



Upcoming Events

Mon	Volleyball Training
Mon	Enrichment program Yr 4-7 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Tues	Choir Year 4 to 7 Lunchtime 11:15am–11:45am
Wed	String Ensemble - 7:45am
Wed	Recorder band 12:45-1:15pm
Thurs	Extended Learning 8:00am
Fri	Wind, Brass Ensemble 7:30am

October

Mon 12 th - Fri 16 th	Instrumental Music Recruitment
Tues 13 th	Prep Orientation 12-1:00pm
Tues 13 th - Fri 16 th	Year 7 Brisbane Camp
Mon 19th	Student Free Day
Tues 20th	Ministerial Student Free Day
Thur 22 nd	Mixed Softball 5:00 Vs Ubobo
Fri 23rd	Parent Forum 9:30am
Tues 27 th	Volleyball Vs Tannum 3:45pm
Wed 28 th	Prep Orientation 9-10:30am
Fri 30 th	Student Disco 6-8:30pm
Fri 30 th	World Teachers Day

November

Tues 10 th	Year 7 to 8 Orientation
Thurs 12 th	Arts Council
Thurs 12 th	Prep Orientation 9-10:30am
Fri 13 th	Uniform Free Day
Wed 18 th - Fri 20 th	Year 6 Leadership Exc
Mon 23 rd Mon 23 rd - Fri 27 th	Prep Orientation 9-10:30am Book Fair Week
December	
Fri 4 th	Report Cards/Booklists Issued
Mon 7 th	Yr 4-7 Swim Carnival
Tues 8 th	Yr P-3 Swim Carnival
Wed 9 th	Year 7 Graduation
Thur 10 th	Break Up day
Fri 11 th	Last day Term 4

**STUDENT ABSENTEE LINE:
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Principal's Message

LITERACY

It was very pleasing to see the high number of families who participated in Parent Teacher interviews. It really sends a great message to students about the value we all place in education. Teachers had conducted Reading Age testing to help inform on the progress of students prior to the interviews. The results of this testing helps inform the Home Reading program with books assigned to 30 levels.

Next year, to complement our understanding on the progress of our students we intend for all students to undertake the International Competition and Assessment for English. This will complement the National Assessment Program which occurs every two years and the class based assessment tools. Using evidence to inform teaching and learning ensures it is targeted towards the needs of our students

ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS

Students from Boyne Island showed a mastery of language and numeracy skills when they competed in the recent Australian Schools English and Maths Competitions. There were some good achievements as outlined below and the school is proud of all the students who participated. It was pleasing to see the increased number of Distinctions awarded.

English

Distinction

Hannah Dwan – Year 3, Ryan Mallabar – Year 4, Liam Storch – Year 4, Abbey Hurst – Year 5, Laura Roddy – Year 7.

Credit

Georgia Camman – Year 4, Sophie Cockerill – Year 4, Morgan Jones – Year 3, Isaac Varcoe – Year 4
Josh Liaw – Year 6, Jocelyn Anderson – Year 7, Jeremy Robinson – Year 7.

Mathematics

Distinction

Josh Liaw – Year 6, Georgia Camman – Year 4, Ryan Mallabar – Year 4.

Credit

Liam Storch – Year 4, Abbey Hurst – Year 5, Cameron MacDonald – Year 5, Jessica Hurst – Year 7, Scott Vernon - Year 7, Sophie Cockerill – Year 4, Morgan Jones – Year 3, Isaac Varcoe – Year 4

Instrumental Music

Recruitment testing will be occurring this week for students who have expressed an interest in joining the program for 2010. Lessons for existing students are postponed for this week. The Parent Information Session for incoming students will be Thursday 26th November at the Uniting Church Gladstone.

STAFFING

It is expected staffing levels for 2010 will be similar. Staffing transfers at this stage for 2010 are – Mr Olive to Cairns, Mrs Jacklin to Gold Coast and Sumadi to Emerald. Mr Sauer and Mrs Hitchcock will be incoming replacements whilst a Japanese teacher is to be appointed.

The process for student and teacher allocation to classes for 2010 will be similar to last year with the timelines and details announced in next weeks' newsletter.

STUDENT FREE DAY - Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st October

Staff will be undertaking a variety of training and learning activities over the 2 days – First Aid training, Curriculum Framework and Reading Strategies.

CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK

Staff are working towards our curriculum being explicit in how we address the Essential Learnings. To ensure there is a consistency of Learning experiences as a child progresses through the year levels staff in each of the key junctures Year 1, Year 2/3, Year 4/5 and Year 6/7 will address common units next year with a differing rotation of units for the following year. In this way, a consistency of experiences will be offered for students and composite classes will be less affected. Teachers and students will have the benefits of a team approach allowing a greater focus on teaching, shared planning opportunities and moderation across classes. It is great for our teachers to align themselves to be working together to improve the outcomes for all our students.

