



Texas P-10
State School

Texas Telegraph

Week 2, Term 3 2026



Diary Dates

Saturday 25 - Sunday 26 July

Texas Show

Monday 27 July – Friday 21

August

School Opinion Survey

Tuesday 28 & Thursday 30 July

Term 3 Parent-Teacher Interviews

Monday 10 August

Texas Show Holiday

Thursday 13 & Friday 14 August

Year 3 Camp

Pictured top: Canberra Camp 2026

QParents Consents

Affected Students	Activity	Due Back
Year 10	Volunteers Texas Show	22/7
Yr 9/10 selected students	QGOMA Brisbane	3/8
Prep-Yr 6	Shake & Stir	14/9
Year 7-10	Shake & Stir Performances	14/9
Whole School	Run Club	18/9
Prep-Yr 2	Mingoola Place	18/11

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Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 3. It's hard to believe we have moved into the second half of the year. I hope you were able to achieve some rest and relaxation over the winter break.

End of Term 2

The last week of Term 2 was full of events and activity. On Thursday, our Track and Field season culminated with the annual Texas Athletics Day. It was a fabulous day with students participating with spirit and sportsmanship with which the day has become accustomed. At the end of the day there can only be one winner and in 2026 it was Burilda. Congratulations to Burilda but also commendations to Coolac for their keen participation.

On Friday, the last day of term, students came to school in their pyjamas and were greeted at the start of the day with freshly cooked pancakes. The Pancakes and PJs Day was organised by the Student Representative Council as a charity fundraiser.

Also, on the last Friday of term our Trailblazer students were invited to a special BBQ held in their honour. To be a Trailblazer student you must have achieved attendance of 90% or higher and have no behaviour incidents recorded for the Semester. Congratulations to the 61 students who were invited to the BBQ.

Jewellery

On several occasions in Semester 1, I reminded parents of the school's policy for the wearing of jewellery to school by way of newsletter articles. In Semester 2 we are enforcing that any piercings which are outside of what is documented in the policy must be either left empty of filled with a clear stud. This has been explained to students in detail many times during Term 2 in preparation for Semester 2.

From the beginning of Term 3, if students come to school with piercings which are not permitted in the policy, and where no attempt has been made to use clear studs, students will be asked to remove the earrings/nose rings and they will be kept in a zip lock bag to be collected by the student at the end of the day.

School Opinion Surveys

This year's School Opinion Survey runs from 27 July to 21 August. Parents, carers, students in selected year levels, and staff have been emailed a link to participate. Your feedback will help us understand our school's strengths and areas for improvement. Survey responses are confidential. Find out more on the School Opinion Survey webpage or contact school administration.

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Student Absence Line: (07) 4653 3366 Operates 24 hrs 7 days a week. Please call by 9:30 am on the day of absence, stating your child's name and year level. A reason for the absence must be provided.

1 Flemming Street, Texas QLD 4385

Phone (07) 4653 3333 principal@texasss.eq.edu.au

<https://texasss.eq.edu.au> [f/Texas P-10 State School](https://www.facebook.com/TexasP10StateSchool)

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

Principal's Report (continued)

Key Information:

- Survey Invitations: An email invitation to complete the Parent/Caregiver Survey will be sent to each school family in the week beginning 20 July 2026. The email is titled *School Opinion Survey for parents and caregivers, 2026*.
- One Survey Per Family: Each family will receive one email, but any parent or caregiver in the family can complete the survey.
- Confidentiality: The survey is confidential. Results are reported in ways to ensure individual responses cannot be identified.

I ask that parents take the time to complete the survey as it offers the school valuable feedback for reflection and improvement.

Stand Up

Next Monday afternoon, Sergeant Mark Fielding will be presenting the "StandUp" program to the high school students. The "StandUp" program aims to educate youth about Queensland's knife laws, the consequences of knife carrying and promotes safe strategies.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher Interviews are being held next week on Tuesday 28 July and Thursday 30 July. The format for interviews will be different this Semester. All meetings will take place in the Wellness Centre, where the complete teaching faculty will be situated. At their scheduled time, parents make their way to the Wellness Centre and locate the teacher with whom they are meeting

Bookings remain open for this week only. To make a booking visit the website: www.schoolinterviews.com.au

The event code is **ug3qz**.

