



Tiario State School

Newsletter

ISSUE: TERM 1 WEEK 3 2024

COMING EVENTS

2024

Feb

2	Parade 2:35
6	Safer Internet Day
9	Twilight Markets on oval
16	Parade
16	School leadership speeches
21	Wellness Wednesday 2:30
21	Student leadership badges 2:50
21	Birdie's Tree Information session 5pm (offsite)
27	Playgroup

March

1	Making friends with food excursion
4	Clean up Australia
5	playgroup
8	Tombola
12	Playgroup
13-15	Naplan yr 3 and 5
16	Queensland's local government elections school polling booth open
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27	Term 1 PBL party
27	Easter bonnet parade

Term 2

15	Day 1
16	Palygroup
25	Anzac Day
6	Labour Day
24	Maryborough show holiday

Focus "**Maximising learning for every student**"

6 February was Safer Internet Day:

When it comes to keeping kids safe online, we're all in it together. We encouraging everyone to help create a safer, kinder internet.

Parents and carers can register for a number of eSafety Commissioner webinars and online safety courses throughout February. Check them out at

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars>
[#SID2024](#) [#SaferInternetDay](#)

Breakfast club

Thank you to Miss Gorja for opening our 2024 breakfast club. Toast is made ready for students to collect on arrival at 8:45.

NB: may contain gluten and other allergens parents are to discuss with their children if the program is suitable for their dietary needs

Personal Items

Can we please remember that school is not the place for toys or sports equipment so if you can please make sure that all personal items including jewellery, toys, games and sports equipment are left at home.

Spare Clothes

If you are in year Prep to Year 2 can parents, please make sure that their child/children have a spare set of shorts and underwear in a plastic bag in the school bag to help with little accidents during school time and returned school owned items washed when loaned out as soon as possible.

Naplan

This year, NAPLAN tests start on 13 March and run until 25 March. NAPLAN is an assessment that helps parents and carers to see how their child is progressing in literacy and numeracy. The assessment is based on what students have learnt in the classroom, and is not a pass or fail test. Find out more: <https://brnw.ch/21wGuRI>

Birdie's Tree Universal Resources - Information for parents

Birdie's Tree can be helpful in the preparedness, response and recovery phases of disruptive events.

This training equips parents to use Birdie's Tree resources to support children in and beyond the home.

Learn to use the multi award-winning Birdie's Tree resources to support children through natural disasters and disruptive events. Workshop includes free Birdie's Tree resource kits for your school.

<https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/our-work/birdies-tree-natural-disaster-recovery>

MFWF coming to our school

This year our school will be participating in an award winning health and wellbeing program called Making Friends with Food by The Root Cause™ (MFWF).

The Root Cause have over a decade of experience of working with schools and families right around Australia. Food is foundational to wellbeing. It can impact mood, behaviour, resilience and overall wellbeing, and the planet too.

I'm fully behind this partnership and am excited about taking an innovative approach of supporting the whole school community to create lifelong nourishing friendships with food.

MFWF is a whole school program, so it has something for everyone in our community. There's a fun and interactive student incursion, a teacher PD, data to help our school move forward with our goals, and importantly loads of resources for parents, including online support, recipes, tips, tools and templates for simplify feeding your family.

The Root Cause prides itself on meeting schools and their families where they are at. To customise the partnership messages for our school:

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Parents and staff can participate in a 1-minute survey to identify the challenges they are facing when feeding their family. Every participant will receive an email with tips to help to with the challenges you face. Your individual responses will not be shared with the school, but The Root Cause will collate them at a whole school level to customise the parent seminar.

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Teachers and their classes will be participating in collecting anonymous data about lunchboxes, our canteen, and the amount of waste our school produces as a direct result of lunchbox foods. The survey is 100% anonymous and there is no association between any student and food. It is a simple cricket score exercise: for example, hands up if you have a muesli bar in your lunchbox today.

