



Weir State School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 3 - 2026

Stay up to date with what's happening at Weir by downloading the free Audiri App through the App or Play Store.

* Be sure to follow your student's year level group on our Audiri App *

Principal's Pen

Welcome to This Edition - Week 3 is powering along with our students displaying strength in their learning with great results within their pre-task work and setting the scene for success as we move towards mid-term. Well done to our students for their continued great behaviour and smart choices modelling our high expectations that are driven by our proud STRONG, SMART and CONNECTED culture at Weir State School. Our students must be congratulated for their efforts in keeping their attitudes and schoolwork firmly focussed. Please keep an eye on your child's bag for notices as this term is extremely busy and will require good communication to ensure things operate smoothly. Our school is certainly a great place to live, learn and play!!

Oval waiting for the wet – Over the last week or so we have had plenty happening on our oval with dirt and sand being used to set fall and height levels in preparation for the impending wet season. We have worked hard over the last few years making our oval as level and smooth as possible with adequate drainage to ensure our students get the best oval for play we can give them and also minimise water disruptions.



FINAL WIDDA Performance - Last Thursday our WIDDA group gave their final performance for the year at the QASEL Conference at Ridges. The team did such an amazing job as their audience was truly captivated and there were plenty of adults with tears in their eyes as they watched our wonderful performers share their dance, music and song.

Marble Mania - Marbles are back at Weir SS! Last Friday I had the pleasure of walking down memory lane of when I attended school and played 'moons' with my friends in the school lunchtime marble competition. The students involved loved the idea and the opportunity and I really enjoyed digging up some of my old finger shooting skills to have the 'marble mastery' back in action. Thanks to Mrs Burry and the students for bringing back so many great memories!!



Prep Enrolments - Our prep open days and information sessions will take place throughout the term. Information will go home in our newsletters and be placed on our "AUDIRI" APP and school website. If you know of anyone who has a child due to start prep in 2027, please pass on the messages about our prep info sessions and what our great school has to offer. We'd love to have them join our great school and always welcome families who would like to become part of the Weir State School family.

Self Esteem - Self-esteem is the opinion we have of ourselves and how we perceive that others view us. Children who have high self-esteem are more able to cope with whatever happens in their lives; they are more willing to try new things and can cope better if things don't work out the way they wanted. Children who have low self-esteem are afraid of failing and give up easily; they are less likely to try new things and are less able to make good decisions about their life. To help children who have a poor self-image you need to be gentle with their already sensitive ego.

Encourage them to:

- Think positively about themselves. Write a list of all their strengths, skills and attributes.
- Face their fears one at a time and set small, realistic goals.
- Understand that everyone makes mistakes and learns from them.
- Join a club or regular after school activity.
- 'Have a go' and be happy with the effort rather than the result.
- Do things for themselves (eg. household chores, personal grooming).
- Make decisions about a range of situations.

- Accept and give praise or recognition for a job or effort well done.
- Spend time alone with you so that you can tell them how special they are.

Talk to your children about their self-esteem. Let them know that they will become more confident as they grow older and have more experiences in life. Everyone has fears, but facing them allows you to learn and grow from each one.

THIS WEEKS PROVERB - *"IF TEACHING IS A GIFT EVERY DAY.....THEN THERE IS NO SURPRISE ABOUT LEARNING"*

Have a great week and thanks for reading

Mr B – Principal

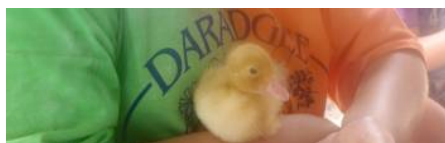
Deputy's Desk with Mr Muller

Hi Weir Community,

Welcome to week 3! How good does the new area and shade sails look as you enter the amazing school grounds of Weir State School. I can't wait to see how it looks when the new tables and chairs turn up in the coming weeks. We will be adjusting how and where our senior students in years 3-6 are positioned for eating times in break 1 and 2, so watch this space...

As we prepare for the predicted rain, we have had earthworks completed on the oval to level off the fields and new drainage is ready to funnel away rain so that our students can still use the oval when it stops coming down.

Please encourage your student to attend every day as we push towards the end of the year.



Year 6 Camp

Next week our year 6 cohort is off to the exciting Daradgee Environmental Education Centre, near Innisfail, for their school camp. Mrs Lowe, and her team of amazing staff, are excited to take away the students in what will be a fantastic culmination of their Primary School Education experience at Weir State School. Remember payments are due to the school by this Friday 23rd October. They head off on Tuesday morning and arrive back at school on Friday. Have a great time!!!



