

Communications with Tieri State School

Contacting the school

Office hours are from 7:30am – 3:00pm. This means that the school phone is turned off night mode at 7.30am and is returned to night mode at 3.00pm. We aim to answer the phone as soon as possible after the first ring as your call is important to us. If we are unable to get to the phone, please leave message and we will return your call as soon as possible. Please leave a message during out of hours and we will return your call as soon as possible the next day.

Messages for students

Contact the office for messages to be relayed to students.

Contacting Staff

Your enquiries and feedback are important to us. The two preferred options for contact are email (email addresses are available on the school website) or to phone the school. If staff are unavailable, a message can be left for a return call. Please note that staff are not able to be contacted via social media.

If you would like to meet with your child's class teacher, please make an appointment. Times before school and straight after the day ends are busy times that are great for a hello over the lunch box drop off or bag pack up but they don't allow for priority time that is needed in a longer conversation. We want to invest the time you need so pre-arranging an appointment will allow that to happen.

Also note that staff cannot be contacted out of hours, on weekends or during term breaks. If you email a staff member during these times you will receive an out of office reply explaining the next time that they are available. If an issue is urgent, please contact the principal via email: principal@tieriss.eq.edu.au

Messages and Updates

We have a number of points of communication

- **Parent Update Emails:** These are sent by the principal, between newsletters
- **Facebook:** our Facebook site is - Tieri State School Official
- **Text Messages:** These are sent from the school mobile if a quick reply is required.
- **Website:** <http://www.tieriss.eq.edu.au>
- **Newsletter:** The school issues a newsletter on Thursdays, 3 times a term in Weeks 1,5 and 9. Community matters can also be added, but must be at the school by 2.30pm on the previous Monday afternoon. Personal and business items are not accepted. Contributions should be emailed to Newsletter@tieriss.eq.edu.au. Newsletters are uploaded onto our website (<http://www.tieriss.eq.edu.au>), and are emailed to parents and community groups.

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but.....

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years	Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 day per week	40 Days	8 weeks	Over 2.5 years	Equal to finishing in grade 10
2 days per week	80 Days	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years	Equal to finishing in grade 7
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years	Equal to finishing at grade 4

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Parent Information Sheet

Tieri State School



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of lands, waterways and skies across Australia. We thank them for sharing and caring for the land we learn and play on. We pay our respects to the elders, and share our friendship and kindness with everyone. Waddamuli

Vision and Values at Tieri State School

School Vision	Everyone, Everyday, Succeeding
School Values	Be Safe, Be Responsible and Be a Learner.
Values Statement	When I am a safe, responsible, learner, then I am respectful.
Values Algorithm	Safe + Responsible + Learner = Respect

A Culture that Promotes Learning at Tieri State School

Tieri State School is a supportive and caring small school, that consistently strives to evolve and improve to create a culture of positivity and pride. Our culture is one of kindness, encouragement, optimism and positive relationships.

We celebrate that everyone who is a part of our community comes with a diversity of understanding and experiences in life. We respect and value each other's perspectives and seek to understand and support each other as individuals. We invest in each other's wellbeing and nurture our own; we encourage each other to step out of our comfort zone and expect the same of ourselves; we expect that everyone owns their emotions and respect others by owning our own; we listen, not judge; we teach and learn, not punish and conform; we validate, not denigrate.

Learning at Tieri State School is age-appropriate, agentic, active and aligned to the Australian Curriculum. Strong relationships of trust between staff and students allow the opportunity for risk taking in learning - for stepping into the unknown and being willing to have a go. We encourage our learners to not fear failure but rather to build resilience and try again. We have the same high expectations for every student - to do the very best they can to be the very best they can be. We have the same high expectations for everyone who is a part of our school. Everyone, Everyday, Succeeding.

School - Community Partnerships at Tieri State School

Parents and Citizens Association

The P & C Association meets in the School Library on selected Mondays at 6.30pm. A successful P&C Association requires the participation of all families. Parents are asked to attend meetings so as to become involved in decision making and also to be kept up to date with the activities of the association.

Tuckshop

The school has a tuck-shop which currently operates on Wednesday and Fridays at first break. Please access the school website for current Menu and days of operation. School24 ordering system is an easy to use and very convenient way to order tuckshop or uniforms, when it suits you. Visit www.school24.com.au. for more information. No cash orders.

Volunteers

We welcome parent involvement at our school, particularly in our classrooms. Please sign in and out at the office and adhere to the emergency procedures and student protection policy.

Events at Tieri State School

Celebration Evening (School Graduation/Concert/Awards Night)

At the end of year, the school holds a Celebration Evening. On this night, our Year 6 cohort graduates, our class concert items are performed and our awards are presented. Parents, community members and organisations are invited to attend.

Athletics Events

The school has three houses – Prince (Green), Randell (Red) and McLaughlin (Yellow). Children are placed into a house shortly after enrolment. The school places siblings into the same sport house. Cross Country, Ball Games, Athletics and Swimming events are held annually.



Under 8s Day

P-3 students participate in Under Eights day each year. This is a community event organised and facilitated by our P-2 teachers. Community groups attend and help to run activities for our, and visiting, students and children.

Visiting Artists

Each year we have a number of groups visit the school to provide performances in the Arts. Groups from the Festival of Bands program, Musica Viva and the Schools Performance Company entertain and nurture a love of the Arts for our students.



ANZAC Day

An ANZAC parade led by our school leaders, is held at school just prior to the town ANZAC service. As a school, we march alongside our community in the town march on ANZAC Day and our school leaders take part in the service.



NAIDOC Day

We celebrate this day each year by breaking up into multi-age mobs. We complete activities and learn about our indigenous culture.

Governance at Tieri State School

Admission to School

Legislation states a child must attain the age of five by 30 June in the year they enrol in Prep. Proof of date of birth is required from a birth certificate. The Prep year is considered the 1st year of schooling in Queensland. If special custody arrangements exist please ensure that the Principal and Office Staff are made aware of the conditions that apply. Should the situation change it is vitally important that the Principal and Office Staff are notified as soon as possible. Advice in writing of custody orders is to be provided to the office.

Student Records

A record of each child is maintained at the school. It contains vital information concerning address, telephone, emergency contacts, etc. and instructions from parents relating to health problems. Parents are urged to keep our records up to date by advising of any changes in the details.

Attendance and Student Absence

Regular attendance by each child is necessary for satisfactory progress to be made. Therefore, parents are responsible for regular attendance of their children. In order that the regulations under the Education Act may be carried out, parents are required to provide a note of explanation regarding a child's absence from school. Alternatively, a parent may phone or email the school before school commences to explain the absence to the child's teacher. **All absences require an explanation.** Where children are to be absent from school for more than three days it is requested that the school be notified in writing prior to the time of absence. This is now a departmental requirement. Parents will be notified if there are concerns about a student's absence.

Medical

Administration of Medicines at School

Written authority from a medical practitioner is required for medication to be dispensed at school. An authorised adult will administer medication as per the written instructions provided on the medication container by the pharmacist at the medical practitioner's direction. Please contact Admin for a copy of the form required to administer medication to your child. Non-prescribed oral medication such as analgesics and over-the-counter chemist preparations cannot be administered by school staff members.

Health plans

Please advise admin if your child has specific medical conditions like asthma, wasp/ bee stings, food allergies or anaphylaxis for example. These conditions require a health plan from a medical practitioner. Health plans are recorded at school and are placed in your child's classroom for ease of access and taken on excursions when required.

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

That's when every minute counts the most!!

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