9 December 2015

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

FAREWELL MRS REITSMA AND WELCOME MRS TREWICK

Congratulations to Heidi Reitsma. Heidi will be acting Head of Curriculum at Buderim Mountain State School. Heidi has made a significant contribution to the school during her time at Tewantin as class teacher, Head of Differentiation and Head of Curriculum. We wish Heidi all the best for her new career pathway. Mrs Kym Trewick will be the new acting Head of Curriculum at Tewantin State School for 2016.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS 2016 ANNOUNCED

A big congratulations to our newly announce School Captains Hugh Brennan and Kalin Geromet and our 2016 Vice Captains Isla Echague-Browne and Jhett Beauclerc.

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA:

On Wednesday the P&C organised our Volunteers Morning Tea. The morning tea is recognition and a sincere thank you to the many members of the community for the variety of ways in which they contribute through volunteering and providing support to our students throughout the year. Our school relies greatly on our volunteers to assist with a variety of activities throughout the year which include supporting our Breakfast Club, providing in class support, helping out with Music, The Arts, Sport, excursions, working for the P&C as an Executive Member or a willing helper, working in the tuckshop or providing Religious Instruction for our students. All of these roles help to make our school the great school that it is today. We genuinely value and thank all of our Volunteers for the wonderful contribution that you make to our school each and every day. THANK YOU!

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

I would like to extend a big thank you to Mr Dan Bandera for running yet another very successful swimming carnival. The work that he puts into all his carnivals is evident and contributes to the high participation level from the students. It was lovely to see our Tewantin State School students showing such a high level of swimming ability, which is no doubt thanks to the
excellent lessons offered here during terms one and four each year. More importantly the sportsmanship and encouragement that the students show to one another is outstanding.

TALENT QUEST

Last night our hall came alive with a variety of amazing talent. From singing and dancing to karate, guitar playing and our very own mini strings orchestra we were all thoroughly entertained at our very successful 2015 Tewantin State School Talent Quest. Congratulations to not only those students who made it through the auditions and onto stage, but to each and every student who plucked up the courage to stand up in front of their peers to audition.

Congratulations to the following talented students:

1st place – Tom Moulds – Hip hop routine
2nd Place – Caitlyn Taylor – Karate display
3rd Place- Bellamoe Amato Ali - Singing

A huge thank you must go to Mr John Beaufoy for the hard work that he puts in behind the scenes. Our talent quest is a wonderful platform for our students to showcase those talents that they may not have the opportunity to during the year. Mr Beaufoy puts in many hours in the preparation of this night with auditions held during lunchtimes in the lead up.

2015 Talent Quest Winners

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2016

Will be Wednesday the 27th January.

Also please be advised that the office will be closed on Monday the 25th January.

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL P&C

I would like to sincerely thank all members of the P&C for your contribution to the school throughout 2015. Our P&C Executives are: President – Meredith Mason, Vice President - Angie Marian, Secretary - Julie Schultz, Treasurer – Megan Moon, Your dedication and commitment to enhancing our school and your work around continuing to grow strong parent, school and community partnerships is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

PLAYGROUND FORT

Recently the school has completed the Annual Safety Assessment. This was conducted by a qualified Work Place Health and Safety Advisor. The Regional Facility Officer has also recently visited the school to ensure optimum safety for our students and has endorsed the findings of the Work Place Health and Safety Advisor. The Playground Fort has been deemed unsafe for students with no viable option for repair. It is a shame that this wonderful asset is no longer safe. The Playground Fort will be removed shortly following departmental procedures.

ATHLETES FOOT DONATION

We would like to express our thanks to the Athletes Foot at Noosaville for their recent donation of $330. Their School Rewards program, rewards students for purchasing their school footwear through them by donating a percentage of the sale back to the student's school. The Athletes Foot has donated back over $30,000 in the last 5 years to schools within the Noosa district.

VACATION CARE PROGRAM

With the school holidays just around the corner, it is time to make bookings for our vacation care program. This program usually fills very quickly so please make your bookings with the Outside School Hours Care staff as soon as possible either in person or by phoning 07 5455 5203 or 0467 319 530. Please see attached information.

REPORT CARDS

Please be aware that report cards will be sent home with students on Wednesday, 9th December. Any questions relating to report cards can be directed to your child’s classroom teacher.