Principal Matters

Year 7 Camp

Students are very excited and will be exposed to many forms of public transport and the responsibilities associated with being an independent traveller. I am confident students will have an enjoyable time at some of the fun things that are planned but also exposed to some great learning opportunities. I will be with the students for the four day Camp so will be unavailable at the school during this time.

Parent Forum

Invitations were extended to the Parent Forum to provide input and feedback into the School's operations with the Principal, Michael Hurst. Topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- opportunities to discuss what or how children are being taught
- your thoughts on what is working well within the school
- your ideas to provide the best opportunities for students at our school

YOUNG SCHOLARS

The Queensland Academies' Young Scholars Program aims to develop the talents of the brightest Year 5 to 7 state school students across Queensland. The program will be conducting two workshops entitled: 'Understanding Abstraction' and 'Places and Spaces: Design a Sustainable Environment' at Tannum Sands State High School on Monday 19 October (pupil-free day) between 8:15am and 1:00pm. Invitations have been extended to those students who performed well on the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy and who had achieved some excellent results in either Maths, Science or English on their Semester 1 report card.

NAPLAN

Earlier this year in May, all students in Years 3, 5 & 7 in our school joined students from across Australia to participate in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. The NAPLAN tests, conducted over three days, included assessments in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Every student who took part in these tests receives an individual student report containing their results. The 2009 NAPLAN individual student reports were sent home last week.

These results provide you with information about how your child's performance in literacy and numeracy from the NAPLAN tests compared with the results of students from across Australia. The tests provide an important point-in-time snapshot of your child's results and should be considered along with the range of other performance information collected by our school.

Should you have any questions about the student report please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Prep Orientation

Students enrolled for Prep in 2010 have been invited to the first Prep Orientation Session to be held is on Tuesday 13th October from 12:00 - 1:00pm.

(NB: Change of time as swimming classes were scheduled at the original timeslot)

Wednesday 28th October 9:00am -10:30am

Thursday 12th November 9:00am -10:30am

Monday 23rd November 9:00am -10:30am

It is an informal morning of indoor and outdoor activities for students to experience and familiarise themselves with the learning environment for 2010.

Class News

P1J NEWS

This term P1J will focus on 'Emergency Services' Children will investigate the valuable contributions made by the main emergency services in our community of fire, ambulance and police. The unit will familiarise students with people and resources involved in providing these important services; how these services can be accessed properly and the particular role each service provides.

What we already know about the emergency services in our community

"There are 3 main emergency services the police, fire and ambulance" said Rory

"Police catch the bad people" said Jaxon

"Firefighters put out fires" said Tre

"You call the ambulance if you are badly hurt" said Ruby

"The emergency number is 000" said Bradley

50's NEWS

Last term we were learning about the environment. In groups, we constructed projects to help save the environment. We also wrote log books, as we were playing the role of a proper engineer. In our groups, we created photo stories and presented our slides and projects to the class. There were eleven groups. For example, one group made a "Super Dooper Rubbish Scooper", and another group made a wind turbine.

This term, we are doing an inventing theme called "Design, Make and Display a Product". The things we invent must be made out the proper materials and it should work. At the end of the term we will be presenting our inventions and we will try to market the inventions.

On Mondays, 5O goes to the swimming pool at Tannum Sands State School. Mrs Hurst takes us for lessons and we have teachers helping out too. It has been a great start to Term Four so far, and we hope to have more fun soon!!!!!!

By Abbey Hurst and Brooke Leeson

MAGPIE SEASON

1. Avoid the attacking magpies and their territory.
2. If swooped, move quickly but don't run – keep an eye on the magpie and surrounding traffic if any.
3. Do not harass the magpie.
4. If attacked by a magpie while cycling, dismount bikes and walk through the area of swooping magpies.

Students of the Week

Congratulations to all of the students below who have demonstrated to their Class Teachers and classmates that **"They Could Do It!"** We are all very proud of your efforts. Well done everyone!

