



TANNUM SANDS STATE SCHOOL

Newsletter

13 June 2017

We have a busy 9 days of term left before the much awaited Winter Vacation. Congratulations to Tannum Timbres as they travel to Rockhampton today to compete in the Creative Generations Regional competition. Our Tannum Timbres will visit Mt Larcom State School and Secondary Dept and Bajool State School on their trip to and from Rockhampton.

There was much excitement last Friday as a number of our students competed in the Country Coast Athletics Carnival hosted at Miriam Vale State School and Secondary Department. This year saw us win the aggregate trophy for the 17th time. Our record is better than that of our Queensland State of Origin Team. Congratulations to all students who participated on the day, our supportive parents and our staff, Mrs Baldwin and Mrs O'Sullivan.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, 14 June our Student Council are hosting a Casual Dress Day with the theme of your favourite footy or sporting team colours. Please ensure students wear appropriate clothes for school and that clothing is sun safe and all footwear is enclosed. Modesty rules also apply for clothing. Students are encouraged to wear casual dress for a gold coin donation, with money raised to go towards purchasing resources for students at our school and also the student council.

P & C Meeting

Our June P & C meeting will be held next Tuesday, 20 June, commencing at 6.30 pm in the Administration Building. If you haven't attended a P & C meeting before, I would encourage you to come along and share in the conversations about our school.

Thursday is 'School Cleaners' Day" and on behalf of the school community, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge all our cleaners for the role they play in maintaining a safe and clean environment at our school. Please take a moment to thank one (or more) of our cleaners for the work they do.

Friday, 23 June, we will be holding our full school 'Celebration of Learning' parade where we will showcase our Choirs, Band and Orchestra. An open invitation is extended to all of our parents and community members to attend. We look forward to celebrating with you our students' achievements.

Yours in Education
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Botanic to Bridge Fun Run – Sunday, 20 August, 2017

Students can register as individuals, with their family or within a team for the 3 km and/or 8 km events and their entire registration of \$10 will be directed back to our school. (So don't forget to nominate us as your preferred school when you register.) You can register at the following link <http://www.botanictobridge.com.au/register>. This event is a fantastic way for your students and families to raise funds for our school.

Key Event Dates:

Registrations Opened: Saturday, 27 May, 2017

Registrations Close: Thursday, 17 August, 2017 at 9 am

Event Day: Sunday, 20 August, 2017

We have had great support and participation in this event and this year should be no exception. Go Team Tannum!

Instrumental Music Update: Workshops & Fanfare

String Workshops: Payment closes Friday, 16 June.

Please complete the paperwork and return with payment as soon as possible. These workshops are a wonderful experience for our students. If you require more information about these workshops, please contact your Instrumental Music Teacher, Ms Ruge in the first instance.

WBP Workshops: Payment closes Wednesday, 12 July

Letters and information has been sent home regarding the upcoming workshops in Week 2, Term 3. If you require more information about these workshops, please contact your Instrumental Music Teacher, Mr Reibel in the first instance.

Road Safety including Drop, Stop and Go Zone

Many thanks to the majority of parents and carers with your thoughtfulness and consideration when parking near the school to collect children. Unfortunately, there are a few cars that stop and wait to enter the Drop, Stop and Go zone and cause traffic to bank up beside the buses. Buses have preference over cars and can pull out into traffic as indicated on the back of the buses.

Some parents are also crossing the road either at the Drop, Stop and Go Zone or from the Bus Zone and not the supervised crossing. Please reconsider as this is not setting a good example for our students.

The safety of our children near the bus stop and those walking to and from school, is paramount. Their lives are too precious to put at risk by not observing these simple safety rules.

Influenza (flu) season

Winter is coming, bringing cold and influenza (flu) season with it. Queensland Health's influenza page www.qld.gov.au/flu covers the symptoms, how to protect yourself and others from getting sick and treatment.

Our school is helping to prevent the flu from spreading by:

- Encouraging children, staff and visitors to cover their mouths and noses when they sneeze or cough,
- Making tissues readily available and ensuring tissues are disposed of immediately,
- Ensuring children and staff wash their hands regularly,
- Cleaning our facilities and resources regularly,
- Encourage staff and children who arrive with flu-like symptoms to instead stay at home and encouraging them to seek medical advice.

If your child catches the flu, please seek medical advice and keep them home until they are feeling well again.

Wilful Disturbance

Parents are reminded that if they have any concerns relating to students that they should approach school staff to deal with the matter and not deal with it themselves or approach students or parents on site. Parents or carers who fail to do this, will find themselves issued with a direction to not enter the school premises for a period of time as outlined in the Education Act (General Provisions) 2006.

Not only do we expect appropriate behaviour from our students, we as adults must model this as well. It takes a community to raise a child – we can all help by modelling the '**Tannum Wave**' to our children. We want all of our school community to be **respectful and responsible**.



