Dear Parents/Carers,

It is pleasing to witness the school continue to evolve and embrace the strong improvement journey that we are on. At the end of Term 3 we celebrated our 50th Golden Jubilee and to acknowledge this milestone the school has commissioned a mural that reflects the learning that has occurred at Townview through the years. If you have not seen our new mural then I encourage you to come and view the work on the wall behind the old stage. The mural depicts the changing uniforms worn by students, the school motto, ‘Preparing students for the future’, the school values, ‘Believe, Achieve, Succeed’ as well as a representation of the many sporting and arts successes or opportunities that our students have been involved in. The mural is not at 100% completion but it is at a point where community can appreciate the meanings that it reflects.

Vandalism

Unfortunately, we are continuing to experience ongoing vandalism in the school which is disruptive and costly. We are seeking community support to assist us to stop this behaviour and I ask that if anybody witnesses any suspicious activity in the school grounds that you call the Police immediately. **Access to the school grounds after school hours is prohibited.**

Due to the ongoing vandalism and the severity of the incidents on the school grounds, I have made the decision to refuse access to the school grounds outside of school hours. If children wish to play or kick a ball then they must do so at Apex Park in Kookaburra Street. Any child or student seen on the grounds will be asked to leave and the Police will be called. **THE SCHOOL GROUNDS ARE OUT OF BOUNDS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS.** Exceptions to this is the cricket team who have an agreement with the school to use the cricket nets to practice and any other organisation who has sought approval to use the schools facilities. This approval will only be granted through the Principal. Thank you for your understanding, support with keeping our school safe, and damage free.

Principal’s News

High Expectations: Engaged Learners and District Moderation

At Townview, we maintain high expectations for our school and our expectations begin at the school gates. When students come to school, they are here to be engaged learners and are to aim to be the best learners they can be. Our teachers focus on the explicit teaching of the Australian Curriculum and the learning that students need to be engaged in to be assessment literate. This week our staff met with teachers from Barkly, Happy Valley, Healy, Sunset and Central State Schools to participate in moderation. Moderation enables teachers to engage in rigorous conversations about the A-E achievement standards against the assessment criteria and aligns consistency of expectations. Our Townview Pride is a reflection of our high expectations and moderation is a professional process that enables teachers to discuss our student’s successes and achievements.

2016 Classes

Class lists will be available on 22nd January (Student Free Day). Every year there are movements of students transferring in and out of our school over the holidays. This date allows the utmost flexibility for forming the best class composition to meet student needs. School recommences on the 25th January.

Important Dates

- 21st October - Townview Talent Quest
- 26th October - Book Fair Commences
- 27th October - Jump Rope For Heart
- 30th October - Book Fair Closes
- 4th November - 2016 Prep Information Sessions
Principal’s News Continued...

Book Fair
Book Fair is on again between October 26th and October 30th. Please join your children either before or after school to view and purchase the great books that will be on display.

Transferring to Another School in 2016?
It is vital that you advise the office if your child/ren are transferring to another location/school at the end of the year. It is also vital that families who are intending to enrol at Townview do so immediately, so that staffing estimates for 2016 are as accurate as possible. This important forward planning ensures that our class structure will remain the same, and there will be no disruption to learning following the Day 8 enrolment count in 2016.

Prep Classes for 2016
If you are enrolling a Prep child for 2016, please complete the enrolment form and return to the office ASAP.

Term 4 Staffing
This term we will be farewelling Mrs Bianca Leyden as she leaves to embark on a new journey as a ‘mum’ at the end of week 4. We have been very fortunate to have had the expertise of Mrs Leyden as Curriculum Coordinator and as Deputy Principal this year. I wish Mrs Leyden and her husband all the best in welcoming their new addition to the family. At the beginning of week 5 Mrs Yvette Phillips will return from maternity leave. Mrs Phillips will resume her substantive position as Deputy Principal. We look forward to her return to Townview.

The Arts
Last week our Year 4 students participated in an interactive dance performance with ‘Dance North’. Dance North provided insight into movement and dance and encouraged the students to participate in fun interactive moves aimed at developing strength and co-ordination. The Year 4 students enjoyed the activities and were excited doing the program with the instructors from the company. A big thankyou to Miss Fisher, Mr S and Ms Levic for supporting our students to participate in this activity.

Townview’s Got Talent
This week our student’s creative flair gets to shine as they battle it out in Townview’s Got Talent. We have many students with a variety of abilities and skills which they love to demonstrate. Please come to witness many of the fine skills of our students this Wednesday (22nd October) at 5:30 pm and enjoy a wonderful evening of entertainment.

Attendance
We are committed to closing the gap and to do this we need ALL students to be at school and learning. Please work with us and ensure your child/ren are at school by 8:30am EVERYDAY.

Our individual year level attendance is:
Prep 84.8%
Year 1 81.0%
Year 2 80.4%
Year 3 85.0%
Year 4 82.3%
Year 5 77.9%
Year 6 88.1%
Whole School Attendance 82.5%

Townview is a SAFE, RESPECTFUL and RESPONSIBLE school environment.
Regards
Loretta

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Attendance Matters
On Time: First Time, Every Time

What Zone Are You In?
Hello everyone,

It is with mixed feelings that I am writing my final newsletter of 2015 before I commence maternity leave on the 2nd November. Although I am excited (and slightly nervous) to start my next adventure and new role as a Mum, I am also a little sad that I will not get to see all the friendly faces of Townview State School on a daily basis, for the next little while.