2 Positives and a Polisher

Each week on assembly I feedback to the student body on 2 positive things which are worthy of praise, as well as something which students need to work on, which is known as a polisher. This week:

2 Positives

1. Canberra Camp. A fantastic week. Students on their best behaviour making it a wonderful experience for all.
2. A great start to the Term. Very calm in the playground.

1 Polisher

1. Responding to adult greetings. Students have been asked to respond to adult greetings rather than ignore.

Sean Cole, Principal



Maureen Bird - District Relief Teacher

Hi everyone! My name is Maureen Bird and I am excited to be back amongst the students and staff of Texas P-10 State School after a 6-month break for health reasons. I have been employed as one of the District Relief Teachers (DRT) for the remainder of 2026. I am a primary trained teacher but often in the DRT role I am required to teach high school students as well.



During my 30+ years of teaching I have worked in many schools and it is rare to find a school that functions as well as Texas does. It is such a privilege to work in a school where the staff genuinely care for the welfare and learning of the students and often go 'over and above' to celebrate student achievements and motivate them to continue to strive. I have never earned a Magnum ice cream for doing great work in the classroom! Well, not yet anyway...

I really enjoy teaching and being with the students of Texas as they are generally respectful and are developing positive behaviours through the implementation of the Positive Behaviour for Learning program (PBL). This factor alone is such an important aspect of school, especially these days!

I look forward to the next two terms, the memorable moments, the days of celebration, the challenges and all the learning that occurs daily for students and teachers.

I hope to see you around!

Maureen Bird

District Relief Teacher



Head of Department

Canberra Camp 2026 – Memories To Last A Lifetime

What an incredible week our Year 4–6 students had exploring Canberra and experiencing the snow! From visiting our nation's capital to throwing snowballs and making snowmen, the camp was packed with learning, adventure and plenty of laughter.

The highlight for me was seeing the pure joy on our students' faces as they experienced snow – for many, for the very first time. Those smiles, excitement and unforgettable moments are something I won't forget anytime soon.

I couldn't be prouder of the way our students represented Texas P-10 State School. They consistently demonstrated outstanding behaviour, embraced every opportunity, looked after one another and showed resilience, respect and enthusiasm throughout the entire trip. They should all be incredibly proud of the way they conducted themselves.

A camp like this is only possible because of the support of so many people. Thank you to our parents and families for giving your children the opportunity to take part in such a memorable experience and for trusting us with them throughout the week.

A sincere thank you to our wonderful P&C for their generous donation towards the camp. Your support helped make this experience more accessible for our students, and we are incredibly grateful for your ongoing commitment to our school.

A special thank you to Bec Croft for the delicious baking that kept everyone well fed throughout the trip. Your generosity and kindness were very much appreciated.

A huge thank you also goes to my fellow comrades, Andy Edmonstone, Mrs Byrnes, Mrs Trim and especially our fearless camp leader, Mrs Lang. Your teamwork, flexibility, care and countless hours behind the scenes ensured the camp ran smoothly and created an unforgettable experience for our students.

Finally, thank you to our bus driver Matt from Crisps Coaches for getting us to every destination safely.

The memories, friendships and experiences made this week will stay with our students for years to come, and we are so grateful to have shared the adventure with them.



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ATTENDANCE

Classes	Week 10	Week 1
Prep	97.27%	98.18%
Year 1/2	88.70%	89.17%
Year 3	90.00%	93.33%
Year 4/5	86.96%	88.70%
Year 5/6	76.00%	85.71%
Year 7	75.33%	97.14%
Year 8	69.47%	85.71%
Year 9	70.00%	91.43%
Year 10	73.33%	93.33%
Whole School	80.00%	91.80%

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

Week 10 Champions

- 🥇 Prep – 97.27%
- 🥈 Year 3 – 90.00%
- 🥉 N/A

Week 1 Champions

- 🥇 Prep – 98.18%
- 🥈 Year 7 – 97.14%
- 🥉 Year 3 & Year 10 – 93.33%

HIT OUR ATTENDANCE TARGET!

