Mr Handley has been away the last week and a half.

Picking up Children:
Please ensure teachers know of any changes regarding who is picking up your children and that your children themselves are aware of the different arrangements.

Parents, if your children arrive after 9.00am or if you pick your children up early, you need to sign the appropriate folder at the office please. These forms are also in each classroom.

Our commitment at Tarampa State School is to the core learning priorities of Reading, Writing Numeracy, and Science.
We will develop productive partnerships with students, staff, parents and their communities to improve student learning opportunities.
At Tarampa State School we will implement the Australian Curriculum and differentiate to cater for all ability levels in the curriculum planning process.
**Year Prep/1 News**

It has been a busy couple of weeks and the children are all settling in well. We are working well towards building friendships and forming relationships.

We have started learning THRASS and the students are picking it up quite well. I will be sending home home readers for the preps next week and some “hot” words.

Year one students are working very hard writing emotional responses to story books and we are beginning to write stories in our “big write”.

Please remember to return library books every Monday, books can not be exchanged if they are not returned. We do PE with Mr Grassick every Thursday afternoon, please make sure your child wears shoes that are comfortable to run in.

Please bring in any spare books from the booklist, as we need them in class already.

Mrs McGeary

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**Year 1/2 News**

We are working very hard learning about story structures, characters and their emotions. We are enjoying reading stories and writing about them.

Year One students have been given a speaking assessment task which is due on Tuesday 23rd of February. If you have any questions please come and see me.

Mrs McGeary

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**Reminders:**

- If you still have not supplied all the required stationery please do so ASAP.
- Please remember to bring in an old sock for a whiteboard eraser.
- Talk homework is coming home every Thursday afternoon. Please try to talk to your child/children about the given topic every week as it helps them to form ideas for their writing task on Friday.
- Library day is Tuesday, children are unable to re-borrow if their book has not been returned.

Mr Grassick

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**Year 3-4 News**

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**School Captains**

Next Wednesday, 24 February, the students who have nominated for the above are giving their speeches commencing at 2:00pm. All are welcome to attend. As in previous years, this year’s School Captains will be either two girls, two boys or one of each. The whole school will then vote for the captains for this year.

**Senior Shirts**

The students have chosen their designs for this year’s Senior Shirts and the suppliers are bringing out some samples shortly. I plan to have this all completed before the end of this term.

Mr de Grussa

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**Library**

Thank you to all students for remembering to bring back their library books and for taking good care of them at home.

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**Student Cards:**

Attached to this newsletter are Student Cards that need parents to check their children’s details, change any info required in red pen and return it with your signature on as approval of the changes. If no changes are required. Please write “All Correct” at the top of the card, sign it and return it by next Friday 26 February.

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**Headlice:**

A case of headlice has been reported at our school. Please check your child’s hair and treat it if any are found before they return to school to prevent their spread.
Parents and visitors to our school grounds
Evacuation Procedures:

FIRE: A siren will sound for you to proceed to the evacuation area which is beside the P/2 playground. Remain there until the “All Clear” is given.

LOCK DOWN: A whistle is sounded continuously for 1 minute. Proceed to the closest classroom/building as soon as possible. Remain inside building until the “All Clear” is given by principal or police.

Reading Tips for Parents: (Tell your children.)

Picturing Penguin
Visualize as you read! Put pictures in your head as you read. See and think about the story like a movie in your head.
Sunshine Coast Surf Schools

Have teamed up with special needs and Stand-up Paddle Boarding Adventure. There are lots of volunteers that are experienced with working with special needs children. Siblings are welcome to participate, recommended ages 5yrs – 99yrs Life Jackets, Rash Shirts, Paddle Boards included, just bring sunblock and togs.

When: Saturday-Sunday, 27-28th February
Where: End of Logan’s Inlet Road, Lake Wivenhoe
Cost: $25ea (1hr session)
Time: 9am – 2.30am

BCC Sensory Movie Days

21 Feb: Fast & Furry-ous; 20 Mar: Dream Big; 24 Apr: The Weight is Over
NAB: Sensory Movie Day BSB 084745 A/c 840883360
Please use your name and SPBW as reference.

Sensory Movie Day is an inclusive event for families with special needs. Lighting is dimmed, sound lowered, volunteers monitor the exit doors. Tickets are $6ea commencing at 11am on the above listed Sundays. Please leave your name, mobile number, child’s first name, age. Cancellations, please give us plenty of notice to find a replacement. If we are unable to find a replacement then refund will not be given.

FOLK ART

Cooperative Society Ltd

Homemade cakes & preserves
Fruit & vegetables in season
Craftwork & sewing
Gifts & souvenirs
Gifts and Souvenirs

Indigenous Cultural Program

Young people and their parents/carers are invited to attend an afternoon of free cultural activities. Bring a hat and water bottle.
Commencing 18 February 2016
3:30pm – 5pm
Lowood Community
1 Peace Street, Lowood
For more information, please contact:
mall@somerset.qld.gov.au Ph: 5424 4000 www.somerset.qld.gov.au
Backed by Somerset Regional Council & Anglicare
This program has the potential to become a weekly afterschool program