



**School Motto:**  
*Sail to Success*

# Tannum Sands State School

## NEWSLETTER

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**6 October 2009 / No 33 – 09**

### ***Date Claimer***

**21/10/09 – 23/10/09**

Year 5 Camp

**21/10/09**

Year 8 Uniform Order Day  
3pm to 5.15pm

**23/10/09**

Year 8 Uniform Order Day  
3pm to 5.15pm

**26/10/09**

Year 8 Uniform Order Day  
3pm to 5.15pm

**2/12/09**

Year 7 Graduation

**3/12/09**

Prep – Year 3  
Swimming Carnival

**4/12/09**

Year 4 to Year 7  
Swimming Carnival

### ***From the Principal***

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4 and it was wonderful to see the students return so keen and excited about the continuation of their education and the re-uniting with their classmates.

A special welcome is extended to our new students and their families and we know you will enjoy your time at our school. My thanks is extended to Mrs Anderson for managing our school so well and Ms Porter for her excellent job as Acting Deputy during Term 3 while I enjoyed the environment of Alaska, Canada and USA.

This term is an extremely busy one and students will need to work hard to achieve the learning programs planned for them. I must congratulate all the students who completed the NAPLAN tests earlier this year for achieving exceptional results. My appreciation is also extended to our teachers who did an excellent job in preparing the students for these national tests. Hopefully, next week we will be able to inform you of the specific results.

#### **Sign Changes**

I must apologise for anyone who was offended by the changes made to our notice board during the holidays. The removal of some letters, although humorous to the culprits, gave an unwelcome message and we are extremely disappointed that some members of our society would interfere with a message that was planned to inform/assist our parents. The sign may be left blank over future holidays.

#### **Bus changes and Behaviour**

There is a number of changes to bus times that have been made by Buslink and we are endeavouring to obtain the information for you. On the topic of bus travel it is important that all our students follow the Code of Behaviour as outlined by the Qld Transport Dept which states the expected behaviour of students as:

- Respect other people and property.
- Wait for the bus in an orderly manner.
- Whilst on the bus, conduct yourself in an orderly manner.
- Use designated stops.
- When alighting from the bus, do so in an orderly manner.
- In case of an emergency or a breakdown, follow the directions of drivers

Strict consequences apply which include suspension from the bus service. It would be appreciated if parents could talk to their children about the expected behaviours especially whilst waiting for the bus.

We expected all our students to be safe both on their way to and from school.

Ken Mitchell  
Principal

### ***Important Numbers***

School Dental Van  
0417 726 420  
Uniform Shop  
0407 505 640  
School Administration  
49 799 111  
School Fax  
49 799 100  
Tuckshop  
49 799 138  
First Aid Room/Sick Bay  
49 799 103

# Around our School in '09

## Book Fair

Two weeks until Book Fair!  
A great chance to buy some excellent  
children's books, posters and activity kits and support our  
school.

## 2010 Uniform Order

A uniform order form for 2010 has been included with this week's newsletter. Please note that the forms must be returned to the school no later than Monday October 2009 to ensure that the uniforms can be ordered and received prior to the end of Term 4. A 25% deposit is required to be paid with the order.

Music Shirts are also listed on the order forms. These shirts will be worn by the Instrumental Music students and Choir students to performances only. The P & C have purchased a set of 30 of these shirts to issue to students on performance days however they are of various sizes and some students may miss out should there not be enough of the appropriate size. The option is therefore open for families to purchase their own music shirt for convenience.

## DENTAL NEWS

The Dental Caravan Staff would like thank the students, staff and sponsors for being involved in our recent "Dental Health Month Colour-in and Craft Competition." We were amazed at the quality and quantity of entries and congratulate all of the winners.

Special thanks goes to our Gold Sponsor – Rio Tinto Alcan, Silver Sponsor – Awoonga Houseboats, Bronze Sponsors – Boyne Island Bait & Tackle, C & J Leading Edge Video, Blockbuster, Tannum Indoor Rock Climbing and Subway. We would also like to thank the residents at Bindaree for assisting us with the judging of the competition. We look forward to another great competition next August.

## FATHERS DAY STALL

Our school has had yet another successful Fathers Day stall. We would like to thank the following people for their help, whether it was for making items for sale or for donating their time to sell items to the children :- Maxine Branthwaite, Juliette Stofberg, Jeanette Wooding, Vicki Simpson, Elaine Finlay, Sarah Rice and Julie Fox. We hope all Dad's had a great Fathers Day and enjoyed their gifts as much as the children enjoyed choosing them.