★ Our 2026 whole-school attendance target is **90%** ★

Below 80% attendance	• More than 39 days absent all year • More than 10 days absent each term	
80-89% attendance	• 20-38 days absent all year • 5-9.5 days absent each term	
90-95% attendance	• 11-19 days absent all year • 2.75-4.75 days absent each term	
Above 95% attendance	• Less than 10 days absent all year • No more than 2.5 days absent each term	



★ Every day at school helps students learn, connect and thrive.

100% ATTENDANCE SUPERSTARS!

★ Congratulations to ★

Justin H & Nevaeh O

for achieving 100% attendance in Semester 1, 2026!



Ms Jillian Hazard
Head of Department



BOOK YOUR PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS!

TERM 3

We look forward to seeing you!



A great
opportunity
to connect,
collaborate and
support your
child's learning.



IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR FAMILIES!

Following feedback from families and staff, we've updated our interview format to make it easier for everyone to attend.



DATES

Tuesday 28 July
& Thursday 30 July
(TERM 3 - WEEK 3)



TIME

3:15pm - 6:00pm

(BOTH DAYS)



DURATION

15 minutes
per interview



LOCATION

Wellness Centre

We value
partnerships
that support
every student!



**BOOKINGS ARE
NOW OPEN!**



BOOK ONLINE

Visit our website and
enter the event code to
book your interview.



BOOKING LINK

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

EVENT CODE

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♥ *Thank you* for partnering with us to support your child.



LEGO Competition - Get Building!

Have you completed your LEGO entry for the Texas Show?

Entries close this Friday at 4:00 pm, so there's still time to put the finishing touches on your masterpiece!

Competition Rules:

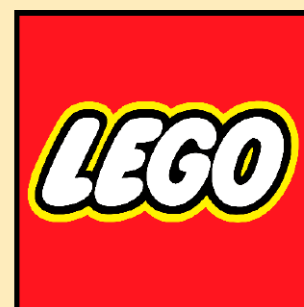
- Create your own original LEGO creation.
- No builds using LEGO instruction manuals or set designs are permitted.
- Entries will be judged on creativity and originality.
- Prizes will be awarded to 1st place.

How to Enter:

- Deliver your creation to the Show Pavilion on Friday.
- Please ensure your entry is clearly labelled with your child's name and age.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Emma Coventry.

We can't wait to see all the amazing creations - good luck, and most importantly, have fun building!



MEET THE PRAC TEACHER

Montannah Fomiatti



I am very excited that **Texas State School** is my first Prac Placement.



My family farm is **50km South of Texas**, but our back paddock is only **10km from the QLD Border**.



I have grown up on our **Angus cattle and cropping farm** on the **Severn River**.



Texas is our nearest **grocery Store, Post Office and Doctor**.



I travelled **3hrs a day** for Senior school in Inverell to complete my Cert 3 in Agriculture.



I am currently studying and staying on Campus at **Toowoomba UniSQ** which is a big change as I can now walk to class.

Looking forward to meeting you all.



Thank you **Texas State School** for having me.



Canberra Camp

The Year 4–6 Canberra Camp was an incredible experience, combining hands-on learning, adventure and plenty of fun. Throughout the week, students explored some of Australia's most significant landmarks and attractions, gaining a deeper understanding of our nation's history, government and culture.

Students enjoyed visiting Parliament House, where they learnt about Australia's democratic system, and were amazed by the interactive exhibits at Questacon. They explored the National Electoral Education Centre and gained valuable insights into how elections work in Australia. A visit to the Australian War Memorial provided an opportunity to reflect on the service and sacrifice of Australians throughout history, while the Dubbo Zoo offered a unique chance to learn about wildlife conservation and see animals from around the world.

