



# TSHS News

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Do what you can, where you are, with what you have. Teddy Roosevelt

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## TULLY HIGH READING CAFE

These students were some of the VIP year 8s invited to the reading café held in the library every morning before school. The first 3 arrivals won themselves a small prize, and everyone enjoyed a muffin and milo while they read to teachers and teacher aides. Already, word is out, and we have a mum joining us to listen to students read each day. Daily practice of reading is important for everyone to maintain and develop their skills. The library is open to all students before and after school and at both breaks.



What are you reading today?



## Cultural Diversity week.

Each week the library features different displays – this week is cultural diversity week. A range of books on cultures, first peoples, places, immigration and stories of people coming to Australia are featured.



*Tully State High School acknowledges, values and pays respect to the first peoples on whose land we live, work and learn, believing through education and reconciliation we walk together as partners toward a better future for all.*

## Math Magic Land Teasers Competition

### **The answer to last week's teaser:**

2. *When you give a troll half and they give you back one you will arrive at each bridge with two and leave with two.*

### **This week's teaser:**

*If a cold water tap running on its own can fill a bathtub in 20 minutes and the hot water tap running tap running on its can fill the same bathtub in 30 minutes, how long will it take to the bathtub if they run at the same time?*

## **Why your child's grit could be more important that their IQ?**

Does your child have grit? If you have never heard of the term, you may even be wondering, what is "grit"? Grit is described as "Passion and perseverance for very long term goals". Developing perseverance in children is particularly important in a world which is now largely lived online. **These skills don't come from intelligence but rather an understanding developed from trial and error, exposure and experience.** When children are given the chance to make mistakes, to look for alternatives, to try again, they open themselves up to a world of opportunity.

Carol Dwek from Stanford University has developed an idea called growth mindset. This is the idea that IQ and talent are just a starting point and that most basic skills can be developed **through dedication and hard work. Studies have shown that 'grittier' kids have a growth mindset.**

What we can do as parents:

- Educate your child on growth mindset: Help them understand that IQ and talent are just a starting point and that with dedication and hard work they can achieve great results.
- Provide your child with opportunities to learn and explore.
- Encourage pursuits your children enjoy. (This helps keep the motivation high and the desire to succeed at the forefront.)
- Help your child recognise rewards and achievements.
- Encourage your child to take on challenges. When children are faced with a challenge, they are given the chance to make a mistake and seek alternatives. Overcoming difficulty and persevering is key to developing grit.

(Taken from Kym Campradt: "Why your child's grit could be more important that their IQ". 2014.)

## Year 12 – Celebration Dates

**Senior Formal - Wednesday 19 November**  
**Graduation Ceremony - Friday 21 November**

Formal Invitations will be issued early Term 4. Graduation Ceremony information will be provided to students mid-November.

# From the Nurse's Desk



The FREE School Dental Clinic, located at the front of the hospital, is now taking appointments.  
PHONE 0407 575 604

This service is available to:

- All 4 year olds
- Students from Prep to Year 10
- Students in Year 11 & 12 with a Health Care Card
- Youth who have left school but not yet turned 18 and have a Health Care Card

*This week all Year 8, 9 and 10 students will receive information and a parent consent form to complete.*

*Return the forms directly to the clinic at appointment time not the SCHOOL.*

The Chief Dental Officer of Qld Health, Dr Mark Brown recently announced key findings of the report on the Queensland Child Oral Health Survey 2010–2012.

Key findings of the report include:

- 49.5% of children aged 5–10 years have had decay in their primary teeth.
- 29.5% of children aged 6–14 years have had decay in their permanent teeth.
- Children from Townsville, which has long-term water fluoridation, had significantly lower dental decay compared with children from previously non-fluoridated regions of Queensland.



## TULLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL P & C

With Term 3 fast closing, a lot has been happening within our school family.

