



Tannum Sands Kindergarten



Committee Newsletter

Term 1 - 2019

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Dates to Note

5 th of April	Last day of Kindy for Term 1
22 nd of April	Easter Monday
23 rd of April	First day of Kindy for Term 2
23 rd of April	Committee Meeting
25 th of April	Anzac Day March



Welcome

Hello and welcome to the first Committee Newsletter for 2019. I hope that your kindergartener is settling in well to his/her new Kindergarten routine. A very big thank you to the teaching team at the Kindergarten for such a wonderful start to the Kindy year. Lorette,

Melissa and Michelle with the support of Dee and Tina have provided our children with such an enjoyable, active and engaging start that it is no surprise that our little kindergarteners can't wait for their Kindy days to commence. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication and we hope you enjoy the Easter break.

Our first Committee meeting for 2019 was held on March the 12th. At this meeting all new members were able to present their first reports and we were able to follow up on any outstanding items from the previous year. We had a very successful first meeting and this year we have an enthusiastic Committee who are all working towards making this year of kindergarten the best it can be for all of our children. We are excited to announce we will have fishing shirts for the children to wear on their beach trips. These are long sleeved 50 plus material and will have the Kindy logo on them. These shirts remain the property of the Kindy and will be washed at the end of each beach trip ready for the alternative group.

The Committee also approved a furniture upgrade on the indoor Kindy furniture. We are very excited for the Kindy to have updated furniture. Thank you to Matt Jaenke for putting the furniture together.

An agenda for the upcoming Committee meeting will be placed on the sign in table on the days leading up to the meeting. A reminder that if you add any new agenda items you must attend that meeting to discuss the items. The next Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday the 23rd of April 7.00pm at the Kindergarten. If you would like to review the minutes from the meetings, these are stored in the Kindergarten and can be provided for your perusal.

I hope you have a wonderful first term break and a lovely Easter.

Best Regards

Melanie

2019 President

Easter Float

This year Tannum Kindy will participate in the Harbour Festival Easter parade. This year the theme is Parade of Colour and Sound. We will be entering a bright colourful Circus themed float! The parade is on Sunday the 21st of April at 4.30pm. Participating children will be asked to meet at the marshalling area located between the Marine Centre and Mission t Seafarers building on Bryan Jordan Drive, GPC Marina Parklands by 4pm. Siblings are also welcome to participate in the float. A separate permission form for each person under 18 must be completed. We are also on the look out for additional parents not accompanying their children on the float, to help walk along with the float handing out flyers about our amazing kindy, lollies and Lady Gowrie balloons. Ideally it would be amazing if you were dressed in circus costume! If this sounds like something you would like to do, please let me know. Kindy kids and siblings participating will be asked to dress in circus theme. Ideas include:

Clowns

Ring master

Acrobat

Trapeze

Hula hoop performer

Strongman

Fire breather

Elephant

Tiger

Giraffe

Cat

Dog

Really anything that is colourful. We will have children on either the circus animal side behind 'cages' or on the circus performer side behind large red and white borders, flags and bunting.

It is a really fun experience and a great way to be involved in a community event while getting exposure for the Kindy. We hope you can come along.

Anzac Day March

Anzac Day, Monday, April 25, marks the 104th anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. Australians recognise April 25 as an occasion of national commemoration.

The TSK participates in the Anzac Day March each year. This is an event organised by the Committee and parents are required to stay with their kindergarten children at all times.

The Kindergarten children and their families are asked to gather at the Boyne Island Chemist at 8.15am for an 8.30 march from Boyne Plaza Carpark to Stirling Park. Immediately following the march, a service starts. The Kindergarten children will march behind the Kindergarten banner and 2 children from each group will be asked to lay the Anzac wreath during the service. These wreaths will be made with the teachers and children at the Kindergarten.

Kindergarten children aren't required to attend the entire service, however if you chose to attend the service your kindergarten child will be required to be with you at all times.

Thank you for your support.