Over the past 7 years I have thoroughly enjoyed working in various roles within the school and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, parents and students for the endless support and fond memories created during my time here — you all hold a very special place in my heart.

With lots of exciting events and academic learning planned for the remainder of the year, I have no doubt that Townview will continue to achieve great results in all areas.

Continued Success
I would again like to recognise and share some of the amazing work our students are doing at school. The progression students’ are making is a credit to our wonderful teachers who work tirelessly to explicitly teach the essential skills and provide opportunities to enable all students to be successful. Students in all year levels have been working extremely hard to improve their reading and writing skills. This week I would like to share the wonderful work of some of our year 3 students who have been focussing on writing poetry. Well done Lakita Brown and Shakya Smith!

When I first see my washing machine,
I like to wash my clothes as fast as I please.

For bubbles and fun,

and to get the job done.
To wash dirty jocks,
And the oh so stinky socks!

The washing machine has a lot of power,
That it can wash dirty clothes in just an hour.

By Shakya Smith 3A

When I see a washing machine,
I’d like to throw in my dirty jeans.
Soapy and bubbling,
And turning and doubling.

By Lakita Brown 3A

Year 6 Spinifex Transition
On Thursday 5th November our Year 6 students will each participate in a transition day at Spinifex State College. This day offers our students the opportunity to experience high school by familiarising themselves with the environment, meeting the staff and learning the routines. Townview staff will accompany our students to Spinifex on this day.

Jump Rope for Heart
It is that time of the year when our school participates in Jump Rope for Heart. At break times the undercover area is filled with students practising their new found skills taught during PE with Mr Woods in preparation for our final “Jump Off” day on Tuesday 27th October. By now all students should have received their sponsorship form to raise much needed funds to support the Heart Foundation. If your child has not received their sponsorship form, please contact their teacher.

No Stopping or Parking
Unfortunately it has been brought to our attention that some parents are stopping or parking along the solid yellow lines marked on the Clarke Street entrance. Please remember that you must not set down or pick up passengers in these areas - this is a “No Stopping” zone. The safety of our students is of the upmost importance.

Enjoy the rest of the year and I look forward to visiting in 2016 with “Junior Leyden” in tow!

Mrs Bianca Leyden
Acting Deputy Principal
Hello to all our Townview families,

Time sure is flying fast in this very hot weather - don't forget to drink lots of water. Please also don't forget to order your children's lunches by the Brown Bag system to make sure they have enough food as there is no extra hot food available at second break. There will be a "Halloween" RED DAY on Thursday 29th October. We will have lots of treats and surprises - watch the green door for a Meal Deal Special. Thank you to Miss Margaret and Mrs Cheryl for all their help at the Tuckshop. Miss Margie is away at the moment and will return next week - we have really missed her! Please see information later in the Newsletter regarding our Christmas raffle.

Meal Deal

Sausage Roll and Slushie
$5.00

Chicken Chips and milk
$4.00
Students of the Week - 12th October 2015

Prep A - Kai Dodd
Prep B - Jehkyelin Rankine
1/2A - Tamara Harrison
1/2B - Shade Siufanua
1/2C - Lyle Major
3A - Latiah Richardson
3B - Akira King
4A - Ethel Seaton
4B - Princess Caseres
5/6A - Natasha Connelly
5/6B - Kristan Ebborn
5/6C - Ashley Nyrhinen

PE Award - Leo Apps
SEP Award - Gracelyn Doolan
The Arts - Tammy Godfrey
Townview Spirit Award - Scott Henry and Shanyse Body

Class Attendance Winners

12th October 2015
3A

Congratulations Townview students! You helped to raise a total of $101.50 for the Golden Octopus Foundation during our “Go Gold Day”. This donation will be used by the foundation to assist children battling a range of childhood cancers. The foundation wishes to thank you for your wonderful support.
## Ready for Learning Tuckshop Voucher Winners

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2016 P & C Christmas Raffle

We are again seeking kind donations of non-perishable items for our annual Christmas Raffle. Items such as Christmas lollies, cakes, decorations, wrapping paper and cards would be a wonderful addition to the hampers. Tinned fruit and vegetables, biscuits (sweet/savoury), soft drink, cordial, tea, coffee, chips, nuts and savoury foods would also make a delicious filler.

Hamper donations can be left at the Tuckshop between 8:00 am and 1:00 pm or at the office.

Students also receive a ticket that enters them into a fortnightly Tuckshop draw every time they donate items!

Raffle tickets will be sent home with students and we ask that if you do not purchase them to please return them to the Tuckshop - every book returned “sold” or “unsold” will also go into a “Special Draw” drawn at the Christmas Concert.

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Halloween

PCYC Presents

A Halloween Disco

Friday the 23rd of October
From 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Fully Supervised
$5 Entry

Prizes for best dressed boy & girl

Hot Food and drinks available from our canteen.

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Get In Line Mount Isa

WANTED
You and your boots to join

Outback Line Dancers Workshop

Guest Line Dancing Instructor
Brett Jenkins

Saturday & Sunday
21 & 22 November 2015

Venue

For more information:
Fred, 07 4743 4418