



Torquay News

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Date Claimers

MONDAY 13 AUGUST
FREE DRESS DAY – A Fiver for a Farmer
Science Week – all week

TUESDAY 14 AUGUST
SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Optiminds meeting 1st break

WEDNESDAY 15 AUGUST
3-6 BRONZE Parade 2.30pm – Hall
P & C meeting 4:30pm – Staffroom
Spelling with Mrs Carmichael 2.00pm

THURSDAY 16 AUGUST
Auskick 3.10 – 4.10pm

FRIDAY 17 AUGUST
Student Leaders Meeting 10.50am 6B

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MONDAY 20 AUGUST
Book Week – all week

TUESDAY 21 AUGUST
Optiminds meeting 1st break

WEDNESDAY 22 AUGUST
P-2 SILVER Parade 2.30pm – Hall
Prep 2019 Engage in literacy 9.30-10.30
Numeracy with Mr Folker 2.00 – 2.20pm

THURSDAY 23 AUGUST
Dress up day /
Find my treasure Re: BOOK WEEK
Auskick 3.10 – 4.10pm

FRIDAY 24 AUGUST
Pre loved – Library book SALE

SATURDAY 25 AUGUST
Optiminds Challenge (Bundaberg)

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UPCOMING
Wed 19 Sep Family Fun Night (TBC)

From the Principal



High expectations Engaged community Guaranteed, vibrant curriculum
High quality teaching Engaged students Academic success

The importance of conversations with your child

Book Week is not very far away and this year's theme is "Find your Treasure." This could prompt wonderful conversations within your family. The obvious focus would be loot, valuables and gold to talk about and to have treasure hunts and activities following maps. However, there could also be rich, deep conversations about what you value – what you treasure in your family.

This year's theme has prompted me to think and chat with some of our students. My mother passed away when I was 14 and I am lucky to have many memories of her and have kept some of her possessions. One of the items that I really treasure is her sewing box – every time I open it, it has an impact on me as it floods my mind with wonderful memories of her teaching me how to sew, knit and crochet. This is a story that I share with some of our students which helps them to understand another meaning for "treasure" and to learn and accept that different people will treasure a variety of things for many different reasons.

In conjunction with this year's Book Week and theme of "Find your Treasure" we would like to invite all students to dress up on Thursday 23rd August. Some ideas for your costume might be, an item you may treasure, a favourite character from a child's book or movie eg. Indiana Jones, Harry Potter, Captain Jack Sparrow, Pirates, or a famous explorer, like Captain Cook.

There are no prizes for dressing up, and no cost or donation. We will be having a special parade on Thursday 23rd at 9.00am in the school hall and invite all of our students and parents to come along and showcase their creative costumes. If your child does not want to dress up that is perfectly fine too. Let your imagination run wild – have those amazing conversations within your family and see where this year's theme takes you....



"Direct Funding To Our School Matters"

State Primary Schools across Queensland whose leaders are members of the Queensland Association of State School Principals, are this week displaying on their school noticeboards a statement relating to the importance of "direct to school" funding. The message "Direct Funding to Our School Matters" highlights the significance of the additional funding provided by the Commonwealth since 2014 that has been allocated directly to schools by the State Government. Queensland is one of only several jurisdictions to have passed the entirety of the funding directly to schools. Originally called the Great Results Guarantee, it has subsequently been known as Investing for Success.

This needs-based funding has allowed principals, in consultation with their school communities, to allocate additional resources where they are most required, to support the learning of all students, and particularly those with the greatest needs. To plan future support, school leaders believe it is essential that our schools have long-term funding certainty.

At this stage, we are unsure whether this resourcing will continue beyond 2019. In our school we have used this funding to employ our team of coaches which has assisted teachers to adopt a consistent school wide approach to how we teach maths, reading, writing and spelling. It has also been used to support a clear understanding of curriculum as well as to employ extra teacher aides during our literacy rotations.

Footpath upgrade

We have received advice from the Fraser Coast Regional Council that there will be a 2m wide footpath constructed on the northern side of Torquay Terrace between Tavistock St and Denmans Camp Road. It is proposed that the work will take place sometime in August/September, so we will all need to be very patient with the disruption to traffic and parking that this will create. Children's safety will no doubt be everyone's focus during this time.

Kind Regards

Heidi Dallimore - Principal



From the Deputy's Desk

Term 3 is an important term to consolidate all of the early learning and teaching that has occurred from semester 1. Last term, I posted 6 out of 10 tips about resilience and now the final four are here:

Consistency

Consistency is the ideal. Having parents who agree on rules and standards and who convey the same sorts of messages and who value compassion over coercion, clearly has the best outcome in terms of children's Well-being. It is also important that parents not be open to manipulation and work together as a team. Life however is not always so simple and we all know from sad and sour experience that parents cannot always be consistent. Sometimes parents have different value systems or can't come to a consistent way to handle particular areas. In these situations, a second possibility is to for one parent to take charge of a particular area. This is not the most desirable solution but it is better than having parents in conflict over management issues or worse, undermining one another. In single parent families or where parents are separated the same principle applies.

