Welcome to Week 6! We’re now over halfway through the term with much learning to be had! Our school-wide Writing Block has seen much success – with all students engaged in our editing tool of VCOP. We have been focusing on Sizzling Starts and Tightening Tension this past fortnight, with all students creating very Sizzling Starts to their opening essays and narratives as well as expanding their work through the tightening of tension. Well done teachers and students for the hard work you have put in, the success in classrooms has been very exciting to see!

DV Gala Day – Baralaba Friday 6th March
The Dawson Valley Primary Schools Sports Gala Day is this Friday at Baralaba State School which all students in Year 5 and Year 6 will be attending. The Gala Days are fun days aimed at participation and having a healthy lifestyle through playing sport. Theodore is entering the competition with a “come, have a go and have fun” attitude. The students will be participating in Fast 8s cricket and recreational swimming. Don’t forget that your child will need their school uniform, hat, water bottle, togs, towel, rash shirt, swimming cap and sun cream. All the best Theodore!

Photo Day – Monday 9th March
We have our photo day coming up this Monday 9th March which will be conducted by the Silver Rose Photography Company. We will be commencing staff photos from 8.45am and our class photos from 9.00am. The class photos will run throughout the morning, with leadership photos, single photos and family portraits to follow. Please bring your forms in on the day so they can be handed straight in to the photographer.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Monday 9th March
School photos will be held on Monday the 9th March. All students are to be in full school uniform.

Photo envelopes have been sent home with students. Please DO NOT send these envelopes back to school. They are meant to be sent with the student on photo day and handed to the photographers. Please ensure that you have the correct money in these envelopes as the school is unable to change money.

Swimming Carnival Friday 20th March
It isn’t long until our Swimming Carnival arrives this term! On Friday 20th March the long awaited Castle vs Dawson competition at Theodore will begin! We’ll be walking down as a school to the pool from 9.00am in house groups. From there we will split up, sitting in our house areas ready to begin the day’s festivities. The first race will begin from 9.30am and all parents are welcome to attend. The Student Council will be selling a sausage sizzle and drinks again this year –which will raise money for our school camps. I want to remind everyone that they day will be warm, so make sure that you bring along your water bottle, hat, sun cream, towel, togs and rash shirt. Thank you to Mr Hodgson who has worked tirelessly in organising this event for the school.

Melinda O’Connor
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT—CURRICULUM

MARCH
9th School Photos
16th P&C Trailride AGM 7pm Hotel Theodore
20th Theodore State School P-10 Swimming Carnival

APRIL
2nd School Cross Country
2nd Last Day Term 1
20th First Day Term 2
PLEASE notify the school office if you have changed your phone or mobile numbers, residential or postal address or email address, or emergency contacts, by phoning 4990 3333 or email to admin@theodoress.eq.edu.au as soon as possible so that we can keep our records up to date. It is very important in an emergency that we are able to contact parents and guardians.

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**Guidance Officer**

Hello students and parents,

I am really looking forward to being your guidance officer this year. Guidance officers do a range of things but most importantly they provide support for students, families and even school staff. This may take the form of counselling, referrals to outside agencies, classroom observations/ intervention planning, psychometric assessments, parenting programs etc. Teachers often refer students to the guidance officer but parents are more than welcome to make an appointment to discuss any concerns they have about their child. All you need to do is to complete a referral form and I will contact you to make an appointment.

Best wishes for a great year.

Shauna Cameron

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**THEODORE STATE SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

**20TH MARCH 2015**

**PROGRAM OF EVENTS**

Please note these are approximate times only and may vary on the day

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**Sports News**

**THEODORE STATE SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

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In English we have been reconstructing poems. We learnt about rhyme patterns, syllable patterns, facts families, part-part-whole, and powerful vocabulary.

Would you like to be squashed in a tight and tiny cage?

In Maths we have been learning about fact families, part-part-whole, and punctuation lessons have been great! We can now confidently use capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks, and question marks.

During Writing Blocks, we have been persuading the reader by asking...
What a busy start to the year! We have commenced our technology unit creating Uluru. The students have been investigating Uluru and its environment. Throughout science we are studying geology, we have set up our own rock centre and are looking into weathering and erosion. We have had some great real life examples to link to our learning to with all of the weather events over the past few weeks. In English, we are busy publishing our chapter from The Twits by Roald Dahl. We are looking forward to a great
P & C MEET & GREET
Parent / Teacher social - drinks and cheese savouries provided.

Tuesday 17th March
Learning Centre 5-6pm
Followed by P&C Monthly meeting 6-7pm.

P & C TRAILRIDE AGM

16TH MARCH 7PM

followed by a General Meeting

We will be holding our Annual General Meeting and general meeting on
Monday 16th March at 7pm in the Hotel Theodore Lounge.

Come and Support Monica Atfield as she shaves off her locks to raise funds for the
Leukaemia Foundation.

8.30pm Friday 13th March
Sportsman’s Bar, Hotel Theodore
Hair Colouring from 7.30pm
Donations tins in the Hotel,
Post Office and Newsagency

Karaoke to follow after
the Shave
The 66th Annual Theodore Show
Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th May 2015

It is Show Time Again!

Get involved—Be part of showcasing our community, town & district.
Come along & meet your friends. There is something of interest for everyone.
The Pig Races are back by popular demand—Monday evening and Tuesday.

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Show Schedule out soon!

Become a member—Adults $22 Singles $11
All members receive a show schedule and free entry to the Show
2015 Show Challenge
"The Spirit of ANZAC"

Show us what the “Spirit of ANZAC” means to you and create something to commemorate 100 years of ANZAC tradition.

NO RESTRICTION ON CRAFT, MATERIALS OR TECHNIQUE.

Entries judged on creativity, craftsmanship and applicability to theme.

An explanation of your creation would be great, but not essential.

Entry fee 50c

Alisha Poole Memorial Trophy

Donated by David and Wendy Poole

Viewer’s Choice Award

Donated by Doug & Kathy Poole

ANZAC Biscuit Recipe to be used for Section 9 Class 10 Entries

The following recipe (without Coconut) was published in “The Capricornian” Rockhampton QLD in 1926.

2 cups rolled oats  1/2 cup sugar
1 cup plain flour   1/2 cup melted butter
1 tbls golden syrup  2 tbls boiling water
1 tsp bicarb soda  Add a little more water if the mixture is too dry

Ingredients

Method

1. Combine dry ingredients
2. Mix golden syrup, boiling water and bicarb until they froth. Add melted butter
3. Combine butter mixture and dry ingredients
4. Drop teaspoons of mixture onto floured tray, allowing room for spreading
5. Bake in a slow oven

Taken from the Australian War Memorial Site

Trophy Donated by RSL
Dear Parents, teachers and citizens,

You are invited to become a member of our P&C for this year.

Member benefits give you a vote at meetings and keep you informed about issues and business at our school, and most importantly help support the education of our students.

Please return your forms to the school office by 27th of February.

If you hold an exec position on any of our sub-committees, you also need to be a member of P&C.

Our next general meeting and AGM meeting date has not been set, watch this space next fortnight for a date announcement.

Yours faithfully,

Katy Kucks
P&C secretary

P&C Association

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

2015

NAME ____________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS __________________________please provide current address.

ADDRESS ____________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________

PHONE ________________________________

PLEASE TICK  I am a parent/caregiver of a student at the school or
I am a community member over the age of 18 years

DOB _______ (if not a parent of a student currently enrolled in the school)

SIGNATURE ____________________________________________