Our Motto — Work Conquers All
Our Vision — Every child improving, every day in every way.

Next Week’s Strategies

Reading - Cars and Stars Strategies
Lower - Finding Details - Questions about sequence ask you to remember and put events or details in order. Questions about sequence often contain key words such as first, then, last, after or before.
Middle - Upper - Understanding Sequencing - Questions about facts and details ask you about something that was stated in the passage. To answer a question about a fact or detail, look back to the passage to find the answer.

Spelling - strategies and sounds
Yellow - et, eg, en sounds
Green - short vowel sounds - a and o
Orange - o, oi, oy
Red - consonants tch and ch
Purple - gh and ph blends
Blue - suffixes, ation, cation, ition

Maths - Location and Transformation
Prep - Days of weeks - time sequencing
1-2 - Directions, quarter turn and flips and slides
3-4 - Symmetry within the environment and using digital technologies
5-6 - Cartesian coordinates and enlarging 4 quadrants. Combining reflections and rotations of 2 and 3 dimensional shapes

Principal Communication

Dates to Remember:-
* NEXT P & C meeting (Monday), 12th October 6:00P.M.
* Next Playgroup week 8 (Monday), 31st August 9:15a.m.
* School Concert Wednesday, 9th September
* Student Rewards Day Friday, 10th September
* 3-6 school camp week 10, (14-18th) September

Our improvement agenda this year, focuses specifically on improving Reading, Spelling and Number.

There will be no teacher formal interviews this term, however we encourage parents to speak with any of the teachers about the progress their child is making, or any concerns they have.

Health Alert

We have been advised that there is one child at our school who has contracted the Influenza B disease. While this particular child has been away all week, we do encourage all other children who suspect they may have the flu to get a blood test from the doctors and to stay at home. Please stay away from school, until the doctor gives the all clear for your child/children to return to school. As this can be such a debilitating strain of the flu, we do not wish students to return to school, until they are no longer contagious.

Some of the symptoms of Influenza B are as follows: fever; dry cough; muscle and joint pain; tiredness/ extreme exhaustion; headache; sore throat; stuffy nose. Most people recover within a week, although a cough and tiredness may persist.

There are only, 4 more weeks until the end of the term. Students are busily finishing tasks and assessment items. In just over 2 weeks we will have the concert, the end of term rewards day, P–2 excursion (still to be confirmed) and then the school camp.

We apologise that final details for the school camp have not been sent home as yet. This will be done on Monday. Thanks to families who have been making payments towards the cost of the camp.

The P & C will be holding a Fathers Day Stall on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd September before school. Items will cost $5.00 each. This will be a great opportunity for the children to buy Dad a lovely gift.
The enthusiasm students show towards their maths tasks is a credit to all. Students in prep, continued to work on counting on and counting back and developing number knowledge to 20. Students in years 1 and 2 use knowledge of rainbow facts (combinations of 2 numbers that add up to 10), and extend this knowledge to numbers up to 100 and 1000. In year 3 and 4, students continued to develop their knowledge of mathematics, linking multiplication and division facts and short division.

Students in the older grades continued to work with division and use the steps as shown last week. Dad - divide, Mum - multiply, Sister - subtract, Brother - bring down and Rover - repeat. All students in years 3 - 6 are expected to continue to work on and improve their knowledge of multiplication tables.

Finally, students in all year levels completed a test this week, based on what they have learnt this term. Results will be handed back next week.

Another week has flown by. Most children are working very hard in all areas as we begin to work towards some assessment tasks for the end of term.

In History this week, the Prep children have been looking at things from the past that help remember events and stories. The year one and two children have been finding out about different sources that provide information about the past. The year three and four students have been investigating the meaning of ‘Country’ and its importance to the Aboriginal people. The year five and six students have been learning to make comparisons in order to write an historical account.

Our Science units are drawing to a close as assessments will have to occur early due to school camp and Rewards Day. The year five and six students have had a quick look at cyclones while the year four and five children are investigating erosion and prevention. The Prep, year one and two students have been looking at how the weather affects our everyday life.

Next week our Speaking and Listening topic has changed. Instead of thinking about one million dollars the children are to bring along an information text (non-fiction) to talk about. This is to support activities that they are doing in their English unit.

Remember, library day is Tuesday.

Kobi Morgan received the Principal’s award this week for excellent NAPLAN results and continual persistence in learning. Carl McDonald received a student of the week award for trying really hard to be persistent. Samuel Christie received a merit award for being organised and demonstrating persistence and Riley Sewell received a merit award for being well prepared and organised for his speaking and listening activities. Students who received bookwork awards this week were Riley Sewell, Hailey Christie and Jason Bone. Santino Kuchtin and Laylah Millers received their certificates for completing another level in their sight words.
Where ever possible we try to support our school community members. Cassie Millers has started an online business and is selling school long sleeved shirts with a collar, for just $15.00. Please contact Cassie for further information.

The Tingoora Pub, continues to support our school and have specials in the hotel on Tuesday night—$10.00 for a chicken schnitzel, chips and salad or vegies. Wednesday night is steak night—$13.00 with chips and salad or with vegies and Friday night is pasta night for any pasta dishes on the menu—just $10.00.