



TSHS News

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From the Principal



Welcome back to continuing students and families and a very warm welcome to our new students and their families. I enjoyed meeting many parents at the Year 7 and 8 *Meet & Greet* last night and look forward to meeting more parents over the coming weeks. The transition of Year 7 to high school has been very smooth— a reflection of the strong, positive partnership between local primary schools, community and Tully High.

Along with our continuing staff, I also welcome new staff members who have joined the Tully High community this year and trust their time with us will be enjoyable and rewarding.

OP Results for 2014

We are delighted to acknowledge the fantastic results of our OP eligible Year 12 students from 2014. 81% of that cohort received an OP between 1 and 15 and 12% obtained an OP between 1 and 5. More importantly, of the students who applied for a tertiary placement in 2015, 98% received an offer. As a school community we congratulate these students and wish them the very best with their future study. Congratulations also to the students who have picked up apprenticeships or jobs. I am constantly impressed by the strong work ethic demonstrated by local youth. 98% of this student cohort attained a QCE (Qld Certificate of Education). This was a vast improvement on previous years and one which we will strive to maintain.

Resource Scheme

We have had a great response to the Resource Scheme - many thanks to those families who have paid. We encourage all families to join the scheme and this year have made a concerted effort to keep fees as low as possible. This really is the most economical way for parents/ **caregivers to provide the resources needed to maximise students' learning at Tully High.** Remember, we are happy to help with payment plans and you can contact the Business Services Manager to discuss this option.

2015 will be an exciting year in schools. With many of the 'Great Teachers Great Results' initiatives being implemented. At Tully High we have a *Master Teacher*, Brooke Plaushin who will be supporting teachers to improve outcomes for students, and three *Mentor Teachers*, Ian Stewart, Nancy Grainger and Matt Brown who will be supporting beginning teachers



Mr Ian Stewart



Ms Nancy Grainger



Mr Matt Brown



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.

Stymie comes to Tully High

Stymie is an on-line program that allows bystanders to send anonymous notifications to the school about someone who they believe is being bullied or harmed. The notification interface allows bystanders to upload evidence like screen shots of FB discussions, Snapchats, text messages or instant message conversations and an outline of the incident. The school receives the Stymie Notifications in the form of an email alert. The notifications are encrypted, anonymous and confidential. Stymie does not store any information; we are **merely the road upon which it travels. Stymie will complement Tully High's** existing student well-being/pastoral care framework. Stymie was built in consideration of the Australian Safe Schools Framework and the recommendations from the Australian Covert Bullying Prevalence Study.

Rachel Downie from Stymie visited the school this week to talk to the students and teachers about how it works.



Year 7 Students learning about Bullying and the Stymie Program on Wednesday from Rachel

Senior Students listening to Rachel about the ramifications of using Social Media to bully



Increase attention outside of school

The start of a school term brings greater traffic around schools and a busier schedule for parents and students - which can lead to higher levels of driver distraction. While quickly answering the phone, finishing off breakfast or rushing to arrive on time may seem like harmless acts, they can quickly result in a fatal crash.

A key road safety issue around schools is driver inattention as children tend to act spontaneously and don't always have the maturity to act sensibly in a road environment.

Despite road safety education, when children get out of school they are not thinking about cars. Young children also often have difficulty judging vehicle speed and making decisions about when to cross the road.

Road users can improve children's safety by:

- driving cautiously where children might be found
- not speeding and being ready to stop quickly to avoid a child
- parking legally and safely when collecting or dropping off children; and
- never dropping children off while in traffic, at traffic lights or at a supervised crossing.

It only takes two seconds for a child to run from the curb to the centre line of a road and the faster a vehicle is travelling, the longer it will take to stop.

Carers and parents should also remember the importance of role modelling good road safety behaviour as children learn by observing what adults do.

Year 7 & 8 Meet and Greet BBQ

This years year 7 and 8 Parent Meet and Greet BBQ had a huge turnout. The BBQ was in the MPC and there were many new and familiar faces there. Parents were able to meet **their child's teacher and finally put a face to a name.** Students were able to play host and introduce their parents and teachers to one another. Many conversations were had about the curriculum, lunch time activities and the ever-approaching camp. All the year 7 teachers are getting excited about year 7 camp next week and the year 8 teachers are starting to pack for the year 8 camp in week 4.



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Shorts \$35.00

Tie \$13.00

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Uniforms

Polo Shirts \$ 30.00

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Sports Polo Shirts \$ 20.00

GIRLS & BOYS HATS \$13.00

Tully State High School Socks for sale at the Uniform Shop—\$ 5.00 per pair Great Value

Accord Music Tutor

Offering Lessons; Guitar, Bass Guitar, Drums and Piano/Keyboard

Phone Nigel (Dip Mus)

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Notices & Events

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

Maths Tutoring every Thursday in the library 3-4pm

Year 7 Camp— week 3

Year 8 Camp— week 4

Senior Induction— week 5 Monday 23rd February