From The Principal

Thank you
I would like to send out a huge "Thank You" to you the parents, families and friends for your support of our children. We have seen a growing number of extended school community attend our school assemblies, class activities and of course sporting events. This means so much to our students so thank you again for giving your valuable time to our Tully State School Kids!

Whole School Review
I am still looking for more parents who would like to have a say at our Whole School Review which will occur in two weeks. It is important that we hear parent’s voices. The team would like to find out about what your understanding of the school priority areas are. These would include our Reading, Positive Behaviour, Parent Engagement etc. If you would like to sit down with a group of parents over a cuppa with the visitors to talk about our school please leave your name with Deb Hood at the front office.

Block A
We are excited to say that we have moved our first class back into A Block – the heritage building. Now we have the computer lab and our 3/4B class settled. The others will still need to wait a few weeks. Everyone is doing their best to get us up and running as soon as possible.

Richard Graham – Principal Tully High School
Richard Graham attended our P&C meeting this week to introduce himself to the parents. Richard is keen to build on the links between our two schools. This is a very exciting time, especially with the growing emphasis on Science. Richard will return later in the year to be available to our parents of our Year 6 students as they get ready to transition to high school.

P&C News
Don’t forget our Tully State School:

FRIDAY  20th May: 6pm-8pm
WHERE: MPH
ENTRY: Gold coin / Prizes to be won
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The P&C would like to send out a big Thank You to all who supported the Pie Drive and Black Friday free dress day. Also a big Thank You from the Parents of TSS students to Caroline Chadwick for the huge task of coordination, organisation and preparation involved with the renovations to A Block and the arrangement for transition of classes back into rooms with minimal disruption.

Jennifer Sloane
3. How do we teach new skills and behaviours

Our children’s first teachers are us – parents and caregivers. Their values, skill set and behaviours are influenced by what they see from us. How we teach them new skills and behaviours will determine how they behave and navigate through the world.

Setting a good example

Demonstrate desirable behaviour through role modelling. Show them how to behave:
(e.g. speak calmly, wash hands, tidy up, explain how you solve problems)

Incidental Teaching

Use a series of questions and prompts to respond to child-initiated interactions to promote learning. Instead of answering and solving every question for them, ask them “how do you think you could solve that?” “what do you think is the answer?” “why is that?”. This will provide your child with the opportunity to start problem solving for themselves, promote language, independent play and cognitive ability.

Ask-Say-Do

Use verbal, gestural and manual prompts to teach new skills e.g self-care skills such as how to brush teeth, make bed, how to cook, use utensils etc. Break the steps down for them.

Behaviour Charts

Developed with your child to work on one expected behaviour at a time:
(e.g using gentle hands, doing homework etc) and have a planned reward that is of value to them.

Phase out after approximately 2 weeks. This provides incentives to learn and develop positive behaviours just as we have incentives in our adult world e.g reasons we go to work, exercise, eat healthy etc.

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NAPLAN

Congratulations to our Year 3&5 students.
NAPLAN testing for 2016 has been completed.
Thanks to our teachers for preparing the students for these tests and to all the parents for providing positive support and encouragement.
**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
**Week ending: 29/04/2016**

**PB:** Harmony Watson & Leon Lawrence-Holt: improving in the Letterland characters, letters and sounds.

**1A:** Aiden Myran: great improvement in reading and sightwords.

Mehtaab Singh Brar: excellent improvement in handwriting.

Zeke Laguna-Terry: for settling well at Tully State School.

Nataya-Jayne Lawson: wonderful improvement in first number facts.

**2B:** Molly Morice: showing outstanding commitment to her homework and bookwork tidiness.

Jamaren Dickman: making fantastic progress in his homework and spelling. Keep up the Gold behaviours!

**3A:** Jakia Dickman: always keen to help out.

Bryce Pizaro: for a great job in reading groups.

**3/4B:** Michael Lindsay: exceptional classroom behaviour.

**JD Patane:** great work in NAPLAN story writing.

**5A:** Harry Gibson-Fleet & Laine Palmer: excellent attitude and effort in class. Great to see the improvement.

**5/6B:** Abbigale Klene: for being a kind and respectful class member.

Madison Deloyen: for excellent work in writing.

Max Peach: for taking a warriors approach to his learning and persevering.

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**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
**Week ending: 06/05/2016**

**PA:** Jordan Graham: for having a go at new work.

Jayrd Carlaw: for using great counting sequences.

**PB:** Tupoo Ketchetl: impressive spelling.

Holly La Spina: fantastic retell writing of ‘The 3 Little Pigs’.

**1A:** Ella Lawrence: being respectful, caring for our classroom and tidying up without being asked.

Abbey Simpson: outstanding effort painting her portrait of Mum

**2A:** Jackson Morris: for tidiness and trying his best.

Locklan Cornwell: completing his work.

Saniya Singh: trying her best.

Isis Cann: working hard and trying her best.

**2B:** Sammy Patch: trying her best and giving fantastic explanations.

Sienna Wama: for improved spelling and showing ‘On Track’ behaviour in class.

**3A:** Jackson Simpson & Jesse Lawrence: for showing persistence.

**3/4B:** Michael Morris: for great effort in story writing.

Brianna Walker: for great effort in NAPLAN practice.

Summer Tochey: for great listening in class.

Miguel Bartolay: finishing independent tasks.

**4A:** Dallas-Jesse Cann: for excellent independent writing.

Mikeal Sala: for being a hard working independent learner.

**5A:** Harshpreet Singh Bhullar: fabulous consistent hard work and effort.

**5/6A:** Manaia Tui & Abbigale Klene: for being wonderful Prep helpers.

**5B:** for amazing effort throughout NAPLAN.

**6A:** Rudy Thorogood: for excellent ‘in class’ behaviour.

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**Health and Physical Education**

Over the past 3-4 years our students have increased their participation in school sport and now we are seeing the benefits displayed by greater competitive success and (we believe) health and well-being. To back up this view I have compared the previous two years participation and achievement in three major sports:

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Don’t forget that in 2015 we were the Tully District Athletics Champions for the first time in about 20 years as well. The following news lists our most recent district and regional participants:

**Touch Football Champions**
The Tully District Girls Touch Football team was crowned Peninsula Champion for the 2nd year in a row last weekend in Gordonvale. TSS students in the team were Sasha Flegler, Chloe Johnston, Lahkeira Dickman, Lara Scarffe and Michaela Adams with Sasha and Chloe being selected in the regional team to play at the State Titles in August.

The district boys placed a respectable 4th with Blake Morice, Morgan Black, Jordan Walker and Brett Brunello representing Tully.

**Peninsula Cross Country**
Five TSS students will represent the Tully District at cross country in Cairns this Friday. They are James Muriata, Brett Brunello, Sasha Flegler, Prue McLymont and Lahkeira Dickman. Good luck to these runners in one of the toughest sports on the calendar.

**Peninsula Tennis**
Next Monday (boys) and Tuesday (girls) the Peninsula Tennis Championships will be held in Mareeba. Rudy Thorogood and Sasha Flegler will represent our district and we wish them all the best.

**Softball Reps**
A Tully District team will play in the Peninsula Softball Championships on Sunday 12th June in Cairns. Representing our school in this team are Shanequa Wiremu-Taha, Manaia Tui, Georgia and Michaela Adams, Taylah Reis and Zoe Waters. Good luck girls, we know you will do us proud.

**Rugby League and Netball Carnivals**
The rescheduled District Rugby League and Netball Carnivals will be held at our beautiful school next Friday 27th May. This should be a spectacular event with well over 200 students from throughout the district attending to showcase these great sports so come along and check out the action.

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