Principal’s News

Townview Pride
As parents all we ever want is the very best for our children. As Principal, I want the very best for our Townview students. I believe it is our role to ensure that your son or daughter receives the best possible education available and it is our job to deliver that expectation to them.

Over the past 12 months I have been discussing the strong sense of Pride that is evident in our school. We have solid community partnerships with our parents and outside agencies in the community. One of the things I like best about our positive relationships is the shared expectations that our community demands. Our community looks out for each other and if things are not as they should be then action is sought after. On the weekend when there was some uninvited people on the premises of the school our community informed the Police. I am very grateful for this show of support to keep our school safe and to uphold the school rules regarding trespassers on the grounds. To our neighbourhood watchers…we thank you greatly.

Uniforms
As you are aware this week we reinforced the Uniform Policy with our students. Townview has a full school uniform policy that is to be adhered to at all times. I reminded parents of this policy in a previous newsletter and via a letter sent home with the Policy attached for you to read. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform at all times and is wearing the correct clothing to school.

VISION: Wear the full school uniform with Pride and attend school as a learner.

VALUES: I do my best work and am a member of the school community.

NON-NEGOTIABLES: Wear the MAROON TOWNVIEW STATE SCHOOL SHIRT AND SHORTS. Coloured sports shirts can only be worn on Friday and ‘Deadly’ shirts are not part of the uniform.

This week when we enforced the wearing of the uniform students stood tall and walked proud. Students were saying “Look Mrs White I’m in my uniform” and I would respond with how well they looked as a ready learner at Townview. Wearing the uniform puts students into the mindset of ‘learner mode’ and they code shift their thinking from casual engagement to positive learning and purpose. The wearing of the uniform gives students a sense of security and belonging. It represents acceptance of standards in manners, conduct and learning set by the school and it is readily identified in the public making supervision easier. If you are requiring pieces of the uniform they are available for purchase at the school tuckshop. Please see ‘Tuckshop News’ for further information on this. Your support to ensure students are attending school in full school uniform is greatly appreciated.

HOW DO WE MONITOR AND ADJUST STUDENT LEARNING
At Townview we are continuously monitoring the progression of student learning and achievement. While there is much happening relating to the curriculum and student learning, we use many tools to inform our practice. The recent NAPLAN results is one tool that we use to monitor the effectiveness of our work on a year to year basis and make plans for

Important Dates
24th August - Children’s Book Week
4th September - Teacher Aide Day
Interschool Sport
12th September - Golden Jubilee Fete
19th October - Pupil Free Day
Principal’s News Continued...

improvement. Your children’s report cards are based on their performance in a number of summative assessment tasks across each semester. Regular teacher checks on learning as well as diagnostic testing such as Reading Benchmarks help teachers to differentiate the learning for students as well as provide additional information about your child’s learning that can be shared at the upcoming parent-teacher interviews.

LEARNING FAIR

In Week 9 of this term the Leadership Team and I get the opportunity to present our focus work to Lynn Sharratt (Putting Faces on the Data) and Townsville Regional Office staff to showcase the work we have been doing in relation to implementing our Explicit Improvement agenda in Reading. We will be making links to the regional evidence proven practices and the high yield pedagogies that we have developed to support the achievement of students to reach PM benchmarks. Our Reading Booster program has resulted in many students reaching their benchmark goals and has demonstrated improved outcomes for many of our students. The leadership team and I are looking forward to sharing these practices with our colleagues regional support personnel.

A CELEBRATION OF OUR 50th JUBILEE

On Saturday the 12th of September Townview will be commemorating the 50th Jubilee Birthday for the school. It is amazing to think of the number of students who have passed through the school in the last 50 years. Please mark this day in your calendars as there are a myriad of activities that have been planned for all to enjoy. A big thankyou goes to everyone who has worked tirelessly to put this event together. It has been in the planning for 12 months now and we are at the final stages of bringing it all together. Please watch out for flyers, letters and information regarding this evening because it will be a fantastic event for everyone to be involved in.