PBL - Rule of the week

Week 3: WEIR RESPONSIBLE – Right place, right time

School Routine

Our PBL Rule of the week focuses on students engaging with school routines and expectations in an organised manner. Weir has a highly organised daily schedule and students are well versed in when and where they are supposed to be throughout the school day. School, as with life, can be challenging. The best way to be successful, is to be organised and develop good routines to maximise efficiency and achieve your outcomes. Students need to be prepared with their school bag packed and uniform ready to go for each school day. Prompt arrival for the start of the school day is important for orientation so that students don't miss any important messages and start their learning with the rest of their class. First and second break have their own routines, and parents and students need to be familiar with the end of the day routine for daily pickup, bus and OHSC.

Please discuss the importance of daily routines with your students at home to make sure they are in the Right place, at the right time.

Afternoon Pickups

Parents, please be prompt in collecting your students in the afternoons from 2:45-3:15pm. Our afternoon pickup process is very efficient, however, some students haven't been collected until nearly 4pm, which is outside our allocated supervision hours and affects other parts of staff daily routines. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Mr Muller – Deputy Principal

Stay Weir Strong



2027 Prep Enrolments Now Open

Contact or visit our Office to
request an enrolment pack

Phone 4726 1333
Email admin@weirss.eq.edu.au

KIRWAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

2026 YEAR 6 INTO 2027 YEAR 7 TRANSITION

IMPORTANT DATES

	MONDAY 27 APRIL TO FRIDAY 8 MAY	YEAR 6 INTO 7 PRIMARY SCHOOL VISITS
	MONDAY 11 MAY	ENROLMENTS FOR 2027 OPEN
	THURSDAY 14 MAY	OPEN DAY
	WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE	YEAR 6 INTO 7 TRANSITION INFORMATION NIGHT
	WEDNESDAY 29 JULY	CREATIVE ARTS ACADEMY, SPORTS ACADEMY & STEM ACADEMY ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS DUE
	WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST	SPORTS ACADEMY TRIALS
	THURSDAY 13 AUGUST	CREATIVE ARTS ACADEMY AUDITIONS
	FRIDAY 28 AUGUST	ROUND 1 - NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE INTO CREATIVE ARTS ACADEMY AND/OR SPORTS ACADEMY AND/OR STEM ACADEMY
	TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER	ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS
	WEDNESDAY 21 OCTOBER	CREATIVE ARTS ACADEMY AUDITIONS
	THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER	SPORTS ACADEMY TRIALS
	FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER	ROUND 2 - NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE INTO CREATIVE ARTS ACADEMY AND/OR SPORTS ACADEMY AND/OR STEM ACADEMY
	FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER	ENROLMENTS FOR 2027 CLOSE
	TUESDAY 10 NOVEMBER	ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS
	TUESDAY 24 NOVEMBER	ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS
	MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER	YEAR 5 LEADERSHIP DAY
	WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER	2026 YEAR 6 INTO 2027 YEAR 7 TRANSITION DAY



KIRWAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

SPORTS
ACADEMY

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SPORTS ACADEMY TRIALS

Enrolment and Sports Academy Application must be submitted
prior to the trial.

Option 1: Wednesday 12 August

Option 2: Thursday 22 October

🕒 3:30pm to 5:00pm

📍 Register in the Quad from 3:00pm

Students are only required to attend one trial date.





KIRWAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

CREATIVE ARTS ACADEMY AUDITIONS

Enrolment and Creative Arts Academy Application must be submitted prior to the audition.

Option 1: Thursday 13 August

Option 2: Wednesday 21 October

🕒 3:30pm to 5:00pm

📍 Register in the Performing Arts Block from 3:00pm

Students are only required to attend one audition date.



ICY CUPS



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ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON!

2:45 - 3:00pm



SCHOOL RULES



BE SAFE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE RESPONSIBLE

STRONG SMART CONNECTED

Student of the Week

PREP	P-MS: Cartier	P-CD: Zayndayah	P-MM: Bella Mae	P-AW: Archie	P-RC: Acacia	
YEAR 1	1-AS: Tyson	1-AT: Ella	1-EM: Aria	1-KR: Dakota	1-LC: Micah	1-ML: Nova
YEAR 2	2-AC: Kalyn	2-CM: Lilly	2-EC: Matilda	2-RG: Ryan	2/3-LB: Atreus	
YEAR 3	3-AM: Charlee	3-DS: Peter	3-KD: Marlin	3-KR: Slayde	3-LB: Cheve	
YEAR 4	4-GC: Luther	4-MG: James & Indii	4-MS: Noeleigh	4-SL: Ashton		
YEAR 5	5-AD: Emerson	5-JE: Velma	5-MP: Charli	5/6-KP: Liam		
YEAR 6	6-CB: Kyle	6-KH: Timote	6-LM: Brooke	6-RB: Zach		

SPECIALISTS	INCLUSION (P-RC): Lukah	LANGUAGES (6-KH): Timote	THE ARTS (2-AC): Damien	HPE (P-AW): Korah (4-GC): Marcus	SEASON SPORT Basketball (5/6-KP): Avaria, (5- JE): Briar-Rose (5/6-KP): Leo, (5-SB): Kent	SEASON SPORT T-Ball (6-RB): Dayan, (5-JE): Velma, (5-JE): Nasra
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weir tuckshop menu

