Dear Parent and Carers,

This year is certainly flying past us in a flash. I would like to begin this week’s newsletter by acknowledging our fantastic P&C, and members of our school community who continue to contribute to our wonderful school every day. It was extremely humbling to watch the enthusiasm and support that our community puts into events such as the Mount Isa Rodeo last week. I was in awe, witnessing the passion and commitment of our whole school as we enjoyed and celebrated the rodeo activities. Our P&C decorated the tuckshop for the Best Premises Award which lead us to winning the People’s Choice Award! A Food Stall was manned during the Street Festival and then, the finale, our fantastic float entered in the Mardi Gras. The Mardi Gras parade was certainly bigger and better than ever, and it was fantastic to see so many students and staff participating by riding on the truck on Friday night. The truck was decorated by our P&C with help from our students by painting, cutting and glittering at school. All of our hard work was definitely worthwhile as the smiles on the student’s faces said it all. Our entry would not be made possible without the very kind support from Porters Transport for donating their truck. A huge thank you to everyone for supporting Townview State School for another year!

2016 NAPLAN Data

2016 NAPLAN Data has been released and the school’s Leadership Team is currently analysing this data. On a quick perusal of our results, I am pleased to say that our improvement agenda has continued positively. Our school’s data overall shows continual improvement and this has occurred due to the hard work and commitment that is displayed on a daily basis by each and every staff member. One piece of data we should be proud of is the continual improvement trend in our indicators. In NAPLAN, there are 30 indicators that are assessed and we have identified that our greatest gain is in our ‘Relative Gain’. Relative Gain is an indicator of improvement over the two year period from Year 3 to Year 5, and our data indicates that by maintaining our strong focus on student improvement through good spelling and numeracy. This is a great example of our continued improvement agenda occurring. Congratulations everyone, we achieve our results through hard work and commitment. Although NAPLAN results form a useful piece of information, they are not the be all and end all upon which to judge a school’s success. It is important to remember the results represent a point-in-time testing over a few hours each May – for only two of seven year levels. NAPLAN results are important but are just one of the many pieces of information our school uses to improve learning outcomes for our students. Each student in Year 3 and Year 5 was provided with their “Student Report” for NAPLAN 2016, which was sent home in Week 5.

Positive Feedback

On Tuesday this week (23rd August), I had a meeting with our Assistant Regional Director - School Performance, Dr Graham Foster. During the course of the meeting we discussed our school’s teaching and learning practices. This term we are strongly focussed on the use of feedback to inform teachers and students. This is a very valuable tool and you will see it in our classrooms in many different forms. The use of feedback allows
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students the opportunity to correct any misunderstandings, and provides them the opportunity to be successful in competing assessment tasks. It enables students to demonstrate what they have learnt and receive acknowledgment for what they are able to do. You may see it against criteria, in student workbooks or in a Venn diagram for students to reflect upon their learning. The feedback we received from Dr Foster was very positive about the teaching and learning that was happening at our school. This affirmation from our Assistant Regional Director acknowledges the fantastic work carried out by all our staff each and every day at Townview State School.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Parent/Teacher/Student Discussions will be held in Week10 this term (week commencing 12th September). Very soon teachers will be sending notes home with children requesting suitable times for these discussions to occur. At Townview State School we are committed to keeping parents and carers informed about their child's progress. We offer two periods of Parent/Teacher discussions and two written reports annually. Please take this opportunity to speak to your child’s teacher so that you are aware of your child’s social development, their individual strengths and areas of improvement. Parent/Teacher discussions are also an excellent chance for parents and carers to speak to teachers about specific focus learning goals you would like to see your child achieve. I would also encourage children to participate in these discussions with teachers and parents/carers.

2017 Prep Enrolments
We are now taking enrolments for Prep and other year levels in 2017. Please contact the Office for enrolment forms or further details on 4745 4444.

Staff Carpark
There continues to be ongoing issues with parents parking in the staff carpark to collect children. This is a serious safety concern to the school, as children can be injured if they are not aware of moving cars in this space. Please use the correct drop off and collection zones identified around the school for the safety of all our students. If we continue to have parents misusing this parking zone we may be forced to lock the gate to this area.

P&C Meeting
Thank you to those parents and community members who were able to attend the P&C meeting on Wednesday 10th August. Your input and participation in the meeting was greatly appreciated. Our next P&C Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 7th September at 6:00pm in the library. I look forward to seeing as you at the next meeting.

Every day at school is precious learning time and for continuity in learning. Children need to be attending school every day, unless genuine reasons exist for them to remain at home. There is an abundance of research that shows there is a direct link between attendance and academic achievement. In all the years I have analysed student achievement results, I have found that the majority of children who struggle to achieve academically often have irregular attendance records. I strongly urge all parents and carers to continue to ensure your children attend school every day.

