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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



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Phone: 5335 8888
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Invitation

The staff and students of Tewantin State School would like to invite all current and former parents and caregivers to a special parade on Monday the 24th August.

Our former Principal Mr Neil Jenkins and newly retired Deputy Principal, Mr Kerrod Parsons, have been invited to attend our parade on this day. This will give us all an opportunity to say goodbye and wish them well in their new endeavours.

Our parade will start at 2:00pm sharp and parents have been invited to then join the 'guests of honour' for a cup of tea or coffee.

We hope that you can make it along and take the opportunity to thank these two staff members who have made such a valuable contribution to our school and who will indeed be missed here at Tewantin State School.

Details:

Where: Main Hall (Entry via Goodwin St) - Tewantin State School

When: Monday 24th August, 2015

Time: 2:00pm

Community support

The Tewantin Noosa RSL and Citizens Club recently sponsored the school to purchase additional shirts for our school band. Steve Drake (President Sub-Branch Tewantin Noosa RSL) and John Favell (President Citizens and Memorial Club) were invited to parade last week so we could publicly acknowledge and thank the Tewantin Noosa RSL and Citizens Club for their ongoing support and partnership with the school. I recently attended the Commemorative Service on Vietnam Veterans Day with our School Captains and Band, Mr. John Beaufoy and members of staff to honor this important day.

2016 PREP

Enrolment packages for 2016 can be collected from the school office. A Prep parent information session was recently held at the school but if you missed this session

- The next parent information session is Wednesday 21st October at 9.15am
- The next pre-prep play session is Friday 4th September from 9am-10.30am
- Individual tours with the Principal can be arranged by appointment

Please RSVP administration if you want to participate in any of the above options on 5335 8888. Starting school is an important milestone in a child's life. Supporting every child to successfully transition to school helps enhance their enthusiasm for life-long learning.

Strengthening Communication Between Home and School – our commitment

At Tewanin State School, we believe that the link between home and school is critical. Part of this commitment relies on us having updated contact details so that parents and caregivers can be reached quickly as the need arises.

We are presently modernising our communication platforms to include the capacity to email important reminders to families on a needs basis. This might include messages about important school events such as Spring Fair and Sports Day. An easy way to update your email address is to subscribe to our school newsletter via <http://www.schoolzine.com.au/secure/tewanin9137/>. By receiving the online newsletter, you are able to access photos and other details not available with the paper version. This will also give you the capacity to receive other school messages via e-mail.

Please note

Paper copies of the newsletter are still available for parents and caregivers to pick up from the office, where required. In the event of an **emergency** such as earthquake or natural disaster the school will alert you **via the e-mail address or addresses that you have provided AND also via the SMS contact number you have provided the school**. Please take the time to ensure we have your correct contact details.

Thankyou for your ongoing support

Corrie Connors

Nutrition and Learning

Breakfast

Breakfast is a crucial part of every child's day. It affects everything from memory to creativity in the classroom. Children who go hungry are more inclined to become distracted from learning at school, or give up more easily when faced with challenges. Healthy, well-rounded breakfasts are best for a child's maximum performance level.

According to studies, eating a healthy breakfast in the morning has beneficial effects on memory -- particularly short-term -- and attention, allowing children to more quickly and accurately retrieve information. Children who eat breakfast often perform better on reading, arithmetic and problem-solving tests.

Breakfast affects more than direct learning; it also impacts behaviours surrounding learning in the classroom environment. Consistent breakfast consumption is linked to better attendance and better classroom behaviour and vigilance, which facilitates learning. Children may give up more easily in school if they're feeling the negative effects of skipping breakfast.

Morning Tea and Lunch

The food children eat is the fuel they need to run their little bodies. Better food equals better fuel and better fuel means a healthier body. Explain which foods are best -- fruits, vegetables, whole grains and things that aren't deep fried or full of sugar. Let children have input into their morning teas and lunches by all means, but in the end the decision is yours!

After-school Snacks

Even with a balanced breakfast and healthy lunch, a light after-school snack is an effective way to refuel a kid's body before play or study time begins. A handful of nuts and an apple is perfect, or maybe a snack tray of vegetables and dips.

School Time Reminders

- 8.45am – Warning Bell
- 8.55am – Start first session
- 10.55-11.05am – Eating time
- 11.05am – Playtime
- 11.35am – Second session
- 1.05-1.15pm – Eating time
- 1.15pm – Playtime
- 1.45pm – Third session
- 2.45pm – Home time

For matters of student safety, a reminder that students should be arriving no earlier than 8am to school. It is expected that students punctually depart the school grounds following the day's lessons.

Before and after school care is provided by our school. Forms can be picked up from the before/after school room or the office.



Sheldon Boland
- Deputy Principal (A)