STAFFING CHANGES

Please be aware of the following staff changes in the coming weeks:

Term 4

• Dr Denise Patton-King (Guidance Officer) is on leave from 2 November until 11 December, and will be replaced by Mr Greg Maroske
• Miss Fran Van Loendersloot will be on leave from 30 November until 11 December, and will be replaced by Mrs Ann Stevens
• Mr Lucas Bold will be on leave during the last week of the year from December 7 until the 11th and will be replaced by Mrs Lesley Whitehouse

EXEMPTION FROM COMPULSORY SCHOOLING

Please be aware that any parents of students who are absent from school for 10 or more consecutive days must complete a form to exempt them from compulsory schooling for this period of time. The most common reason to complete this
form is when families are travelling during the school term and sometimes it also includes who have a medical condition, supported by a medical certificate. Forms can be collected from the school office and are also attached to the newsletter.

LEARNING AWARDS

Each week on parade, our selected students are presented with Learning Awards for showing effective learning skills in the classroom. This year, our students who receive learning awards display the following skills:

- Trying their best at all classroom activities, no matter what their ability with those activities are
- Ensuring everyone else in the classroom is learning by displaying appropriate behavior
- Letting the teacher know if something is challenging and more assistance is needed
- Helping other students who may need assistance with their learning

Students who have been presented with learning awards since the last newsletter include:

4B1 – Alonso Urlich Urlich
4OT- Jemma Mutch and Eefa Neher
4P1- Ryan Carter
4R1- James Vieritz
5C1 – Maya Rawlinson
5C2 – Willow Mussmann
5P1 – Mason Silk
6/M1 – Clea Bowden
6D1 – Jayden Tennyson
6M1- Simarra Cousins
6P1- Quinlan O’Donnell

PARADES

Parades will continue in 2016 each Monday afternoon from 2pm until 2:30pm for all Prep to Year 6 students in the school hall. Most weeks will see class performances, a School Wide Positive Behaviour Support item as well as the recognition of various students. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

FAREWELL FOR 2015

Well the final week is finally upon us. All of our classrooms have been filled with excitement as the students reflect on their wonderful achievements across the year and have completed their final assessments for 2015. Our class teachers have worked very hard on ensuring they can provide you a very comprehensive end of year report card informing you exactly where your child’s demonstrated understanding sits against the Australian Curriculum expectations. Report cards have been sent home this week. As a school we are also reflecting on our achievements this year and making plans for our key focus areas in 2016. I would like to thank staff, students, parents and the wider community for ensuring 2015 was another successful school year. I wish you all a safe and happy holiday with family and friends.

Corrie Connors – Principal

TERM DATES*

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*Please be advised that dates are continually being added and that dates and times are subject to change. Please check the website or QSchool app for up to date information.

SCHOOLWIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS)

Positive Choices and Safety Over the Holidays

To ensure our students arrive safely back to us in 2016, it is important that children continue to make positive behaviour choices over the holidays. This includes responsible usage of toys and/or play equipment, some of which may be received as gifts over the Festive Season.

Please keep the following in mind:-

- Holidays are a peak time for injuries resulting from falls from scooters, bikes and skateboards, or injuries from new toys;
- Read and understand play equipment instructions;
- Only use play equipment in areas designed for their use;
- Wear appropriate safety equipment – helmets, reflective gear and light coloured clothing when cycling; helmets, wrist guards, knee and elbow pads with skates, scooters and skateboards;
- Choose play equipment that meets the Australian Standards;
- Choose sturdy play equipment that will last;
- Use play equipment in the manner for which it is intended;
- At all times, carefully consider your safety and that of others when making decisions. If you aren’t sure that something is safe, seek adult advice.

Please continue to make both positive and safe choices over the holidays.

Best wishes over the break.

Sheldon Boland - Deputy Principal (A)
REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be sent home in week 10, providing parents and caregivers with a written report of their child’s achievement for each of the learning areas they have studied in Semester 2. The ‘grade’ or level of achievement that a student receives on their report card, reflects the National achievement standard for the year taught (for example, a student in year 2, receives a report card with their level of achievement graded against the National achievement standard for Year 2). Basically, reports reflect:

- judgments about the quality of student learning, based on evidence collected during Semester 2
- the student’s most consistent level of achievement with consideration to more recent evidence (i.e. work that students have completed in the last few weeks of school)

When deciding what level is achieved by the students, teachers carefully look at different samples of student work as evidence of the student’s learning. They look at how well the student has met those elements of the National achievement standard that have been taught and assessed. A level of achievement is then awarded using a five-point scale (A-E or equivalent depending on the year level). Details of the five-point scale can be found on the first page of the report card.