Over the past few weeks, our Principal Leanne Fox has discussed with us the prospect of becoming an Independent Public School. This initiative began in 2013 and currently 80 state schools have Independent Public School status. Being an IPS enables increased innovation, stronger partnerships with industry and the community and the further tailoring of local school programs. The P&C is very supportive of the schools application for IPS status and endorsed this as a motion at our last meeting.

Planning for our Jubilee Celebrations has been intense and will include the P&C serving delicious food from the Tuckshop, face painting, a Jumbo Jubilee Raffle and coordinating an exciting lolly drop with much thanks to past student, Normy Liddle of Liddle's Aerial Spraying.

If you are interested in selling raffle tickets (at your workplace, or wherever people meet, prior to the Jubilee), helping serve from the kitchen or painting faces on the day (20th September) or donating packets of wrapped lollies (please leave at the school office) to have thrown from the plane for the lolly drop, please email me at [pandc@tullyshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@tullyshs.eq.edu.au)

Shelving in our Uniform Shop needed some desperate care, so with the help of Year 11 students, Midi and Brett (and their attention to detail), Mrs Nancy Vecchio, Mrs Linda Croft and I took advantage of the fine, dry weather to paint and seal the MDF shelves to ensure best long-term presentation and preservation of our uniforms. Thanks everyone!

Next on the list will be to utilise the \$1000 grant that we achieved to renovate our small tuckshop building. We are looking to all handy people keen to scrape and paint. Does anyone have, and is willing to lend, the painting tools (brushes, rollers, drop sheets...) that we'd need? We're hoping to have a working bee if there is enough interest as this would help our \$1000 stretch further. Inside decoration would include bright and fresh-looking posters to complement our fresh paint-look and outside painting would blend the Tuckshop in with the rest of our school buildings.

P&C staff and executive attended some very informative professional development in recent weeks, a Masterclass presented by SmartChoices (the body that provides the healthy tuckshop rules we are instructed by law to follow) and a CMS (Community Management Solutions) seminar, providing a wealth of information in the sessions: 'Financial Management for Volunteers' and 'How to get the best out of your tuckshop'. With the intent to continually improve, we are now updated with the information and requirements of our service and once again thank our volunteers for their care and involvement in our school.

All 'parents and citizens' are welcome to attend our next P&C meeting, which will be held on Tuesday 9th Sept in the school library at 4.30pm. We look forward to seeing you then.

# TULLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

## GOLDEN JUBILEE

Past and present students, staff and their families and friends, and stake-holders are invited to celebrate this momentous occasion.

**Please join us over 2 days**

*“Relive Your School Days”*

Friday 19th September 2014

*Supper Dance at 7.30 pm*

*at Tully State High School Multi-Purpose Centre*

*(\$25 per person - Tickets at Tully Drapery or enquire online at [tullyshsjubilee@outlook.com](mailto:tullyshsjubilee@outlook.com))*

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September *Attend the Open Day*

*Registrations open at 9.00 a.m.*

Official Proceedings commence at 11.00 a.m.

Welcome and Welcome to Country

Guest Speakers

Roll Call

Cutting of Jubilee Cake

- Guided School Tours
- Devonshire Teas
- School Band
- Food & Drink Stalls
- Memorabilia Display
- Souvenirs, Jubilee Magazine
- Children's Entertainment (jumping castle, little athletics, face and mask painting)
- Lolly Drop
- Indigenous Dance Display
- Bar
- Entertainment by Paul Brennan (late into the evening)

***Prior Registration would be appreciated for catering purposes: via email or phone 07 4068 4555***

**We welcome the initiative of the Tully retailers who have decorated the shopping precinct (funded by themselves) in the high school emblem colours of red white and blue and other local businesses who have supported the Golden Jubilee in making this event one to remember.**

### *Notices & Events*

*P & C Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4.30 pm in the Library.*

*4 September Maths Tutoring Thursday Afternoon 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm.*

*10, 11, 12 September Year 11 & 12 Exam Block.*

