



Toowoomba North State School

Newsletter

POLAR PRESS # 9 Term 2

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P&C Association

Meets at 5.30pm on the last Thursday each month. All parents welcome.

School Motto

"Nothing but the best"

School Values

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be a Learner

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Cnr Mort St & Taylor St, Toowoomba. Q. 4350

Dear Parents and Carers,

Toowoomba North's Responsible Behaviour Plan

When parents and carers enrol students at our school an agreement is made that students and families will support the behaviour expectations and processes of the school. It is important that this document is fully read and understood by parents and carers because it is an important agreement between the school and our family partners and it is a requirement of enrolment. It is timely for me to highlight aspects of our behaviour plan which impact on the daily routines of families.

Toowoomba North State School teaches students to carry forward safe and respectful behaviours whilst at school. We also acknowledge that the primary role of our school is to build learning for all students. From time to time we meet individual students who experience difficulties behaving in a positive manner at school. **Our first response is to teach appropriate behaviours and our expectation is that students will take up the teaching.** When this is not happening we will contact families and ask for support. At this time we expect the family to reinforce our expectation by also teaching the behaviour and placing a consequence in response to continued problems with behaviour.

It is the expectation at Toowoomba North that students should correct their behaviour if they receive a blue or red slip. Sometimes students are reluctant to make an effort to correct their behaviour and another red slip might be awarded. If 3 red slips are awarded, a suspension is the next consequence. An article was recently posted to The Chronicle newspaper stating that schools that suspend may have poor behaviour. I see this differently. If we suspend a student we do so to provide the family with additional time to address behaviours. Perhaps a visit to a doctor or psychologist is needed? Suspension also provides a class with the opportunity to relearn the curriculum that was interrupted through off task behaviours.

Perhaps parents and carers may wish to review their agreement in relation to our school's Responsible Behaviour Plan? Please contact our office and we will arrange this for you.

Are you enrolled for Prep 2018?

Our 2018 Prep class is filling quickly. Toowoomba North parents intending to enrol their child in the 2018 Prep program are encouraged to complete and return enrolment forms before the 23rd June.

Toowoomba North State School is on Facebook. Like us for information about calendar events and updates on daily activities.

Yours sincerely,

Kaarin Littleton
Principal

OPTIMINDS

Optiminds starts tomorrow, Tuesday, 13th June in the library from 2.40 to 3.40 pm. Thank you to the parents who have returned their paper work. Parents and carers, could you please pack an extra lunchbox snack for afternoon tea?

OFFICE NEWS – Changes to Contact Details and Medical Records

If you have recently moved to a new address, changed phone numbers or emergency contact people, please call or phone the school office with relevant details so the school system contains this new information. If your child's Medical Plan is outdated, please request a new document when next visiting the family doctor. It is vital that we have up to date information about your child's current medical condition/s so that appropriate support can be given in emergent situations.

CHOIR EXCURSION – Mrs Adele McKenzie

On Thursday, 22 June, the Toowoomba North School Choir will be presenting a Mini-Concert to the residents of Brodribb Home in Goggs Street. Not only will this be for the entertainment of the people at Brodribb, but it will also be a boost to the confidence and experience of our students. They have the opportunity to perform and to appreciate older people and what we can do for them.



Members of the choir will need to be at school on that day (the last Thursday of term) before 8.30 as we will leave at 8.40am to walk to Brodribb. Usually the staff provide some refreshments for the children after our show, then we return to school before first break.

Please encourage your child to go over their song words (they received a sheet last week) each evening before sleeping. This will ensure a good performance. I am looking forward to this as the students have been practising hard, made suggestions for our program and are very enthusiastic. Thank you for your support. A permission note will be sent out in Week 9.

ATHLETICS TRAINING – Mrs Brighton

Next Monday will be the last session for running training before our athletics day on Wednesday.

SCHOOL BANKING

If you'd like to start school banking, it's never too late and it's easy!

- ***Online:***
Visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.
- ***In branch:***
Visit any Commonwealth Bank Branch (Kmart Plaza, Clifford Gardens or Grand Central). Parents will need to bring along identification for themselves and their child, like their Driver licence and their child's birth certificate.
- ***Then on Thursday mornings each week, fill in the deposit slip for you child and secure the money in the pocket of the bank book folder. Drop the whole thing into your classroom teacher to put into the grey banking bag located in your classroom. Banking Coordinators will collect the grey bags and return them to your class for your collection as the end of the day.***

Please make sure you have you child's Name and Class (eg 2W or 3/4D) on the outside of their bank book. We look forward to assisting your child to learn to save and earning fantastic rewards in the process.