DIFFERENTIATING THE CURRICULUM

Tewantin State School is committed to providing students with supportive, challenging and inspirational learning environments, encouraging them to pursue excellence and fulfil their potential.

Differentiating the curriculum at Tewantin State School provides students with learning activities that cater for their individual learning needs, ensuring they are immersed in challenging and enjoyable learning experiences.

The Acceler8 Program complements the extension activities provided by class teachers, and also gives students the opportunity to work with like-minded students on challenging tasks, preparing them for later events such as national, state and regional competitions, the school’s Maths Olympiad, school Parade presentations and school-wide displays.

For Prep through Year 6, the Acceler8 Program covers the 4 major subject areas of Literacy, Maths, Science and History in the following programs:

- **Loving Literacy**: Language skills and literacy texts are practised, expanded and challenged through engaging and enhancing creative writing experiences
- **Enrichmatics**: Maths problem solving skills are discovered through learning opportunities that incorporate higher-level thinking and investigations
- **Scientastic**: Through experiments and investigations, scientific methods and principles are discovered using conjecture and hypothesis testing
- **Acceler8 History**: research skills and presentational skills on an historical topic are introduced and practised

SPORTS SHORTS

INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVALS

The annual inter-house swimming carnivals were held recently for years 3-6. Congratulations to all students who participated – your effort and enthusiasm was fabulous. Thank you so much to all the parents and caregivers who attended to support the children and to the house captains for your superb help throughout the week as officials and team leaders.

Mrs Heidi Reitsma – Head of Curriculum

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### OVERALL TOTAL

1st – Doonella 1437  
2nd – Cooroibah 1404  
3rd – Weyba 1201  
4th – Laguna 1044

It was extremely close between all teams and congratulations to Doonella House who are not only the champion athletics team but also the champion swimming team for 2015. A special congratulations must also go to all the Age Champions and Runners Up. I know some of you had been training very hard for your events.

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### SPORTS REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to all students who were selected in representative sport teams this year. Altogether 26 students from Tewantin SS represented Noosa District and 3 students were selected into Sunshine Coast Regional Teams.

1. **Noosa District representatives**
   - **Softball (Girls)** – Maddy (Surname withheld), Jordan Johns, Lemarla Currie, Lydia Creighton, Tarleaha Breed, Keely Angelo  
   - **Swimming** – Heath Robinson, Mia Mahanga-Hawkins, Mia Jeffries  
   - **Cross Country** – Mia Jeffries  
   - **AFL** – Sam (Surname withheld)  
   - **Rugby League** – Chanse Wilson, Cooper Lea (U11), Heath Robinson, Blake O’Donnell (U12)  
   - **Tennis** – Shayla Sinclair  
   - **Basketball (girls)** – Lucy Wallace, Naorni (Surname withheld)  
   - **Soccer (girls)** – Keana Welsh, Ayva Gilbert  
   - **Soccer (Boys)** - Jack Williams  
   - **Touch (Girls)** – Ruby McIlroy  
   - **Athletics** – Mia Jeffries, Mia Mahanga-Hawkins, Luis Largiader  
   - **Rugby Union** – Jarrah Charlesworth, Oak Richardson, Josh Whitehill  
   - **Cricket** – Cooper Lea  
   - **Softball (Boys)** – Tim Ellis, Dylan Jones

2. **Sunshine Coast Representatives**
   - **Tennis** – Shayla Sinclair  
   - **Soccer** - Keana Welsh  
   - **Athletics** – Mia Jeffries

**Dan Bandera - PE Teacher**

**LIBRARY NEWS**

We have had a great year in the library, having a very successful Book fair in June enabling the Library to receive $1,800 worth of new books for your children to enjoy.  
P&C Book fair in November was also very successful, again the Library receiving $800 worth of new books.

REMINDER ALL library BOOKS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO LIBRARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Merry Christmas!

