



### Staffing news

It is with excitement that I can share that Mr Theofanes has now been permanently appointed as our deputy principal. We would like to wish Mrs Corcoran well as she starts her maternity leave at the end of this week. Mrs Kay Cheesman is returning to the school for the remainder of the term to teach the class. A new teacher to the school, Mrs Cathy Groth, will teach the class for the remainder of the year starting in semester two. Mrs Groth is a passionate and experienced teacher who loves reading, teaching reading and working with children of all ages. She has been a literacy coach, reading recovery teacher and is looking forward to helping each child to reach their potential.



### The Great Marvel Disc Swap

During Thursday lunch time in weeks 9 and 10, Aunty Paula and Ms Dallimore will be hosting the Marvel Disc Swap. If your child/family has been collecting the Marvel discs but need some extras to complete the full set you are welcome to attend and swap. Your child needs to come to school with the numbers of the discs they need written down and some spares to swap for them. We will be swapping in the Hall.

Kind regards

*Heidi Dallimore* – Principal

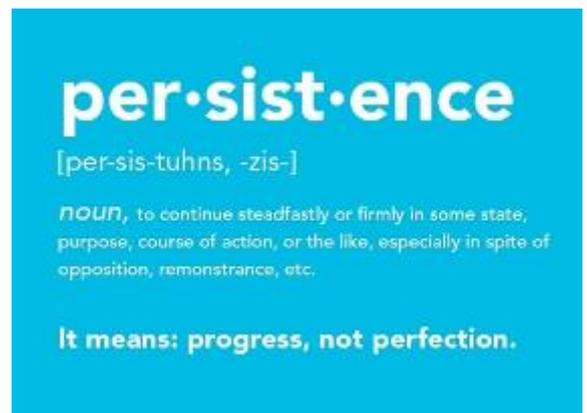


## From the Deputy's Desk

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone for their well wishes as I have been appointed the substantive Deputy Principal of Torquay State School. I am extremely excited and honoured with this appointment. Our school and community are fantastic, it is our students, staff and families who make it a great environment to be a part of. Onward and upward!

Persistence, the ability to continue to do something which may be difficult which you are able to overcome. It may not happen overnight but it can happen. Everyday we come to school we persist with something, it may be numeracy, literacy, PE, Music, getting along with others, listening, speaking or even playing fairly with each other. Persistence is an intrinsic value which motivates you to become better at something or stick at it. It can be easy to say 'no too hard' but with high expectations, encouragement and guidance we/you can achieve. Never give up!

This week is the final week of our PBL focus of Respect others' right to learn. It has been encouraging to see our posters located around the school and staff and students referencing them when required. It is important that we are able to persist with our focus as it allows all the opportunity to learn and the adults teach. Over the final two weeks of the school term we are reviewing the behaviour linked with physical misconduct - hands and feet, throwing things etc. If you are able to assist and reiterate our themes based on data and our behaviour matrix it makes for an improved behaviour pattern.



Attendance - again with the amount of public holidays, nasty cold and flu and other extenuating circumstances we understand that attendance can be a tad lower. We do not shy away from our ultimate school wide aspirational goal of 95%. Over the past few years in mine and Ms. Dallimore's time in the office we have seen a marked increase in our attendance. If the school has reason to believe that attendance is not satisfactorily explained then we are governed to provide phone calls, letters home and in some cases go through the enforcement of attendance which may lead to prosecution or a cancellation in enrolment (Qld Government protocols).

Lastly, if there are any concerns please remember to make contact with your child's teacher in the first instance as they know your child extremely well and if you see myself or Ms Dallimore out and about and you want to have a chat please feel free.

Yours in Education

*Phil Theofanes* – Deputy Principal



## Admin News

### Student Resource Scheme Fees

Thank you to those who have paid the \$80 part payment (or paid in full) for the Student Resource Scheme fees by the due date. Please note any overdue SRS fees need to be settled as soon as possible in order for students to continue to access the resources for the remainder of this term. You may make payment via cash or eftpos at the office, via Centrepay arrangement (form available at the office), via BPoint (see front of invoice/statement) or via Direct Deposit (BSB 064 426 Account 00090056 Reference = students name). If you are suffering genuine financial hardship please contact the office to discuss a payment plan.

