



Torquay News

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Date Claimers

MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

TSS Playgroup - 9-10.30am - Hall

TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

Breakfast Club 8-8.30am

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

3-6 Parade 2.30pm - Hall
Bush-to-Beach Whale Watch

THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

Strings Beginner Workshop -
Kawungan SS
Free Dress Day

FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

Yr 5 & 6 Sports Gala Day

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MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

TSS Playgroup - 9-10.30am - Hall

TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

Breakfast Club 8-8.30am
Junior Sports Carnival Yr 1 - at
Urangan Point

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

Junior Sports Carnival Yr 2 - at
Urangan Point
P-2 Parade 2.30pm - Hall
Bush to Beach Whale Watch

FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

Student Leaders Meeting 10.50-
11.30am
Torquay's Got Talent 12pm - Full
School (Music Fund Raiser)
LAST DAY OF TERM 3

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MONDAY 2 OCTOBER
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER
FIRST DAY OF TERM 4

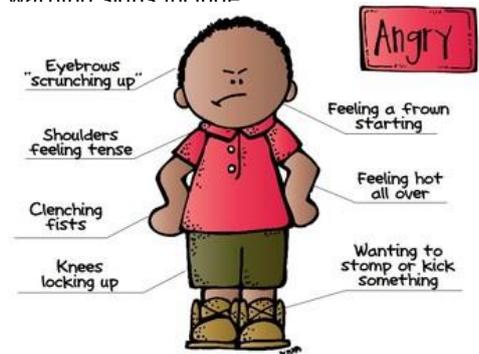
From the Principal

Feeling Angry

Feeling angry is a normal human emotion, however it is important to ensure that we control ourselves when we experience this emotion. It is crucial that parents and schools model for children appropriate strategies to manage anger and temper.

Our bodies often give us "warning signals" when it feels as though we are just about to explode with anger. When we can recognise these signs, we can also take steps to stop our anger getting out of control. Some of the bodies warning signs include:

- faster heart
- churning stomach
- agitation - that is, feeling tense or cranky
- faster breathing
- tensing shoulders / chest
- clenching jaw and hands
- tingling feeling in the hands
- wrinkling or furrowing the brow
- face reddening
- sweating.



It is important that you help your child to identify their own warning signals and then to take action prior to letting their temper manifest in an inappropriate way. One child once told me "I know I'm in trouble with my temper when I get a creeping feeling that crosses my chest. I just have to walk away then and there..."

As well as identifying the body's "warning signals" it is important to know what the best course of action would be to avoid actually losing our temper. Some strategies that we know work, but take practice to put into place include:

- Being able to walk away or remove yourself from the situation that is causing you to react. This takes careful action to ensure that the person/people that you are walking away from understand why you are moving. We teach the children to try to say "I'm getting angry and I need to walk away."
- Counting to ten or twenty, taking deep breaths and trying to rechannel your thoughts and feelings
- Try to identify and change negative thoughts.

Saying sorry for getting angry sends the message that anger isn't OK. But it is OK to feel angry - it's just not OK to yell. So it's better to say sorry for yelling or losing your temper and teaching your child to do the same. This shows your children that it's OK to feel angry sometimes. The important thing is to find healthy ways of handling anger.

The best way to teach your child how to deal with anger is by showing him/her how you deal with your emotions when you feel angry. If your child watches you lose your temper, he/she is likely to do the same. But, if he/she sees you cope with your feelings in a kinder, gentler way, he/she will pick up on that too.



Parking around our school

Thank you to the many families who demonstrate patience and exercise caution when driving around our school and parking to either drop off or collect children. Due to our school being almost entirely surrounded by busy roads and having no carpark, it is crucial that parents are always thinking about safety for our children and community. Unfortunately we have a small number of families who are placing our child's lives at risk by:

- Parking illegally,
- Parking or driving on nature strips,
- Double parking,
- Using the designated bus zone,
- Blocking our neighbour's drive ways.

We have approached both police and council to help to ensure that our families are parking appropriately.

We would love to hear any suggestions that you have for resolving some of the parking issues at our school. If you have any ideas please email principal@torquayss.eq.edu.au

Kind regards

Heidi Dallimore – Principal



From the Deputy's Desk



Attendance: It is important to attend school. Over the past few weeks we have had a decline in attendance and this is due to the stomach bug going around. We have soap and hand sanitiser at school and encourage students to use this. We supply tissues in classes also. Hygiene is important to health and in turn attending school.