TERM 2 AT A GLANCE FOR 2017

JUNE

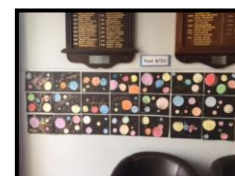
Thursday 15 th June	Prep Information Evening for Parents & Carers interested in enrolling
Friday 16 th June	Student Council Disco
Wednesday 21 st June	Athletics Carnival
Thursday 22 nd June	Choir Visit to Broddribb Home
Friday 23 rd June	Reports sent home – Gold Pass Day Last Day of Term 2

JULY

Monday 10 th July	First Day of Term 3
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STUDENT CLASSWORK ON DISPLAY – 4/5H

This week on display in our office we have some great solar system artwork from the year 4/5H class. Visitors are welcome to come by the office to see the wonderful artwork on display. Well done 4/5H students.



STUDENT COUNCIL DISCO – FRIDAY 16TH JUNE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The student council would like to sincerely thank all parents and caregivers for your response for your child/children attend our Toowoomba North SS disco this Friday the 16th of June.

What to wear – favourite colours

Due to our smaller numbers the disco times will be slightly different.

All students will be welcome to attend the disco commencing at 5:30p.m. and concluding at 7:30p.m.

Time:- Everyone 5:30-7:30p.m. Parents of younger students can collect your child/children earlier if you wish

An enclosed area will be used for Prep-Year 2 only for them to dance in. They can also dance amongst all the students if they choose.

Parents are required to sign ALL students in and out of the disco and provide an emergency contact number – we really appreciate your support with this.

Can't wait to see everyone Friday – bring your dance moves



PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION NEWS

P&C MEETING TIMES

Our monthly meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month and are now at 5.30 pm. If you are a parent, guardian or community member who wishes to be a part of the planning and fundraising of our school then please join us at our meetings. Thank You.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

A big thank you goes to staff, students and parents for their support on Subway day and a big thanks to Yaz, Terri and the tuckshop volunteers for their help in taking orders and counting money. Tuckshop goes back to normal times and days this week.

Tuckshop/uniform shop operates every Wednesday and Friday from 8:00am to 1:30 pm. Payment for tuckshop is required when placing an order and no telephone orders will be accepted. The P&C are able to help with applications for Blue Cards. If you have any queries please contact one of the executives or email pandc@townortss.eq.edu.au

Tuckshop/Uniform Shop- Opening Hours

Wednesday 8-1.30pm

Friday 8-1.30pm

LITTLE LEARNERS PLAYGROUP

Do you have a young child at home and are looking for a playgroup? This is a reminder that **Little Learners Playgroup** meet every Friday @ TNSS from 9 -11 am in B block (next to Prep). We provide a variety of activities each week allowing yourself and child to socialise and explore a fun learning environment. We ask you bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea (there's also tea & coffee available for our mums, dads, and carers).



SCRAPBOOKING

Scrapbooking is on again this term in the library, Thursday's at first break. Please see Mrs Griggs if you would like to come along and have some fun.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Royals Touch

August 20 & 27
10am – 12noon
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**FREE BBQ**

*Junior Sign On Day*

2017/18 AGE DIVISIONS • U8s to U16s  
at Kearneys Spring Touch Fields

[royalstouchclub@gmail.com](mailto:royalstouchclub@gmail.com)

**WILSONTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL**

**PROUD. STRONG. TOGETHER.**

**Date & Time**  
21<sup>st</sup> June 2017  
8:45am – 2:55pm

**Students Meet - ALC Building**

**Wear - Primary school uniform**

**Bring - Snack, water bottle & hat (WSHS bucket hat if already enrolled)**

Year 6 students are invited to come along to our first Transition Day at **Wilsonton State High School** on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017**

**PLEASE RSVP TO YOUR CLASSROOM TEACHER by 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

Transition Days give students the opportunity to experience our School first hand. They begin the important link between students, their families and the Wilsonton SHS school community long before the first day of high school.

Please take the opportunity to come along and join in activities and find out what's great at Wilsonton State High School!

**Sausage Sizzle lunch is provided.**

**Transition Day 1 – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017**

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