



# Tiaro State School

Newsletter

ISSUE: TERM 4 WEEK 3 2023

## COMING EVENTS

2023

### November

1<sup>st</sup> Swimming & Aldridge SHS Visit

### December

8<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term – Term 4

2024

First day back to school

*Focus "Maximising learning for every student"*

## Principal News

### "One School, Many Histories" School Sign Message

The message currently displayed on our school sign, "One School, Many Histories" is one you may see at other schools across Queensland this week. It's part of the advocacy work of the school leader professional association called QASSP (the Queensland Association of State School Principals). The Association represents the 337,500 state primary school students in this state. The message the sign is intended to convey is that everyone belongs in our state schools. We celebrate and acknowledge the rich diversity of our communities. By embracing difference, we create a more robust and empathetic learning environment where every story is heard and valued.

### 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.

## EKindy

**There is no POD for 2024.** All families are welcome to attend our school playgroup days

Ekindy – enrol through

<https://brisbanesde.eq.edu.au/enrolments/ekindy>

### 15 hours of free kindy

Kindy is 15 hours per week, 40 weeks per year and is free.

Kindergarten is delivered in different ways at different services. For some services, 15 hours of free kindy might be delivered over two or three days, with additional care paid for separately. If a child attends kindy in a long day care setting, additional care may be covered in part by the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy.

<https://earlychildhood.qld.gov.au/freekindy#/search>

## Office News

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



## Fortnightly Parade

*Fortnightly parade is held every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 ROOM NEWS

#### JUNIOR ROOM NEWS

In the Junior room we have been having a great time learning about procedures and now the children are creating their own procedure to make a disgusting sandwich to help keep the seagulls from eating lunch. As part of our maths the children have been exploring money and what it is used for and how each coin and note are differences between them. We have also been practicing our song to the end of year concert and we are excited to show you what we have been doing.

Feel free to come and have a chat with me if you have any concerns

Kind regards

**Mr Peter Friend**  
**P-2 Teacher**

### MIDDLE ROOM NEWS

With only half a term left, the middle room is flying through their work.

Students are mastering their ability to understand journal entries and explain their language features. This is ensuring they will be more than ready to write their own journal entry as a character from the First Fleet in the coming weeks.

Our 3/4 students have become fraction masters. They are able to identify and explain what fractions represent, equivalent fractions and fractions of collections. They have loved it so much a number of students are even practicing their fraction knowledge outside of maths lessons. Next, they are going to be practicing their skills with money.

Swimming is well under way and enjoyed by all. Next week will be the final swimming lesson for the term so bring your swimming gear. We have also started practicing for our end of year concert.

We are looking forward to an exciting end of term and celebrating our year with everyone.

**Miss Nicole Jorgensen**  
**3-4 Teacher**

### SENIOR ROOM NEWS

Week 5 already and it's nearly finished. Half a term to go and what a busy half term it is going to be.

We had our second last swimming lesson yesterday. Some of us continued to work on our stroke technique and others had the opportunity to develop their water safety and recovery practises. Even Miss Oldfield ended up in the water.

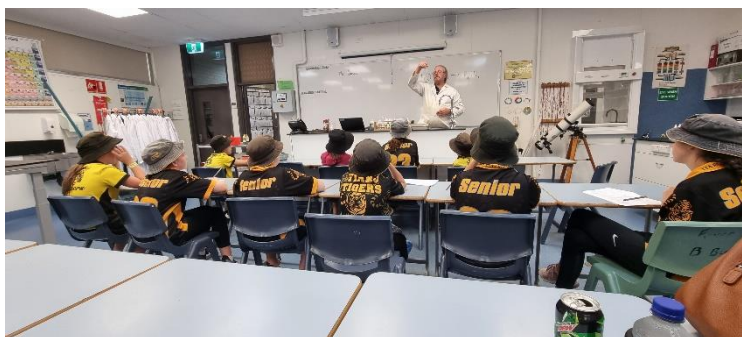
After swimming we had the pleasure of attending Aldridge State High School for our 3rd session. The 5/6s joined Mr Carson in the science lab where we got to do a chemistry investigation to identify if different liquids were acidic, neutral or base (alkaline). We had to abide by lab safety and all got to wear mad scientist lab coats, glasses and gloves. Despite it being a very quick session, we thoroughly enjoyed seeing the liquids change to red, green or blue/purple.

This week in Maths we have started looking at fractions and decimals.

Next weekend is our year 6 graduation dinner. Our 6s have been working hard on finalising their speeches and are keenly looking forward to the celebration.

Yours in Teaching

**Miss Megan Oldfield**  
**5-6 Teacher**



## **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.

### **ATTENTION - EARLY ARRIVALS**

### **ALL STUDENTS SHOULD NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 8:45AM**

Please be aware that there are NO staff members on general duty before 8:45 am. We have more students arriving before this time. If there is a legitimate reason for students to be at school before 8:45am, then contact the office to make arrangements. These students must then follow the rules by sitting quietly outside the senior room with the bus arrivals.



### **Sun Safety**

**Note:** sun-safe hats are the preferred hat option. CAPS are not permitted to be used. Tiaro State School supplies SPF 30 or higher broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen for students to use.

### **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.

### **If your aware of it take care of it**

What does this mean?

If you notice anything in the school that may be Workplace Health & Safety related please let a staff member know immediately so that we can take care of it to keep our

Community, staff and students safe. Early detection means early prevention.

### **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.

### **Swimming**

In line with our Health and Safety Fred has been teaching the students about water safety and that safety is every ones responsibility.

### **Wellbeing**





## Community Advertising

### Rainbow Kidz Family Daycare **VACANCIES**



\* Provide Care for Children from 6 weeks including Before & After School Care

\* Situated in Tiaro on 20 acres

\* Hours of Operation 6:30am till 6:30pm.

\* All meals provided for extra charge

\* Weekly Outings

\* Children get to enjoy picking fresh vegetables as well as playing with our farm animals.

\* Weekend & Public Holiday Care available at additional Rates.

\* CCS Approved

\* Pick up & Drop Off Service available (fees may apply)

Enquire today via pm or contacting me on 0417949300.





**Vacancies  
2023**

CCS Approved  
Educator  
24 hour Service  
Providing care for children  
8 months to 12 years  
Weekly excursion/ outings






Kids Are Really Everything - Maryanne Walkerden - 0427784544



**BUSH BABYZ**  
FAMILY DAYCARE

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SET ON 40 ACRES BUSH BABYZ IS THE PERFECT ENVIRONMENT FOR THE CHILDREN TO EXPERIENCE THE WORKINGS OF A SMALL FARM, EXPERIENCE & HELP CARE FOR THE ANIMALS - PIGS, CHICKENS, HORSES, COWS & DOGS.

CHILDREN GROW IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT WHICH WILL NURTURE YOUR CHILD'S GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

0-5 YEARS UNDER SCHOOL AGE CARE  
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE  
VACATION CARE  
MONTESSORI INSPIRED TEACHING  
NATURAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

FOLLOW OUR LEARNING JOURNEY ON FACEBOOK  
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