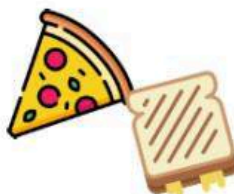
DAILY SPECIALS

\$7.00

Monday Mac & Cheese OR Lasagne
Tuesday Cheeseburger OR Chicken Burger
Wednesday Hot Dog OR Chicken & Gravy Roll
Thursday Homemade Pizza OR Fried Rice
Friday Butter Chicken OR Spaghetti Bolognese

FROM THE WARMER

Chicken Nuggets x 6 (GF Available) \$6.00
 Chicken Chippies x 6 \$6.00
 Sausage Roll – King size \$5.50
 Party Pie \$2.00
 Large Meat Pie \$5.50
 Sauce – tomato or BBQ \$0.50



SALADS

Garden Salad \$6.50
 Lettuce, spinach, tomato, carrot, cucumber, grated cheese (sauce optional)
Chicken Salad \$8.50
 Chicken, lettuce, spinach, tomato, carrot, cucumber, grated cheese (sauce optional)
Caesar Salad \$9.50
 Char grilled chicken breast, lettuce, bacon pieces, egg, parmesan cheese, Caesar sauce
Extras \$1.00
 Beetroot, avocados, egg, pineapple
Sauces \$1.00
 Ranch, mayo, aioli, sweet chilli, Caesar, sour cream



BENTO BOXES

Cherry tomatoes, cucumber slices, yoghurt pouch, popcorn, strawberries, homemade treats & popper with-
 Ham & Cheese sandwich \$12.50
 Vegemite sandwich \$12.50
 Daily Special selection \$15.00



POKE BOWLS

Poke Bowl with rice \$12.00
 Poke Bowl with salad \$12.00

GOURMET WRAP RANGE

Chicken Tender Wrap \$12.00
 Plain chicken tender, lettuce, spinach, tomato, carrot, cucumber, cheese & aioli
Sweet Chilli Tender Wrap \$12.00
 Sweet chilli tender, lettuce, spinach, tomato, carrot, cucumber, cheese & sour cream



SANDWICH BAR

Made on white bread.
 Gluten free bread available.
 Ham & Cheese \$4.50
 Ham & Salad \$6.00
 Chicken & Cheese \$5.50
 Chicken & Salad \$7.00
 Egg & Lettuce \$5.50
 Option - Made on a wrap extra \$1.00

TOASTIES

Cheese \$4.50
 Ham & Cheese \$5.00
 Ham & Cheese Pocket Wrap \$6.00
 Ham, Cheese & Tomato \$5.50
 Chicken & Cheese \$6.00
 Spaghetti \$5.00

DRINKS

Water – 600ml \$3.50
 Water – 350ml \$2.50
 Flavoured Milk (chocolate/strawberry) \$3.50
 Popper (assorted flavours) \$3.00

SNACKS

Watermelon cup \$2.50
 Orange Cup \$2.50
 Yoghurt Squeeze (assorted flavours) \$2.50
 Jelly Cups \$2.00
 Homemade Texas Muffins \$4.00
 Homemade Cookies (assorted flavours) \$1.00
 Popcorn \$1.00
 Cheese & Crackers \$3.00
 Cheese, Carrots, Kabana & Crackers \$4.00
 Custard Cups \$2.50
 Boiled Eggs \$1.50
 Piece of Seasonal Fruit \$1.50
 Yoghurt Muesli Swirl \$5.00
 Cheese Sticks \$1.00

TREATS

Zooper Dooper \$0.50
 Zing \$1.00
 Ice cream cup \$2.00
 Swings \$2.00
 Frozen Yoghurt \$2.00

HOW TO ORDER

www.flexischools.com.au
 Cash or EFTPOS at the Tuckshop

Term 1 2025

Tuckshop orders can be placed at the Tuckshop before school or via www.flexischools.com.au

Volunteering at the Tuckshop is a great opportunity to support our school, meet new friends and be an integral part of the Weir community. If you can assist as a volunteer in our Tuckshop, we'd love to hear from you via email at Tuckshop@weirss.eq.edu.au or see Deb in the Tuckshop.

Thanks

Deb and the Tuckshop Team



Book Club **LOOP** for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



**MAKING TIME
TO TALK**



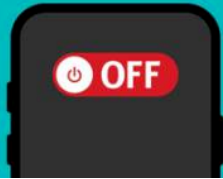
We love chatting with families, but before school isn't the best time for conversations about your child as teachers are busy supervising students and getting ready for the day.

If you'd like to speak with your child's teacher, **please make an appointment** so we can give you our full attention and have a focussed conversation about your child's learning.

Thanks for working with us to make sure these chats are meaningful and productive.

