Principal’s Message

How time flies!
At this point in the term, I would like to thank everyone in the school community for their efforts in making our school a great school.

We have seen some fantastic progress in students achievements this term, particularly in reading. It takes a combined effort from school and home to achieve these results, so a congratulations for students and families is in order.

As everyone prepares for the Easter break, I would like to wish you a safe holiday whether you are planning a special event or enjoying the break at home. Use this opportunity to spend time with family and appreciate the special people in your lives.

I will be away for the break, but look forward to seeing everyone when I return!

Dallas Schmidt
Principal

Attendance

As of today, our whole-school attendance is at 95.14%. Well done to all students and families for your continued effort in achieving this target!

Students with exemplary attendance this term are:
- Jack, Kobe, Sam—100%
- Zac—98%
- Hayley, Bella—95%

P&C

Thank you to all the new and continuing members of the P&C for your attendance at the AGM last week. Our new Executive is as follows:
- President—Bianca McDowell
- Vice-President—Emma Symes
- Treasurer—Karen Schafer
- Secretary—Chris Schmidt

Our meetings for the remainder of the year have been scheduled and are attached to this newsletter for you to plan to attend.

Date Claimers

Upcoming events to be aware of:
- Apr 2: Last day of Term
- Apr 20: First Day back Term 2
- Apr 25: ANZAC Day service and parade—Ingham
- Apr 29: School Assembly 2:15pm

Uniforms

If you are in need of additional uniforms, please contact the school to arrange a time to look through the new or second hand stock available.

Thanks

A big thank you to all those who attended the P&C meeting and contributed to the discussions held.

Behaviour

Our school expectations are:
- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be A Learner

It is vital that students are aware of our 4 expectations and understand what they look like at school. Continued focus on these 4 key points is occurring in class.

Bounce Back!

Bounce Back! Lessons over the past few weeks have focussed on Courage. Students have discussed what courage does and doesn’t look like and the differences between courage and foolhardiness.

Younger students have had opportunities to identify times they have been brave and what they do when they need to be brave.

Additional information about courage is attached for you.

Snapshot

Technology tasks this term have included opportunities to build a bridge that would support 2 tennis balls. Excellent support was shown by students for each other.
Activities

What: School Holiday FUN
From Boxtrolls to butterflies, art to acrobatics, there is a load of fun for everyone these holidays. Jump onto the TYTO website for the full details. All activities are free and are for a variety of ages.
When: 4 April to 18 April 2015
Where: TYTO (see also Movie Magic)

What: SOUNDBASE
for those passionate about music
Are you interested in activities related to making cutting edge music, from learning an instrument to creating the latest electro tunes on your computer? Do you want to learn via fun workshops, create events and projects? Come along to share your ideas at a mini think tank.
When: Sunday April 12 from 1.00pm
Where: TYTO Recording Studio (see Library)

What: Baby Bop
Bop along with your baby at the Library. Share a fun and interactive time, making music, rhyming and singing with your child. For parents and newborns to two years. Sessions are free and no bookings required.
When: Every Tuesday 10am to 11am 7, 14, 21, 28 April
Where: Hinchinbrook Shire Library

What: Story Time
Come along and listen to stories, sing songs and share books with your child. Sessions include a new story and related craft activity each week. Sessions are free and no bookings required.
When: Every Thursday 10am to 11am 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 April 2015
Where: meet @Hinchinbrook Shire Library

What: Sunday Kids Arts & Crafts
Every Sunday there is a fun craft activity to help develop kids creativity. Activity is free and no bookings required.
When: 5, 12, 19, 26 April 11am to 3pm
Where: Hinchinbrook Shire Library

Displays

What: Defending the Pacific
This commemorative exhibit tells the story of the 1st mobilisation of Australian Troops in WW1, 100 years ago. Several other displays throughout the Library expand upon this exhibit and tell something of the men who volunteered. Free.
When: Daily 10am to 4pm
Where: Hinchinbrook Shire Library

What: Wetlands Displays
Discover the wonder of the Wetlands, learn amazing facts and play a few games. Free.
When: Daily
Where: TYTO Information & Wetlands Centre

