

A community that values clever, skilled, creative and aspiring learners.

Issue 8 - 2022



From the Principal

As our term progresses we are achieving many things at Torquay SS. Thank you to all families that attended our recent whole school parade at the commencement of reconciliation week. Aunty Paula did a fantastic job of teaching our students a very moving performance and we are looking forward to many things happening at TSS recognising and connecting our community together.

I am thrilled to be returning to Torquay for term 3 and after working as a Principal for over 12 years, Torquay has provided the perfect opportunity for me to action many skills that I have acquired over that time. I am attending the QASSP (Queensland Association of State School Principals) conference this week and look forward to sharing new knowledge with all staff.

As week 8 closes we are realising the end of the term is fast approaching. Teachers have been busy reporting and we have decided, this term we will be sending out report cards in Week 2 term 3. They will be emailed to all families. This allows teachers time to ensure all students are given an opportunity to finalise assessment. As well as many schools across QLD, we have had a high number of students and teachers absent over the term. Reports will be emailed to all families in term 3.

As a part of our Annual Implementation Plan, all of our teachers are to participate in external moderation. This is where teachers join together to discuss student achievement and how we are working at Torquay to improve the teaching and learning of all students. Our teachers joined with Pialba SS earlier this week and it was a successful meeting where teachers shared professional dialogue with colleagues on great teaching practice. This will continue to drive our improvement agenda across the upcoming semester.

On Friday 17 June we have Nick from Surf Lifesaving Qld coming to give a talk to our students regarding health and safety in and around the water.

Our year 4-6 students are looking forward to their upcoming camp and I am looking forward to joining students for a part of the time.

Please do not hesitate to contact administration if you have any questions.

Yours in education, $K\alpha y Rye$ - Principal



From the Deputy's Desk

Welcome to week 8 and here is to a frenetic finish to the term.

Unfortunately, the recent rain has stifled our plans to host the Athletics carnival this term. We are going to host the carnival in term 3 week 2. The carnival will be a whole day event for our 9-12 year olds and our Prep to 2 students will join us in the middle session. In the next few weeks there will be a selection/invitation trial for some district zone events (again this will be dependent on oval spaces or we may travel to a neighbouring school if their oval is dry enough).

Swimming heads up for term 3 week 3 - Prep, Year 1 and the 1/2 class will be going swimming. Swimming was in this term last year and it will be on a Wednesday.

Prep Vision Screening will occur on Thursday 24 June 2022. Prep families please complete the online consent form that was sent out via SMS or the hard copy consent form already sent home. Thank you.

A friendly reminder for families. If you require to collect a student throughout the school day, please contact the office at least 30 minutes before wishing to collect them.

Camp is coming up in the last week of school along with our teachers planning the next terms unit.

Stay warm and safe.

Yours in education, Phil Theofanes - Deputy Principal

Term Planner

Friday 10 June Beginners Strings Workshop at Kawungan SS – own transport

P-2 Parade - 2.20pm

Monday 13 June P&C Pre-order lunch – Chicken fingers & Popper

Friday 17 June Celebration Day

3-6 Parade - 2.20pm

Monday 20 June Year 6 Camp

Milbi Market trading week

Wednesday 22 June Year 4 Camp Thursday 23 June Year 5 Camp

Friday 24 June Whole school Parade

Last day of Term 2

Monday 11 July First day of Term 3

Year 6 Parents/Carers

Another reminder that it is time to get your enrolment in for secondary school! There can be waiting lists especially if you are out-of-catchment.

Please find information by visiting the website of your preferred High School.



Absence Line 4194 4366 or via QParents App



Prep 2023 - Enrol Now!

Enrolment packs, open classrooms & information session available now!

Pre-Prep Open Classroom

Parent & child to attend

9.00 - 10.00 am

Tuesday 26th July Thursday 18th August Tuesday 20th September

Parent / Carer Information Session Book Enrolment Interviews

9.00 – 10.15 am

Tuesday 25th October



Contact admin today! **Ph:** 07 **4194 4333** Children born between the 1st July 2017 and the 30th June 2018

PREP 2023 - ENROL NOW!

Students born between 1 July 2017 to the 30 June 2018 are eligible for the Prep year of 2023.

Please call into our office to collect a Prep enrolment pack and register to attend our Pre-Prep Open Classrooms and Information Session or email: admin@torquayss.eq.edu.au .

Uniform Shop

Our Uniform Shop is open for second hand school uniforms - Tuesday 8:30-9:00am Thursday 2:30-3:15pm.

School hats are \$12 and are available from the Uniform Shop. New uniforms are available from Sauers Clothing Supplies, 1/5 Torquay Rd, Pialba.

Please note Queensland Education's "No Hat No Play" policy – if students do not have a hat they must remain under cover for play time.

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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday From 8.45am to 10.45am.







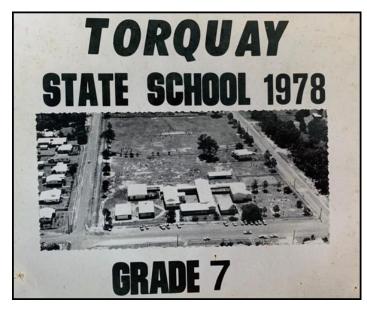
School Watch Number: 131 788

The Honour of Old Torquay

Interview with Mrs Harris, former student of Torquay State School.