Attendance/Late Arrivals

Our attendance still continues to spiral downwards considerably below our expected 93%. Our thermometer for last fortnight is reading 80.5%, whilst I know there is a lot of illnesses among both staff and students at the moment I am still concerned that students are just not making the effort to come to school. I am hearing many excuses in the office when student come in for late slips. They are stating excuses such as “it was cold”, “I didn’t wake up”…

These comments are disturbing to me because many of the students arriving late are missing the most critical teaching time. Please endeavour to have students at school before 8:30am EVERYDAY.

Yours in Quality Education,
Loretta White

Loud and Townview Proud

The wearing of a school uniform gives a young child a sense of security when they become a member of a group larger than their family. As the child progresses through the school, it should mean more. It represents acceptance of standards in manners, conduct and learning set by the school.

At Townview State School, we believe that students taking pride in their appearance, reflects pride in their school. The Uniform Policy is endorsed and strongly supported by the school’s P&C Association.

It is an expectation that students wear the Townview State School polo shirt and maroon shorts at school every day except Friday when the coloured sports shirts are permitted to be worn. Students in Year 6 are also able to wear the senior shirt to compensate for the school polo shirt.

We are seeking kind donations of school uniforms in good condition that your child/children may have grown out of. Donated uniforms will be used as “Emergency Uniform” supplies to ensure that all Townview students are dressed in the appropriate school uniform. Any donations will be greatly appreciated and can be left at the school office.
Hello everyone,

Reading and Writing Progress
It has been another successful fortnight at Townview State School, particularly academically. I have been so excited to witness the fantastic reading and writing progress students are making in improving their strategies.

Learning to read is about listening and understanding, as well as working out print. Through hearing stories, children are exposed to a rich and wide vocabulary. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding when they listen, which is vital as they start to read. As children start to learn to read at school, you can play an important role in helping to keep them interested in books, finding out what interests them and helping them to find books that will be engaging and fun for them. Please ask your child about the books they like to read and the strategies they are learning at school, they may talk about some of the decoding and comprehension strategies below:

I would also like to acknowledge and share some of the amazing writing students in Prep through to Year 6 have been working on. Students in Prep have been focusing on writing rhyming words, Year 1/2 students have been busy writing poetry, Year 3 have been writing retells and narratives from the perspective of a character from “The Lorax”, Year 4 have been writing historical recounts, pretending to be a child convict, and Year 5/6 students have been writing letters to a future Townview student. The skills students are showing and the progression they have made is a credit to our teachers who provide optimal learning opportunities to enable all students to be successful, and to the children who give all their tasks “a red hot go!”

Sporting Success
Congratulations to our AFL and Softball teams that competed against other schools in Mount Isa on 14th September. Our Softball team walked away with 4 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss and are currently sitting second on the ladder. Our AFL team was undefeated and are currently at the top of the ladder – an OUTSTANDING effort from all involved. We wish both teams the best of luck in the next round of the competition on the 4th September.

Mindsets: Helping students reach their full potential
As educators, we aim to motivate our students and help them to raise their achievement levels, as well as reach their own personal goals. Dr Carol Dweck, an educational expert, has done a lot of work and research around the importance of mindsets – and I think some of her key messages are something we can all use on a daily basis. A fixed mindset limits motivation and achievement, while a growth mindset stimulates motivation and achievement. Students with a growth mindset learn at all costs and use everything at their disposal to learn, such as a range of strategies, hard work, perseverance and effort. These students approach mistakes and deficiencies as setbacks that create opportunities for learning and growth.

Dr Carol Dweck also talks about the importance of the message we are sending to our students when we praise them. Our praise lets children know what we value. What do you praise in your child? Praise encourages students to take on challenges and to learn from them, to become more resilient and to embrace challenges and mistakes.

“If you believe you can or believe you can’t, you’re probably right.”