### ***Merit Awards***

<b>PYB</b>	Jack / Rebecca
<b>PYH</b>	Heidi / Samarah
<b>PYK</b>	Abby / Regan
<b>1P</b>	Ailish / Natalia
<b>1MY</b>	Drew / Nathan
<b>1T</b>	Samarah / Lilly
<b>2S</b>	Joshua / Ryan
<b>2SR</b>	Lucas / Sonny Boy
<b>3B</b>	Carmen / Jacob
<b>3H</b>	Trystan / Logan
<b>2/3S</b>	Morgan / Erin
<b>4C</b>	Sarai / Tiffany
<b>4HS</b>	The Whole Class
<b>4M</b>	The Whole Class
<b>5T</b>	Maddie / Gemma
<b>5V</b>	Alanna / Tiarney / Charlie / Nick
<b>6B</b>	Chloe / Nathan
<b>6K</b>	Melanie / Mitchell
<b>6W</b>	Natalie / Jacob
<b>7CS</b>	Carlee / Jacob
<b>7O</b>	Megan / John

### ***Classes for 2009***

To assist the development of classes for 2010 you are now offered the chance of advising me of the type of teacher and learning environment you would appreciate for your child in 2010. I can not guarantee all requests but during the process of developing these classes your requests will be considered. Your requests need to be in writing and received at the office before Friday October 30. The exact staffing personnel and the classes they will be teaching for 2010 will not be known until the end of the year. We are not anticipating many changes in our staff for next year.

Ken Mitchell  
Principal

### ***PREP INDUCTION SESSION***

**Tannum Sands State School invites all Prep students for 2010 to attend our 2010 Prep Induction Day.**

**Details are as follows -**

**Date: Wednesday October 14**

**Time: 9.30 am to 10.30 am**

**Venue: Prep Rooms**

**Tannum Sands State School**

**The day will be open to future Prep students and their parents. Students will get the opportunity to participate in some planned activities. Uniform fitting and ordering will also be available.**

**Appointment times with the Principal will also be taken for late October to early November to discuss any considerations your child may have (eg. medical, learning, friendship) to assist us with class allocation for 2010.**

**If you have any further queries regarding the day, please phone the school on 49799111.**

### ***Gladstone Netball***

Gladstone Netball Association is having a Skills, Drills and Games Clinic from 6th October for eight weeks for girls turning 11 years up to 14 years at the netball courts, Side Street. Enquiries [annay80@hotmail.com](mailto:annay80@hotmail.com) or phone Judy 0403672974 or 49738439.

### ***Class Swimming***

The following days have been allocated for class swimming.

Tuesday 6W 6K

Wednesday 5T 5V 4HS 6B 7CS 1T 7J  
5J 4C

Thursday 7O 7M 4M 2/3S 2SR 3O 3B  
1P

Friday PYB PYH PYS PYK 3H 1MY  
2S



### ***Swimming 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.boynetannumswim.com.au](http://www.boynetannumswim.com.au) for registration details.

Kathy Thorpe  
BTSC President

[www.boynetannumswim.com.au](http://www.boynetannumswim.com.au)

### ***Receipting Hours***

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

Cash Receipting  
8:30am – 11:00am                      Monday – Friday

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

### ***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

### ***Touch Football***

#### **BITS JUNIORS SUMMER SEASON SIGN ON DATES**

Wednesday 7th & Wednesday 14th October

3:30pm - 5pm at Dennis Park

The summer season is a social competition only & 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

### ***Student Absence Procedures***

The procedure of advising the school of absences is as follows:

**Situation:** Student absent one day or two days only, through illness or emergent situation.

**Action:** Send a note to the teacher the day the student returns.

**Situation:** Student absent for three consecutive days, through illness or emergent situation.

**Action:** Telephone the school office and advise the reason for the absence on the third day.

### ***Tuckshop News***

#### ***Date***

Tue Oct 6  
Wed Oct 7  
Thu Oct 8  
Fri Oct 9  
Mon Oct 12  
Tue Oct 13

#### ***Tuckshop Roster***

Wendy Ralph  
Leah Reidy  
Liesel Botes  
Tracy Crawford, Jody Guse  
Donna Fotheringham  
Jenny Blackwell

#### ***Baking Roster***

Loma Williams  
Sam Tucker  
Kay Adie  
Bek Pynt, Cassi Porter  
Treinna Finlay  
Jackie Fyvie

In December we will be catering at the school swimming carnivals. This is an extremely busy day and parent helpers are needed desperately. If you are planning to attend the carnival, can you please consider donating an hour or two to assist with serving, or an hour in the morning prior to the commencement of the carnival to help with food preparation and set up. If you can help, please see Maree at the tuckshop.

*Maree O'Toole*