	18/09/09	09/10/09
PCC	Megan Schofield – showing confidence in her reading.	Reefe Andrews – working hard at learning his sight words.
P/1J	Jaxon Bray – displaying confidence during morning session.	Charli-Rose Adams – being able to work independently and with confidence.
1F	Erin Knight – being a friendly, cooperative and enthusiastic student.	Darcy Judd – contributing ideas to classroom discussion.
1S	Shannon Roles – being a caring and friendly class member.	Rhys Early – displaying improved persistence in his learning.
2J	Angel McDonald – persisting with her sight words and developing great reading strategies.	Abby Austin – being a friendly, cooperative and enthusiastic student.
3C	Courtney Knight – a very positive attitude and great getting along skills.	Morgan Jones – her positive outlook and great contribution in all areas.
3W	Lance Bailey – demonstrating a consistent ability to focus on his work this term.	Angus MacDonald – considerable effort in displaying responsible behaviours.
4HC	Madison Grunberg – improvement in attitude and classroom effort.	Jesse Geale – putting in a good effort with his reading.
4/5M	Blair Goodman-Jones - always completing her work at a high standard and displaying a positive attitude in class.	Ebony Batterson – a well organized and confident LOTE presentation.
5O	Kael Power - displaying an excellent attitude to his work.	Vanessa Hinton – having a positive attitude to all aspects of her school life.
6SS	Zofeya Grouhel – persistence with all areas of her school work and getting along with others.	Alex Roles – being a cooperative and friendly student, getting along with others.
6/7O	Kate Janson – always working hard and being a cooperative and friendly student.	Shaayal Sagar – being a cooperative and friendly student, getting along with others.
7V	Tayla Bradley - being a friendly, cooperative and enthusiastic student.	Brock Harris – persevering with your graph work and math in general.
HPE	Hannah Slaughter – displaying excellent cricket skills and for being a good sport.	Ashtyn Lindeberg – showing such enthusiasm during our first swimming lesson.
MUSIC	Madeline Smith – an excellent violin performance at Bindaree.	Riley Clow-Irvin – displaying persistent, conscientious effort during music activities.
STAFF	Mrs Stewart, Mrs Varcoe (Softball) and Mr Olive, Mrs Clow, Mrs O'Connor (Volleyball) for sharing the coaching roles this term.	Mrs Crompton for undertaking the Workplace Health and Safety training and audit

Respect, Responsibility, Safety and Effort.

Tuckshop News

This Fortnight's Tuckshop Roster

14/10/09 Jodie Harris, **HELP NEEDED.**
16/10/09 Veronica Shaw, Trish Mallabar, **HELP NEEDED.**

19/10/09 **STUDENT FREE DAY**
21/10/09 Vicki Baldwin, **HELP NEEDED.**
23/10/09 Trish Mallabar, Kate Shanks, **HELP NEEDED.**

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Community News

BOYNE ISLAND AFL AUSKICK CENTRE IS HERE

Boyne Island AFL Auskick centre is starting with a sign on day at the Boyne Island State School oval from 3:15pm – 4:15pm on Wednesday the 21/10/09. The centre will run for 8 weeks and is an introductory AFL program for boys and girls aged 5 – 12 years old. The cost for the AFL Auskick program is \$55 per participant, participants receive an AFL Auskick back pack full off lots of cool stuff like the AFL Auskick football as well as receiving the 8 weeks of coaching delivered by AFL Queensland staff. For more details contact Tim Mackrill on 49288088 or 0420 980 521.

BOYNE TANNUM SWIM CLUB

The Boyne Tannum Swim Club is holding a second trial session for potential members on Monday 12th October 2009

Please go to the Vacancies page on our website www.boyнетannumswim.com.au for registration details.

GLADSTONE NETBALL ASSOCIATION

We are having a Skills, Drills and Games Clinic from 6th October for eight weeks for girls turning 11years up to 14 years at the netball Courts, Side Street. Enquiries annay80@hotmail.com or phone Judy 0403672974 or 49738439.

BITS JUNIORS SUMMER SEASON SIGN ON DATES

Wednesday 14th October

3:30pm – 5:00pm at Dennis Park

The summer season is a social competition only and runs for the last term of 2009 and the first term of 2010. Cost per child is \$40.

You can come along to nominate as part of a team or as an individual player.

Any queries, call Kath on 4975 0198 / 0438 750198 or Kym on 49738469 / 0417 691678.

'I Practice Safe Cyber' Youth Festival

Tannum Sands Police and Discovery Coast Community Health auspiced by Gladstone Regional Council are holding a Youth Festival to be held at the Skate Park, Wyndham Avenue, Boyne Island on Saturday the 7th November to raise awareness for cyber related crime and cyber safety.

The day events will begin at 8:00am and will include markets, kid's rides, graffiti art workshop, girl's pamper tent, cyber safe info marquee, Seagulls Food and Drinks marquee and a Skate, Scooter and BMX competition. Primary School categories include an under 6 Scooter competition and a primary level in each of the skate, scooter and bmx categories.

The evening events will begin at 5:00pm with a rave dance party in the same location featuring bands Hours Awake, Epidemic...over and Brisbane band Drawn from Bees as well as DJ Grazza. This is a youth event but not an under 18 event therefore it is recommended that this night event be for students above primary school age.

There will be black lights at the night event and glow body paint for sale. The Seagulls club will also have food and drinks available up until 11:00pm.

Police have organised a free bus service for youth from district area's including Gladstone, Calliope, Benaraby, Miriam Vale and Agnes Water.

If you have any queries please contact Constable Angela Woodward at Tannum Police Station on 49799444 or 0434 887 349. To enter the competition or for information on the free bus service go to www.gladstonerc.qld.gov.au

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