### Messages to Students

We have recently been experiencing a high volume of calls from parents during the course of the day. These calls are mainly to request that a message be given to their student regarding their departure from school at 3pm, ie change of travel mode, different person collecting etc. In some circumstances we are not able to get these messages to the student as it is too late. Whilst we appreciate that there may sometimes always be circumstances when there is an emergency and you need to communicate with your child, we would ask you to ensure that your child is aware of how they are getting home in the afternoon PRIOR to them leaving home in the morning. Thank you for your assistance.

## QParents is coming in Term 3!

**Torquay State School is proud to be one the first schools in Queensland to offer QParents and** we will be going live in term 3.

The QParents web and mobile application provides a more convenient, easier way for parents and legal guardians of Queensland state school students to interact with their child's school. Parents will have secure, online access to their child's student information, anytime, anywhere, through a smartphone, tablet or computer.

QParents allows parents to connect instantly with their child's school to access and manage their child's student information, including:

- Attendance and absence details, as well as the ability to notify the school of an absence
- Positive Behaviour information
- Academic report cards
- Viewing unpaid invoice details, payment history, and making payments online
- Viewing and updating student details, including medical conditions and address
- Upcoming Events

QParents will assist both staff and parents in sharing and responding to information in an efficient and effective way. It won't replace the traditional ways you communicate with our school, but it will provide another way to communicate with us.

### The benefits of QParents

#### Convenience and time savings for parents

- Parents can view or update their child's details without having to contact the school
- Secure 24/7 online access.
- Available anytime, anywhere — access QParents on your smart phone, tablet or computer.

#### Greater transparency of information

- Improves accountability between parents and schools by providing parents with timely access to their child's information online.
- Allows parents to engage more deeply in their child's schooling

#### Improved administration efficiencies for schools

- Allows schools to streamline their administrative processes and cut down on printing

### What is a QParents Account Owner (QPAO)?

The school will nominate one parent or legal guardian for each student to be the QParents Account Owner (QPAO). The QPAO will be able to register for QParents to access and manage the student's information online. A student's QPAO will be able to view the student's information and submit requests to update some of the student's details.

The QPAO will also be able to invite other people (such as another parent or family member), to view the student's information. Once invited, these people can register for QParents as "delegated viewers". A delegated viewer can see the student's details, but cannot make updates.

### Registering for QParents

During the first week of term 3 you will receive an invitation letter from us, sent home via your child, containing your child's EQID number and details of how to register. During the week 2 and 3 you will receive an email with your unique invitation code. Simply follow the instructions to complete the QParents account registration process.

If you do not want to register, you can just ignore the invitation and your child's student information will not be available to anyone through QParents. Or, if you want another parent to be the QPAO, you can advise us and we will send them an invitation email or letter with their own unique invitation code. **To ensure this process goes smoothly please ensure you we have your correct email address prior to the start of term 3.**

### Identity verification

When registering as a QPAO, you will need to verify 100 points of identity documents online. The 100 points can be made up of documents in the following list:

Australian Passport	50 pts	Australian Marriage Certificate	40 pts
Australian Driver Licence	50 pts	Australian Citizenship Certificate	40 pts
Australian Birth Certificate	50 pts	Change of Name Certificate	40 pts
Medicare Card	20 pts	Australian Visa (foreign passports)	20 pts

If you only have 60-90 points of the above ID documents you can still register for QParents, but you will need to attend the school for an additional check after you have registered online.

If you don't have sufficient documents, you might like to nominate another parent as the QPAO.

For more information on the online identity verification process, see <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/help>

### Where does the information about my child come from?

All of the information that is presented in QParents comes from the IT system that is used by all Queensland state schools. Schools will continue to manage student information in this system, and the information will be extracted and presented in QParents.

### Will my child's information be secure?

Yes. QParents is a secure portal that meets strict industry standards. Only people with the right to access information about their child will be given an account; no one else.

If you don't want to register for QParents, your account will not be created and your child's information will not be made available through QParents.