Teach the skills of Self-esteem

Families that work well seem to praise one another a lot. Compliments are made, positive efforts are commented on. Optimism is in the air. Even in these families, teenagers still shrug and say, "yeah Mum" or "yeah Dad" whenever a compliment is made. Teaching the skills of self-praise is useful. One way of doing this is to ask questions extensively about any achievement or accomplishment. Asking questions that like "How did you do that?", "How come you did so well at that test?" "What did you do?" and "Have you been doing homework behind my back?"

Know how to Argue

Families that work well know how to argue. It seems strange to say this because we all have the sense those families that work well don't have conflicts. The family is really where we learn to resolve disputes fairly. The way that parents teach children to resolve differences of opinion with their brothers and sisters provides the basis for sharing, negotiating and problem solving in the world beyond the family. While differences of opinion should be allowed to be expressed, children also need to learn that they will not be able to win at all costs.

Parents are reliably unpredictable

With young children it is important to provide consistency and predictability. This allows them to feel sure of you. After a while though, a bit of predictability can go a long way. To many children, most parents are about as predictable as a washing machine cycle. It is important to have structure and consistency but it is also useful to act in ways that your children wouldn't expect. This keeps them interested in learning from you or least wondering what you are up to. Perhaps the most important feature of parents in healthy families is that they realise that all of the above is desirable but not always possible and so they look at how to promote good functioning while not wasting energy on blaming themselves for the times when things don't quite work out as they had planned. www.andrewfuller.com.au

Ned Show

On Wednesday August 1st the whole school watched the NED show - NED stands for Never give up, Encourage others, Do your best. Yo-yo sales from the show will be on sale until this Friday morning. The designated Yo-yo area will be open until Friday afternoon and then Yo-yo's will need to be taken home.

Yours in education

Phil Theofanes – Deputy Principal

Meet the yo-yos

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| <p>NED Yo A great beginner yo-yo designed for an easy return to your hand after each throw.</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Glow-in-the-dark pog• Hitched for quick return• Butterfly style• Can be adjusted for advanced play | <p>Boomerang Yo This yo-yo has a feature that lets it "sleep" or spin, after a throw. But when the spin slows down, it auto-returns to your hand!</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Built-in clutch/auto-return feature | <p>EXCELerator Yo Designed for advanced tricks, the EXCELerator is a 'sleeper-style' yo-yo.</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professional ball-bearing yo• Long spins for string tricks |
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A Fiver for a Farmer – Free Dress Day

Our student leadership team want to raise awareness and funds for the drought stricken and struggling farmers. It is fantastic to see such interest in community and global citizenship. We have registered with A Fiver for a Farmer and are hosting a **Free Dress Day** on Monday 13th August. Children are encouraged to dress up as a Farmer, and bring in a donation – whatever your family can afford.

Wear an Akubra, a flannelette shirt or some boots. Children can dress in any appropriate clothing and it doesn't have to be farm themed. All proceeds collected at school will go to Drought Angels and Rural Aid. Please click on the link and read the inspiring story of how a ten year old boy has kicked off this idea. Why not share with family and friends and encourage wide spread support? Donations can also be easily made online.

Following record dry conditions, farmers in rural Australia are in dire straits. As costs spiral and conditions worsen, even putting food on the table is becoming too hard for some farming families. Let's band together and show them we care. Please see <https://afiverforafarmer.com.au/> for more information.



Admin News

Phone Line Outage

Telstra have notified us of a phone line incident which has caused an outage in the school area. They are currently estimating this will be rectified by Monday 13 August. In the meantime, the school phone line has been able to be diverted to only one single mobile phone. Please be mindful to limit phone calls if possible and make going home arrangements with children etc before school. If a student needs to be collected early, please come in to the office in the first instance and we will then arrange for them to come to meet you. For absences, please either enter the absence on QParents, text 0429 466 895 or reply to the SMS when you receive one.

P&C News

Fundraising: Our P&C is currently focusing on funding/grants to get our classrooms fully air conditioned. Thanks to the hard work of the previous committee there are not too many classrooms left to go!

Family Fun Night Wednesday 19th September: Our Family Fun Night is tentatively booked for 19th September. Unfortunately we currently don't have enough volunteers to continue with the planning process. We'd love to see more volunteers if we can so that this fantastic night can go ahead. Any time you can give would be greatly appreciated. The fabulous Ros Lloyd has taken up the lead role in the planning process and is organising our volunteers. If you can help out please email us at pandc@torquayss.eq.edu.au .

