation at the Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel

Return economy airfares from the winner's nearest capital city to Tokyo, Japan

Three-day Magic Pass to Tokyo Disneyland & Tokyo DisneySea

AU\$1,000 spending money.

To enter, students have to make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3, 2017. This will automatically enter them into the competition for a chance to win.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Twilight Community Markets

Including International Food Markets and Karaoke are being held on **Saturday 25 March from 5pm to 8pm.** Location is at the Salvation Army North Brisbane Church on the corner of Handford & Roghan Roads, Taigum. All profits go towards supporting our Youth & Children’s Ministries at North Brisbane Salvos. If you are interested in having a stall the cost is \$15.

DATES TO REMEMBER

 MARCH 2017	
7th	Youngstorm
10th	Assembly – House Captain Investiture
10th	Interschool Sport – Round 2
14th	Youngstorm
17th	National Day of Action Against Bullies
17th	Prep Vision Screening
17th	Interschool Sport – Round 3

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ASPLEY STATE HIGH SCHOOL – TWILIGHT TOUR



Enrolment for 2018

Wednesday 8th March 2017

Tour our school and talk with staff. Doors open 4:30pm and Tour commences at 5:30pm

To register please phone 38639222
email enrolments@aspleyshs.eq.edu.au or
follow the link on our website.

KOOBARA COMMUNITY AFTERNOON TEA



Everyone is Welcome!

Koobara Kindergarten and Pre-Prep Community Afternoon Program is back.

When: Tuesday afternoon every fortnight (next date 21st February)

Time: 3:30 pm – 5:00pm

Where: 421 Beams Rd, Taigum

Please come along and join us all in preparing and sharing our evening meal, with Aunty Ruth Roma (our deadliest cook).

Join in the fun, with various activities for the children and parents. This event is for everyone so come and meet us for a fun afternoon.

The bus will pick-up and drop off with-in our local area, if you require transport. The bus picks up from Zillmere State School at 3:20pm.

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. ADULTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

For more information please phone Cindy or Chelsea on 3265 7171.

KURBINGUI HOMEWORK CLUB



Do you need help with your school work or homework?

Where: Kurbingui Youth Development
425 Zillmere Rd, Zillmere

When: Every Monday during school terms

Time: 3:30 – 4:45 pm

Cost: FREE – Afternoon Tea provided

Call Travis or Kevin (3156 4800) for more information

STRATHPINE SCORPIONS NETBALL CLUB



LIMITED POSITIONS LEFT!!

Strathpine Scorpions Netball Club is a small, family orientated club with a proud tradition of offering participants the affordability to play netball.

Fees for 2017 are: \$280

Included in your fees are team photos, club break up and entry fee for PRNA carnival.

A discount of \$10 per sibling is offered also. (redeemable after registrations completed)

Registrations can be done online, follow the links on our Facebook or website pages.

CLUB CONTACTS

SECRETARY: Melissa Tynan 0416 160 029
secretary@strathpinescorpions.com

TRAINING & GAME DAY LOCATION

Pine Rivers Netball Association, Les Hughes Complex, 119 Francis Road (Corner Baker Street), Lawnton.

We look forward to welcoming you to our club.