Dear Parents and Friends,

I am so proud of all our students for settling back into ‘school life’ so quickly. They are working hard and it is wonderful to walk into classrooms and see the hard work being made by all. We have incredible teachers and incredible students. Townview State School truly is the best school!

It has been a feverish start to 2015 with new students continuing to enrol with us. Last Thursday (February 5) was our day 8 enrolment data collection day and as a result of our high Year 1 class number we needed to restructure our Year 1 and 2 classes. The decision to alter classes are not made lightly and are always made with the best interest of the students. I must commend the support from our families and the staff involved in this move as the students transitioned into their ‘new’ classes with ease and success.

At Townview State School we encourage all our students, staff and community to be **Townview Proud**. As we have so many new families to our school, it is as good a time as any to let all our community know and be aware that our work as a school and community is to always strive towards always being Townview Proud. I encourage all our parents and community to join us in using some of the words and phrases we use at the school on a daily basis.

We also refer to the way we do things, as the Townview Way. As a way of explaining what we to say to students, **Every Day in Every Way, we do things the Townview Way**. The Townview Way is based on our collective beliefs about behaviour and learning. I encourage all parents and community members to use this language and phrases with your students as well, so it can become embedded as the way we do business here at Townview SS.

**Reading: Decoding and Comprehension**

This week we began our focused teaching of reading in all classes. Reading and decoding strategies are explicitly taught to students and then they break into groups with teacher aide support. This time is a very important teaching time for all our students as Reading continues to be a focus of our explicit improvement agenda.

**Indigenous Liaison Committee Meeting**

After parade on Monday we held a Meet & Greet and it was wonderful talking to quite a number of parents and caregivers who attended this. If you would like to join us for a nice cup of coffee and a really good chat, please come along to our next meeting which will be held on Monday 23 February at 9:30 am.

**Carpark Safety**

To ensure all of our school community has a safe start to the year, I would like to remind all parents and carers that the car parks next to prep and at the top of the school next to the ‘drop and go’ zone are for staff only. At Townview our traffic moves very quickly both in and out of the school and I recommend that if you are having trouble finding a car park, arriving 5 minutes early or 5 minutes later can often be the best times to get a park. Please be vigilant and watch out for children at all times and remember that the school zone is a 40km speed limit. Thankyou for your support with this.

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**Important Dates**

- **13/02/15** - Instrumental Music Concert TVSS @ 1.45pm
- **17/02/15** - P & C AGM @ 6.00pm
- **19/02/15** - Tuckshop Red Day
- **27/02/15** - I Want 2 Be Day
Principal's News Continued...

Uninterrupted Learning
Education of all students is a priority at Townview State School. Uninterrupted teaching and learning is the greatest opportunity for facilitating students to reach their potential. To assist us with this, parents are encouraged to make appointments to see the class teachers.

Prime learning time is between 8.30am-10.30am and 11.15am-1.15pm. During this time we request that any messages, delivery of items e.g. uniforms, food, glasses, homework should be delivered to the school office and not the classroom.

This procedure ensures students have the best opportunity to engage in the teaching and learning and their education is uninterrupted.

New Tobacco Legislation
New legislation passed by the Queensland Government on the 1st January bans smoking products within school grounds and 5 metres beyond the boundary of our school.

On Monday 23 February we will be having a formal presentation of leadership badges at our school assembly. I would like to formally invite parents/carers of school captains and house captains to join us for the official ceremony.

EVERY DAY IN EVERY WAY WE DO THINGS THE TOWNVIEW WAY.
At Townview we are amazing because we are;
• Responsible
• Respectful
• Safe
Have a great fortnight.
Yours in Education,
Loretta

ATTENDANCE
Our daily attendance thermometer has risen this week from 85.1% to 87.7% (an increase of 2.6%). Although we are still below our 92.2% goal this small increase is very pleasing.

Our Prep students have made a fantastic start to the year with their attendance tracking at 90.7%

Please support your child's learning and help them achieve their best by sending them to school every day.
Hello Everyone,

Student Leadership
Our Student Leader Induction will be held on Monday 23rd February from 8.45am. Parents and families are most welcome to attend. At this ceremony we will be presenting our Student Leaders, House Captains and Student Councillors with their badges.

Attendance Awards
In week 2 we began our 100% attendance program.

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This week we also began tracking our weekly class awards which culminates with a Pizza party awarded to our class with the least amount of absences at the end of the term. This Friday will also see ice blocks handed out to the class with the least amount of lates in the past week. Remember school begins at 8.30am each day.

Instrumental Music Program
On Friday 13th February, Ms Moore and Ms Pattison will be hosting a showcase of our instrumental music program. Townview SS offers a wind and brass program. Lessons are held once a week during school time. Letters of interest to play a musical instrument will be handed out and need to be returned to the office.