Make an appointment by contacting our office on 4726 1333 or by email admin@weirss.eq.edu.au

Phones away for the day



Mobile Phones at school... In Queensland state schools, the "Away for the day" policy mandates that students keep their mobile phones switched off and "away for the day" during school hours.

Any mobile phone or electronic device brought to the school must be handed into the office for safe keeping. At no time are students permitted to have mobile devices on their person or in their school bags.

Student safety travelling to and from school

Students and families are asked to consider the safety of themselves and others when travelling to and from school each day.

Whether travelling by car, bus, bike or walking to school, it is important that the road rules are followed. Please keep our students safe and

- Use the crossing (we are very lucky to have crossing supervisors during morning drop off and afternoon pick up times).
- Follow the 'School Zone' speed limits.
- Be patient and considerate when using the school carpark



Every day
counts



**Start the year strong.
Every day counts when it
comes to learning.**

Regular school attendance.... Under Queensland law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every school day unless they have a reasonable excuse. Illness, natural disaster, or competing in a school sporting event are reasonable excuses for being absent from school. Principals decide if the excuse given for your child's absence is reasonable.

- ✓ Have a set time to go to bed
- ✓ Have a set time to get out of bed
- ✓ Have the uniform and school bag ready the night before
- ✓ Set a time for daily homework activities
- ✓ Speak about school positively
- ✓ Be firm. Send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term!

Having problems getting your child to school for some of these reasons?

- Won't get out of bed in the morning
- Won't go to bed at night
- Can't find their uniform, books, school bag
- Slow to eat breakfast
- Watching TV or gaming

Having a set routine at home can help....

School attendance rolls are legal documents, and under Australian law, schools must account for student absences. If your child is absent, the school requires notification indicating the reason for the absence. This can be done by calling the office or replying to the school's SMS. If you receive a note asking for unexplained absences to be explained, please do so as soon as possible and return this to school with your child.



We kindly remind families that the **bus zone on Ross River Road must be kept clear** at all times, particularly during school drop-off and pick-up periods. This area is designated for school buses only to ensure the safe loading and unloading of students. Parking or stopping in the bus zone creates safety risks and can delay transport services.

We appreciate your cooperation in observing the bus zone restrictions and helping us keep our students safe.

BUS NOTICE



2027 school bus pass applications

K/NET/C
moving people

School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS)

Applications for 2027 School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS) bus passes are now open. The School Transport Assistance Scheme assists eligible students with the cost of bus travel to and from school.

Each year we receive thousands of applications so applying as soon as applications open gives your child the best chance of having a bus pass ready for the first day of Term 1, 2027.

Who needs to apply or reapply?

A new application is required for:

- / Students who have not received STAS assistance before.
- / Students moving from Year 6 to Year 7 in 2027, including students at a P-12 college who are staying at the same school.

Year 6 students must reapply because STAS eligibility does not carry over from primary school into high school. All other students who already receive STAS assistance and are continuing at the same school in 2027 do not need to reapply.

The STAS application process

- 1 Review the STAS information and eligibility criteria at www.qld.gov.au/schooltransportassistance
- 2 Complete the online application form at <https://stas.forms.tmr.qld.gov.au/content/forms/af/TranslinkForms/STASApplication/STASApplication.html>
- 3 Enter a travel start date of 27 January 2027 or later, which is the first day of Term 1, 2027.
- 4 Your application is assessed based on eligibility criteria.
- 5 Bus pass is printed
- 6 2027 bus passes are sent directly to the applicant's address.

If you need help completing the form, email STASdigital.Helpdesk@tmr.qld.gov.au

or phone 1300 119 289

Students who do not meet the STAS eligibility criteria pay the applicable fare using a Translink go card.

Information about go cards and fares is available at: translink.com.au/tickets-and-fares.



Information about school bus routes and timetables

To plan your child's journey or check bus routes and timetables, use the Translink Journey Planner: jp.translink.com.au/plan-your-journey/journey-planner

Families can also contact Translink on 13 12 30.



Smartcard Application Form - Townsville

Student Given Name		Student Surname	
Student D.O.B		M/F	
Guardian Given Name		Guardian Surname	
Mobile (Guardian)		Email (Guardian)	
Residential Address			
Suburb		Postcode	
School Attending			
Year Level			
Postal Address (Home)			
Suburb		Postcode	
Commencement Date:			

Application Type (please indicate below)

☐ New Smartcard	☐ Replacement Smartcard \$20.00 (please call 07 5552 2700 to arrange payment)
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please complete the form linked to the QR code on the reverse side of this form to apply for the Queensland State Government School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS).

All students, regardless of whether they are successful or unsuccessful for STAS, will receive their Smartcards and additional information in the mail.

If you know you are not eligible for STAS, please complete this side of the form to arrange a Smartcard for your child/children. This will be mailed to your home/postal address.