2017 Current Attendance To Date								95-100
Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School	92-95
90.64%	91.01%	90.38%	90.53%	91.96%	90.11%	90.48%	90.73%	90-92

So close!



Behaviour: Our fortnightly focus has been raising the awareness of Bullying - always a contentious subject but one that we do not shy away from. Students have had their awareness raised about the types of bullying and how it affects others. Some comments from students were 'I didn't even know that when I did that it was bullying'. We always have the best interests of all of our students and staff in mind and continue to work on our calm and engaging school environment. Your support in reinforcing the school messages are important.

Yours in Education

Phil Theofanes – Deputy Principal



Are you a QParent yet?



Wow... 18% of our families are now QParent account holders. So that means these parents and carers can access information for their children, which totals approximately 86 students. If you haven't activated your account yet, why not try and spend ten minutes today to do so....just check your inbox on 27 July for your invitation email and follow the prompts. If you need another emailed invite or your child's EQID numbers just give us a call. It would be great to have doubled the number of families who are active by the next newsletter..... For more information on QParents please see the following link or call the office.....<https://qparents.qld.edu.au>

Admin News

Statements of Account

Unless you have a Centrepay Plan in place **ALL FEES (excluding excursions) shown on the statement sent home this week are now overdue and should be paid immediately.** If fees remain outstanding after Friday 8 September your child **WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO ACCESS RESOURCES FROM THE SRS PROGRAM FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEMESTER** and you will be required to purchase items from the booklist for your child's use. If you have a credit on your account (shown as a -) and would like this applied to your fees please let us know. If you are suffering genuine financial hardship please contact the office to discuss a payment plan. **Thank you** to all families who have paid their fees to date.

2018 Prep Enrolments

Don't forget to let the office know if you have a child who turns 5 before 30 June 2018 as they are able to enrol in Prep at the start of 2018. Our prep enrolment program is already underway with our Open Day being held last Friday; it was great to meet so many of our prospective students; as in previous years, most of them didn't want to leave at the end of the session! We are holding transition visits for our prep students in October and November so make sure you have booked a time for them to attend one of these.

Library News

Free Dress Day and Book Week Fancy Dress

Due to the large number of commitments during Book Week it was decided to combine the term 3 Free Dress Day with a Book Week Fancy Dress. On Thursday 7 September students are asked to wear up to 2 (no more than 2) clues to their favourite book or book character. When the Student Council visits classes to collect gold coin donations they will be looking for the most creative costume clues. Prizes will be awarded to both a boy and a girl in the following year levels, years Prep and 1, Years 2 and 3, and Years 4 - 6.

Torquay Phonics

Why do we use **ou** in shout and **ow** in how? Both of these groups of letters, **ou** and **ow**, make the same sound, but when we spell, how do we know when to use each one? The rules for spelling will explain. Firstly, **ou** cannot be used at the end of a word because English words can't end in **u** (except the word 'you'). The easiest explanation is to show you when **ow** may be used.

ow is used to represent the sound 'ow' at the end of a word or syllable, before **n** alone, or before **l**:

End of word	end of syllable	before n alone	before l	
Cow	tow-er	brown	owl	
How	show-er	crown	fowl	
Now	pow-der	gown	howl	
Brow	tow-el	town	scowl	

ou is used to represent 'ow' in all other places:

Before: ch - pouch, couch, slouch,	d - cloud, loud, proud,	nd - bound, around, sound
nt - count, fountain, bounty	r - hour, flour, our	se - house, spouse, rouse
t - out, shout, about	th - mouth, south	

ough may be used also to represent the sound 'ow'. There are not many words using this phonogram and they can easily be learned:

bough, plough, slough, drought.

Some endings can easily be confused when spelling ie

the endings **l** and **el** - bowel, dowel, towel growl, howl, prowl,

and **er** and **r** - flower, shower, tower flour, hour, our

These words need to, again, be learned carefully. Until next issue, Miss Miller.

