Welcome to 2017 and the start of a new school year. It is hard to believe that we have almost finished two weeks of school. The students have been busy in the classroom returning to their school routines and preparing for the year ahead. Term one is already filling up with lots of important dates. Please find a separate term one calendar filled with dates to remember. As new dates come to hand they will be added to the calendar.

**Staffing:** I would like to welcome Miss Alex Pechey to Glenmorgan as our new teacher aide. She has already been a valuable asset within our classroom over the past two weeks. I would like to thank the P&C for their financial support towards the extra teacher aide hours.

This term we welcome back Mrs Fiona Brown (Tuesday & Wednesday) Mrs Julie Steiger (Monday-Friday) Mrs Alice Thomas (Tuesday & Wednesday) Ms Terri Laird & Mrs Rebecca Schmidt.

**New Students:** Last week we got to officially welcome our new prep students. Heath & Ella have had a busy couple of weeks settling into our school routines and learning about the alphabet and numbers.

Tara & District Swimming Carnival: This Friday will see Harry compete at the T&D Swimming Carnival in Freestyle, Backstroke & Breaststroke. Good Luck Harry!!!

Parade: Parade will now occur at 9am on a Monday morning in the library. We welcome all parents, grandparents, friends and community members to attend.

Swimming Lessons: This term we will be using the expertise of Meg Cau to complete our swimming lessons. Students will complete a 5 week block starting on Friday 24th February. Students will be transported by bus leaving the school at 8:40am and will return at approximately 11:15am.
Homework: Homework will be sent home on a Monday and needs to be returned to school on a Friday. Students will be given literacy and numeracy homework as well as spelling words / sight words to learn. Students are also expected to read for 10-15 minutes each night. It would be greatly appreciated if you could ensure your child completes and returns their homework.

Columboola Leadership Camp: Next week 38 School Leaders from across the cluster will partake in a 3day/2night camp at Columboola. This camp will introduce team building and leadership skills to our school leaders. It will also allow them to build a network of students who they will see at a variety of events this year and become familiar with staff from other schools. I will be attending this camp on the Wednesday & Thursday.

The bus will depart and arrive at The Gums State School.
Bus Departs: Wednesday 8th Feb 9am
Bus Arrives: Friday 10th Feb 2pm

Come & Try Day:
To be held on Thursday 23rd February at Meandarra State School. Students born in 2005, 2006 & 2007 are eligible to participate. The following sport trials will be held on the day.
Netball—Girls
Rugby League—Boys
Soccer—Boys & Girls
Touch—Boys & Girls
More information about times & permissions will be given out closer to the date.

Managing Excessive Heat in Schools:
A reminder was released by the department last week as to how we can best manage the high temperatures at school. The following information has been taken from the education website.

Unless the Principal or Regional Director determines that the school must temporarily close due to a disaster or emergency situation, Queensland state schools remain open and students are not sent home during periods of excessive heat or heat wave conditions.

Heatwave conditions are specifically when excessively high temperatures combine with high humidity levels and are sustained over a number of days. That means, although the predicted maximum temperature for a region may be in the mid-to-high 30s, unless this coincides with high humidity and lasts for a few days, it is considered 'hot' rather than a 'heat wave'.

Strategies
Managing schools during excessive heat or heat wave conditions:

- modify normal school activities during excessive heat
- postpone any outdoor or sporting activities where appropriate
- increase access to the coolest areas of the school grounds or facilities for lessons or other activities
- ensure school lunch boxes are stored in cool areas facilitate and encourage students to drink plenty of water and to stay out of the sun.

School Banking:
Our Student Banking Day is TUESDAY.
Please bring your banking books in to Mrs Thomas every Tuesday morning... If you would like to join our School Banking, please see Mrs Thomas.

Tuckshop Dates
THURSDAY
2nd February
16th February
2nd March

Glenmorgan P & C
Motorbike Gymkhana Fun Day
Saturday 4th February 8am
See attached flyer for more details.....

*** SAVE THE DATE ***
2017 STUDENT LEADER PRESENTATION
We will hold our Presentations on Tuesday 21st February, at 2:30pm—3pm, for all parents, family & community members. More details will be forwarded in the coming weeks.

Glenmorgan P & C
Due back: February 10th
Community Notices......