**Christine Goggin - Tewantin State School Library**

**IN THE NEWS**

**CHRISTMAS HAS ARRIVED EARLY IN EAST TIMOR.**

Educational care parcels in the form of the 1,600 shoe boxes left from Tewantin, Cooroy and Pacific Paradise State Schools in June have made it through storms and a school-term break to arrive in Timor Leste.

Thanks to a collective and determined community effort the educational parcels have arrived safely at Sao Miguel (St. Michael) at Raikotu. It’s a school about 30 minutes west of Dili and thousands of students were waiting eagerly to receive one, as seen on video shown at Tewantin State School assembly earlier this week.
The school officially has 150 kindergarten students, 250 of primary age and some 200 junior high school kids, but the surrounding area of need stretches to include hundreds more. With the help of the Community Bank branch of Bendigo Bank in Tewantin, Cooroy and Marcoola the Rotary Clubs of Noosa and Cooroy, the school was identified as a community school with no help from the ministry of education in Timor.

Each parcel took the form of a decorated shoe box with enclosed items including exercise books, rulers, erasers, pens and pencils, all topped off with a personal item from each student from Cooroy and Tewantin State Schools to the child opening it at the other end.

The Community Bank branches of Bendigo Bank in Tewantin, Cooroy and Marcoola and the Rotary Clubs of Noosa and Cooroy shared the shipment costs because both organisations saw an opportunity to support a cause that would instil a sense of responsibility into each student who compiled these special gifts.

Tewantin State School Principal, Corrie Connors said learning of the arrival of the shoe boxes has brought an emotional reaction from her students. To the hundreds of students who got involved at the school, the spirit of the project really hit home once they saw video of the arrival of the shoe boxes.

“The students and our school all have a real connection to this project. They had a ball putting the care parcels together and it’s great to see their hard work and the fabulous support of their families, the Community Bank branch of Bendigo Bank and Rotary Clubs of Noosa and Cooroy have finally made their way into the hands of the kids who need them most,” Mrs. Connors said.

“It’s great to see their thoughtfulness come full circle and we’re excited and proud to have been part of it all again this year. Every shoe box was personally decorated and had educational items to further the education of a child less fortunate than themselves. Each student also enclosed something small of theirs such as a soft toy or tennis ball. It added something simple but personal to each box,” she added.

Kerri Wright from the Tewantin Community Bank branch agrees and said she feels the project continues to build on something special.

“Our Community Banks are all about giving back and in this case the community recipients have been international ones. This project is about community partnership and feels as relevant now as when we started in 2008.

“We’re delighted to continue our collaboration with Rotary and to watch some of the kids recognise their shoe box in the video and photos. We all love this project and are committed to doing it all again in 2016” she said.
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Siblings Have Talent!

Two Tewantin State School students will star on stage in Noosa Arts Theatres’ annual pantomime in January 2016.

Megan and Ryan Webberley will sing and dance in the exciting pantomime Old Mother Hubbard showing at the Noosa Arts Theatre commencing on 2rd January 2016.

Megan stars as a fairy whilst Ryan delights as one of the villagers.

Megan and Ryan are part of a team of 29 actors (and a dog called Google!) who contribute their special theatrical talents to deliver original fun filled family magic.

The ageless pantomime is the story of Old Mother Hubbard, the proprietor of the local orphanage which is struggling to keep open. The future of the orphanage becomes even bleaker when Squire Farquhar becomes her landlord, courtesy of Demon Evil and threatens Old Mother Hubbard and her orphans with eviction. The only way to save the orphanage and the orphans is to allow her eldest orphan Polly to marry the Squire.

As Old Mother Hubbard prepares to leave the orphanage to protect Polly from a loveless marriage, Fairy Floss convinces the Squire to face this awful loss, turning him against Demon Evil, forcing him out of town.

The orphanage is saved and in true pantomime style, Polly ends up marrying her handsome Prince.

Children and adults alike will be mesmerised by this traditional, fast moving and visually splendid production featuring ageless well-loved songs.

Congratulations to Megan and Ryan for what is sure to be a wonderful performance from them.

UNIFORM SHOP

Please be advised that the uniform shop will be open the following times in the lead up to the 2016 school year:

- Friday 22nd January 9:00 – 12:00
- Wednesday 27th January 8:00-9:00
- Thursday 28th January 8:00 – 9:00
- Friday 29th January 8:00 – 9:00

TEWANTIN STATE SCHOOL’S ABSENCE REPORTING PHONE NUMBER

Please use the phone number - 5335 8866 for reporting student absences.