EVERY DAY IN EVERY WAY WE DO THINGS THE TOWNVIEW WAY.
At Townview we are amazing because we are;
• Responsible
• Respectful
• Safe

Yours in Education,
Loretta
Hello everyone,

**PBL**

Our PBL focus for Week 6 and 7 is, *Be Respectful: Keep your area clean and tidy.* Students and staff brainstormed in class, within cohorts and at Parade, what it looks like, feels like and sounds like. To earn tokens students need to: *Keep their area clean and tidy.*

**Year 5/6 Camp**

The cost of Year 5/6 camp has been finalised. Letters were sent home last week and all payments must be finalised by Wednesday 14th September. If you have any concerns or questions regarding payments please see Mrs Phillips as soon as possible.

**Prep, Year 1 and 2 Excursion: Little Red in the Hood**

Last Thursday our Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 classes attended the Little Red in the Hood performance. It was a fantastic experience and the children thoroughly enjoyed the excursion. Thank you to the staff of Townview for providing this opportunity for our students. Below is a recount from students in 1/2C.

*Today 1/2C went to the Little Red in the Hood at the Civic Centre. There was a big bad wolf who was trying to take the chocolate cake and the bling, and he put Grandma into the cupboard and never let grandma out. IT WAS FUN!! By Lachlan, Harmony and Serita*
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been busy practising their pieces ready to perform for the residents. Congratulations to Ryan, Natasha, Breana and Kalinda!

Instrumental Music Concert
Ms Yvonne Moore, one of our instrumental music teachers, is taking 4 students down to Laura Johnson Home on Wednesday 31st August. Each student has been busy practising their pieces ready to perform for the residents. Congratulations to Ryan, Natasha, Breana and Kalinda!

National Teacher Aide Day
I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of our Teacher Aides on the fantastic support they provide to our students and staff on a daily basis. On Friday 2nd September we will be recognising the marvellous contributions that our Teacher Aides make to Townview.

P&C Father’s Day Stall
Once again, our dedicated P&C have organised a Father’s Day Stall. This is done so Townview State School students have the opportunity to purchase a special gifts for their special fathers. Classroom viewings have bee organised for next Wednesday the 31st August and sales will commence the 1st and 2nd of September. Gifts range from only 0.50c to $5.00.

P&C Father’s Day Raffle
Another way to spoil your father this Father’s Day, would be to present him with a winning prize from the P&C Raffle. Tickets are only $1.00 each and there are three prizes that can be won. Tickets will go on sale in front of the Tuckshop this Thursday, and sales will continue through all next week. The raffle will be drawn 2nd September 2016. This is also a wonderful opportunity to support our P&C who work tirelessly in support of our school.

I will be on leave in Week 8. I look forward to seeing you all in Week 9.

Have a great fortnight,

Mrs Phillips
Hi Everyone,

It has been a big few weeks in Mount Isa with the Mardi Gras and Rodeo. I hope you have enjoyed it, as I certainly have. Even though events are happening around us, it is important to still come to school. Our attendance has been low during the past 2 weeks as you can see from the ‘Attendance Thermometer’.

If you are going to be away from school, it is important that you let the school know. If you have any reason that makes it difficult to get your child to school, please let us know and we will support you in whatever way we can.

We love seeing your child/children every day.

Community Education Counsellor Corner - Miss Dixie

Hello Townview School Community,

Art Program
The students that have been working with Aunty Joan and Mrs Butcher have completed the designing of their shorts and dresses. They will get to model their masterpieces at a celebration very soon, and I will advise the date at a later stage. Well done to you all, and I must say I have enjoyed participating in the program as well.

Healthy Skin Program
A team from the Community and Primary Health Care, North West Hospital and Health Service, visit Townview School every Wednesday to help improve the health of students. The team are aiming to maintain healthy skin for our families by sharing knowledge and treating skin conditions. Please contact the school if you would like to know more about this service.

Townview Team Spirit Award
Congratulations to Josephine Bond - Prep B and Tannille Fischer - 5B, who are showing great Townview Team Spirit. I will be looking out for students who are following our school rules - Be Safe-Be Responsible-Be Respectful. So try your best at school, have high attendance and it could be you receiving the Townview Team Spirit Award next week or the week after!

Attendance Matters
Regular attendance at school is essential to assist your child to achieve learning goals. If you have any concerns regarding your child please contact myself or the school to discuss these concerns.

Yarn Time
Parents and Carers, come and join us in the kitchen after parade this coming Monday morning 29th of August for our “Yarn Time”. This is a time for sharing, meeting and a catch up with what is happening at Townview over a cuppa and a laugh. We look forward to seeing you in the kitchen after parade.