Recycling

Last year, Petra the Vice President joined Tannum Sands Kindy to the recycling scheme. The scheme allows us to collect approved cans, bottles and drink containers to be returned to the recycling depot for cash. Last year, the children were able to celebrate their hard work collecting eligible containers by holding an ice cream party! We thought this was such a wonderful idea and would love to continue it again this year. Starting next term there will be a large yellow bag located near the bins at the front of Kindy where approved containers can be left. These drink containers don't need to be washed out or labels removed they just need to be whole ie not crushed or broken. When this bag becomes full, we will take the recycling to the depot. Alternatively, you can collect your recycling at home and take the items to the depot yourself and quote our unique code as shown below and the funds will go to the Kindergarten.

Unique code: C10070397

Please find attached a flyer showing the eligible containers.

Earn and Learn

Woolworths are running their Earn and Learn program again this year. Between the 1st of May and the 25th of June 2019, we need to collect as many stickers as we can. These stickers can then be put on the supplied sticker sheets. At the end of the collection time, we will count how many stickers we have and use this to buy resources for our Kindy. In 2017 we collect over 4000 stickers. It would be amazing if we could achieve this goal or even higher! I will have a labelled container at Kindy for you to drop the sheets into. We thank you for your participation and support.

Community.....

Tannum Sands Kindergarten is a community-based incorporated association, with all profits reinvested to benefit children and the Kindergarten community. It is operated by a Parent Committee, and is affiliated with The Lady Gowrie.

The 'Community' aspect of our Kindergarten should not be overlooked. There is a simple reason our Kindergarten grounds are so beautiful, and why our teachers are so committed - WE PAY IT FORWARD!

This year, your Kindergarten children benefit from the commitment and hard work of previous families and Committees. As current families, it is important to ensure that our Kindergarten continues to be a great place for future Kindergarten children (maybe yours, or someone you know).

Thank you for your support.

Marissa - Admin

Marissa Earl is our Bookkeeper and Office Admin person. She is the best person to talk if you need to update your pick-up people, emergency contacts, or have any fee questions. Marissa will be in the front office Tues/Wed/Thur - 8.30 am to 1.30pm.

Pockets and Sign-in Table

Please note that any items, including advertising material should not be placed in children's pockets or on the sign-in table without prior permission from the Teachers or Marissa in the Front Office. A display board located above the children's lockers is also available for advertising material.

Visitor Sign-in Book

TSK encourages all parents, Committee members, as well as Visitors to sign-in using the Visitor book located on the Sign-in table. This is particularly important if your stay at the Kindergarten will extend beyond 30 minutes.

Parking on the Lawns

Please do not park on the grassed area adjacent to the bike shed. Vehicles parked in this area may damage sprinklers installed in the lawn.

Car Parking

Please note that the first car space nearest to the entry gate is not a car space. Parking your car in this location is a safety hazard – particularly during peak times.

Gate

Please ensure that your child is the only Kindy child to enter/leave with you and your family.

Do not leave children/infants unattended in cars.

Weekend Maintenance

If you are unable to undertake your rostered maintenance weekend, please advise the Maintenance Coordinator Wayne Davidson as soon as possible, so that arrangements can be made for another weekend to be organised for your family.

Working Bee

Date claimer for our first working bee for 2019: **Saturday the 11th of May at 3pm.**

Thank You

- Thank you to Shay and Sarah who coordinated our first 2019 Social event for our Kindergarten. The movie night at the Kindy watching Finding Dory was a huge success

and such a wonderful opportunity for families to connect in a social setting. We look forward to the term 2 social event 😊

- Thankyou to all our new Kindy families who have already undertaken their Weekend Maintenance. Your efforts in hot and humid weather are very much appreciated.
- Thank you to Marissa in the office who is always available and happy to solve our varied issues each day with a smile.
- Thank you to Mischa and her fundraising committee who are working tirelessly on securing sponsors, prizes and planning our ladies day. This event is always such a success in our community and raises funds for our Kindy to put towards items and upgrades that benefit the Kindy children. Please keep your eye out for information on how you can help with this event.

Enrolment Wait Lists

Waitlists to register your interest for your child to attend Tannum Sands Kindergarten in 20120 is now available online.

You can follow the link via the website on <https://www.tskindy.com.au/>