### Help and contact information

For more information see <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about>

For help, visit <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/help> or call 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

## Health News

### Administering medication at school

If your child requires staff to administer medication to your child at school, please contact the school office in the first instance to discuss your child's requirements. Please note:

- School staff are unable to administer medication that you can buy over-the-counter at chemists and supermarkets (e.g. paracetamol, eye drops, cough syrup) unless it has been prescribed by your child's qualified health practitioner. For example, the school would administer paracetamol to a student only if it has been prescribed by their dentist to be taken for a short time after dental treatment. School staff are bound by these regulations and we hope that all parents will acknowledge and cooperate with these rules.
- School staff can only administer medication that:
  - has been prescribed by a qualified health practitioner (e.g. doctor, dentist)
  - is in its original container
  - has the doctor's name on the pharmacy and/or
  - has a doctor's letter
- Office staff will ask you to complete and sign Section 1 of the Administration of medication at school record sheet. If your child requires more than one medication, you will need to complete a form for each medication.
- Before you provide the school with your child's medication, check the expiry date to ensure it is in-date and there is enough for the agreed time period. It is also a good idea to take a note of the expiry date so that you can replace the medication before it expires.
- It is safer for all students if you can provide medication to the school in person (rather than send it with the student).
- When your child's medication is no longer required to be kept at school, please collect all unused medication.

### Requirements for students at risk of anaphylaxis

If your child is at risk of anaphylaxis, it is important for you to provide the school with your child's emergency medication and their ASCIA Anaphylaxis Action Plan, completed by your doctor. This Anaphylaxis Action Plan provides the instructions for the school to administer your child's medication in an emergency, which is specific to respond to their health condition.

### Requirements for students at risk of asthma

If your child has asthma and is Prep to yr 2 or requires assistance to administer their medication, it is important for you to provide the school with your child's emergency medication and their Asthma Action Plan, completed by your doctor. An Asthma Action Plan provides specific instructions for the school to administer your child's medication. We recognise that some students are capable of managing their asthma without adult assistance. If your child is in yrs 3 to 6 and you are confident that your child can confidently, competently and safely self-administer their asthma medication, let the school administration know. The school will record the student's medical as "Asthma - Student Self Administers Medication" and will not require your child's Asthma Action Plan. Please note that if your child requires assistance in an asthma emergency, staff will provide Asthma First Aid.

## Keys to Success

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Bronze Certificates				
Aidan 4A	Brandon 5B	Hailey 2/3A	Jet 1A	Oliver 1B
Aleisiah 2B	Briana 4A	Hannah 1B	Joad 4A	Oliver 1C
Alyssa Prep B	Bryce 1A	Harry 1A	Josh 4A	Orsen 4A
Amelia 1C	Charlotte 4A	Harry 4A	Kaede 4A	Riley 2B
Angus 2/3A	Cot 2B	Haylee 1A	Liam Prep B	Riley 5B
Annija 2B	Corey 1B	Heath 2B	Lilly Prep B	Scarlett 1B
April 1C	Elizabeth 4A	Heidi 1B	Lily 1B	Shylah 2B
Ashley 1B	Ethan 4A	Henry 1C	Meleah 1A	Sienna 1A
Aurora 2/3A	Gabrielle 1A	Jaydah 1B	Milla 1A	Tyler 2B
Blaira 4A	Gjai-Sian Prep C	Jermaine 2/3A	Oliver 1A	Tyson 1A



## P&C News



Can you believe term 2 is going so fast? The P&C has been busy this term with our Mother's Day Stall and Pre order Lunch day in tuckshop last week. Thanks again everyone for your support and helping reach our goal towards air conditioners for all our classrooms. The Mother's Day sale was a huge success making a total profit of \$1,128.25. Our P&C Meetings will now be held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 2:30pm in the Staff Room – which is behind the office. We always welcome new people to our meeting and we promise we won't give you a job as that's not how we work, we would just love to hear your new ideas or suggestions.

### Fancy Dress Disco

We are having a Fancy Dress Disco on Friday 16 June 2017 in the hall. So start planning your costume and it is a no theme – so go for it and bring us your best. You might like to dress as a movie character, sporting person, singing idol for example but letting you know that if you are the best dressed on the night YOU WIN A PRIZE. Entry is \$2 and there will be glow products, food and drinks for sale.