Have a wonderful fortnight,

Bianca Leyden
Acting Deputy Principal
Hello Townview School Community,

Looking Deadly…. Loud and Proud
Thank you to all the students who are showing GREAT Townview Team Spirit by wearing their uniforms. You look so DEADLY walking to school, while you are at school learning and when you are going home. To be in your school uniforms you are showing how PROUD and LOUD you are about attending Townview with a great attitude to learning and achieving.

Townview Team Spirit Award
Congratulations to Ebony Wood Prep B and Eugene Simmons Prep A, 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.

Golden Jubilee Fete
Please pass on information regarding the Jubilee Fete to family members who may have been past students or had an association with Townview School. This is going to be such a huge event and we would like to see lots of people here with us celebrating 50 years of learning and fun at Townview.

The Yarning Circle
I was so happy and proud to meet Years 1 and 2 down at the Yarning Circle a couple of weeks ago to answer questions and talk about our garden. I hope we can do it again very soon because I know there were lots more questions you students wanted to ask. I look forward to the next time so see you soon.

Hearing Screening
The Hearing Health Workers from Mount Isa Community Health visited Townview School to screen students for their follow-up visit. Parents will be receiving follow-up letters in the next couple of days.

Deadly Choices
Students from 5/6A are only weeks away from receiving their “DEADLY CHOICES” shirt. 5/6 students have been participating in Deadly Choices that is a program which informs participants about staying strong and healthy, maintaining healthy lifestyles and making positive lifestyle choices. The program nurtures leadership and encourages participants to become positive mentors and role models in their community.

My Learning Journey
I attended Professional Development in the 3a Abeece-darian Approach and received a certificate. The knowledge I gained and shared will help and support parents and children with their journey through education. I am also going to Townsville in the first week of the school holidays to attend a conference to support my role within the school. I will be sharing Townview’s best practices with other workers from the Townsville and North West region in education.

Yarn Time
You are welcome to attend our Yarning Time this Monday morning the 31st, for a yarn and laugh over a cuppa. Hope to see you there.

Until the next newsletter keep learning, keep reading and keep trying your best with school and home.

Dixie Sarmardin
Library News with Mrs Rigby and Miss Patty

WATCH THIS SPACE

SOMETHING

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HAPPENING

Tuckshop News with Mrs Ronda

Hello to all our Townview families,

Beautiful weather we are having! Please don’t forget to order your children’s lunches by our bag system. Events coming up are;

RED DAY - Wednesday 2nd September

Golden Jubilee Fete - Saturday 12th September

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers and staff who help make the Tuckshop run so smoothly.

Meal Deals

Chicken Chips w/milk or Slushie and Milo Cup
*$5.00

Book Club Issue 6

Due to circumstances beyond our control Issue 6 was late arriving from Scholastic. It was distributed to the children on MONDAY 24th and the closing date for orders is this FRIDAY 28th at 9:00am SHARP. We apologise for any inconvenience.

CHILDRENS BOOK WEEK “BOOKS LIGHT UP OUR WORLD” is being celebrated this week. We hope you have the opportunity to call into the City Library to see the great display of children’s work, including our entries in the District Competition. We acknowledge and celebrate the winners of the Townview Children’s Book Week colouring competition later in this newsletter. Please call into our Library and see the wonderful colouring in by your children.

Pizza Rounda or Pizza Single w/Popper
*$4.00

It’s so wonderful to see the children dressed in their school uniforms showing they’re loud and Townview Proud. Remember that uniforms can be purchased from the Tuckshop and a current pricelist is attached to this newsletter.
Students of the Week - 17th August 2015

Prep A - Sailor Lee
Prep B - Harlo Siufanua
1/2A - Azale Marshall
1/2B - Krystal Brown
1/2C - Labrahn Page
3A - Lulu Morley
3B - Greg Sipata
4A - Bella Morley
4B - Alyssa Body
   Princess Caseres
   Sean Wheeler
5/6A - Fay Dalton
5/6B - Charlette Crayford
5/6C - Tremaine Body

