FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Welcome to Week 4

It's a very exciting week for our Stage 3 students as they head off to Canberra for 3 days. I am looking forward to hearing about their adventures when they return. A big thank you to Mrs Robinson, Ms Yeend, Ms Wilson and Mr Edwards who will be getting very little sleep over the 3 days.

Next week our Joey’s friends will graduate from our transition program and move into the formal orientation program. It has been amazing to watch the growth of our smallest school members from when they begin Joey’s to when they graduate.

Thank you to the families who have already donated to the Anglican Church Food Drive. I’m sure Rev. Doug will be very pleased to see the effort the Tarro community have gone to, to support those in need at Christmas time.

On Friday we had a representative on site to take soil and water samples from around the school. While I am not anticipating any negative results, the Department of Education took on the testing as a precaution due to the contamination findings from across the road. Next week, I have a meeting with a number of Department representatives to discuss the results.

Teachers are well into the swing of writing semester 2 reports. Writing reports is a very precise and time consuming process and I would like to thank every staff member for the effort they put into ensuring your child receives a quality report.

And finally, thank you to the 59 parents who completed the online Tell Them from Me survey. The responses that were provided will be a good base from which we can begin planning for 2020.

Kelly O’Shea

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Week 4- I can follow instructions
► We can stop what we are doing when we hear an adult giving us an instruction.
► We can look at the person speaking to us.
► We listen to the instructions and do as we have been asked to do the first time.

If we are unsure of what the instructions mean, we can politely ask them to explain it to us again

Following instructions is one of our 5 star rules. We are learning to follow instructions in all school settings and to listen to all school staff. Students will gain ‘brights’ by following instructions given to them straight away and by showing active listening skills.

Year 6 Farewell
Our Year 6 Farewell will be at Hexham Bowling Club on Tuesday 10th December, 2019. Year 5 are invited to pass on the Year 6 legacy and celebrate with the Year 6 students. 5.30pm arrival for a 6.00pm start, 8.30pm finish. A note will be sent home in the next week.

Swim School starts next week Monday 11th November 2019 and will continue every day for two weeks. Thank you for your prompt payment. Students will have recess at 1:00pm. Bus will leave school at 1.20pm and return to school at 2.50pm. Children are to wear full school uniform each day. They will have a chance to change before and after swimming at the pool, as well as put sunscreen on. Please ensure children bring: Towel, Swimmers, Sun shirt or tight fitting t-shirt (students will not enter the pool without a sun shirt or tight fitting t-shirt). A clearly labelled plastic bag for wet swimmers etc. PLEASE NOTE: Children will not be able to make purchases from the pool canteen until the last day (Friday, 22nd November, 2019).
Acknowledgement of Country
You may have noticed that our Stage 3 students have been sharing their own personal Acknowledgement of Country at morning assemblies.
An 'Acknowledgement of Country' is an opportunity to acknowledge, and pay respect, to the Traditional Owners and ongoing custodians of the land - the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Tarro Public School is on Wonnarua Country and so students direct their acknowledgement in particular to Wonnarua Country, Elders and People.
As a sign of respect to the students (who are still building their presentation voice and volume) and the significance of the practice, we ask that audience members please remain silent. It is not necessary to applaud after an acknowledgement.
Thank you for your support and respect.

JAECG (Junior Aboriginal Education Consultative Group)
The JAECG held their AGM (Annual General Meeting) last term to vote in their new management committee for the remainder of 2019 and into 2020. Our outgoing members are supporting our new leaders as they learn the ropes.
I'm very excited to announce our proud management committee:

- President: Brittney Thomas
- Vice President: Estella Walla
- Secretary: Jannarli McKenzie
- Vice Secretary: Mitchell Corrigan
- Delegates: Ryleigh Lewis and Chloe Condon

The team have a few exciting projects and plans in the works, including a mural on the library wall.

Yarn-up
Our second last Yarn-up for the term will be held this Tuesday (5th November) afternoon just after the 3pm bell. Please come along and share in some afternoon tea and yarn about what's happening with Aboriginal Education opportunities at Tarro Public School.
Some of the items on the agenda are:

- A new optional staff and student school shirt which includes Aboriginal artwork by the dedicated and talented Darlene Beitsch
- Quakers Scholarship information
- Plans for the new driveway poles
- Junior AECE news
- What's happening next year

For more information on Aboriginal Education at Tarro Public School please contact Ms. Danielle Yeend.

Learning Dispositions
Our star bright character has been adopted by our students and we have been working hard to use the dispositions of Bravery, Innovation, Collaboration, Optimism, Reflection, Determination and being Proud.
Over the year we have had many great experiences to help embed the dispositions into our learning. We were brave at the Raw Challenge, innovative at the University, the Museum and at Fighter World. We were optimistic and collaborative at the Amazing Race which was loads of fun. Then we were determined when we tried out new skills at the Mega Gym, Aqua Golf, Ninja Park and Tree tops.
Finally we reflected were proud of our achievements at our gallery walk.
We are starting to see these dispositions used by students not just in their learning but in their daily life challenges.

Visible Learning @ TPS

Learning Dispositions in Real Life Actions!
The Mega ramp at Parry's skate park was scary. It was a 18m high ramp to foam at the back of the park.
When I got to the top I always felt the pressure to go and ride the ramp. I had to be brave, optimistic, and then I felt proud once I did it.

Seth 3/4B

I was really scared when I had to go and perform at Maitland Town Hall in front of over 1000 people. I was brave when I stepped out on the stage and very determined to do my best, I work collaboratively with my friends and then after it was over I was really proud.

Amelia 3/4B

The swimming carnival
I was brave, I gave it a go even though I’m bad at swimming. I was proud when I finished the race because I was determined to do my best. It was a collaborative effort because my mum persuaded me to do it. Overall I was optimistic because I looked at the bright side and thought at least I would earn a point for my house.

Jasper 3/4B

School Uniform
Just a reminder that at the beginning of next year, our new school shirt will become mandatory as the school uniform. School shirts can be purchased from the office $25. The following shirts will no longer be accepted as part of school uniform.

Star Student Badge Assembly
Due to a problem with our badge supplier, the star student badge assembly will now be held on Monday 2nd December at 1pm.
## Coming Events

### TERM 4

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### NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

**Notes sent home / money due:**
- Library Overdue notices
- Christmas Capers Volunteer time sheet
- Swim school information
- Canteen online ordering - Flexischools

- Bookpack money - $35
- General Permission notes

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**GATEWAY LEARNING COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE**

**Hunger Doesn't Take a Holiday!**

Our schools unite for our community!

As part of the GLC we are asking families to bring in an item to be donated to the Food Drive. Could each class bring in the following by Friday 15th November 2019:

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Simplify your school life.

We have partnered with Flexischools, to make school lunches even easier.

Set up your account

1. Download the Flexischools App
   - Note: for iPhone and iPad please select ‘Alert’ notifications.

2. Login/Register
   - Already a Flexischools user – Enter your details and login.
   - To save your login details select ‘remember me’.
   - New Flexischools user – Click ‘Register’, enter your email address and follow the instructions in the email to set up your account.
   - Once your account is set up, add new student, search for their school, enter student details and select their class.

3. Top Up Your Account
   - To make ordering fast and simple, you can set up automatic top ups.

Order

1. Place your Order
   - In the Flexischools App, click the ‘Order now’ button located in the bottom right-hand corner of the app and select your student.

2. Make your Selection
   - Select the items you wish to order.

3. Make Payment
   - Select your payment option and complete payment to place your order.
   - Alternatively, you can sign up at flexischools.com.au

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Term 2

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