One of the highlights of the camp was undoubtedly Snow Day at Perisher. For many students, it was their first time experiencing snow! From travelling through the beautiful Snowy Mountains on the Ski Tube to playing in the snow, building snowmen and simply soaking up the magical winter scenery, it was a day that will be remembered for years to come.

We are incredibly proud of the way our students represented our school throughout the entire camp. They demonstrated outstanding behaviour, showing respect, responsibility and enthusiasm at every venue. Their willingness to participate, ask questions and support one another made the experience even more rewarding for both students and staff.

Canberra Camp provided far more than educational opportunities – it helped students build confidence, develop independence and strengthen friendships. The memories created and lessons learnt throughout the week will remain with them long after the camp has finished.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our teachers, parents and students for making the camp such a wonderful success. We are extremely proud of the way our students embraced every opportunity and represented our school with pride. What an unforgettable adventure it was!



Mrs Jane Lang



Pacer Grant

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage, and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$135 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and made this camp more cost effective for families. The rebate was factored into the final cost to parents which reduced their amount invoiced.

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Canberra Camp (continued)



Students of the Week

Term 2 Week 10	Student		Reason	Term 3 Week 1	Student		Reason
Prep		All Prepafins	For doing really well on your first report card in Prep. I am so proud of you and everything you have achieved this semester. Keep up your hard work, I am so proud of you. You are <i>Fintastic!</i>	Prep		Evie	For your awesome start to Term 3. You are switched on for learning and are showing amazing listening skills. I am so proud of you, keep it up!
Year 1/2		Whole Class	For your dedication to learning in all subject areas.	Year 1/2		Giannis	For a great start to Term 3!
						Frances	
Year 3		Whole Class	For being a great bunch of students and trying your best at the Athletics Carnival.	Year 3		Harrison	For settling in at Texas P-10 State School. You have embraced our school and have been an engaged learner. Keep up the great work!
Year 4/5		Whole Class	You were all on your best behaviour while Mrs Lang was away. You completed the set work and had a positive attitude.	Year 4/5		Matilda	For showing enthusiasm during our time at Parliament House. You made a great speaker.
						Hugo	For asking Joe, the Vietnam War veteran, and our tour guide some really interesting questions at the War Memorial.
Year 5/6		Lacy	For your outstanding effort and great sportsmanship at the Athletics Carnival.	Year 5/6		Caelan	For your outstanding contributions and thoughtful comments while on Canberra Camp.
						Justin	For sharing your exceptional knowledge of animals while we were visiting the Dubbo Zoo.

Athletics Carnival

In Week 10 of Term 2, Texas held our annual interhouse school Athletics Carnival. It was a great day that saw students showing off their athletic abilities. It was so great to see all the students who attended on the day giving it a go and cheering each other on. There was a great showing of sportsmanship and costumes with everyone cheering on their peers and their houses.

At the end of the day there could only be one winner. With the carnivals tied at I-I (Burilda – Swimming Carnival, Coolac – Cross Country) this was the one to win to take the bragging rights. Burilda emerged victorious at the end of the day and claimed those bragging rights however, Coolac walked away as the War Cry winners and didn't make it easy for Burilda.



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Athletics Carnival (continued)



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Athletics Carnival (continued)



Texas Show

TEXAS SHOW P and C Roster Saturday 25 July	
ENTRY GATE 2 PEOPLE PER SHIFT	
6.00 am - 8.00 am	Dave R and Adrian W
8.00 am - 10.00 am	Sam B
10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Shannon T and Di C
12.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Sean P
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm	Sean C and Rach
4.00 pm - 6.00 pm	Sonya F and Helen
BAR 5 PEOPLE PER SHIFT	
6.00 pm - 9.00 pm	Dave R, Anja R, Nel B, Riss L
9.00 pm - close	Dave R, Anja R

TEXAS SHOW P and C Roster Sunday 26 July	
ENTRY GATE 2 PEOPLE PER SHIFT	
7.00 am - 9.00 am	Kenny W
9.00 am - 11.00 am	Riss L, Regina V
11.00 am - 1.00 pm	
1.00 pm - 3.00 pm	
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL VIA PHONE IF YOU ARE ABLE TO ASSIST 07 4653 3333	

TEXAS SHOW

1/2 PRICE TICKETS!