We appreciate your support in helping us customise MFWF to our school. We will be undertaking the survey in the coming weeks. Should you wish to have your child not participate in this anonymous survey, please contact the school now.

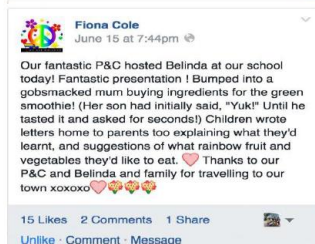
We are confident that both surveys will help us all work together to boost our students' health and wellbeing and help make it easier for you to simplify feeding your family, and feel great about it.

We look forward to sharing more about MFWF in coming weeks as we join as a community to make friends with food.

Here's some words from parents and teachers from other schools who have partnered with The Root Cause:



Hi, thank you for coming to Bolwarra public. Parent talk was so helpful, just to know about how you taught our kids, so we as parents could support this learning. Both my kids have asked for a green smoothie today after school. Holly is very much in love with the rainbow pamphlet! It has taken pride of place on the fridge. We mostly pack our planet boxes like this. But I'm inspired to try and do some more homemade meal options instead of a sandwich. Thanks again Jess



Monte [redacted] This was a wonderful program which sent every child away with such understandable messages about healthy eating. I highly recommend this evening. 3 hours ago · Like · Reply

We're excited to be bringing MFWF to our school community.

EKindy

There is no kindy POD for 2024.

All families are welcome to attend our school playgroup on Tuesdays 9am – 11am. We have employed a teacher registered qualified and experienced early childhood teacher, Miss Ann to run the sessions. Weather plays a big roll in our playgroup days.

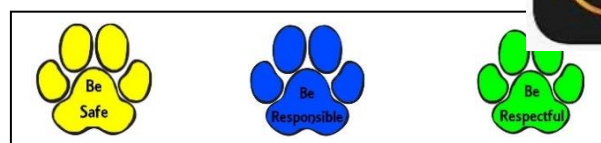
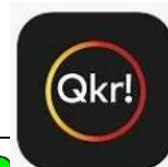
We will communicate cancelations of playgroup via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/tiarostateschool> please like and check in for

At home kindy programs are available through, Ekindy – enrol through

<https://brisbanesde.eq.edu.au/enrolments/ekindy> or you can find more information about the 15 hours of free kindy at www.earlychildhood.qld.gov.au/freekindy

Office News

Melinda Morrison is available in the office Mon – Tue – Wed.



Fortnightly Parade

Fortnightly parade is held every 2nd week on Fridays at 2:30pm. It is during these parades that students are presented with academic certificates. Families of our PBL champions will be emailed prior to the parade notifying you when your child will be receiving a certificate.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is a whole-school framework that promotes positive behaviour across a school and helps schools develop safe and supportive learning environments.

Our school expectations:

- Be Safe
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful

The PBL framework supports schools to become trauma-informed by increasing awareness of the effects of trauma on students' learning, wellbeing and behaviour, including attendance, engagement, relationships with others, academic achievement and behaviour. This awareness includes being mindful of avoiding re-traumatisation and looking beyond the immediate or 'surface' behaviours. The staff at Tiaro State School are trained on Trauma Informed Practises. This allows us to know what to look for with students that may have experienced trauma in their lives.

CLASS NEWS

Tiaro Tiger Cubs Playgroup
Nurturing Relationships in an Educational Environment

Welcome:

The atmosphere of warmth and inclusivity permeates our educational environment, where every individual is greeted with a heartfelt welcome.

14 Beautiful Partners:

Within our community, we are blessed to have welcomed 14 beautiful partners who enrich our educational journey with their unique talents and perspectives.

Wonderful Caring Guardians:

Our team of dedicated and compassionate adult guardians ensures that each member of our educational family feels supported and valued, fostering a sense of belonging and security.

Hours of Fun:

Engaging activities and interactive learning experiences provide hours of fun for all involved, making every moment in our educational setting an opportunity for growth and enjoyment.