Saturday
4th February 8am
Registrations
Open 7am

Glenmorgan
Motorbike Gymkhana
Fun Day

Free Camping Available
Canteen Open serving Brekky & Lunch
Novelty Prizes (Pot Luck)

15 & under
($30 inclusive)
- Barrel Race
- Bending
- Flag Race
- Bang & Go Back
- Short Circuit
- Figure of 8
- Drag Race

Adult/Open Events
($50 inclusive)
- Double Barrel Race
- Bending
- Flag Race
- Bang & Go Back
- Figure of 8
- Rescue Race
- Drag Race

Enquiries & RSVP
for catering purposes would be appreciated to
ironscottage@bigpond.com

All proceeds to
Glenmorgan
State School

as part of the MA Come & Try Weekend
Community Notices......

Swim School
Term 1 2017

5 WEEK PROGRAM  (Starting 21 Feb / 25 Feb)
AVAILABLE TUESDAY 8.15 - 8.45am / 10.30am - 12.30pm / 3pm - 5pm or SATURDAY 8.30am - 12.30pm

GROUP LESSONS
30 minute classes $12pp/class
4 participants / class

PRIVATE LESSONS
30 minute classes $20pp/class
1 - 2 participants / class

THE FIT TRACK: 0429 412 620 / downthefittrack@gmail.com / www.facebook.com/thefittrack

You don't have to do this alone...

Summer 2017
(Mon 23 January - Fri 31 March)

GLENMORGAN
MONDAY 5:30pm
THURSDAY 6:15am
MEANDARRA
THURSDAY 9:00am
MEANDARRA School Pool
MEANDARRA
TUESDAY 9:00am
GUNAT
WEDNESDAY 6:00pm
WEDNESDAY

Timetable

FEES

SINGLE PASS $15
10 Class Pass $115 ($11 per class)
Weekly Pass $50 ($5 per class)
5 Class Pass $55 ($11 per class)
10 Class Pass $30 ($3 per class)

Cash or direct deposit preferred (bank details available at desk)
Community Notices......

Prawn Night
Tarra State School P&C’s Major Fundraiser

February 18, 2017, 6pm

Fresh Buffet of Prawns, Cold Meats & Salads
Live Entertainment
Bar
Monster Auction

Free Paid Tickets Only, $10 per head (before Fri 3 Feb)
Available from School’s Office Ph: 46264333
Please Note: This is an ADULTS ONLY EVENT
Limited Childcare available at cost

Paul & Helen Meacle would like to welcome you to

Meacle’s
c-family store
of
7 Sara St Meandarra QLD 4422
Email: info@meaclesgeneralstore.com.au
Ph: 07 4965 5743, Mobile: 0403 461 329
Opening Monday
30th January 2017

Selling:
- Groceries
- Meat
- Fresh fruit and Veg
- Giftware
- Confectionary
- Soft drinks
- Dairy

EFTPOS AVAILABLE (Sorry, NO CREDIT)
Open: Mon – Fri 9:00 – 5:00
& Sat Morning

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
TARA SHIRE STATE COLLEGE

Tara Shire State College is calling for Expressions of Interest for a temporary part-time Administration Officer 20 hours/week over 5 days, beginning Monday 13th February 2017 until Friday 31st March 2017 with the possibility of extension.

Our preferred applicant will have the following skills:
- Front office experience, effective communication skills to work with students, parents, staff and community members
- Ability to provide efficient and effective financial and administrative tasks and clerical support including phone and email enquiries

Applicants please submit a current Curriculum Vitae, including 2 references, by 5pm Wednesday 8th February 2017, marked “Private and Confidential” to The Business Services Manager, Tara Shire State College, 22 Binnie Street, Tara Qld 4421 or email bsm@taranshiresc.qld.edu.au.

Applicants must hold or make application for, and be able to obtain, a suitability card from Working with Children Blue Card Services, as well as undergo a criminal history check by the Queensland Police Service.

Please phone 46 787 333 for further details.

DETIE is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Meandarra ANZAC Memorial Museum

Anzac Day 2017

5.30am: Meandarra Dawn Service
Breakfast will be available in the School of Arts Hall at the conclusion of the service.

9.30am: Official opening of the new museum exhibition
‘The Light Horse’

10.30am: Commemorative Service
with the march commencing at the school.
Lunch will be available in the hall at the conclusion of the service.
Cash bar available.

Anzac Day is Open Day at the museum
Free entry to the museum all day from 6.00am
Everyone welcome!