What: National Trust Heritage Festival
The Note of War

An exhibition of the 31st Battalion - The Kennedy Regiment notes the story of war from the 31st Bn Regiment Waltz to The Last Post. Stories of conflict and compassion both lauded and celebrated; captured and held in our hearts by one superlative note, in memory of our heroes. Free.
When: 18 April to 18 May
Daily 10am to 4pm (closed Anzac Day)
Where: Hinchinbrook Shire Library

Events

What: Movie Magic with pre movie craft
THE BOXTROLLS.
Family Movie Night Rated PG.
The fable of an underground cavern-dwelling community of quirky and loveable oddballs. A pre-movie themed craft activity will be available. Food and beverage available for purchase. Free event.
When: Friday 3 April from 6.00pm
Where: TYTO Amphitheatre

What: Movie Magic in LUCINDA
MADAGASCAR 3: EUROPE'S MOST WANTED
Family Movie Night Rated PG.
Alex, Marty, Gloria and Melman are still fighting to get home to their beloved Big Apple this time via Europe. A pre-movie themed craft activity will be available. Food and beverage available for purchase. Free event.
When: Saturday 4 April from 6pm
Where: Borello Park, LUCINDA

What: Movie Magic at FORREST BEACH
MR PEABODY & SHERMAN.
Family Movie Night. Rated PG.
Mr. Peabody is an all-round genius...and a bow-tie-wearing bespectacled dog. Using his most ingenious invention, the WABAC machine, Mr. Peabody and his adopted son Sherman hurdle back in time to experience world-changing events first-hand and interact with some of the greatest characters of all time. A pre-movie themed craft activity will be available. Food and beverage available for purchase. Free event.
When: Sunday 5 April from 6pm
Where: Progress Park, Forrest Beach

What: Sunday Session Live Music
This month Rock n Roll with Townsville's popular 45 RPM!
Enjoy a relaxing afternoon, overlooking the picturesque lagoons at TYTO listening to live music. BYO rug or chairs. Food and beverages available for purchase. BYO alcohol in designated areas only. Free.
When: Sunday 26 April 4.30pm to 6.30pm and the last Sunday of every month April to October.
Where: TYTO Amphitheatre

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Exhibitions
What: A Camera on Gallipoli Exhibition
In 1915 soldier and surgeon Sir Charles Ryan captured the Australians’ experience on Gallipoli via a series of candid photographs, displaying the mateship, stoicism and dogged endurance - the spirit of ANZAC. These images take us behind the stirring accounts of battle to reveal the dry, forbidding landscape, quagmire, dug-outs, tired troops and the horrendous task of burying the dead.
When: 2 April to 3 May 2015
Where: TYTO Regional Art Gallery

Markets
What: Handmade in Hinchinbrook
Enjoy an afternoon wandering through this collective, showcasing original works by local artisans and craft enthusiasts. Chat to artists, watch demonstrations, take part in mini workshops and purchase unique gifts or keepsakes.
When: Saturday 4 April 1pm to 4pm then 1st Saturday of each month April to October.
Where: TYTO Parklands, off Maccrossan Ave, Ingham.

Tours
What: Sugar Tracks
A journey that brings to life a yesteryear that shaped the great pioneering cane community of heritage displays and rest to enjoy a traditional Cane Cutters Smoko.
This tour is both a free walking display with additional guided brochure (no Smoko) and a paid guided tour with Smoko (light lunch).
Free Display: Daily 10am to 4pm.
Paid Tour: Tues & Sat 10am. (min numbers or by Appointment, group savings).
Adult $25.00pp /children 5 to 14 $15.00pp.
Where: Hinchinbrook Shire Library

What: TYTO Wetland Tours
Discover the wetlands and learn about some of the 240 species found at TYTO (27.4% of Australia’s bird species in one location).
Adult $15.00pp /children 5 to 14 $5.00pp.
When: Wed & Sat. 9am (min numbers or by appointment, group savings).
Where: TYTO Information & Wetlands Centre

Venue
The TYTO Conference Centre coupled with its complementary facilities is a multi dimensional, modern space, unique in both location and functionality.
Ideal for creating events with an imaginative twist set in a spectacular natural environment. With access to incredible break out spaces and activities that cover our four core pillars of Art, Culture, Nature and Knowledge there is no equivalent within the region.
Bathed in natural light complements of multi bi fold glass doors adjoining the Piazza and courtyard, TYTO Conference Centre overlooks tranquil lagoons speckled with birdlife.
We provide a range of equipment, catering and operational options to provide absolute flexibility.
From intimate to extravagant TYTO lends itself to shaping a truly unique vision.
Weddings are also catered to with a multiplicity of options. Please contact TYTO Conference Centre for more information.