PE Award -
SEP Award - Josiah Sam
The Arts - Tennille Fischer
Townview Spirit Award -

Students of the Week - 24th August 2015

Prep A - Christy Sarmardin
Prep B - Jaxon Trenerry
1/2A - Shayna Narayan
1/2B - Hannah Power
1/2C - Isabella Turuva
3A - Lulu Morley
3B - Greg Sipata
4A - Jamaron Mothe
4B -
5/6A - Breana Mothe
5/6B - Leo Apps
5/6C - Cale Melville-Simmons
   Derek Walden

PE Award - Shannon Smith
SEP Award - Josiah Sam
The Arts - Kayden Apiata
Townview Spirit Award - Ebony Wood and Eugene Simmons
Class Attendance Winners

13/08/15
Xhai Ah Kit 1/2B
Alissa Bale-Sloman 5/6B

25/08/15
Layla Body Prep B
Jorja Nyrinen 5/6A

17th August 2015
Prep A

24th August 2015
Prep A

Ready for Learning Tuckshop Voucher Winners

13/08/15
Xhai Ah Kit 1/2B
Alissa Bale-Sloman 5/6B

14/08/2015
Ebony Wood Prep B
Nadine George 5/6A

17/08/15
Adrian Blom Prep A
Travis Wood 4A

18/08/15
Cyrus Maher Prep B
Shamira Nardoo 5/6A

19/08/15
Halle Donovan 3B
Arjana Ojha 5/6C

20/08/15
Deeyahali Marsh 1/2A
Brooke Body 4A

24/08/15
Wyatt Apps 1/2A
Christian Simpson 5/6C

26/08/15
P J Onasu 1/2C
Tisharn Koorabubba 4A
Congratulations to the following students who received a book prize on parade, Monday 24th after their entries were successful for our school. Thank you to everyone for your fantastic work.

**Prep**

1st  Riley Berry  Prep A
2nd  Christy Sarmardin  Prep A
3rd  Cooper Scobie  Prep A

Highly Commended - Clancy Donovan  Prep B

**Year 1/2**

1st  Krystal Brown  1/2B
2nd  Lebron Wiki-Ormond  1/2B
3rd  Oscar Crayford  1/2A

Highly Commended - Noah Cox  1/2B
Highly Commended - Deklan Body  1/2C

**Year 3**

1st  Crysta Shute  3B
2nd  Eugene Pouesi  3A
3rd  Danika McDonald  3B

Highly Commended - Raquel Irvin  3A

**Year 4**

1st  Jamaron Mothe  4A
2nd  Kelly Dalton  4B
3rd  Tara Matheson  4B

Highly Commended - Azalea-Leigh Wiki-Ormond  4A

**Year 5/6**

1st  Kathleen Farrelly  5/6C
2nd  Leah Body  5/6C
3rd  Tanisha Cherrington  5/6C

These entries along with a selection of those submitted have been taken to the City Library to be judged at District level.

The winners of the District Children's Book Week Competition have just been announced. Congratulations to Kathleen Farrelly who took out 1st prize! 2nd prize was also won by a Townview student, Krystal Brown, with Oscar Crayford and Eugene Pouesi receiving Highly Commended Awards for their efforts. Congratulations and well done Townview!
The Golden Jubilee Fete for our school is only around the corner, with just over 2 weeks to go. We are still looking for donations in regards to the Cent Sale Stall as well as volunteer helpers on the day. Some of the games and stalls that will be operating for only $2.00 are Choc Block Throw, Rope-a-Rocking Horse, Pringle Ping Pong, Duck Shoot, Pick-a-Duck and Lucky Jars.

*Picture plates and mugs* will also be available to create and purchase. There is a slight turn around for these to be made and returned, but the wait will be worth it to have your own keep sake of a special piece of artwork created by your children. Photos can also be added to the plates and mugs if you bring them along on the night.