Woolworths Earn and Learn 2017



Just a reminder we are once again participating in this amazing community program in 2017. Your child should have already come home with a sticker sheet; if not don't worry as you can obtain one from the office/student services or library. If during the program you fill one sheet and need another just pop in and collect one. Woolworths will be giving out stickers when you shop from **26 July to 19 September**. All you need to do is put the stickers on the sheet and when it is full write your child's name on and put it in one of the collection boxes in the library or student services. Our school will also have a box at each of the Woolworth stores in Hervey Bay (Urangan, Pialba & Eli Waters) so sticker strips and/or completed sheets can be placed in there too. We will keep you updated on our progress throughout the program. If we work together we might be able to make this the best year yet for the number of stickers we collect. At the end of the program we are able to go online and choose some great resources for our school.

P&C News



Spell-A-Thon

Friday last week was the last day for forms and prize selections to be returned, so now the P&C are busy organising your prizes!!!! Thank you everyone for the great support you have given to this fundraiser. We have counted just a few dollars short of **\$8,900** so GO TORQUAY that will definitely help towards our next lot of air-conditioners.

SAVE THE DATE – FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 2017 – 5PM TO 9PM

We are going to end the year off with a BANG for our Family Fun Night – there will be Stalls, Games, Rides, Slides & MORE. Watch this space for more details coming home soon!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Spare change Challenge

Don't forget this will be running all year and the tins are both in the Tuckshop & Library for all your unwanted change.

Torquay Vocabulary

Summoning Torquay Word Wizards

This fortnight, students from 3 – 6 are invited to design a poster on palindromes (hand drawn, collaged or created on a computer) with the definition and as many palindromes as they can think of. A palindrome is a word, phrase or sentence that reads the same forwards or backwards eg. level. The winning design/s will be displayed in our school and receive an exciting prize for their whole family to enjoy, with all entries going into the draw for a mega prize at the end of the semester. Entries are to be placed in the box in the library by Monday 4 September. Congratulations to Lacey from 4C and Summer from 6B for your winning posters on Homonyms



Tuckshop News

TUCKSHOP ROSTER		2017
Monday	SEPT 4	Sonia
Wednesday	SEPT 6	Claire
Thursday	SEPT 7	Sonia
Friday	SEPT 8	Sonia
Monday	SEPT 11	Sonia
Wednesday	SEPT 13	FATHERS DAY STALL
Thursday	SEPT 14	FATHERS DAY STALL
Friday	SEPT 15	FATHERS DAY STALL
HOME-BAKE		
Wednesday	SEPT 6	Home-bake Needed
Friday	SEPT 8	Home-bake Needed
Wednesday	SEPT 13	Home-bake Needed
Friday	SEPT 15	Home-bake Needed

FOOD DONATIONS	
SEPTEMBER 4	Cheese Slices: Donations Needed Eggs: Donations Needed Fruit Salad: Donations Needed
SEPTEMBER 11	Cheese Slices: Donations Needed Eggs: Donations Needed Fruit Salad: Donations Needed

Our Father's Day Stall has been happening again this year and will finish on September 1. I hope all our lucky Dad's and other special people love their pressies and have a wonderful day. We will be winding up our Hot Milo at the end of this term so thank you to everyone who donated cans of Milo, we had a lot of happy students. We will however continue to serve Milo next term if we have any cans left over. We are forever thanking our wonderful families and again thank you to everyone who helped and cooked for our catering day, it was a huge success and enabled us to make a profit to put towards the air conditioners for our classrooms. Thank you, Judy.

School Watch Number: 131 788

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 131 788. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don't intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

School Watch



Keys to Success

Bronze Certificates	Silver Certificates	
Allannah Prep A	Cade Prep A	Anais 3B
Emma Prep C	India Prep A	Mia 3B
Emma-Kate 1A	Ayla Prep B	Nikkayla 5C
Jordyn 1A	Michaela Prep B	Noah 5C
Stanley 1A	Nicholas Prep C	Kobyn 5C
Amber 1A	Indi Prep C	Balin 6A
Maddie 1B	Evelyn Prep C	Isabella 6A
Ruby 1B	Ravneet Prep C	Amy 6A
Xavier 2/3A	Abbey-Lee 2/3A	Billy 6A
Tyne 2/3A	Holli 2/3A	Heath 6A
Carter 3B	Jayden 2/3A	Kayla 6A
Chaye 3B	Layla 2/3A	Sebastian 6A
Benjamin 3B	Naite 2/3A	Jasper 6A
Lily 3B	Coby 2/3A	Zack 6A
Nathan 3C	Charlee 2/3A	Cheyenne 6A
Heath 5C	Delilah 3B	Hayley 6C
Dylan 6A	Mackinlay 3B	Jacob 6C
Daniel 6A	Phoebe 3C	Lochlan 6C
Georgina 6A	Nicky 3B	Caitlin 6C
Dakota 6A	Rosalena 3B	Courtney 6C
Malcolm 6A	Mollie-Anne 3B	Emmaliese 6C
Phoenix 6A	Jenna 3B	Olivia 6C
Justice 6A	Zoe 3B	Elhiza 6C
		Tyler 6C

Helping Hands OSHC



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 \$3.50 per 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!