Chappy Chat

Life is better when we train our minds to be our coach, rather than being our critic. Life can throw us many curve balls, one of them being **Change**. Dealing with change isn't always easy. It can be uncomfortable, stressful even scary at times. It's been said that the only constant in life is change. People change, circumstances change, things change. Change can be small, big, subtle or sudden. Sometimes it's a breeze, other times it's a painful process.

The good news is, there are things we can do to make coping with life changes a little easier. Some of these are:-

- **Take time to adjust.** There'll be lots of mixed feelings as a reaction to what's going on. Emotions will be stirred up. Let yourself laugh, cry or feel moody about it. Change often involves a degree of loss, so it's OK to grieve a little and feel nostalgic. Hang on to the good memories that have gone before.
- **Don't take it personally.** Change happens. That's life. Don't obsess over the why's – it's just life.
- **Don't go it alone.** Talk to family and close friends. Share your concerns with people you trust. Others sometimes offer a different angle to the situation which is helpful.
- **Don't focus on the negative.** If you keep looking at the bad side of things, you might miss the good – and life is full of opportunities when things change! The glass is also half full, remember? Viewing change as an opportunity to learn and grow, rather than a setback means that we're making the most of life.
- **Take time out for some self-nurture.** Being kind to ourselves is always a good idea and helps us deal with the stress of the unknown times ahead. Try some meditation, a massage or do whatever you feel will help you cope and relax.
- **Know that it will end.** No matter how big or difficult, change comes to an end when the new circumstances are in place and become familiar. Normality will return. Keep this in mind.

For more information or support, please contact me either through the school office, mobile 0404 937 250 or email sandyb@chappy.org.au

Remember – The secret to change is to focus all your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new. (Socrates)

LIBRARY NEWS

All student Library books are **now due** for return.

Please assist your child in returning their books this week.

If a book has been lost or damaged please contact Mrs Crompton (Teacher Librarian).

Premier's Reading Challenge

Our upper school students have taken up the challenge!

Students in Years 3 and 4 are each aiming to read 20 books and many of our Year 5 and 6 students have nominated themselves to read 15 books by the **25th of August**.

Fiction (story) and Non Fiction (information) books are equally valued for inclusion on the student's Reader Record Form.

There are suggested texts listed on the associated website at

<http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/booklist.html>



Disco Menu

Prep to Year 2

Party Pie	\$1.50
Party Sausage Roll	\$1.50
Dinky Dog (Half Hot Dog)	\$1.50
Popcorn	\$1.00
Chips	\$2.00
Popper Juice	\$1.50
Milk Popper	\$2.00
Medium Water	\$2.00
Small Water	\$1.00

Year 3 to Year 6

Party Pie	\$1.50
Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$3.00
Chicken and Gravy Roll	\$4.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Chips	\$2.00
Quench	\$1.50
Water	\$2.00

School Disco

Our school disco is also fast approaching on Thursday, 15 June with the theme "Mismatch Mayhem." Invitations will be extended to our students who follow the Tannum Wave.

Times for our discos are:

Prep – Year 2: 5.00 – 6.00 pm

Years 3 – 6: 6.30 – 8.00 pm

Cost: \$3 per person; \$6 for a family of 3.

Snack food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Tickets (wristbands) will be pre-sold on Wednesday, June 14 and Thursday, 15 June before school and during first break in the Senior Covered Play Area for those families who wish to purchase before the night to avoid the line-up.

Only students who are currently enrolled in our school are able to attend their respective disco. (No younger or older siblings please.) Parents please decide if your child can handle the disco vibe inside the hall.

Please remember that ALL students must be dropped off and picked up from the Hall by an adult. We will not release students to walk to the front of the school or to cars as this is a safety issue for us. Parents will be invited into the Hall to 'collect' their child/ren and invited to leave with them through different doors. Many thanks for your understanding and patience around this. Our children's safety is far more important than general convenience.

Parents of Prep students – one parent may accompany their Prep child on the evening if the child requires additional support. The accompanying parent will be invited to wait in a designated area which assists us with our supervision. Whilst waiting, if you would like to assist with the selling of refreshments in the Hall, your assistance in the kitchen area would be greatly appreciated.

Tuckshop Roster

Date	Tuckshop	Baking
Wed June 14	Melissa Smart	Sally Groundwater
Thu June 15	Karen Palmer	Melissa Smart
Fri June 16	Nic Chant, Lisa Smart, Jun Jun Chen	Chelsea Belton
Mon June 19	Lea Flynn	Melinda Green, Paddy Haratis
Tue June 20	Maree	Melanie Potter
Wed June 21	Gloria Wagner, Nell Cheetham	Lisa McCormack
Thu June 22	Karen Palmer	Tracy Thompson
Fri June 23	Jane Preston, Di Buckthorpe	Kym Jones
	State of Origin baking. Amanda Deverell - NSW	Nic Kelly - Qld

Photo's will be here on Thursday June 15 commencing at 2pm in the staffroom