



POLAR PRESS # 3 Term 1

6th February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Badge presentation, Friday 10th February

At our school parade this Friday we will present leadership badges to the students identified in the leadership process conducted in 2016. We invite all families and friends of our leaders to join us at 8.30 am on the 10th February to witness the presentation and show your support for our school leaders. Our Adopt-a-Cop, Constable Matthew, will be attending and presenting badges. Following parade there will be a short morning tea for the Year 6 group. Parents and carers are welcome to join.

Swimming Carnival

Well done to our students for excellent participation and competition at our swimming carnival last Wednesday. The 2017 event was the best carnival held over the last 5 years and this can be credited to our students who came with winning attitudes – thank you. The staff team also excelled with Miss Harth's jokes on the microphone being a big hit with the crowd. Our appreciation goes out to parents and carers who braved the conditions to cheer the students along. Congratulations to the following North students who will compete at the zone competition:

- Savannah
- Shaun
- Georgia
- Tulleah
- Regan
- Olivia

Meet and Greet afternoon

On behalf of the staff we thank the parents, carers and students who made it along to the Meet and Greet event last Thursday afternoon. Although it was a hot afternoon, we had at least 80% of our families represented and we appreciate that our school community is keen to get together. I heard many good ideas coming from our parents and carers so I appreciated the opportunity to talk with so many people with great ideas for our school. Many thanks also to staff for your support of the event.

2017 at Toowoomba North State School

Our goal is for all students to achieve an attendance rate of 93% and improve their grades in mathematics through explicit instruction of number and algebra.

Reading and positive behaviour are our foundations for good learning.



The school and the family are partners in learning. Please join us!

Gold Pass Day Term 1

At the end of each term we celebrate student behaviour and attendance with a special social event for our students. This term we will offer an excursion to Milne Bay Aquatic Centre. This year we have raised our attendance rate for participating students. To qualify for this excursion students must have an attendance rate of 93% for the term. This practice is in line with our school attendance target of 93% for all students. The reason why we have lifted our attendance rate for gold pass is because we know improved attendance at school delivers improved confidence and positive behaviours for students and this is what we all want.

Kind regards,

Kaarin Littleton
Principal

Change of Details Students/Parent

Kindly see our admin staff in the office to update any contact details that may have changed, this may include contact numbers and addresses. Emergency contact details need to be up to date as it is essential in the event arises that we need to contact a parent or carer.

TNSS is now on Facebook

Toowoomba North now has an official Facebook page please like our page "**Toowoomba North State School**" to follow what's happening and upcoming events within our school and community.



School Banking

∅ The Commonwealth School Banking Program is each Thursday. The account for school banking must be a Youth Saver or Dollarmites Club account. We are able to clarify your child's existing account type with the Commonwealth Bank. Please bring in your child's Deposit book or account details i.e. name and account number, along with their correct money to be deposited, give it to the classroom teacher to put into the grey banking bag in your classroom. Banking Coordinators will collect the grey bags and return them to your class for your collection at the end of the day. We look forward to assisting your child to learn to save and earning fantastic rewards in the process.

TERM 1 AT A GLANCE FOR 2017

FEBRUARY	
Friday 17 th February	Badge Presentation for Leaders
Thursday 23 rd February	P&C Meeting – 5.30pm
MARCH	
Monday 20 th March	School Photos
Wednesday 29 th March	School Cross Country Carnival
Thurs 23 rd & Fri 24 th March	Fact-A-Thon
Week 10 - 27/3-31/3	Parent/Carer/Teacher Interviews

School Photos Monday 20th March, 2017

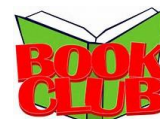
This year we have Little Images Photography coming on the Monday 20th March here to TNSS. Order forms will be sent home for each student towards the end of February. All children will have their individual photo taken and a complimentary pack will be provided to all students. Keep a look out for these forms at the end of February so you can place your order.

Year 2W Art Display

This week again on display year 2W have art work from the poem The Dinosaurs Dinner. It is on display in our front entry way, come past to have a look at our wonderful display from 2W. Well done 2W the dinosaur drawings are amazing.

Book Club – Miss Harth

Book club is due this Wednesday 8th February. Please hand in all book club money to the Office.



Ordering System for Tuckshop

I have had some queries on how to place an order for tuckshop. Here is an example of how to place an order. On a brown paper bag have the following details:

John Brown 2W
1 st Break
Pie \$3.50
Glee \$2.00
TNT \$0.60
Total \$6.10



Scrapbooking Thursday 1st Break

It's on again, scrapbooking will be this Thursday at 1st break in the library. Please see Mrs Griggs if you would like to come and have some scrapbooking fun!

Photos of our School Swimming Carnival



Community News



Date & Time	Topic	Guest Presenters
Tuesday 31 st January 12 – 2pm	Understanding Centrelink	Evelyn Scheuber Centrelink Representative
Tuesday 7 th February 12 – 2pm	Quiz a cop	Matthew McDonnell Toowoomba Police
Tuesday 21 st February 12 – 2pm	Magic 123	Maggie McKay The Toowoomba Youth Service is committed to delivering services that empower young people and their families to take charge of their lives in order to initiate personal and generational change.
Tuesday 28 th February 12 – 2pm	Common Mental Health disorders for Children and Young People	Eleanor Glover District Ed LinQ Coordinator Child and Youth Mental Health Service, Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service
Tuesday 7 th March 12 – 2pm	Daniel Morcombe Foundation Think u know Seminar	Daniel Morcombe Foundation The Foundation is strongly committed to the development and education of Respectful Relationships for children and teenagers in our schools and communities and assisting in reducing the over-representation of Indigenous Australians in the Child Protection sector.
Tuesday 14 th March 12 – 2pm	National Disability Insurance Scheme Readiness workshop	Annette Schoenberger NDIS Supports by Design

All sessions will be held at headspace, 1 Snell St, Toowoomba QLD 4350. Entry is at the front of the building. Please note: ParentSpace is a free program, with tea, coffee and light refreshments provided. Please call headspace Toowoomba directly to register your interest in attending any of the above sessions on (07) 4639 9000. We hope to see you there!



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