Absence Line 4194 4366 / Absence SMS 0429 466 895

Please phone 4194 4366 to record details of an absence preferably before 9am on the day of an absence or send an SMS text message to 0429 466 895 so that we can and update the absence reason. This available 24 hours a day 7 days a week. If you receive a text message for an unexplained current day absence, please reply to the SMS as soon as possible so that we can ensure the safety of your child. If you receive a letter for an unexplained absence, please enter an absence reason and return the letter as soon as possible contact the above numbers so that we can remove the unexplained absence from the student's record. In accordance with our OneSchool system, all late arrivals and early departures are to be signed in and signed out by students' parent/s or guardian/s at the Administration Office.



Like us on Facebook

Get the latest news by joining our Torquay State School Facebook page under "Torquay State School". This page is used as a regular communication tool to update parents and the school community on school activities, events, information and messages.
<https://www.facebook.com/Torquay-State-School-145941882156551>



What's On

The Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre Presents:

2017 Fraser Coast Youth Achievement Awards

Fraser Coast Youth Achievement Awards
A PROGRAM OF THE MARYBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Nominations are open now!!

We are seeking to recognise young people aged 12 - 25 who have set goals and achieved those self-defined goals through determination and will power.

Winners from each category will be invited to attend a presentation evening at the Brolga Riverside Theatre & Convention Centre on the 20th October 2017.

Nominations for the awards close on Friday 15th September 2017

Nomination forms can be obtained from the following:

- Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre
25 Ellena Street
- Downloaded from our website:
www.maryboroughneighbourhoodcentre.org
- At participating schools around the Fraser Coast

For further information or if you require help in filling out the nomination forms, please contact the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre on 4121 2141 or email programs@maryboroughncc.org

This event is proudly sponsored by:



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**Program Manager
2 x Full Time Positions
Hervey Bay State High School
and
Urangan State High School**



Role Models and Leaders Australia (RMLA) have established Girls Academies in NSW, WA and NT to assist girls with their education. Commencing in Term 4, new Academies will be established at seven sites in Queensland.

The Girls Academy focuses on increasing attendance, achievement, graduation and post-school opportunities for Aboriginal girls. RMLA are seeking a full-time Program Manager to support program delivery and mentoring of girls in Years 7 - 12 at:

- Hervey Bay State High School; and
- Urangan State High School

We are seeking flexible and experienced people with a background or interest in Aboriginal education to work with the Girls Academy Program.

The successful applicant will have: demonstrated ability to lead and to work constructively as part of a team; demonstrated experience in working with young people and their families; ability to plan and organise programs, projects and events; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; computer literacy and proficiency in the use of Microsoft Office programs; and the ability to manage and allocate resources including supervision of staff and the management of resources. Applicants are required to have, or be prepared to gain, their small bus license. Water based qualifications or capacity to obtain these is also highly desirable.

It is anticipated that the position will commence on 2nd October 2017 and continue until 31st December 2018. Continuation of the position will be based on securing ongoing funding and satisfactory performance.

Women of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

Information packs are available from Girls Academy Head Office at info@girlsacademy.com.au or by calling 1300 833 904.

To apply please submit a covering letter (addressing the selection criteria from Information pack) and resume to Terry Boland at info@girlsacademy.com.au

Please quote reference: QLDHBU-PM

Applications close 5:00pm on Friday, 1st September 2017.

3rd September 2017

FRASER COAST ARTSLINK
PRESENTS

SUNDAY

IN THE PARK

Markets from 8am - 2pm

Entertainment - 10am to 2pm
John Vea Vea

BBQ by Fraser Coast Artslink

Scarness Park
Esplanade, Hervey Bay

www.frasercoastartslink.com.au