

THEODORE STATE SCHOOL *and community* NEWSLETTER

Principal's Piece

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Welcome back to school. I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas break and managed to keep cool. The humidity has been fierce this year.

School Leaders 2024

I wish to congratulate the students who nominated for leadership positions for 2024. It is with pleasure that I can announce the student leadership team for 2024.

Senior School Captain – Storm Kirby
Junior School Captains – Tessa Brunton and Patrick Watson
Senior Castle House Captain – Lochlan Cherland
Junior Castle House Captain – Charlie Walker
Senior Dawson House Captain – Archer McClelland
Junior Dawson House Captain – George Streeter

Student Council

Year 9/10 - Summer Church
Year 8 – Liam Hassall
Year 7 – Indiah Goodland
Year 6 – Mac Surawski
Year 5 – Halle Goodland

These students will participate in leadership camp to be held at Boyne Island week 7, 5th to 8th March. Permission letters and information will be sent home this week.

Theodore State School and Theodore township turns 100

The school is joining with the township for centenary celebrations. Theodore Chamber of Commerce along with the Theodore Historical Society and Theodore State School invite one and all back to Theodore to sense the past, enjoy the present and focus on the future. Mark the date 28-30 June 2024 on your calendar and spread the word.



School Improvements

During the Christmas break the manual arts block was painted. The Admin block and the inside of the secondary toilets were also painted. It was tough going for the painters in the heat and also COVID took its toll on the contractors slowing up completion of the work.

The painters for the pool have finally arrived and at last have commenced work. We have been told that once painted the paint will need to cure before it can be filled. I don't have a date for completion yet.

New Staff

We welcome Miss Dorrington to the staff. Miss Dorrington is teaching English and Humanities in the secondary. Miss Dorrington has settled into our school very well.

Mobile Phones

The Department of Education does not permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for medical or teacher directed educational purpose.

It is not a requirement at Theodore State School for students to have a mobile phone at school. The school has duty of care for all students when they are attending the school. All communication between parents and students, during school hours, should occur via the School's Administration.

This policy details the conditions under which mobile phones are permitted at Theodore State School.

CONDITIONS OF USE

Theodore State School recognises that parents/ carers who for safety, security and/or emergency purposes wish to provide their children with mobile phones. Students are permitted to bring a mobile phone to school for use when in transit to and from school.

- The use of mobile phones for all students will be banned from the time they arrive on school grounds until the time they leave school grounds. This includes before school and at break times. Therefore, once a student enters the school grounds, they must turn off their mobile phone and put it away and out of sight until they leave the school grounds at the end of the school day. OFF AND AWAY ALL DAY.
- The device is the responsibility of the student. The school takes no responsibility for loss, theft or damage to any device in any circumstance, even if confiscated at time of loss. Smart watches must be in 'aeroplane mode' so phone calls and messages cannot be sent or received during the school day. Mobile Phones can be left in the administration office on arrival to school and collected from the office in the afternoon after school.

Exemptions to this policy include where a student requires a device

to monitor a health condition as part of a school approved documented health care plan (students who are exempt will carry a card).

BREACHES OF THIS POLICY

1. For the first breach, confiscation of the device by any staff member, stored at an Administration Office and returned to the student at the end of the day.
2. For the second breach, confiscation of the device by any staff member, stored at an Administration Office and a parent/care giver will be required to attend to claim the device.
3. For repeated breaches, and for refusal to follow the instructions of a staff member, students will be dealt with in accordance with the School's Behaviour Management Policy.

Definitions for the purpose of this policy

Mobile Phones - includes smart watches and associated listening accessories, such as, but not limited to, headphones and ear pods/buds.

School Grounds – includes camps, excursions and/or any venue where students are under the supervision of teachers.

THEODORE STATE SCHOOL STUDENT UNIFORMS

There is a clearly defined dress code for all students at Theodore State School, which has been developed by the Parents and Citizens Association through consultation with parents and students. **The school uniform policy is fully endorsed by the P&C.** For safety and to help promote a positive school image and identity, students are required to wear full school uniform at all times. On enrolment, every student and parent will sign a commitment to adhere to our dress code.

Students are required to be clean and well groomed at all times and present a positive and proud image of Theodore State School.

Accessories

Accessories worn by a student must comply with the important consideration of safety. Accessories are not to be obvious and draw undue attention to the wearer. Students are expected to present themselves in a well-groomed appearance, which is suited to an educational institution.

A student may wear:

- A wrist watch
 - Stud earrings or sleepers. Nose rings not permitted.
 - One flat ring
- Hair clips/band (to hold hair in place)

Note: Accessory items not listed above must be removed. An exception to the items above must be negotiated with the Head of Department.