### Spare change Challenge

Have you bought in your spare change for this Term to help your year level totals below. We will be counting the tins again at end of term and letting you know what year level is the one to beat for next term – Year 5 are the ones to beat so far. Keep the unwanted change coming in. Tins are in the Library and also a set at the Tuckshop. Prep - \$9.50, Year 1 - \$1.85, Year 2 - \$6.45, Year 3 - \$6.45, Year 4 - \$7.60, Year 5 - \$13.20, Year 6 - \$8.60

### P&C Voluntary Contribution

We are kindly asking for those that are able to please give a \$20 Voluntary Contribution per family. We have approx. 300 families so \$20 x 300 is would be A WHOPPING \$6000. If you are unable to give \$20 – any contribution would be greatly appreciated. We have already had contributions of \$595 already so THANK YOU!!!



### Family Fun Night – Term 4

Lastly we are hoping to organise a Family Fun Night to end our year with a BANG. To make this event bigger and better we are asking any parents or carers who might be able to assist us in organising this event. We will then put out a helper list of jobs which people can assist with. If you are interested in helping please email us at [pandc@torquayss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@torquayss.eq.edu.au) or come along at our next P&C Meeting which is Tuesday 20 June 2017 at 2:30pm.

### Uniform Shop

The 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform shop is currently open Mondays 8.30-9am and Fridays 2.30-3.15pm.

## Instrumental Music - Strings News

Students have now received their invitation to attend the Intermediate and Advanced workshops. These will be held in the last week of school this term. There is a tear off part to keep on your fridge. Please return the medical details form and \$20 to attend. Hope to see you there. Jenny Conlon, Instrumental Strings Teacher.



## LEMphonics News

When adding endings to words, these questions are often asked... 'Do I double the last letter before adding **ing** or **ed**, ... do I add **s** or **es** to make the word plural. There are some basic rules to follow when adding a suffix (ending) to a base word. Remember, a base word is 'the simplest form of a word which is complete in meaning.'

### Adding s or es to words

- s added to most common words
- es always added to words ending in:  
**s**            **x**            **ch**            **tch**            **sh**    **z**  
 buses foxes marches itches bushes buzzes
- es - f changes to v then always add es.  
 knife/knives            leaf/leaves
- es always added when base word end with y  
 cherry/cherries            story/stories  
 copy/copies            lolly/lollies  
 (y changes to i then add es)
- es added to most common words which end with o  
 goes potatoes echoes heroes

### Except

- words pertaining to music - pianos cellos tangos
- words which combining forms - photos (photographs) kilos (kilograms)
- where a vowel precedes o - ratios stereos scenarios
- extra words - egos avacados commandos fiascos silos lassos



### Adding suffixes to base words ending with silent e

Remove the **e** when adding an ending beginning with a vowel, leave the **e** when the ending begins with a consonant.

Ride	rid-ing	rid-er	rides	
Love	lov-ing	lov-ed	love-ly	
care	car-ing	car-ed	care-ful	care-less

### One one double rule

If a word has one syllable, one vowel, one consonant after the vowel, then double the final consonant when adding a suffix beginning with a vowel. Vowel ending (ed, ing, er) Consonant ending (ly, s, ful, ness)

Bat	batter	batting	bats
Fit	fitter	fitting	fitness fits

If the base word contains two vowels before the final consonant or has two consonants after the vowel, then the base word does not change and you just add the ending.

feed	feeding	load	loading	help	helping	find	finding
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More next time. Miss Miller.

## Tuckshop News

TUCKSHOP ROSTER 2017			FOOD DONATIONS	
Monday	June 12	Sonia	<b>June 12</b> Cheese Slices: Donations Please Eggs: Donations Please Fruit Salad: Donations Please Milo: Donations Please	
Wednesday	June 14	Claire		
Thursday	June 15	Sonia		
Friday	June 16	Sonia		
Monday	June 19	Sonia	<b>June 19</b> Cheese Slices: Donations Please Eggs: Donations Please Fruit Salad: Donations Please Milo: Donations Please	
Wednesday	June 21	Claire		
Thursday	June 22	Sonia		
Friday	June 23	Sonia		
HOME-BAKE				
Wednesday	June 14	Home-bake Needed		
Friday	June 16	Home-bake Needed		
Wednesday	June 21	Home-bake Needed		
Friday	June 23	Home-bake Needed		



Our Milo supplies are running low so if anyone would like to donate a tin that would be great and remember your children will get a FREE Milo for the week. These donations help us to keep our price at \$1.00 for a milo. We will be serving Milo for this term and also term 3. If your child requires a spoon for food brought from home please include 10c to purchase one from the tuckshop. Thanks, Judy



## 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>



### School Watch



**131 788**

### 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.

### Playgroup News

For the next two weeks at Playgroup we have visitors from the First 5 Forever program coming to visit and share a story time with us. The First 5 Forever program is an initiative of the Fraser Coast Library – all who join us will receive a postcard to redeem a free package of goodies from the library. Come along and have some fun – Playgroup starts Mondays 9am and finishes at 10.30am in the school hall. Anyone with children under school age are welcome to join us. Hope to see you there!