P&C NEWS

DISCO

We had an amazing Christmas Disco and would like to thank all our volunteers who helped on the night. The music supplied by Mr Beaufoy was once again outstanding.

THANKYOU

At this time of the year as we are winding down I would like to take the opportunity to recognise our volunteers that always put their hand up to help with the fundraising events during the year, we couldn’t do it without you all.

To our awesome Operations Manager Nicki Bullock and our amazing Bookkeeper Rachael Ladd for all their behind the scene work, we thank you.

I would also like to recognise the schools P&C Executives Meredith Mason, Angie Marian, Julie Schultz and Megan Moon who this year have put in enormous amounts of time with fundraising events and overseeing the Uniform Shop, Tuckshop and OSHC, they do all this as non-paid volunteers and deserve an extra special thank you for all their continued work for our school.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

A new menu will be sent home shortly that begins in Term 1 of 2016, we have listened to our parents and reduced pricing on many of our items, introduced some different items and bought back some well-loved items. Pelicans Tuckshop will be re-opening on Mondays in 2016. We would like to thank Michelle, Sarah and all the volunteers for their hard work this year and for continually providing healthy tasty food to our students.
OSHC NEWS

Don’t forget to come to OSHC and book for your Vacation Care these school holidays, they have some awesome activities planned. Thank you to Allison and her staff for providing an amazing and friendly service to our students.

UNIFORM SHOP

Our Uniform Shop will be opening on Friday 22nd January from 8am – 1pm for all your uniform needs. Prep hats for 2016 will be Royal Blue in colour and the feedback we have received from parents of prepies is that this a great idea.

We envisage that the 2016 Year 6 Graduation Shirts will be handed out to students who ordered them in the first week of school. Thank you to Nicki, Anita and Indianna for all you have done this year in the Uniform Shop.

FACEBOOK

Don’t forget to like our Facebook page to keep up to date on what the school’s P&C are up to – Tewantin State School P&C (Pelican Logo).

MERRY CHRISTMAS

On behalf of the Tewantin State School P&C we would like to wish all our school families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we will see you all back here on Wednesday 27th January 2016.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Last week it was wonderful to be able to donate a child size timber picnic table (from the Tiny Tables Company) to some local families from the Tewantin Community to use for BBQ’s. The table for the table was raised by Glasshouse Mountain Christian College students who had fundraisers as part of their Community Outreach program. The table will be well used and appreciated by these families and is a great example of Communities coming together for a cause. A special thank-you goes to Peter Chapman from the Anglican Church at Tewantin for putting the table together and delivering it.

RAFFLE

Over the next week I will be selling raffle tickets to raise money for children to attend the Scripture Union camp in the school holidays. This camp has some fantastic activities and will be a great week away for children who have had a tough year for one reason or another. I am aiming to sponsor seven children. Many thanks go to the Tewantin Community for donating some beautiful gifts for this cause. The following organizations were sponsors:

- Tewantin Post Office
- Nourish Health Food Store and Organics
- Guardian Pharmacy
- The Royal Mail Hotel
- Pittsy and Emmas Fruit Market
- Domini Design Elements
- Tewantin Newsagency
If you would like to purchase a raffle ticket for this great cause please contact me at the school on a Monday or Thursday or email me on lyndaO@chappy.org.au

**TABLE TENNIS**

A big CONGRATS to our Table Tennis Champion Jack Williams! He was presented with a medal and a certificate for his Championship win. Congratulations also to Keana Welsh who was our runner up and also received a medal. The Year Six Table Tennis competition started in Term 2 and we have played our elimination draw every Thursday, so it is fabulous to finally have a winner! The medals were donated by one of our valuable volunteers Ian Thomas who has spent lunch times doing umpiring for the Table Tennis and mornings doing the Breakfast Club. Thanks so much Ian!

**CHRISTMAS QUOTE**

“The Spirit of Christmas is the Spirit of Love and of generosity and of goodness. It illuminates the picture window of the soul, and we look out upon the world’s busy life and become more interested in people than in things”. (Thomas S. Monson).

Have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year everyone!

Lynda Oakley – School Chaplain

**TEWANTIN STATE SCHOOL POOL NEWS**

Term 4 School swimming carnival has been a great success; a lot of fun was had by all.

