Hello to the Tarampa State School community.

**First of all, please note the change of date for School photos from Tuesday May 24th to the morning of Friday May 13th. This is the day after the last NAPLAN test.**

Easter Bonnet parade: I have sent out a notification to parents on the Qschools App and on the Tarampa SS website that the Easter Bonnet Parade will be held next Tuesday, March 22nd. Please do not spend any more than $5 on the costume. It is a bit of fun and not a competition. There will be no prizes and it is not mandatory.

I am looking forward to the Cross Country next Wednesday. All students have been allocated houses and this information has been given to students. If you are still unsure about your child’s sporting house just give us a call. Students will be representing their house at this Cross Country. For the new parents, Freeman house is yellow and Thorpe is green. They need to wear the correct coloured T-shirt.

At the P&C meeting on Monday, it was announced that we will be receiving $500 from Lowood IGA as a result of the many parents who put their tokens in the Tarampa State School box. Thank you Lowood IGA and parents for your fantastic support.

Please be reminded that parents need to be paying the next instalment for the school resource scheme at the commencement of next term.

Don’t forget, whatever class your child is in, to join “Class Dojo”.

This will be the last newsletter before the end of this short term. I would like to take this opportunity to wish students, staff and parents a very happy Easter break.

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

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**Dates/Reminders**

23 March - Cross Country 9am—11am

24 March - Last Day of School for Term 1

April 11 - School resumes for Term 2

April 25 - ANZAC Day Public Holiday

May 2 - Labour Day Holiday

**May 13 - School Photos Day**

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**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.

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**School Improvement Agenda**

**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
We are so close to the end of Term One! We have all worked so hard this term, I am sure everyone is looking forward to a well earned holiday! We have 71% of parents joined up to our class Dojo, please join if you haven’t yet. It is a great way to see what we are doing in class as well as checking on your child’s behaviour. Please remember that the school bell rings at 8:55am, please try and get your children to school before the first bell goes. Some children have overdue library books. Please return them as soon as possible. Easter Bonnet parade is next Tuesday morning at 9:00am. Cross Country is next Wednesday. Preps were sent home with their house coloured wrist band, please wear your house colour on Wednesday. Mrs McGeary

Year 1/2 News
If you have not already signed up to the Class Dojo app please do so ASAP. It provides you with the opportunity to see your child’s daily behaviour and discuss it with them. You can also see photos from our class story. Congratulations to Eres and Tahlie, Riley and Grace on being appointed student councillors. Please come in and see our chickens. Have a great holiday! Mrs McGeary

Year 3-4 News
Thank you to the 23 parents who have joined Class Dojo. I hope you are getting your notifications about your child’s behaviour as they are all trying very hard to get positive behaviour messages sent to you. All students are trying very hard. Our extra focus for this week has been on solving word problems in numeracy.

Year 4-6 News

Class Dojo
Thank you to the vast majority of parents who have joined Class Dojo. As you are their primary educators, I’m sure your children appreciate your involvement in their education. Furthermore, Class Dojo is now the primary means of how I will communicate with you.

School Councillors
Congratulations to Ebony, Haley, Nick and Saxon who have been voted the above for our cohort. They are all worthy recipients and I know they will do a fine job.

Easter
Have a wonderful Easter and, while I am the first to admit I enjoy eating chocolate, it is important to remember the actual purpose of Easter.
Reading Tips for Parents (Tell your children):

Lips the fish
Get your lips ready! Say the first few sounds of the word out loud. Read to the end of the sentence and say the sounds again.

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.
Free Pool Movie Night
Lowood Pool - 200 Main Street Lowood
Friday March 18th at 5pm
Free pool entry from 5pm
Inflatable pool toys provided
Hot food and snacks available for purchase
Life guards on duty
Children under 5 and poor swimmers must be closely supervised by an adult (16yrs and over)
This is a drug & alcohol free event run by Somerset Regional Council
Ph: 5424 4000 mail@somerset.qld.gov.au www.somerset.qld.gov.au

BCC Sensory Movie Days
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. CONTACT: Leah 0431 387 537
or email: sensorymovieday@hotmail.com
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.
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 and Souvenirs

Stop the FLU before it stops you!!
Flu is highly contagious and each year thousands of Australians are affected. The best protection is an annual vaccination. If you are immunized, you are less likely to catch the flu and pass it on to those close to you.
Flu Shot Clinic Wednesday 30th March.
Appointments available between 8:30am-12:30pm. The vaccination itself will only take a couple of minutes - but you will need to wait 15mins observation afterwards.
Call or drop in to Lowood Pharmacy to make your appointment.
Lowood Pharmacy, 6 Michel Street, Lowood Ph: 5426 1105.

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