Hairstyle

Hair will be neat and well-kept at all times. It is mandatory for hair to be secured during Design Technology and Science.

Makeup

Make-up will not be excessive and not draw undue attention. No heavy eye-shadow, eyeliner or mascara. Foundation may be used.

Excursions

Full school uniform, including hat, unless otherwise advised.

Have a great week.

Sue Cannon—Principal

IMPORTANT DATES 2024

FEBRUARY

27 Leadership Ceremony

March

5-8 Leadership Camp - Boyne Island

26 Parent/Teacher Interviews - more information will follow

28 Last Day Term 1

April

15 Term 2

25 ANZAC Day

Curriculum

INFORMATION AND TIPS TO
SUPPORT PARENTS AND
STUDENTS

Welcome Back

Excitement fills the air as we warmly welcome you to a new school year at TSS! Our dedicated team is thrilled to embark on an enriching journey, ensuring that every subject aligns with the Australian Curriculum.

As we kick off this academic adventure, we invite your active participation in creating a supportive environment. Be sure to reach out to classroom teachers if you have any queries, questions or just to check in.

Get ready for a year of laughter, discovery, and success at TSS! We look forward to witnessing your child's growth and achievements.

Thank you for entrusting us with this journey.

Mrs Green

WORD BUILDING

protection	protect	protective	protectively
reliability	rely	reliable	reliably
sadness	sadden	sad	sadly
significance	signify	significant	significantly

By just knowing **one** word, you can unlock many more!

How many words can you create using the base word **create**?



The Australian Curriculum

The Australian Curriculum is 3-dimensional; it includes:

- learning areas,
- general capabilities
- cross-curriculum priorities

Together, the **3 dimensions** set out essential knowledge, understanding and skills that enable all young Australians to learn, contribute and shape their world now and in the future.

3 dimensions of the Australian Curriculum

8 Learning Areas ...

and the disciplines from which they are drawn, provide the foundation of learning.

The Australian Curriculum identifies and organises the essential knowledge, understandings and skills that students should learn.

English
Maths
Science
Humanities and Social Science

HASS F-6
Civics & Citizenship
Economics & Business
Geography
History

The Arts

Drama
Media
Visual Arts
Dance
Music

Technologies

Design & technologies
Digital technologies

Health and Physical Education
Languages



7 General Capabilities

equip young Australians with the knowledge, skills, behaviours and dispositions to live and work successfully.

They support and deepen student engagement with learning area content and are developed within the context of the learning areas.

3 Cross Curriculum Priorities

support the Australian Curriculum to be a relevant, contemporary and engaging curriculum that reflects national, regional and global contexts.

They are incorporated through learning area content; they are not separate learning areas or subjects.

hesitant

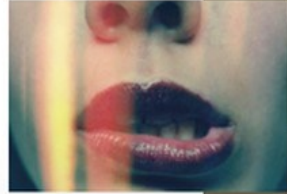
adjective

Hesitant is when you are unsure.

I might feel *hesitant* when trying a strange new food.

I might feel *hesitant* before jumping into a cold pool.

If I am *hesitant* I may be hanging back, looking worried and unsure.



navigate

verb

When someone *navigates* a ship or an aircraft somewhere, they decide which course to follow and steer it there.



SCHOOL DENTAL VAN IS ONSITE

A HARD COPY OF THE CONSENT FORM IS ALSO AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE



 **Health**
School Dental Clinic
Child and Adolescent Oral Health Services

You can now complete your child's dental medical and consent form for BILOELA via the QR code below.



Alternatively, you can enter the following link in your browser:

<https://forms.office.com/r/fCzrLSQdSY>

If you have trouble accessing the QR code, please ring 4920 6372 or email cqhhscaohs@health.qld.gov.au

Awards - Week 1

Principal Commendations



Charlotte, Oscar, William

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is sick or absent for a particular reason, it is important that you contact the school on one of the following.

School Phone: 4990 3333

Text Message: 0438 169 248

School Stream App

Email: admin@theodoress.eq.edu.au

THEODORE Community NEWS

Theodore State School acknowledges the continued community support received, which embodies the spirit of Theodore.



Junior Golf Clinic

Tee-up for a great day

Join us for a come and try morning with golf pro
Bill Webb

Sausage sizzle to follow

At this stage we hope this will be a FREE clinic
Confirmation will be given prior to the event

Sunday 11 February

8.30am - 11.30am

Theodore Golf Course

To register, contact Gabe Church
0438 180 583 or gabeandnell@hotmail.com
Registrations close Thursday 8 February

CLUBS SUPPLIED IF NEEDED