Next meeting: Our next P&C meeting is Wednesday 15th August at 4.30pm in the school staff room (behind admin). If you have any ideas for fundraising or need to get in contact with the P&C you can contact us at pandc@torquayss.eq.edu.au or come along to the next meeting. We love to see new faces!

Health News

Gastroenteritis

Gastroenteritis may be caused by bacteria (such as Campylobacter, Salmonella and Shigella), viruses (such as rotavirus or norovirus) or parasites (such as giardia and cryptosporidium).

Signs and Symptoms:

The main symptoms are diarrhoea and vomiting. The time from contact with the bacteria or the virus and the development of symptoms is usually about 1 – 3 days. Parasitic infections take about 5 – 15 days for symptoms to appear.

Treatment:

Most gastroenteritis infections resolve without treatment. It is very important to drink plenty of fluids to avoid dehydration. If you are very unwell, see your doctor, who will advise if you need any treatment.

Control:

Adults should not return to work until diarrhoea has ceased for 24 hours and up to 48 hours for some conditions. Children should not return to child care or school until diarrhoea has ceased for 24 hours or up to 48 hours for some conditions. People who work in the food industry or health care professionals should not return to work until diarrhoea has ceased for 48 hours.

Transmission:

Gastroenteritis is highly infectious and can be passed from person to person very easily. The organisms that cause illness may also be found in contaminated water or food. Gastroenteritis usually spreads when hands, food, objects and surfaces become contaminated with faeces or vomit and the infectious organism is transferred to the mouth when eating, drinking or touching the mouth. The spread of some viruses can also occur via small airborne particles circulating in the air during or after vomiting attacks.

Prevention:

Hand washing and good hygiene practices are essential. Wash hands with soap and water, rubbing hands together for at least 20 seconds and dry thoroughly on a disposable or clean towel before handling food and after going to the toilet. Because the vomit or diarrhoea can be very infectious, it is most important that any spills are cleaned up quickly and appropriately in the following manner.

Keys to Success

TSS Keys to Success Bronze Certificates

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| Aaron | 2B | Dre | PB | Lucas | 2B |
| Alyssa | 1C | Dylan | 1B | Marcus | 2C |
| Amity-Leah | PA | Eva | 1C | Mia | PB |
| Anarchi | 1C | Genevieve | PA | Mikaylah | PB |
| Arkadian | PA | Harper | PB | Mitchell | 2B |
| Ashton | 1B | Henry | 1/2A | Nate | 1C |
| Billie | PB | Jaquan | 1/2A | Nicholas | 1B |
| Blake | PB | Jason | 1/2A | Nicky | 2B |
| Bryson | 2B | Jaxx | PA | Noah | 1B |
| Caleb | 2B | Jessie | PA | Oswald | PB |
| Cassidy | 2B | Jett | 2B | Riley | 1/2A |
| Cayleigh | 2B | Kalden | 1C | Ryan | 1/2A |
| Cody | PB | Kobi | PB | Skylah | 1C |
| Coen | 1B | Lahny | PB | Sonny | PA |
| Cooper | 2B | Layla | PB | Stanley | 2B |
| Daniel | PA | Leo | 1/2A | Steven | 1B |
| Declan-Ty | 2C | Liam | 1C | Summer | 1/2A |
| | | | | Zave | PB |

Tuckshop News

Please note: Tuckshop is open every day except Tuesday.

| TUCKSHOP ROSTER | | VOLUNTEER S | HOME-BAKE | FOOD DONATIONS | |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|-----------|----------------|--------|
| Monday | 13 Aug | Needed | Needed | Cheese Slices | |
| Wednesday | 15 Aug | Needed | Needed | Eggs | |
| Thursday | 16 Aug | Needed | Needed | Fruit Salad | |
| Friday | 17 Aug | Needed | Needed | | |
| Monday | 20 Aug | Needed | Needed | | |
| Wednesday | 22 Aug | Needed | Needed | | |
| Thursday | 23 Aug | Needed | Needed | | |
| Friday | 24 Aug | Needed | Needed | MILO | Needed |

Our Milo Travel Cups have proved to be very popular and are available for purchase again this term. Our students are enjoying a warm cuppa on these chilly mornings. The cups are \$5.00 with a Milo then \$1.00 a refill. We will be having a pre order lunch so look out for a note coming home in the next couple of weeks. We will be fine for donations for now except Milo. Thanks to everyone who has made a donation.

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Helping Hands Outside School Hours Care Torquay



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* Based on your income for 1 child in care per session after CCB and CCR

COME IN AND CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAM!