The children can hand this form back to the bus driver or you are welcome to email it through to the email address below.

tsvschoolsadmin@wwarekinetic.com 451-459 Woolcock Street, Gerbutt 4814

Information for students

The Code exists to make sure everyone on the bus has a safe and comfortable journey. It applies to every bus trip to and from school and for school events (like school sports, excursions or camps). It lays out clear expectations for how you should act while on the bus and the consequences if you don't follow the rules.

Understand the Code

Following the Code is easy. There are four main things to do:

Be prepared

Hail and wait for the bus in an orderly manner. Have any required bus pass, smart card or fare ready before boarding.

Be respectful

Treat the driver, other passengers and property with respect. This means no offensive language, sharing or accessing inappropriate content, taking photos of others when they don't want you to or touching others.

Be safe

Do what the bus driver tells you to do. Follow the safety rules. If the bus has seatbelts, put your seatbelt on when you sit down. Stay calm and behave politely throughout the trip.

Be responsible

Take care of your things and keep the bus clean. Don't damage the bus, litter or leave things in the aisle where people could trip on them.

The Code has four categories of unacceptable behaviour.

/ Category One: Irresponsible behaviour

Examples include fare evasion (not paying the fare or showing your bus pass), offensive language and littering in the bus.

/ Category Two: Unsafe behaviour

Examples include verbal abuse, repeatedly moving around the bus and ignoring the bus driver's instructions.

/ Category Three: Dangerous/ destructive behaviour

Examples include vaping or smoking on the bus, vandalism (like cutting seatbelts or carving things in the window glass) and physically attacking others.

/ Category Four: Life threatening behaviour

Examples include threatening with or being in possession of a weapon or replica (including items being used as a weapon such as sporting equipment) and hitting, pushing or interfering with the bus driver while driving.



If you break the rules

If you break the rules, there will be a consequence. This will depend on the severity and frequency of your behaviour and may include:

- / a warning and letter sent home to your parent/guardian telling them about your behaviour.
- / refused travel meaning you will not be able to use the bus for a period.
- / a behaviour agreement where you commit to following the bus rules in the future.

The bus operator decides which category the unacceptable behaviour fits into depending on the circumstances surrounding the incident. They are also responsible for deciding what consequence will apply. Many buses have security cameras fitted, and the bus operator will look at the footage if there is an incident on the bus.

Remember

The Code is here to make bus travel safe and comfortable for everyone. If something doesn't make sense or you are unsure about the rules, ask your parent/guardian for clarification. You can also ask the bus driver when it is safe to do so, or your school.

If you experience or witness an incident on the bus, report it to the bus driver when safe, or tell your parent/guardian or school.

More information

Scan the QR code to learn more:



Code of Conduct for School
Students Travelling on Buses –
effective March 2026



C&K Weir Community Kindergarten

Open from 8:00am to 6:00pm

Located at
592 Ross River Road, Thuringowa



To arrange a visit, contact us today!

07 4723 4120

www.candk.asn.au/weir



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Explore More after the School Bell

Join us this term for fun, free and educational
activities designed for curious minds of all ages!

📍 Citylibraries Aitkenvale

📍 Citylibraries Riverway

Auslan for Beginners

Friday 9 October
& 13 November*
3.45 – 4.45pm



AUSLAN
INTERPRETERS

Digital Art with Danya's Designs

Mondays

12 October – 30 November*
3.45 – 4.45pm

High School Book Club

Thursday 22 October
& 19 November
3.45 – 4.45pm

*Bookings required

Circus Workshop with

CircUp Youth Arts Inc

Tuesday 13, 20 & 27 October,
3 November*
3.45 – 4.45pm

Mission to Mars Workshops with All Access Education

Tuesday 10, 17 & 24 November,
1 December*
3.45 – 4.45pm

Riverway Creative Hub

Drop In Session

Every Wednesday
3.45-4.45pm



What's On
TOWNSVILLE



Riverway

Creative Hub

Free Drop-In Session

Every Wednesday, 3.45 – 4.45pm
During the school term

Drop in and get started with:



3D printers & scanners



Sewing machines



Cricut machines



Podcasting + more!

No
booking or
induction
required



What's On
TOWNSVILLE

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BACK TO SCHOOL BOOST

Dear Weir Community

The Back to school boost is a Queensland Government initiative providing an annual \$100 contribution for every primary school student (Prep to Year 6) to assist with the cost of schooling essentials. More information about the Back to school boost initiative is available via the link below. The form is for you to choose how you would like your Back to school boost credit balance to be applied. This form **does not provide consent for your child to participate in an activity**. A copy of this form has been sent home with all students. Please read through all the information and return the form to the office or contact the office if you have any questions.

[back-school-boost-parent-choice-request.pdf](#)



Build your life-changing savings skills.

