



*School Motto:
Sail to Success*

Tannum Sands State School NEWSLETTER

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2008: Celebrate our
25th Jubilee

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**Pupil Free Day
Monday Oct 20**

**P & C Meeting
has been postponed to
Wednesday Oct 22**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

The student's swimming program commenced last week and it was gratifying to see the enthusiasm of the students who were lucky to swim before the rain commenced.

Students need to remember that swimming is a part of our HPE curriculum and they require a note from their parent/carer if they are not swimming on a particular day.

Classes for 2009

To assist the development of classes for 2009 you are now offered the chance of advising me of the type of teacher and learning environment you would appreciate for your child in 2009. I can not guarantee all requests but during the process in developing these classes your requests will be considered. Your requests need to be in writing and received at the Office before the end of October. The exact staffing personnel and the classes they will be teaching for 2009 will not be known until the end of the year. We are not anticipating many changes in our staff for next year.

Road Safety

For all the parents who use Waratah Crescent and Latrobe Street you would have noticed that we now have 2 crossing supervisors working on each of these crossings. This has made the crossings safer for our students and we thank the Qld Transport Department for allowing this to happen. Please be careful when driving in areas where students are riding bicycles etc and where there are nesting magpies. Students will often take risks in attempting to escape from swooping magpies.

The following notice is from the Department of Education Training and the Arts.

Every Day Counts is a statewide initiative addressing the issue of student attendance at school. The initiative is designed to change parent, community and student attitudes to school attendance. It requires the support of both parents and the community if student attendance is to be successfully addressed.

Every Day Counts promotes four key messages:

- all children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day
- schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular school attendance
- truancy can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices
- attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

Further written information will be sent out to parents as the program is implemented.

Ken Mitchell

Principal

What's happening in our school



ARTS COUNCIL Thursday 16 October.

Join Banana Joe and his friends Natalie and Paul as they transport you to the West Indies and see first-hand the ingenuity that brought about the invention of the steel drum.

Students will get a great insight into the struggles and stories of other cultures while also having heaps of fun singing along to songs such as Dreadlock Holiday, Banana Boat Song, Hernando's Hideaway, La Partida and I Still Call Australia Home.

Payment envelopes with today's newsletter
Please send the payment of \$6 per child in the envelope on the DAY OF THE PERFORMANCE if your child would like to attend. Please note that the minimum payment for EFTPOS is \$10 so payments need to be in cash.

Book Fair

Visit our Book Fair to buy some excellent children's books, posters and activity kits.

Place: Tannum Sands State School Library

Date: Tuesday 21st to Friday 24th October

Time: 8am to 9am and 3pm to 3.45pm



Every child who purchases a book goes in the daily draw for a free book!

EFTPOS PAYMENTS

REMINDER: MINIMUM TRANSACTION USING EFTPOS IS \$10

HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM

Parents of Year 7 Students, we would like to assist you to have correct uniforms for your student for the start of the school year 2009. The Tannum Sands State High School P&C runs its own Uniform Shop. During October, the Uniform Shop will be open for extended hours to allow students to come in and order their uniforms for next year. We strongly recommend that students try on the uniforms, as the sizes are different to normal store sizes.

The Uniform Shop will be open for the following extended hours during October:

Wednesday	22nd October	3pm – 5.30pm
Friday	24 th October	3pm – 5.30pm
Monday	27 th October	3pm – 5.30pm

A 25% deposit is required on the day that the order is placed

All orders must be received by Wednesday 31st October

Method of payment: EFTPOS or cash or cheque.

Please make cheques payable to T.S.S.H.S P&C.

The normal operating hours of the Uniform Shop:

Monday 8.15 – 11.15am

Wednesday 8.15 – 11.15am

Friday 8.15 – 11.15am



If you have any enquiries please contact Monique Toner in our Uniform Shop on 4979 9752.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Our Student Council have put in place a plan to raise funds to purchase a fitness playground. After receiving quotes for the items of equipment, they have voted to purchase the playground equipment progressively. The first item to be purchased will be a climbing rockwall. The wall itself will cost \$4200, not including installation, freight and softfall. Funds will be raised from Free Dress Days, discos, and a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Warehouse on Sunday 16 November. A letter will be going home to student council families with details of how they can assist with the sausage sizzle.



IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

School Dental Van 0417 726 420
School Administration 49 799 111
School Fax 49 799 100
Tuckshop 49 799 138
First Aid Room/Sick Bay 49 799 103

DATE CLAIMER

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
16 October	Arts Council
20 October	Pupil Free Day
22-24 October	Year 5 Camp - Yeppoon
6-7 November	Year 4 Camp - Tanyalla
16 November	Student Council Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser - Bunnings
3 December	Year 7 Graduation –
4 December	Lower School Swimming Carnival
5 December	Upper School Swimming Carnival
12 December	Last Day of Term

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open every Monday 8:30am – 9:30am and is located on the school premises.

This shop only accepts cash and EFTPOS.

DENTAL NEWS

Families with surnames beginning with D – H have until 17 October to ring the Dental Van for a check-up appointment on 0417 726420.

BITS JUNIOR TOUCH

BITS Junior Touch - Summer Social Season.
Sign-on-Day Wednesday 22nd October 3:30-4:30pm

First Game on Wednesday 29th October
Season runs for the rest of this school term and continues for all of 1st term of next year
\$40 per child, nominate singly or in a team of mixed boys/girls
yrs prep/1/2 or yrs 3/4/5 or yrs 6/7/8
Contact: Kath Robson 49750198 or Cassandra Madsen 49750505

RECEIPTING HOURS

Payment of all school accounts such as excursions, camps, P & C Levy etc. may be made from:

8:30am – 11:00am Monday – Friday

Thrass Charts and Swimming Caps in house colours are also available for purchase.

EFTPOS minimum - \$10

FROM THE TUCKSHOP

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tuckshop Roster</u>	<u>Baking Roster</u>
Thu Oct 16	Margie Lee	Baking Needed
Fri Oct 17	Jody Guse	Jane McKenzie
Mon Oct 20	Pupil Free Day	
Tue Oct 21	Wendy Ralph	Paula Baubly
Wed Oct 22	Kym Flanders	Arinda Van Der Merwe
Thu Oct 23	Margie Lee	Melinda Newitt

Next thing in our calander is our Christmas Raffle. Any donations that we could use for the raffle would be greatly appreciated. Please just drop them into the tuckshop. In November we will have our "Tannum Day". Order forms will be sent home at a later date.

Maree O'Toole