Parent/Family helpers
If you are interested in helping in the your child's classroom please contact your child's teacher. We are also requesting parents and families interested to supporting students by reading to them or listening to them read to contact Mrs Phillips in the office.

Sport
This term Soccer and Touch Football carnivals will be held. Dates of the carnivals are yet to be confirmed.

Swimming
Due to transport concerns, we will not be offering swimming lessons as part of our HPE program in Term 1 but hope to offer swimming in Term 4.

I Want 2 Be Day...
Once again Townview SS will participate in the Cancer Projects ‘I Want 2 Be Day’. Students are welcome to come dressed as what they want to be when they grow up and bring a gold coin donation on Friday 27th February.

Have a lovely fortnight,

Yvette Phillips
Deputy Principal

Townview State School
P & C’s
Annual General Meeting

17th February 2015
6.00 pm
Resource Centre

All positions will become vacant and are required to be filled.
Library News with Mrs Rigby and Miss Patty

It has been great to see children return their overdue books and seeing them borrow again this year. Unfortunately some are still wanting to borrow and we hate to disappointment them. Please check with your child/children that they do not have an overdue book.

Students in P-3 are expected to use a library bag for their library book. We have a good quality Townview State School Library bag for sale at $4 each. Encourage your child to treat all books with respect.

Your co-operation in seeing that books are returned on time and in good condition would be greatly appreciated.

Tuckshop News with Mrs Ronda

Hi to all our Townview Families,

Thank you to all families using our brown bag system for ordering lunches. Our first RED DAY is Thursday 19th February. There will be Toffees, Chocolate Special Cake and lots more special treats. Don’t forget Valentine Cookies will be available on Friday the 13th for only .50c each!

Meal Deal

**Chicken chips w/Popper and Popcorn**

$4.00

**Sausage roll w/milk or Slushie**

$5.00

Uniform sales are between 7.30am and 9.00am.

New Tuckshop Pricelist

Please find our new price list included in this newsletter. Prices have been put up as little as possible but unfortunately the cost of food has increased everywhere.

Apple Slinky machines are available to purchase from the Tuckshop for only $30.00. Have fun while eating healthy!
Hello Townview School Community,

Congratulations to Christy and Zarellzi from Prep who where the first students for 2015 showing great Townview Team Spirit. I will be looking out for students who are following our school rules—Be Safe-Be Responsible-Be Respectful. I will also be celebrating student's attendance and achievements in the classroom. It could be you next week or the week after.

Deadly Choices Team are once again visiting Townview to work with 5/6 students. Deadly Choices' is a campaign which aims to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to make healthy choices for themselves and their families – to stop smoking, to eat good food and exercise daily. The aim of ‘Deadly Choices' is to support our communities to make a ‘Healthy Choice’ – to make a ‘Deadly Choice’. The Hearing Health Team from Queensland Health will be here at Townview screening students for their hearing from the 16th - 20th of February.

Children from Prep to Year 4 will be seen to by the team.

The aim of the school-based screening is to:

- Provide a culturally respectful and evidence-based service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children for the detection of ear disease and hearing loss.
- Support and strengthen parents’ and the school community’s role in developing young people’s health and well-being.

Please contact myself or your child’s teacher if you have any concerns with your child’s hearing before the 16th of February.

If there is anyway I can help and support yourself with your child’s journey through education please contact me at school.

Looking forward to another DEADLY year in education!

Dixie Sarmardin

Community Education Counsellor

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Reading for Learning Tuckshop Voucher Winners

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Students of the Week - 2nd February 2015

Prep A - Ethan Santini-Judge
Prep B - Ebony Wood
1A - Isabella Turuva
2A - Tyreikwyn McDonald-Rankine
2B - Noah Cox
3A - Jayden Berry
3B - Ramiah Booth
4A - Cecil Sarmardin
4B - Frank Stewart
5/6A - Jack Gillett
5/6B - James Tyson
5/6C - Dominick Roberts

PE Award -
SEP Award - Gracelyn Doolan
The Arts -
Townview Spirit Award -

Students of the Week - 9th February 2015

Prep A - Shanaya Costello
Prep B - Tane Williams
1A - Liam Hay
2A - Tamara Harrison
2B - Billy Donovan
3A - Eugene Pouesi
3B - Jayke Hennessy
4A - Ryan Niesler
4B - Elise Cadman
5/6A - Zachary Speechley
5/6B - Shanyse Body
5/6C - Marie Mason

PE Award - Jayden Lewis
SEP Award - Delilah Webb
The Arts - Krystal Brown
Townview Spirit Award - Christy Sarmardin
Zarellzi Major
Junior Netball is starting up again!

We are now looking for new and previous players in all grades for Juniors. If you have not played before, come and enjoy the non-contact sport for a chance to meet and make new friends. Games will be played on a Wednesday evening, 5.30pm or 6.30pm. Junior netball will be commencing on 4th March.

For further details please contact Lenore Kratzfeldt asap 0438 255 085.