And get up to \$500 for education costs.



saverplus.org.au
1300 610 355





Build lifelong,
life-changing
savings habits
AND
find out how **ANZ**
will double your
savings, up to \$500

Saver Plus supports people to develop life-long savings habits. It's delivered by Brotherhood of St. Laurence, The Smith Family and Berry Street Yooralla. It's funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services, learn more at saverplus.org.au

saverplus.org.au
1300 610 355

Saver Plus Information Sessions

Would you like to know more
about the Saver Plus program?

Join us for an information session
to hear more about joining or ask
any questions you may have.

Eligibility criteria apply, to find
out more visit
<https://saverplus.org.au/>

Register via link
[Register Here](#)
or via QR Code



From the GO

In my role as Guidance Officer, I work closely with students and parents to help improve school engagement. I will be running the following programs at Weir SS throughout each year.

If your child is struggling significantly with either anger, feeling low, feeling bullied, or grief and loss, talk with your child's classroom teacher about a possible referral through our Student Support Team (SST).

- RAGE (Re-Navigating Anger And Guilty Emotions) - an award winning six week anger management course
- Feeling Fantastic - aims at helping adolescence understand their feelings and emotions such as anxiety and depression and learn how to express these emotions in healthy ways as opposed to internalising them.
- Managing The Bull - This is a four – six week course combining art therapy, games, group work, and role plays to empower teenagers with social resilience skills, confidence and build self-esteem to counteract bullies and prevent them from being just bystanders.
- Seasons for Growth - Focuses on strengthening the social and emotional wellbeing of children, young people and adults following significant change and loss in their lives.

Family Support Coordinator



The role of our Family Support Coordinator - Miss Shari

Shari works within the Student Support Team and Community Connections Team at Weir School.

At Weir State School the FSC role can provide early preventative family support and can be a point of contact for families of children in Prep to Year 6 to help with addressing early development delays through referral pathways, increase school engagement and support diverse family needs in our school community. This includes assisting families to navigate government and community agency services and supports to help with the development and wellbeing of the student and family as a whole.

Referrals

Supports are varied and referrals can be either internal at school to our Guidance Officer, Social Worker, Chaplain or Cultural mentors. External referrals to government and community services can be offered to assist with addressing barriers, family crisis, interventions, social and emotional concerns.

Community

Community stakeholder referrals can be for;
Development delays (CDS & NDIS); Therapeutic, Health & Wellbeing, Housing; Domestic and Family Violence supports; Parenting programs and supports; Cultural needs; Food, Clothing & Financial concerns; Counselling services; School engagement

Need support or have questions?

Contact: Miss Shari
Mobile: 0439 518211
Email: sfabb0@eq.edu.au

 4726 1333

 www.weirss.qld.gov.au



Wellbeing Social Worker - I am Kathleen Hoare, the Wellbeing Social Worker at Weir State School. I will be at Weir State School on Thursdays and Fridays. I also work at Thuringowa State High School on my other workdays. I provide support for students relating to early intervention, which includes mild to moderate mental health, engagement, transition, peer, and/or academic difficulties and extend support to families (or carers) to optimise the educational outcomes for students.



I'm Tim Canavan or **Chappy Tim** and I'm the school chaplain for Weir State School.

School chaplains provide social, emotional and pastoral support to school communities. They are in the prevention and support business: helping students find a better way to deal with issues ranging from family breakdown and loneliness to friendships and mental health.

They provide a listening ear and a caring presence for children and young people in crisis, and those who just need a friend. They also provide support for staff and parents in school communities and here at Weir, part of the wellbeing team here at school.

I'm also a parent here with my children in grades 6, 5 and 3 and you'll often find me supporting students making and selling icy cups, running the Gotcha Room, running small groups, supporting kids one-on-one or even behind the sound desk at our big events.

If you'd like to access the chaplaincy service, please send me an email on timothy.canavan@suchaplaincy.org.au or leave a message on 4726 1333 and I'll get back to you.

Timothy Canavan - Chaplain



Bringing Up Great Kids

Date & Time:

Tuesday 17, 24 November

& 1, 8 December 2026

from 10:00am to 12:30pm

Venue:

Relationships Australia Qld

745 Riverway Drive,

Thuringowa Central, Qld 4817

Cost:

this program is free

Contact:

Tiffany - 0419 383 118

Overview

This program gives you a chance to think about children, parenting and how you can provide children with the experiences you want for them as they grow up.



Program Content

The Bringing Up Great Kids parenting program supports you as a parent or carer to:

- Learn more about the origins of your own parenting style and how it can be more effective.
- Understand more about your child's development and their behaviour.
- Discover how to overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of being the kind of parent you would like to be.
- Discover ways to take care of yourself and how to find support if you need it.