### What's On

#### FREE Live Well with Asthma Session in Hervey Bay

Would you like to learn to Live Well with Asthma? We are holding a Live Well with Asthma session in Hervey Bay. This FREE workshop aims to increase your knowledge and confidence in managing asthma. Learning more about what asthma is and how to respond to symptoms can help you to feel in control of your condition. We invite you to come along and learn about: What is asthma?; Triggers and medications; Asthma action plans; What to do in an asthma emergency? Date: Wednesday 14 June 2017; Time: 1:00pm - 2:00pm; Venue: Hervey Bay Community Centre 22 Charles Street Pialba, QLD, 4655 REGISTER NOW Register by calling 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462)

### Managing Type 1 Diabetes in Children: A Parenting Perspective

Being a parent of a child with type 1 diabetes can be extremely stressful. The University of Queensland is seeking parents of children with type 1 diabetes to take part in a research study that will explore factors that could help or hinder parents in managing their child's diabetes. If you are a parent of a 2- to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you! By sharing your experiences (confidentially) you will help us identify better ways for health care professionals to support parents and families. To complete the online survey, please go to: <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1/>. For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Jade Grambower at [j.grambower@uq.net.au](mailto:j.grambower@uq.net.au) or call Dr Amy Mitchell at the Parenting and Family Support Centre at The University of Queensland on (07) 3346 1202. Thank-you!

### Urangan State High School Come & Try Day for students going into Year 7 in 2018



This year's **Come & Try Day** will be held on Thursday 22 June 2017 from 9.15am – 2.30pm at Urangan State High School. Year 6 students will have an orientation of the school and experience a sample of subjects on offer at Urangan High. If your child attends a state primary school (except Sandy Strait SS), buses will be organised to transport your child to and from this activity. Students from Sandy Strait SS will walk across. If your child attends a private primary school please drop them off and collect them from outside Reception in our Administration Block. **Reminder: A complete Enrolment Application for your child MUST be submitted to our office BEFORE they are able to attend the Come and Try Day.** Further information is available from: School website: [www.uranganshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.uranganshs.eq.edu.au) Enrolment Officer: 4197 0150 or email [enrolments@uranganshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@uranganshs.eq.edu.au) Urangan State High School Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uranganshs>

**THINK.ACCEPT.ACT**  
Urangan State High School presents your Community Health Expo

*Our Community, Our Health, Our Future*

**When: Tuesday 6th of June**  
10am—2pm

**Where: Fraser Coast Cultural Centre,**  
166 Old Maryborough Rd,  
Hervey Bay  
**Free Entry**

**Cooking demo** **Free Fitness Classes**

*THINK.ACCEPT.ACT* health expo will provide an interactive and educational experience targeting some of the key health issues affecting the Fraser Coast; Obesity, Mental Health, Sexual Health and Substance Abuse.

**Prizes** **Free Health Check**

**Fun Activities for all ages** **Smoothie Bike** **Health Knowledge**

**Queensland Youth ORCHESTRAS**  
50 YEARS 1966-2016

**Junior String Ensemble**  
Chen Yang, Conductor

with music students from Xavier College, Urangan State High School, Fraser Coast Anglican College, Yarilee, Sandy Straits, Pialba and Torquay State Schools conducted by Claudis Zorbas Prince

*String Sensations*

Dvořák - Song to the Moon  
Puccini - O Mio Babbino Caro  
Vivaldi - Concerto alla Rustica  
Dvořák - Slavonic Dance No. 10  
Von Suppé - Light Cavalry Overture  
Tchaikovsky - Selections from Swan Lake and more...

**7.00pm Thursday 22 June 2017**  
Goa Hall, Xavier College, 1 Wide Bay Drive, Hervey Bay

**Free Community Event**