Welcome to 2014
A Great Start to 2014. The students and staff have had a wonderful start to the year. Thanks to those of you who have dropped in and said hello. Hopefully I will catch up with some of you on Friday when the P&C hold the Meet and Greet.

Thank you for having students prepared for school with uniform and gear. Please ensure any missed items are available as soon as possible.

Welcome to our new staff:
On behalf of the school community I would like to welcome to our new staff members:
- Miss Kaitlyn Woulleman-King (Miss W) – Prep B
- Ms Rachel Bola – Yr 1/2
- Ms Katie Bowden – Yr 3/4
- Ms Laura Duncan – Yr 5
- Ms Karen Gangemi – Special Needs
- Lilian Lo Monaco – Guidance officer
We hope your time with us will be positive and rewarding.

Welcome to our Prep students.
Our Prep students have settled into school routine very well. We wish them well as they start their journey in formal education. Some of our Prep students are pictured below

This year we will run two assemblies each week. Parents are welcome to attend.
P-Yr2: Monday 2:00 - 2:30pm
Yr3-Yr7: Monday 2:30 - 3:00pm

Jennifer Sloane
NEWS FROM YEAR 4A

Year 4A students have eagerly settled into a good work routine. As they now have reached middle/upper school, it's most important that they demonstrate their responsibility to the younger classes in ‘A Block’. Students who display these positive behaviours will be asked to become helpers at ‘Book Club Mornings’.

Roald Dahl’s book “The Twits” is being thoroughly enjoyed in our English Unit. I do hope the students won’t plan some wicked tricks to play on their families like Mr and Mrs Twit play on each other.

by Riley Hopgood

Here you can see our budding scientists participating on a ‘geological dig’. Students dug, scraped and brushed away their soil samples while documenting the uncovered artefacts and photographing them in situ.

Hi everyone,

I’m Lilian Lo Monaco and I am pleased to be the Guidance Officer (G.O.) at Tully State School for 2014, most often here on Tuesdays and Thursdays. While teaching in primary schools and special education over the years before becoming a G.O., I was based at Tully SS in my first year of guidance back in 2001. This time brings back many fond memories of lovely students and families and a supportive school and community. Since that time I have worked in guidance covering primary, special and secondary, in most schools from Cardwell to Babinda but mainly in Innisfail where I live.

The role of a Guidance Officer is to become involved in a supportive role when some things might be getting in the way of a child’s learning. Such things are usually academic, social, emotional, environmental or behavioural in nature. Whatever it may be, if it is getting in the way of a child’s educational needs, it is definitely worth trying to offer further support to the student, family and class teacher to best access learning. This is where a G.O. comes in. Together, we endeavour to work out what is needed for support and do our best to appropriately offer this, often using a team approach with family, teacher and sometimes outside support agencies.

Should you have any concerns that your child is having some difficulty learning, please discuss this with your child’s class teacher. From here, if it would benefit your child for a G.O. to be involved, the class teacher will make this known. Alternatively, you may wish to talk through an issue, if so please make contact. We uphold the belief that all children deserve to access quality education. We need to support children if something is getting in the way of them doing so.

It is a pleasure being here at Tully State School and I look forward to being of purposeful assistance to students who can benefit from the G.O. service.

Take care.
Health and Physical Education

Safety Reminders

Tips to stay safe when playing sport at our school this year:

- Hat and shoes are part of our compulsory school uniform
- Jewellery should not be worn during sporting activities
- Asthmatics must have their ‘puffer’ available at all times

Tully District Swimming Carnival

Notes have gone home inviting our top 10, 11 and 12 year old swimmers to nominate for the district carnival at Tully Pool from 5 to 8pm on Friday 14th February. Nomination forms are due back to our office by Friday 7th.

Please Claim Your FREE Hot Shots Shirt

This year Tully State School has joined the National Schools Partnership Program run by Tennis Australia with MLC Hot Shots. As such we have been provided with $1500 worth of tennis gear and free teacher training for me (Mr Cattarossi) to get kids playing tennis at school.

But that’s not all, because every child enrolled at our school can claim a free Hot Shots T-shirt and other great gear just by going online. This is how to do it:

- Log onto "hotshots.tennis.com.au/claim"
- Once you are on this website, scroll down and select “Tully State School” as the venue.
- Complete the “Child’s Info” and “Address” sections and click “Continue”
- Complete the “Hot Shots Questions” section ensuring that you tick “National School Partnership Program” when you come to this part

Acknowledge that you have read the Ts & Cs, input your full name (parent) and “Submit”

School Rugby League

As we live in the Rugby League heartland there are many ways your child can get involved in this sport at school. Robbie Moore (NRL Development Officer) will be carrying out clinics with all classes during first term and Super Coach Shane Muriata will soon be selecting and training our Tully State School team to participate in the Tully District Carnival.

Our school will host the district rugby league carnival on our top oval on Friday 7th March so come and check it out.

Yours in Sport,

C. Cattarossi

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

Week ending 31/01/14

3A: Jack Dent—consistent hard work in all subject areas.
   Jhade Feild—consistent neat bookwork.
4/5C: Lara Scarffe and Emelia Leahy—great first week at school, diligent workers and good role models.
5A: Azalea Ivey for excellent writing.
FREE Well Women’s Clinics

Service includes Pap Smears, Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, Domestic Violence, etc.

All services are provided by a specially trained Women’s Health Nurse.

Tully Hospital  Wed. 12th Feb  Ph 4068 4144
Mission Beach Comm. Hlth  Thurs. 13th & 20th Feb  Ph 4226 4812 / 0428 781 421

Tuckshop News

Tully State School Tuckshop has been providing our students and staff with healthy affordable food for many years. In recent years the Queensland Government introduced the ‘Smart Choices - Healthy Tuckshop’ policy. Our tuckshop has complied by ensuring our children have received healthy nutritious lunches.

Our tuckshop relies on the voluntary contribution of parent helpers. We would like to acknowledge the many volunteers who have helped in the past. If you are available to assist in the preparation or baking of food, your time would be greatly appreciated.
Along with this newsletter is a volunteer roster, if you can spare even an hour once a term it would be greatly appreciated. **Please complete the attached form and return it to the school office.**

The menu has been revised and unfortunately some price rises have also been made.
The tuckshop ordering system will not change.

**TUCKSHOP ORDERING SYSTEM:**
Brown paper packet with: Name/Class/Order/Money listed on the front and correct money inside the packet, then placed in the classroom tuckshop box.

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Commencing 30th January 2014

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