Workshops
What: UKE-LOCO - Ukulele Sessions
Ever wanted to learn to play the Ukulele?
the craft! Join the group and have some fun, all welcome.
Beginners - 12noon to 1pm - $15
UKE-LOCO Members - 1.15pm to 4pm - $25.
Members can come to the beginner sessions free of charge.
When: 5 + 18 April
Where: meet @ Hinchinbrook Shire Library

What: Photography
Please see TYTO website for details.
Where: TYTO Regional Art Gallery

What: Computer Workshops
Please see TYTO website for details.
Where: Hinchinbrook Shire Library

What: Freestyle AUDIO
Make your own music at the TYTO Recording Studio with the assistance of a Sound Engineer. Who knows? You could be the next best new talent at the ARIAS! Bookings essential. Free.
When: 12 and 28 April 10am to 4pm
Where: TYTO Recording Studio (see Library)

Contact
Full details available via the TYTO website or
Hinchinbrook Shire Library 4776 4614
TYTO Information + Wetlands Ctr 4776 4792
TYTO Conference Centre 4776 4726
TYTO Regional Art Gallery 4776 4725

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Movie Magic - Inflight

This Easter TYTO Movie Magic is inflight and heading your way. Two extra movies are being presented along with a craft activity to celebrate the start of the TYTO event season, Easter and the school holidays. Come along to one or all three and the best part is they are all FREE.

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Parent Information: Courage

Fear is a normal human response to situations that might harm us. Fear motivates us to check out whether or not the situation really is as dangerous as it seems and then, if it is, to take action to protect ourselves. Everyone feels scared at times. However we don’t necessarily fear the same things as other people. Some people feel scared about riding on a roller coaster but others really enjoy it. But the same people who don’t fear going on a roller coaster might feel very nervous when they have to give a speech. Courage means facing fear and not being overwhelmed by it. We need courage if we experience misfortune. We also need courage to face some of the ‘everyday’ challenges in our lives such as learning a new skill or sorting out friendship issues.

Key points to communicate to your child about being brave

Everyone feels scared sometimes.
Some people pretend they never feel scared but everyone does. Different things scare different people. One person might feel nervous about learning to dive but not about acting on stage. For someone else it might be the opposite.

We all need to use a lot of ‘everyday courage’ in our lives.
Everyday courage is shown when you try to do something that is ordinary that still makes you feel a bit nervous such as giving a talk to the class, trying out for a part in a play, sleeping over at a friend’s house or going to camp.

Weigh up the advantages and disadvantages of trying to be a hero.
A hero is someone who puts himself/herself at risk to protect the safety and wellbeing of another. It is very rare for someone your age to be in a situation where heroism is required. If you are, think carefully before you act as you might not have enough skill to do it and you could get badly hurt or make things worse. Consider calling 000 or ask an adult to help. You can be a hero in smaller ways (e.g. by standing up for someone who is being mistreated at school).

There’s a big difference between courage and being foolhardy.
Being foolhardy means being stupid and doing a risky and scary thing (e.g. jumping from a tree branch into a river) just to show off or because people are daring you to do it. If you do something really dangerous, the best you will get are bragging rights and the worst you might get is serious injury or death.

What can you do to help your child to be brave?

- Talk about when you have felt scared and what you did to overcome your fears and be brave. Give examples of times in your life of when you tackled your fears and ‘had a go’ at something that was difficult. Stress how pleased you felt afterwards.
- Discuss the gains that being brave can bring (e.g. self-respect, confidence, skills).
- Look for examples of courage, heroism and foolhardiness in the media and discuss them with your child to help them to understand the differences between courage, heroism and foolhardiness.
- Encourage your child to have the courage to do what they believe is ‘the right thing’ even if others don’t agree with them.
- Remind your child about the things that took courage for them to do when they were little but now seem easy to them. Explain that things that take courage for them to do now will seem easier and less scary as they get older.
- Stress that throughout life there will always be new challenges that will require courage. Facing our fears is one of the ways we become stronger.
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