Mrs Harris began her schooling in 1972 in Year 1 at Torquay State School and was here for 7 years. Primary school was from year 1 to year 7 back then. Mrs Harris had some sisters at Torquay from 1957 to 1968. They had all finished primary school by the time Mrs Harris started.

In 1972, the principals were Mr McGuire and Mr Grigor but they were called Headmasters back then. The Headmasters lived together in a house on the school grounds, so they could go home for lunch! The house was where the Year 3 classes are, near the library. There were tennis courts next to the headmaster's house.



There were only 3 buildings at Torquay at the time. When Mrs Harris visited the school on Friday, she remembered what the buildings were like when she attended school. The current computer lab was a two-storey building and this was her Grade 1 classroom. Where Mrs Manderson's room is was the Principal's office and underneath this office was where the sports gear was kept. Where the ramp is by the office today, there was never a ramp there back then, they actually had parade there! There were 2 ovals back then and all the students played on the top oval at little lunch and the bottom oval at big lunch. They all mainly played sports. One game was called Vigoro, which is similar to cricket but it was a game for the girls. The lunchtimes weren't called first and second break, they were called little lunch and big lunch because the first break was shorter than the second.



The school leaders were called Prefects back then instead of school captains. When Mrs Harris was at school, they did have a uniform but they didn't have to wear shoes and socks! During school they could wear thongs or sandals. When Mrs Harris was at school, each year level planted a gum tree between the two ovals. They are still there today and are very tall.

Mrs Harris's favourite teachers were Mrs MacDonald and Mrs Gillespie. She also remembers going on excursion to Urimbirra Wildlife Sanctuary which was on the corner of Boat Harbour Drive and Tavistock St. There were snakes, dingoes, emus and much more. She also remembers going to the Fire Station for an excursion.



A word of wisdom from Mrs Harris.... BE KIND. YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN THROUGH!

Written by Students 1,2,3,4 from Year 6

Administering of medication

Important Notice

Just a reminder to please contact the school office on 4194 4333 to discuss the administering of medication guidelines for your child's requirements.

School personnel are not permitted to administer medication until all relevant paperwork is completed.

The following MUST be provided to the office when any medication is required at school during the year. This also includes over the counter (non-prescription) medication.

- * A current Asthma / Epilepsy / Anaphylaxis / Allergen / Diabetes PLAN.
- * Current medication (please check expiry dates).
- * Authorisation to Administer Medication Form for 2022 to be completed by parent/carer.
- * All medication needs a chemist generated label attached to original medication container including childs' name; strength description/name of medication; dose and route of administration; prescribing health practitioner.
- * As-needed medication in response to certain symptoms may require written administering instructions from a health practitioner eg: antihistamines for hayfever or ointments for eczema.





If your child requires medication/asthma puffers etc, Administering of medication details <u>MUST</u> be provided to the office. This includes over the counter (non-prescription) medication.

Please contact the school office to discuss your child's requirements.

P&C News



and at any time. There is also a website payment alternative for parents and carers without a smartphone or tablet. Keep an eye out for further information in Term 3



Facebook

Bringing our classrooms to the community via our school's Facebook page

Most families are already aware that Torquay State School is on Facebook. We use this social media to share with our community many of the everyday activities that occur within our school.

It also provides us with another form of communication with our parents, regularly posting information and photos about school happenings, reminders, updates and general information about things that have been happening in classroom.

By "liking" our school Facebook page you will then receive updates and postings regularly through your Facebook newsfeed. It is a great way of staying in touch with all that is happening in and around our school.

Visit us on visit and see what is new at https://www.facebook.com/TorquayStateSchool

We say: Not now, not ever, together

The Queensland Government is committed to the elimination of domestic and family violence.

The Government's Third Action Plan - 'Not now, Not ever, together' highlights that by taking action and working together, we can end domestic and family violence in our communities.

Our school is committed to modelling and building relationships that are based on equality and respect, free from violence and abuse. You play a critical role in teaching respect.

More information and access to support services for domestic violence are available on the **Queensland Government** website.





Helping Hands Outside School Hours Care Torquay





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WE PROVIDE BREAKFAST AND AFTERNOON TEA EVERYDAY AS WELL AS FANTASTIC ART, CRAFT, SPORT AND COOKING EXPERIENCES THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL LOVE!

> Before School Care from \$3.50per session* After School Care From \$4.59 per session* Vacation Care from \$2.38 per day* *Based on your income for 1 child in care per session after CCB and CCR

COME IN AND CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAM!

