



*School Motto:
Sail to Success*

Tannum Sands State School NEWSLETTER

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2008: Celebrate our
25th Jubilee

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

This week we see our students sitting for the first national tests for students in Year 3, Year 5 and Year 7. Our students have been preparing for the tests and hopefully they will not be too stressed to be able to perform to their ability.

The tests will commence on Tuesday with Language convention and Writing. The Reading test will be held on Wednesday. Thursday the students will be tested on Numeracy. The Year 7 will have a second paper based on the use of calculators on Thursday. The student's results will be available towards the end of the year.

Student council

The student council is planning a free dress day and a disco for this term as well as supporting the Green Club and assisting with our Thursday behaviour activities. The student council comprises of students who have made a commitment to assist in making our school a happier place for all students. Members must attend meetings and be an active participant.

Free Dress Day

Our student free dress day will be held this Friday and for the donation of a gold coin students may wear non-uniform clothing. Only sun safe clothing to be worn.

Student disco

Our first disco for 2008 will be held on Thursday 29 May commencing at 5.15pm to 7.00pm for the younger students and the older students will be dancing from 7.15pm to 9.00pm

Rewarding Student Behaviour

Last Thursday we again commenced lunch time activities to reward students who are displaying excellent behaviour. Staff at the school as well as our crossing supervisors and adopted police officer have been issued with tokens which they may give to students they see displaying excellent behaviour. Students may redeem their tokens by participating in an activity each Thursday at first break.

Bike and Scooter Engraving

Our adopted police officer, Constable Jason, has arranged for bicycles and scooters to be engraved on Tuesday June 3. A form for engraving is included in this newsletter. The card and the item to be engraved need to be at school by Monday June 2. This is our first attempt to engrave scooters with the aim being to make it easier to return found items to their owners.

Life Education

The Life Education Van will be visiting from next Monday 19 May to Thursday 29 May. Each class will be allocated a time to visit the van to enjoy a lesson relevant to the ages of the students. A permission note accompanies the newsletter today as well as a payment envelope. Cost is \$6.00 per student. Please return the payment and permission form to classroom teachers.

Ken Mitchell
Principal

DISCO

Thursday May 29

BEACH THEME



**Prep – Year 3
5:30pm – 7:00pm**

**Years 4 – 7
7:15pm – 9:00pm**

\$2.50 per student or \$5.00 per family

The tuckshop will be operating and Maree would appreciate helpers.

FREE DRESS DAY

FRIDAY MAY 16

GOLD COIN DONATION

LIFE EDUCATION

The Life Education van will be visiting our school from May 19 to May 29. A letter will be sent home today with payment envelopes. The cost is \$6 per student. Please ensure the permission slip at the bottom of the letter is completed and returned with the payment.

EFTPOS IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE UNIFORM SHOP

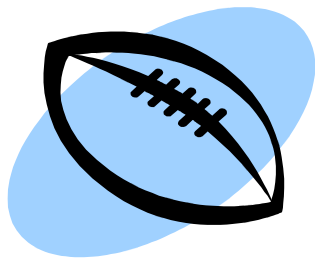
TOYWORLD CUP

The Tannum Sands Boys Soccer team will be playing Boyne Island State School at 4pm Wednesday.

PREP EXCURSION

All Prep classes have booked to go to the Gladstone Entertainment Centre on August 29 to see a production of "Possum Magic". More information will be available closer to the date. Transport will be by private cars.

STATE OF ORIGIN TUCKSHOP MENU



The State of Origin Tuckshop Menu will be sent out today with the newsletter. Orders must be returned by Monday May 19.

GLADSTONE ROAD RUNNERS

As part of the Gladstone Regional Council's Ecofest Celebrations on June 1 to promote World Environment Day, Gladstone Road Runners are staging a trail run from the Botanical Gardens. There will be a 3K and a 10K run commencing at 7:30 am from inside the Botanical Gardens (near the Kiosk). Entry is \$10 Adults, \$5 Juniors, \$20 Family. With many great sponsors onboard, there is over \$1500 in prizes as well as a free breakfast after the run. For more information, please contact the race director, Brett Stevens on 0417775819.

MOTHERS DAY CLASSIC

The Mothers Day Classic was a huge success with \$1500 raised for Breast Cancer Research. Thanks to everyone who came along and took part in the walk.

JUBILEE UPDATE

After many months of planning, we are happy to announce that the Jubilee Celebrations were a great success.

Without the support and hard work of the staff and parents, we couldn't have hoped to have had such a wonderful result. Our sincere thanks go to everyone for their contribution. Ultimately, the day was to celebrate the school's Jubilee with a fun day out for the family. As an added bonus we have raised an additional \$4,000 to purchase much needed equipment and resources for the school. If you would like to have a say on how these funds are spent, please come along to the next P & C meeting on Tuesday 20th May at 7pm in the staffroom.

Once again, many thanks to all for your hard work both on the day and beforehand.

Kindest Regards

Carol Shuttleworth and Anne Inglis