The Tuckshop will be open on the night selling Hotdogs, Steak Sandwiches and Chicken Chippies. We will also have hot chips and baked potato vans and the helpful Townview husbands will be selling sausages in bread as well as other delicious goodies.

On the week leading up to the fete, the P & C committee will be selling pre-purchased tickets that include a range of activities and treats for the children to use on the night. These include Jumping Castle, Lucky Dip, Carnival Games, sausage in bread and a lunchbox treat. The P & C will be selling these tickets in the Tuckshop area commencing 7th September between 8:00 - 8:30am and 2:30 - 3:00pm for only $15 each. Cash only and no refunds will be given.

*LET’S ALL WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR FETE GREAT.*

*Businesses supporting our fete include: Mount Isa Physio Service, Mount Isa Home and Garden, Uniform Space, Bridgestone Service Centre, Sunset Butchery, Ken Cross Acupuncture, Beaurepaires, Blockbuster, Red Rooster, Suncorp Bank, Frayze Facepainting, Paint and Decor, Mount Isa’s Deluxe Car Hire, Healing Hands Massage Therapy, Sanctum Skin and Spa, Woolworths Able Smith Parade, Hairspray Hairdressing, Hammer and Forge, Bunnings, Brogdens, Commonwealth Bank, Cath and David Hopgood, Amcal Pharmacy, Miles Street Pool Shop, Coles Mount Isa, MacRae’s Newsagents, and Outback at Isa.*
12th September 2015
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Townview State School’s Golden Jubilee Fete

- FOOD
- DRINKS
- STALLS
- GAMES
- PRIZES
  - Entertainment
  - Time Capsule Opening
  - Eating Contests
- Cent Sale
- Glow Sticks
- Lucky Dips
- Jumping Castles
- Face Painting
- Fun, Fun, Fun
Anglican Church
Community Fair

3 Station Street
Next to PCYC

Family Entertainment
Games Arcade
Food & Drinks available
Arts & Crafts
Raffles

Jumping Castle
Local Entertainment
Sweets & Treats
Face Painting

Saturday
29th August
9am - 1pm

SPINIFEX STATE COLLEGE - JUNIOR CAMPUS
Specialists in Junior Secondary Education
in a caring college environment

2016 Annual Information Evening
For all current Year 6, 7 and 8 students considering their educational needs for 2016

Choosing your school for the junior years of schooling is an important decision for every parent and student. Come along and learn more about what is on offer.

When: Tuesday 8th September 2015
Where: Spinifex Junior Library
Program: 6:30pm - Campus Tours
7:00pm - Presentation

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Contact: 4740 1111

Students Achieving Career Pathways Academic Excellence Authentic Learning
**Do you have a special Father that deserves recognition?**

We are looking for Mount Isa’s Father of the Year

- Best Community Father of the Year
- Inspirational Father of the Year
- Best Sports Father of the Year

**FREE TO ENTER. GREAT PRIZES**

**Mount Isa’s**

**FATHER OF THE YEAR**

Registration forms available from Buffs Club Reception

**Competition Closes: Thursday 3rd September 2015**

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**Show & Shine**

**KIDS BIKE & SCOOTER DECORATING COMPETITION**

Hey Kids
Do you want to win $50.00

FREE to enter.
Boys & Girl Categories

Decorate your bike and bring it along to Buffs Club Show & Shine on Sunday 6th September for your chance to win.
Drop off required between 9am & 10am

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Townview State School
Uniform Price List
Available at the Tuckshop

Hats – Wide Brimmed and Bucket $12.00
Reversible Coloured Hats $16.00
Maroon Polo School Shirt $30.00
Sport Polo Shirt – Worn on Fridays and Sports Days $30.00
Maroon Shorts – Unisex (micro fibre) $20.00
Maroon Skirts – Girls $20.00

Flinders – Red
Kennedy – Yellow
Leichhardt - Green