Wool and Paint:

Through the creative mediums of wool and paint, our students express themselves freely, tapping into their imagination and exploring the boundless possibilities of art.

Acceptance:

In our educational environment, acceptance reigns supreme, where diversity is celebrated and differences are embraced, creating a culture of understanding and respect.

Most of All Warm Friendship:

Above all, our educational community is united by the thread of warm friendship, where bonds are formed and cherished, laying the foundation for lifelong connections.

Based on an Educational Environment:

Our report underscores the significance of these elements within the framework of an educational environment, highlighting their role in fostering holistic development and nurturing well-rounded individuals. See you all every Tuesday

Miss Ann
Playgroup Teacher

JUNIOR ROOM NEWS

Welcome our Prep Students to school and welcome back our year 1 and 2 students to another school year. We have had a good start to our year and have settled into our routines well.

This year I will be using a program called Seesaw to implement activities and assessments, building a visible portfolio of evidence of learning for each student. Seesaw allows for students to demonstrate and record their understanding in new and innovative ways, to make their thinking and learning visible, and allows for greater opportunity to meet student's individual learning needs.

Seesaw is:

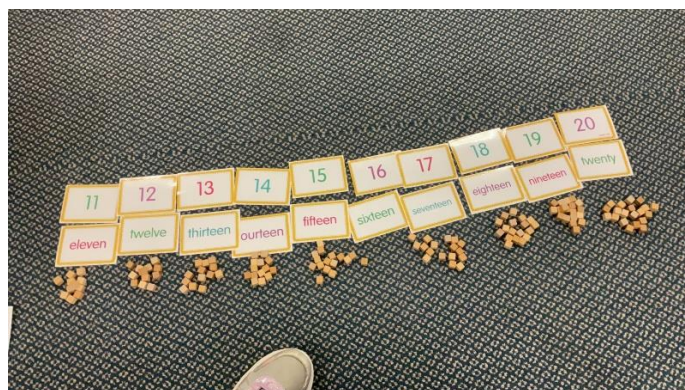
A bridge for families between school and home
Secure and private (complies with the Australian Privacy Act)

Seesaw is not:

A gaming platform

Social media

Accessible to anyone who is not specifically invited and connected



One of our students showing how they can order the numbers and make each of them as well.

You will receive a letter that will tell you how to access your child's Seesaw portfolio.

If you have any question please come and see me.

Mr Peter Friend
P-2 Teacher

Middle and Senior News

Welcome back to our new school year.

We have come to the end of week 3 and students in both cohorts have been working hard on the new year of learning. Moving to version 9 of English and Math Curriculum we have been working on: English: Yr 3 Examining stories and adapting ideas, Yr 4 Exploring texts by Australian authors, Yr 5 Exploring character relationships, Yr 6 Exploring shifts in time.

This term's work engages the cohorts with a variety of texts including classic and contemporary literature of Australian and world authors, including the literature of First Nations Australians. Each year level will work on an assessment at year level appropriate outcomes.

Yours in Teaching
Ms Rhiannon Gane
3-4-5-6 Teacher

WORKPLACE HEALTH SAFETY and WELLBEING

We are committed to the health, safety and wellbeing of our employees, students and anyone else involved with our school.

Creating safe and healthy schools and workplaces doesn't just happen. When everyone comes together to improve staff health, safety and wellbeing, there is commitment and active involvement of every person within the school.

Heat stress

Take precautions to reduce risks of heat stress. Please make sure your student has a water bottle at school and remember to drink plenty of water during these hot days.

Covid

COVID-19 is still around our country, we need to ensure our hygiene is kept to high standards.

Students will continue to wash their hands before and after eating, after playing outside plus other moments during the day as needed.

If your child shows flu like symptoms including, a temperature, runny nose, coughs and tiredness, staff are required to send the child home.

Snakes

Eyes down and always be aware of snakes. As the months are heating snakes become active so please be aware of snakes can be present at our school.