ONLY FOR RIDES!

★ TEXAS SHOW ★ 25 & 26 JULY 2026 ★

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Texas Show

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Saturday
Campdraft

Texas Show

25/26 July 2026

Texas Showgrounds

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Saturday

Campdraft 7am
Main Ring 8.30am
Sheep Dog Trials 8 – 4 pm
Showjumping 9am
Dressage 9.30am
Fat and Store cattle 9am
Stud Cattle 9am
Poultry 9am (Sat only)
Outdoor Markets and Displays
Lazer Tag
Mechanical Bull
Facepainting 10.30 – 12 pm
Sideshow Alley
Pig Races 11- 5 pm
Opening of show 12pm
Texas SS performances 12.30 – 1pm
1.30pm Live Auction
Celebrity Chef demonstration 1.45 pm
Whip Cracking Competition
Barrel Races
Lazer Tag
Rodeo 4pm – 8pm
Fireworks 6.30 pm
Will Day Band 7.30 - late

Sunday

Sheep Dog Trials 8 – 3pm
Dog Show 9.30am
Lazer Tag
Mechanical Bull
Gladiator Duel
Sideshow Alley
Pig Races 4 sessions
Pushbike Challenge 11am
Classic Car Display
Outdoor Mmarkets
Ute Competition 12 pm
Tough Texan Challenge 11.30am
Motorbike Competition 1pm
Drone lolly drop 1.30pm
Woodchop after Dogs. 10.30 pm
Calcutta Pig Race 3.30pm
Raffle Draw 3.45pm





TERM 3 SPORT DATE CLAIMERS

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 13-17 JULY				DDSS GIRLS' RUGBY LEAGUE	
WEEK 3 27 - 31 JULY			BD TRACK & FIELD	MZSS TRACK & FIELD	
WEEK 6 17 - 21 AUGUST			DD TRACK 13-19	DD FIELD 13-19	
WEEK 7 24-28 AUGUST		DDSS TRACK AND FIELD - FIELD/1500M	DDSS TRACK AND FIELD - TRACK	DDSS T&F MULTI	
WEEK 8 31 AUGUST - 4 SEPTEMBER				MZSS RUGBY 7S CARNIVAL (TBC)	PUPIL FREE DAY
WEEK 9 7-11 SEPTEMBER					2 WAY MEET BETWEEN TEXAS AND INGLEWOOD



Community Notices



Free workshop

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Stanthorpe, QLD



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Wednesday
9 September, 2026
9:15am to 3:00pm



Stanthorpe RSL
46 Marsh Street
STANTHORPE QLD 4380

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and neurodiversity-affirming ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC
lhunt@positivepartnerships.com.au

0403 914 326

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- Breast care information
- Sexual health care
- Family planning and contraception
- Perimenopause and menopause support
- Bladder control and confidence
- Puberty, periods and hormone health
- Pregnancy care options and support
- Domestic violence
- Healthy lifestyles
- Free talks to community groups/ workplaces about Women's Health topics
- Osteoporosis and heart health information

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Western Downs

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Scan the code
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dates and times
for your preferred
location in
this region

Western



Southern



Central



» 4 August

Goondiwindi Hospital
phone 07 4578 2400

» 5 and 19 August

Chinchilla Hospital
phone 07 4662 8888

» 6 August

Jandowae Multipurpose
Health Service
phone 07 4668 4555

» 10 August

Tara Hospital
phone 07 4678 7900

» 11 August

Millmerran Multipurpose
Health Service
phone 07 4695 3111

» 12 August

Miles Hospital
phone 07 4628 5600

» 13 August

Inglewood Multipurpose
Health Service
phone 07 4652 0777

» 17 August

Wandoan
Outpatients Clinic
phone 07 4627 4444

» 20 August

Dalby Hospital
phone 07 4669 0512