1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching

RESOLVE DIFFICULT BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN 2-12 YEARS OLD

A PARENT EDUCATION COURSE

AT Relationships Australia Qld, 745 Riverway Drive, Thuringowa Central, Qld 4817

ON Wednesday 9 December 2026

AT 9:00am to 3:30pm

PARENTS WILL LEARN

- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to sort behaviour
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Choosing strategies - the 3 choices model
- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- Strategies for encouraging good behaviour

PARENTS RECEIVE

- A workbook to apply the concepts learnt to their families
- A certificate of completion

WHO IS RUNNING THE COURSE?

The course facilitator is Tiffany

who completed the 1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching practitioner training on January 2026

REGISTER TODAY

Contact Tiffany on 0419 383 118

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An end to arguing and yelling – It changed our lives – Simple, sane, effective

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Play2Learn is an early learning and parent education program, supporting caregivers and children aged 0–3 to develop, learn and thrive through play!

We have three services for families to choose from:



Playgroup

An early education program with activities planned around your child's individual developmental needs.



1:1 Parent Coaching

We partner with you to help you build skills and confidence to strengthen your relationship with your child, support their development and understand and respond to your child's behaviours.



Parent Education

Bringing Up Great Kids is an online group parenting program facilitated over 6 weeks, supporting caregivers to build their confidence.

**Registration
is open now!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Townsville Team Leader at
nqoffice@savethechildren.org.au
OR
PH: 0422 233 501

54 reasons exists to make rights real for children and young people in Australia.

We deliver quality, rights-based services for more than 25,000 children and families across the country every year, and we're lifting a national conversation on child rights to change systems, hearts and minds.

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Every Thursdays

10am - 12 noon

at
CommunityGro

4 Hugh Street, Garbutt

Hosted by the
Townsville Healing Hub

 (07) 44594769

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A LEGO® based Social Group for Autistic children

A weekly, fun, and welcoming social group
supporting Autistic children aged 5-17 to:



**Build social
confidence**



**Enjoy an inclusive,
sensory-friendly space**



**Explore creativity
through building
activities**



**Make new friends
in small, age-
appropriated groups**

Please note that adult supervision is required.

When

**Every Friday
during school terms**
4.00pm – 5.00pm

Location

James Cook University
Level 1, Clinical Practice Building
1 James Cook Drive,
Douglas, Townsville

FREE ENTRY

Light refreshments provided.

Scan or click the QR to secure your child's spot.

Registration is required – spaces are limited.



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FREE KOOKABURRA KIDS PROGRAMS

for young people aged 8-18 in the
Townsville region.

The Australian Kookaburra Kids Foundation provides clinically designed, evidence based, mental health education programs, in a fun setting, to young people aged 8-18 years who are living in a family impacted by mental health challenges. We seek to improve mental health outcomes for our young people by equipping them with a toolkit to develop:

- Mental Health Literacy
- Improved Help Seeking Behaviours
- Strong Peer Connection



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CAMPS | ACTIVITY DAYS | ONLINE CONNECT



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Kookaburra Kids

22/9/2026	GO KARTING – GAMES – HUNT
18/9/2026	MAGNETIC ISLAND CAMP - Paddle boarding, beach games, night movie.
26/9/2026	FLIP FLOP FIESTA - Townsville under the sun. The Strand treasure hunt, water sports, bocce games.
3/10/2026	WELLWAYS 9-5 per contract day camp - Beach day - Paddleboarding afternoon + BEACH WALK , hiking and more
31/10/2026	FLIP FLOP FIESTA - Townsville Beach Play! Full on the Strand, more games to come!
27/11/2026	MAGNETIC ISLAND CAMP - snorkeling, bushwalk, beach game, night movies.
30/1/2027	FLIP FLOP FIESTA - Townsville Summer splash! The Strand
26/2/2027	MAGNETIC ISLAND CAMP - more to come
6/3/2027	WELLWAYS - 9-5 per contract day camp - Bushwalk - Snorkeling afternoon
20/3/2027	FLIP FLOP FIESTA - Townsvillians' day out! The Strand
2/4/2027	MAGNETIC ISLAND CAMP - more to come

WEBSITE

www.kookaburrakids.org.au



A Mental Health Assessment and Intervention Program for Children and Adolescents

Mental Health Services and Support

Beyond Blue 24/7 mental health support service 1300 22 4636 beyondblue.org.au	headspace Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25 1800 650 890 (9am-1am daily) For wechat, visit: headspace.org.au/eheadspace	Kids Helpline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged 5 to 25 1800 55 1800 kidshelpline.com.au	1800RESPECT 24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse 1800 737 732 1800respect.org.au
Lifeline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services 13 11 14 lifeline.org.au	Suicide Call Back 24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide 1300 659 467 suicidecallbackservice.org.au	Mensline 24/7 counselling service for men 1300 78 99 78 mensline.org.au	QLife LGBTI peer support and referral 1800 184 527 (6pm-10pm daily) qlife.org.au (online chat 3pm-12am daily)

If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.