All staff, students and the school community are reminded not to attempt to move, catch or kill a snake. A licensed "snake catcher" (holder of a Damage Mitigation Permit) is required to relocate snakes.

Smoking and e-cigarettes

We have new signs up on our fences including e-cigarettes. It's important to remember, the department has a total ban on smoking on and around all departmental premises to comply with tobacco laws. The ban affects all schools, school grounds, outdoor education centres, regional and district offices and central office buildings.

Wellbeing**School Social Worker - Sam Howard****Student Wellbeing Professional Social Worker - M.S.W.**

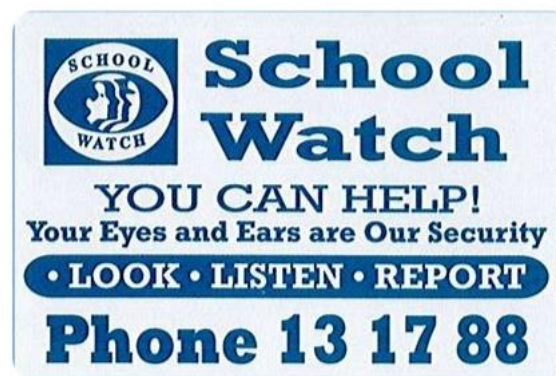
Social worker can make a real difference in the lives of young people by working as part of school's wellbeing and mental health. Sam uses his professional knowledge and experience to help intervene early in students' mild to moderate mental health concerns and connect students and their families with support services in the community to support their wellbeing and mental health.

There are different types of wellbeing and at Tiaro we strive to look after everyone at school as well as our families. Things to be aware of are the following:

Physical wellbeing, Psychological wellbeing, Social and community wellbeing, Occupation wellbeing and Financial/personal wellbeing.

Andrea Ebert

WH&S representative



STUDENT COUNCIL

Congratulations to our committee for this semester:

President: Jaxyn Manderson
 Vice President: Max Pailthorpe
 Secretary: Jemma Miller
 Treasurer: Hayden Randall

BIG CHANGE:- Student council have voted to change the Icey cups to Zooper Doopers for \$1 on a Tuesday.

Student Council have a goal of raising \$250.00 this year to help out with the payment of the end of year excursion.

Wellness Wednesday is on Wednesday 21st February, 2024 so parents, grandparents, siblings, aunties and uncles please come along and have some fun with the students playing games and listening to music. Come and meet us at 2.30pm.

Friday the 16th February student council will be selling poppers for \$1 after parade at the meet and mingle sausage sizzle so please bring along \$1 and help our student council.

Treasurer's report: This week we raised \$32.00

Thank you to all families that support our small school and student council as we really appreciate all your help.

P&C News**Council Elections****Twilight markets**

2nd Friday of each month

Special Thank you to Gundiah Hall Committee and Tiaro RSL subbranch for serving dinner and drinks for our end of 2023 year awards night.

Tiara Bulls & Barrels thank you to all our sponsors, volunteers and attending crowd.

We have had positive feedback and communication that our community would like this event repeated.

Watch this space for news

Have you thought about joining P&C?

Our AGM is held at the start of each year. All positions become vacant and nominees are voted in. With no executives there is no P&C which means **NO** tuckshops, events or subsidised excursions.

More information will be getting sent home shortly with AGM information.

Thank you to all our volunteers from 2023 who have put a lot of personal hours in to keep the P&C running.

2024 P&C executives

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Future school holidays and term dates

This page lists dates from 2024 onwards. Visit [school holidays](#) and [term dates](#) for more detailed information.

2024 Queensland term dates

Term	Date	Length
Term 1	Monday 22 January to Thursday 28 March	10 weeks
Term 2	Monday 15 April to Friday 21 June	10 weeks
Term 3	Monday 8 July to Friday 13 September	10 weeks
Term 4	Monday 30 September to Friday 13 December	11 weeks