Spelling News

You are invited to attend an Information Session in the hall before parade Wednesday, 8th August or Wednesday, 15th August, at 2pm. We will be looking at different ways to support your child with sight words, spelling words and increasing vocabulary using games and everyday resources.

Mrs Carmichael

Uniforms

New uniforms are available from Sauers and Lowes. Second-hand uniforms can be purchased from the school's Uniform Shop Mondays 8:30-9:00am and Fridays 2:30-3:15pm. School hats are \$12 and are available from the school Uniform Shop and the Tuckshop. Please note: Eftpos is not available to purchase second-hand uniforms. If you are having financial difficulty purchasing school uniforms, please contact the school office. If you have current school uniforms that you no longer need, donations for our second-hand uniform shop would also be greatly appreciated. This is a great way to recycle unwanted items as well as assisting other families in need.








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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



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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>

Absences

Please notify the school of reasons for absence as soon as possible. **Absences (past, present and future) can now be quickly and easily recorded through the QParents app!** Alternatively, please phone our absence line 4194 4366. These are available 24 hours a day 7 days a week. If you receive a text message for an unexplained absence, please reply to the SMS as soon as possible. If you receive a letter for an unexplained absence, please enter an absence reason and return the letter so that we can remove the unexplained absence from the student's record. All late arrivals and early departures are to be signed in / signed out by students' parent/s or guardian/s at the Administration Office.



What's On

Buccaneers Recruitment Process 2019

The Wide Bay Buccaneers are in the process of recruitment for players, coaches, managers and volunteers in 2019. The process will involve the following steps: Expressions of interests for players, coaches and volunteers for 2019 (August-October); Buccaneers QPL Trials (October); Selection of Senior and Junior players (October); and Pre-season training (November). To find out more information and to complete an expression of interest, click on the link @ <http://footballwidebay.com.au/wide-bay-buccaneers/buccs-trial-information/> Teams under 13s (DOB 2006); Under 14 (DOB 2005); Under 15 (DOB 2004); Under 16 (DOB 2003); Under 18 (DOB 2002, 2001); Seniors.

PCYC Hervey Bay Community Recreation Centre

The PCYC now offers 28 different activity programs as part of the daily and evening timetable. Presently the PCYC caters for 16 soccer teams, 12 netball teams, 1 volleyball team and is also the home base of Hervey Bay Basketball and Netball Associations. We hold annual events such as Arts and Crafts Expo, Bridal Expos, Boxing and Kickboxing Tournaments. Recreational Camps, Holiday Care, Youth Leadership Training and Activities, Blue Light Discos and Social Events are also held throughout the year. Facilities include Three Full Sized Basketball Courts Suitable for Basketball, Volleyball, Futsal, Netball, Badminton, Discos & Events; Purpose Built Gymnastics Building; Weights/Cardio Room; Boxing Room & Ring; Fully Sprung/Matted Judo Floor; Air-Conditioned Aerobics/Group Exercise Room; Meeting Room Suitable for Multi-purpose Youth Space, Child Care and Small Functions; Shower, Change Room and Toilet Facilities Services include Teenage & Youth Programs & PCYC Hervey Bay School Age Care operates every day from 3pm - 6pm offering Transport service from school to PCYC; Afternoon tea; Extra-curricular PCYC activities (e.g. Futsal/gymnastics); Homework club; Fun and educational experiences planned; Childcare Subsidy approved program.

Condyl Park Kindergarten
Teddy Bear's Picnic
Annual Community Event
Sunday 9th September 2018 9am-1pm
Venue
City Park - Beside Discovery Sphere/Art Gallery -
Our Old Maryborough Rd & Charles St Plaza.
Lamika Puppets
Show time 12 noon
Come along for a great family fun day.
Major Raffles, Face painting, Jumping Castles, Rides, Stalls,
Petting Zoo, Food, Drinks, Rex the Dinosaur & lots of Entertainment.
Local Authors Michelle Worthington &
Local Artist Anne Johnson will be showing their art.
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Condyl Park Kindy
Teddy Bear's Picnic
Rock Drop
Sunday 9th September
9am-1pm
Rock Painting Stall
First 50 rocks that join our spiral line gets a free drink bottle ☺
Add your painted rock to our Spiral line. Let's see how long it will get on the day.
At the end of the day collect a rock and you can hide it in our Hervey Bay Area.
On the back of your Rock PLEASE Add the Facebook symbol and HBay Rocks and TBP (teddy bear picnic) so the finder will know to post their finds to our group.
If painting your rock before the day and bringing to our event. Please make sure you use Acrylic Paint or Sharpie pens and seal your rock. ☺
Find our Rock Painting Stall and post your rock there on the day ☺
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