*** Community News ***

Helping Hands - Vacation Care program



Tuesday 28 June



STRIKE IT LUCKY

EXCURSION - MARYBOROUGH TENPIN BOWL AND ANZAC PARK

Enjoy two fun games of tenpin bowling and see who can get the first strike!! We will also stop at Anzac Park for a picnic lunch



Tuesday 05 July

READY PLAYER GO

Come dressed as your favourite video game character, past or present as we immers ourselves into a day full of retro arcade



Arrive by 8:30am

Wednesday 29 June

Thursday 30 June

INCURSION - ANIMAL FARM VISIT

You will have the opportunity to cuddle and feed baby lambs, kids, piglets, guinea pigs, ducks and chickens. Our babies need lots of love and care so you will be able to help us to groom them and join in the bottle

ANIMAL CRACKERS

FUNKY HAT AND CRAZY SOCK DAY

Be sure to wear your funky hat or crazy socks for a colourful, crazy and outrageous funky day!



(IN) + \$25.00

Wednesday 06 July



EXCURSION - BIG SCREEN HERVEY BAY

Today we're off to the movies to see the latest release children's blockbuster movie, popcom and drink included. (Movie time to be confirmed, please see coordinator)



(EX) + \$38.00

Arrive by 8.30am

Thursday 07 July

LETS GET MOVING

Time to pull up your socks and roll up your sleeves! Whether it's dancing, exercise or a race, it's time for some active fun!



Friday 01 July

feeding session.

LOUD SHIRT DAY

Rummage in the cupboard for the brightest and loudest shirt that you can find. We will have a day full of loud fun and games.



Friday 08 July

SOMETHING BEGINNING WITH "B"

Big Blue Bubbles and Bouncy balls are just some of todays activities as we explore all things beginning with the letter "B".



Mon - Fri 6:00am - 6:00pm Torquay - 0475824340 Torquay State School Tavistock Street Torquay QLD 4655

Book now at helpinghandsnetwork.com.au | be quick as places are limited

Customer Service 1300 612 462

Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 50,000 families and more than 450 schools across Australia.

Our Values

- Considerate Be there for others
- Passionate Bring energy and determination
 Courageous Challenge ourselves

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to build brighter futures together.

What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment.
- · Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- · Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- · Helping Hands endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes



We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring lunch and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smart phones) at home



Healthy Eating

Helping Hands follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with Helping Hands prior to booking via helpinghandsnetwork.com.au. Bookings made within 5 days of a Holiday Program session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 48 hours notice is required for cancellation of a Holiday Program booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings cannot be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 612 462 or by emailing accounts@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you wilf be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit https://www.education.gov.au/childcare-

Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/ her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on program commencement on 0475824340 for staffing purposes.

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Mary Poppins Festival - Day in the Park Entertainment and Performances

The one-day festival will take place on **Sunday**, **3 July 2022** from **9am - 3pm**.

Sprinkled over the heart of Maryborough, the festival and its various entertainment will take place across **Queens Park and Portside Heritage Precinct**.

The festival celebrates the power of storytelling and sets the scene for visitors to be transformed into their own world of play and imagination.

Come along dressed as your favourite literary character and take part in one of the many entertaining activities on the day.

Proud Mary Stage

Located in the front of the Excelsior Band Hall, Maryborough you will find the Proud Mary Stage where all of the festival's performances and entertainment will take place.

Check out the line-up for what's installed at this year's Proud Mary Stage:

Poppins Pop-Up Picnic

Showcase your best picnic display! Feature a Poppins Pop-Up Participant sign and judges will assess your display from 10 am.

The Memphis Moovers

It's the 'big red hats', the 'big shoes' and of course the novelty roving cars used to 'deliver the tunes' that stand out in any

Let's Get Physical

Zumba Fitness with Jessi & Leanne – Zumba Fitness is exercise in disguise. Fun for all ages and fitness levels.

Time: Judging from 10

crowd. This talented bunch of performers 'moove' the audience!

Time: 8:00 am

All Day

Official Opening

The storytelling begins with Welcome to Country by Aunty Karen Hall and the arrival of quest characters Mary Poppins and Admiral Boom.

Time: 9:00 am

Let's Dance

Leagues Dance Studio will take to the stage showcasing jazz, contemporary, acrobatics & tap performances.

Time: 9:30 am

Mary Morning Tea

Pay tribute to The Proud Marys Society members who began the Mary Poppins' Festival celebrations in Maryborough.

Time: 10:00 am

Makin Woopee

The sisters in song deliver amazing harmonies with clean crisp sound. They cover most genres of music from the 1950's to 1970's.

Time: 10:00 am

Mansong

Mansong bring the excitement of 60's and 70's music back to life. The larrikins love to entertain and get your toes tapping.

Time: 10:30 am

Maryborough **Excelsior City Band**

Join Maryborough Excelsior in the Band Rotunda for an entertaining Brass Band concert with music, ranging from traditional to well-known songs.

Time: 11:30 am

Aloha Ohana Hula Na Wahine

Hawiian Ukulele Singing and Dancing! Bring Hawiian Island vibes to the Fraser Coast.

Time: 12:30 pm

Parade Party

The people's procession completes the festival with parade participants and festival visitors coming together in front of the Proud Mary Stage in Queens Park to enjoy a final performance to farewell Mary Poppins for another year.

Time: 2:30 pm

Official Closing

Admiral Boom and the Time Canon officially close the Mary Poppins Festival -Day in the Park for 2022.

Time: 3:30 pm

www.marypoppinsfestival.com.au