



# Trebonne State School Newsletter

## From the Principal's Desk



### Date Claimer

**25/6/20**– last day term 2

**26/6/20**- Hinchinbrook  
Show Holiday

**13/7/20**– Term 3 start

**4/9/20**- September is a  
Student Free Day  
(moved from October in  
previous years).

Dear parents and caregivers,

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the amazing community and staff of Trebonne State School as we have all modified and adapted our school routines due to COVID restrictions. As we continue to navigate the twists and turns of COVID-19, I am confident that our community will respond positively to the challenges and always ensure the welfare of our students is foremost in all of our actions.

Social distancing guidelines for Term 3 are expected to be released by the Department soon. It is hoped that we will see a lifting of the restriction guidelines that have prevented: parents coming on to the school site; and will allow us to plan excursions that enhance our planned teaching and learning. Of course there are some aspects that will stay in place, which will include the increased cleaning processes and the enhanced personal hygiene practices of hand washing, coughing etiquette etc.

### Student Illness

As the inevitable seasonal colds start to occur, it is very important that parents keep any student home that is showing signs of being unwell. If students arrive at school with coughs, runny nose or temperature they must be sent home. Please support your child and all other families, if your child is unwell they are not able to attend

school. I thank all families for your support with this.

### Report Cards Semester 1

The Department of Education has modified the requirements for reporting student academic achievement for Semester 1, 2020 due to the disruption of teaching and learning during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Schools will provide a report using the information that they have available from Term 1 and Term 2, 2020. This information will be modified from the planned assessment program as many students did not attend school for the last weeks of Term 1, and they participated in a home based learning program for three to five weeks in Term 2.

The Semester 1 student reports from Trebonne State School will be mailed home on Monday the 6th of July 2020. Students will be provided with a level of achievement for English, Maths, Science and one other Key Learning Area according to the year level. This level of achievement has been determined using the available information about student learning and achievement from Term 1 and Term 2.

I will be away from school for medical reasons from the 22nd of June. Leona Holmes and Janine Torrisi will be the officers in charge during my absence. Please contact the school on 47771215 for any inquiries or absence notifications.

Kind Regards *Anne*

## Learning at home TV episodes now on YouTube

Even though we have now all returned to learning at school, if you or your children are looking for more educational resources, you can catch up on episodes of [learning@home](#), [reading@home](#) and [coding@home](#) TV on the Department of Education's YouTube channel.

The videos provide a quality learning resource for parents, carers and



### Every day counts

Is your child at school today?

[www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts)

You must:

- Enrol your child at school
- Send your child to school every day
- If your child is away from school, make sure you tell the school.



Children do better when they go to school all day, every day

### Brain Development

Babies are born learning. From birth to age 3 are critical years for the development of language skills that are foundational for future learning success.

Parents are a child's first and most important teacher.

### Language

The number of words that a child knows when he or she enters kindergarten is the most important predictor of a child's success or failure.

Reading aloud grows your child's vocabulary and introduces many words and concepts that you might not use in everyday conversation.

### Knowledge

Books are a pleasure, yes, and they are also informative. You and your child can learn something new when you read aloud.



## Why Read Aloud?

### Love of Reading

Parents that read aloud demonstrate that reading is important, that reading is pleasurable, that reading is valued.

### Bonding

Is there anything better than sharing a good book with a child in your lap?

### Literacy Skills

Vocabulary. Phonics. Familiarity with the printed word. Storytelling. Comprehension. Reading aloud is invaluable for building literacy skills.