Please remember if you want to introduce yours kids to or keep them in training that the Pool has clinics running through the Christmas holidays.

Contact 0402 66 16 38 or visit www.blackmarlinswimschool.com.au for more information, available dates and booking times.

**INVOICES**

**SRS – Student resources scheme**

Thank you to those families who have returned their green SRS form and/or who have already paid their SRS contribution. Please note that you will shortly receive an invoice, which is system generated. Please disregard this invoice if you have already paid the $70 SRS contribution.

**BPOINT facility**

BPOINT is an online payment system which provides schools with a secure and efficient method of collecting payments from parents and unlike BPAY, BPOINT allows payments to be made with an invoice number. This is our preferred method of invoice payment.

**ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER**

Our school newsletter is distributed in electronic format to registered email addresses. To register, go to http://www.schoolzine.com.au/secure/tewantin9137/

By receiving the newsletter electronically, you are able to access photos and other details currently not available in a paper version. Apart from being received by email, it can also be accessed through our school website: https://tewantinss.eq.edu.au/

Paper copies are available through the school office each Thursday for those families who do not have computer access. Parents / students will need to collect a copy from the office.

**UPDATING YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS** - Email addresses can be deleted from the newsletter email message when received in your inbox. Open and click on the ‘unsubscribe box’ to delete address no longer required and you can then resubscribe under your new e-mail address using the link at the top of this article.

**NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING**

For advertising in our school newsletter, please direct all enquiries to School zine on 1300 795 503.
COMMUNITY NEWS

TEWANTIN TRADERS-CHRISTMAS IN TEWANTIN

FREE XMAS FAMILY NIGHT - BUNNINGS NOOSAVILLE
December 10th 6-8pm

Come and join us for the biggest night of the year. We will have fantastic entertainment including Miss Donna, a jumping castle, fairy floss and sno cones, snake show and the amazing Tewantin State School Choir.

Peregian Lions will be running the BBQ and the Vietnam Veterans will be selling tickets to their Mega raffle which includes a trailer!

Santa will of course be in the house and the Bunnings elves will be running fabulous festive craft sessions. Games, giveaways and best dressed competition.

So dress in your Christmas best and join in all the fun.

Bookings Essential.

FREE BREAST SCREENING

Breast cancer is a serious disease that affects one in eight Queensland women in their lifetime.

Having a regular breastscreen every two years is the best way to detect breast cancer early and gives you a better chance of successful treatment and recovery.

For bookings or further information on BreastScreen locations please phone 13 20 50.

EUMUNDI NIGHT MARKETS

Fridays 5 - 9pm
4th, 11th & 18th December

Fabulous food
Light spectacular
Family outdoor movies
Shopping under the stars
Photos with Santa $10
Street performers
Live music
Free parking

GIRL GUIDES

Guiding provides a values based dynamic and flexible non-formal educational program for girls and young women in a fun and supportive girl’s only environment. Girls develop leadership skills and a sense of personal responsibility and a shared purpose to make the world a better place.

Guides discover, decide, plan, participate and develop their program to suit their Unit with the guidance of an Adult Leader.

Guiding activities vary from week to week and ensure the positive Guiding motto’s of "Be Prepared" and ‘Guides can do anything.'
Inspire Girls! Unit Leaders and Assistant Leaders Required

Unit Leaders and Assistant Unit Leaders drive weekly meetings, helping the girls to plan activities, achieve goals, and have fun. You don’t need to have been a Guide yourself. Training is provided:

- Make a difference to girls’ lives
- Learn new skills and develop existing ones
- Be part of a team of like-minded women
- Give your CV a boost by developing management and leadership skills
- Develop lasting friendships with other Leaders
- Take action on issues which affect the lives of women in Australia and overseas
- Have lots of fun!

For more information please visit guidesqld.org and girlguides.org.au

Please call 0407146917 or 0425850360 for information about your local unit.

- If you join Girl Guides between 5-17 you will be a youth member and placed into a Unit.
- Units are structured so girls are with their own age group.
- Unit meetings usually take place once a week during the Queensland school term for 2 hours within a local hut or community space.
- Units have opportunities to participate in many programs outside Unit meetings, for example: helping run community events, embrace the outdoors through camping and other adventurous activities, enjoy social outings with other Units and even learn how to save a life.