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WE HAVE AVAILABILITY

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

We can offer –

- Occupational therapy for both adult and paediatric clients.
- Clinic, home, daycare and school visits available.
- A wide range of assessments, including Functional Capacity Assessments.
- Feeding Therapy for children who experience sensory differences related to food

Lets work on –

- Social, emotional and fine motor skills.
- Emotional regulation, problem. solving, attention and concentration.
- Self-care skills.
- Sensory processing skills.
- Executive functioning skills.

CLIENT REFERRALS

admin@thetherapyroomnq.com.au



We have expanded our clinic with the addition of beautiful newly renovated clinic rooms, sensory gym space and client kitchen.



Phone Number
4440 5207



The Therapy Room NQ

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- ✓ **Pediatric OT** - Emotional regulation, sensory differences, social & emotional skills, fine-motor, gross-motor, concentration, self-care.
- ✓ **Feeding Therapy** - SOS Approach to Feeding
- ✓ **Basic Home Modifications**
- ✓ **Functional Capacity & Supported Independent Living Assessments**
- ✓ **Equipment Assessment trials & prescriptions to assist with daily living & mobility**

Email: admin@thetherapyroomnq.com.au



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Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporters

13 YARN

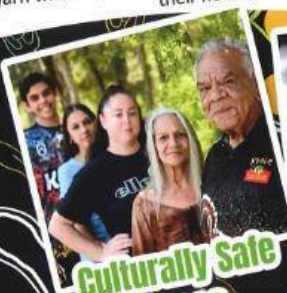
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"We're here to help, call us for a yarn"

13 92 76

13 Yarn is the first national support line for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people in crisis. We offer a confidential one-on-one over the phone yarnning opportunity and support with a Lifeline trained Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporter for mob who are feeling overwhelmed or having difficulty coping.

We are here to provide crisis support 24/7 to enable our community to yarn without judgement and provide a culturally safe space to yarn about their needs, worries or concerns.



Culturally Safe Space



Available 24/7 across Australia from any phone



We listen, without judgement or shame

Lifeline

This initiative is funded by the Australian Government, Department of Health

This service has been developed in collaboration with Gaaya Dhuwi

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vacancies across
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U12 GIRLS
[2016/2017]



U14 GIRLS
[2014/2015]



U16 GIRLS
[2012/2013]



CONTACT OUR
JUNIOR REGISTRAR FOR
INFORMATION:

whirlwindsjunior@outlook.com

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Step off the sidelines and team up with our youngest **STARS!**



- ✓ Child (3-6 years)
- ✓ Buddy (12+ years)
- ✓ Wed Trainings
- ✓ Sat Afternoon Games
- ✓ 2 x 8-week seasons

*Buddies can be parents, siblings, relatives,
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Contact your local club now!

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(Females Only)

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Coffee. Cafe. Connection.

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9.30am - 12pm

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49-61 Beck Drive, Condon



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5pm every Thursday

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49-61 Beck Drive, Condon

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Townsville & Thuringowa RSL Club

The Thuringowa RSL (pictured) is located in Kelso just past the dam wall.

Click [here](#) to join or re-join both clubs for just \$10 for 12 months of membership benefits.

Disasters - Useful Numbers

EMERGENCY INFORMATION & SERVICES	Phone	Website
Emergency Calls – Police, Fire, Ambulance	000	
State Emergency Service (SES)	13 25 00	www.qfes.qld.gov.au/
Policelink (Non life-threatening calls)	13 14 44	www.police.qld.gov.au/policelink-reporting
Queensland Ambulance Service (Non life-threatening calls)	13 12 33	
Townsville City Council	13 48 10	www.disaster.townsville.qld.gov.au
Bureau of Meteorology	1300 659 212	www.bom.gov.au
Department of Transport and Main Roads – Road closures	13 19 40	www.tmr.qld.gov.au
Townsville University Hospital	4433 1111	www.townsville.health.qld.gov.au
Veterinary Emergency Hospital	1300 528 838	www.jcuvet.com.au
NQ Wildlife Care	0414 717 374	www.nqwildlife.org.au
RSPCA	1300 264 625	www.rspcaqld.org.au
Services Australia	13 24 69	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au
Emergency Information Claims Line	1802266	
Department of Education – School Closures		www.closures.qld.edu.au
UTILITIES		
Ergon Energy	13 16 70	www.ergon.com.au
Origin Energy	1800 808 526	www.originenergy.com.au
Telstra	13 22 03	www.telstra.com.au
Optus	13 13 44	www.optus.com.au

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ABC Local	630 AM	Hit FM	103.1 FM
Triple M	102.3 FM	Triple T	103.9 FM
Power 100	100.7 FM	4K1G	107.1 FM
Star	106.3 FM	Live FM	99.9 FM

The Community Information Centre Townsville will activate the Crisis Response Directory in the event of a declared disaster. This resource will include additional information on disaster recovery supports and services.

PERSONAL NUMBERS

My Insurance Provider _____

My GP _____

My Veterinary Clinic _____

My Neighbour/s _____

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