I am looking forward to working with parents, students and staff to support and provide the best possible learning outcomes for our students. Until the next newsletter, keep reading and keep trying your best at school and at home.

Dixie Sarmardin
Community Education Counsellor
Library News with Mrs Rigby and Miss Patti

Issue 6 of Scholastic Book Club was distributed on Monday and all orders are due 9:00am tomorrow, Friday 26th August. Apologies in advance as no late orders can be accepted. We thank you for supporting each Book Club which enables us to provide more quality reading material for the library.

This week we celebrate Children’s Book Week and it is wonderful to see the library alive with all the children’s work on display. Some entries, including the winning entries have been taken to the Town Library to be displayed as part of their Children’s Book Week celebrations. Our winning entries were presented with book prizes on Monday’s parade and we congratulate the following students on their fantastic effort;

1st - Aimee Lobegeiger (Prep A)
2nd - Abbey Cox (Prep A)
3rd - Gabriel (Prep B)

1st - Clancy Donovan (1/2B)
2nd - Serita Donaldson-Stevens (1/2C)
3rd - Paul Vatuvei (1/2A)
Highly Commended - Krystal Brown (1/2A)

1st - Eugene Pouesi (3/4B)
2nd - Halle Donovan (3/4C)
3rd - Audrey Eussen (3/4B)
Highly Commended - Kalinda Donaldson-Stevens (3/4A)
Highly Commended - Danii Lobegeiger (3/4A)

1st - Arjana Ojha (6A)
2nd - Bridget Wood (6B)
3rd - Jesse Power (6B)

This term is really flying, this being Week 7 and the last week of borrowing happens in Week 9. May we once again ask for your assistance in reminding your child/children to return their library books before the end of Term 3, the 16th September.

Tuckshop News with Mrs Ronda

Hello to all our Townview State School Families,

It seems spring in upon us already - this year has truly flown by quickly!

**Please Note**
No student will be served at the Tuckshop for 1st break lunch until the play bell has rung at 10:45am. 1st break is at 10:30am and students move to their eating area until the play bell. Please ensure your children have their lunches.

Meal Deals

Sausage Roll w/ Popper and Icy Stick
$5.00

Chicken Chips w/ Milk
$4.00

Our next Red Day will be on Wednesday the 7th September. As usual, there will be lots of delicious treats available to purchase.

The Tuckshop has a small number of plain 61cm wide brim hats for sale.
These hats do not have the TVSS emblem and there are 9 only.
Sale price - $5.00
Hurry before they run out!

Uniforms can be purchased from the Tuckshop from 8:00am - 12:00pm each day.
**Students of the Week - 15th August 2016**

Prep A - Lamarse Wana-Pu  
Prep B - Ronaldo Johnson  
1/2A - Eugene Simmons  
1/2B - Bradley Melville-Simmons  
1/2C - Daylan Rusty  
3/4A - Nadia Page  
3/4B - Richard Walden  
3/4C - Zac Seaton  
5A - Clayton Malseed  
5B - Troy Mayers  
6A - Charlotte Crayford  
6B - Shanti Rusty

PE Award - Teshawn Gaulai  
SEP Award - Tammy Godfrey  
The Arts - Matthew Willis  
Townview Spirit Award -

**Students of the Week - 22nd August 2016**

Prep A - Jayden Cross  
Prep B - Gabriel  
1/2A - Kysah Clapham  
1/2B - Skye Mahoney  
1/2C - Khoupa Armstrong  
3/4A - Caitlin Vatuvei  
3/4B - Shartaya Miles  
3/4C - Josephine Pouesi  
5A - Ebony Lees  
5B - Azalea-Leigh Wiki-Ormond  
6A -  
6B - Leo Apps

PE Award - Chloe Schmidt  
SEP Award -  
The Arts -  
Townview Spirit Award - Josephine Bond (Prep B) and Tennille Fischer (5B)
Class Attendance Winners

15th August 2016
3/4B

22nd August 2016
1/2C

Ready for Learning Draw Winners

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Did You Hear?

Kids 4 years and up can get free non-diagnostic hearing checks!

Where: Mount Isa Hospital - Outpatients Department

When: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursday’s by appointment

How: Self-referrals are welcome, no need for a GP referral

Contact: Allied Health on 4744 4447 or Terene on 4744 4422

Help us plan for the future...

...and you could win one of six Fitbit Surge fitness watches!

Tell us what you think about our operations and your community by taking part in the 2016 Glencore Community Attitudes Survey.

You can access our survey by scanning the QR code or visiting our websites:

Mount Isa Mines 1300 992 982
Ernest Henry Mining 1300 744 463
Townsville 4781 8322

www.mountisamines.com.au
www.ernesthenrymines.com.au

All feedback received through the survey will be handled by a third party market research company and will remain strictly confidential in line with the Privacy Act.