



Texas P-10
State School

Texas Telegraph

Week 2, Term 4 2026



Diary Dates

Week 2

Friday 16 October

- Two-way Meet (at Texas)

Week 3

Tuesday 20 October

- Year 9-10 Agriculture Excursion

Friday 23 October

- Student Leader Applications due

Week 4

Friday 30 October

- Day for Daniel

Saturday 31 October

- P&C Movie Night

Week 8

Tuesday 24 November

- Awards Night

QParents Consents

Affected Students	Activity	Due Back
High School Art Students	Art Gallery Installation	22/10
Year 9/10	Golf	21/10
Year 3	Swimming	26/11
Year 9	Ecology Excursion	19/10
Selected Students	Remembrance Day	9/11
Year 4/5	Swimming	26/10
Year 8	Golf	20/11
Year 7	Swimming	13/11
Year 5/6T	Swimming	2/11
Prep-Year 2	Mingoola Place	18/11
Year 4/5	Design Technology	9/12
Year 5/6	Design Technology	11/12

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Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 4. There's a lot happening in Term 4 which causes me to suggest that it will be another flyby event. Term 4 is always a hot but fun affair. I trust everyone had a relaxing holiday period and took some time to enable the body batteries to recharge.

Term 4 Swimming

Primary school students will participate in swimming lessons for their Physical Education program in Term 4. Lessons at the pool will take place during students' scheduled Physical Education times, as follows:

Monday: Year 5/6 in lesson 2

Wednesday: Year 1/2 in lesson 3, Prep in lesson 4

Thursday: Year 4/5 in lesson 4

Friday: Year 3 in lesson 3

Please ensure that all consents have been completed for participation in swimming and that swimming gear is sent to school on the appropriate day.

Classes for 2027

We are in the process of determining classes for 2027. A letter will be sent home to parents once classes have been finalised. This will occur in the first half of Term 4.

Points of Interest:

- School Supervisor visit - 12 October.
- Under 8's Day - 13 October.
- Shake and Stir Performance, "Red Tree" - 13 October.
- Two-Way Meet (at Texas) - 16 October.
- Year 9-10 Agriculture Excursion - 20 October.
- Student Leader Applications due - 23 October (*application packs are available to be collected at office for students wishing to nominate*).

Bullying

I sometimes have chats with parents around perceived bullying incidents effecting students at school. I am thankful that bullying is not a huge problem at Texas P-10 State School but the topic certainly comes up occasionally. I recently read an article which I think will help parents develop a better understanding of the topic. In summary:

- Bullying is the ongoing and deliberate misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm.
- Bullying behaviours can involve an individual or a group misusing their power (or perceived power) over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening.

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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 /Texas P-10 State School

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

Principal's Report (continued)

- Bullying behaviours can happen in person or online and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert).
- Bullying behaviour is repeated over time.
- Bullying behaviours can have immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

Source: <https://bullyingnoway.gov.au/understanding-bullying>

Bullying is not:

- Conflict, fights or arguments between equals,
- one-off acts of meanness, spite or social rejection and/or or not liking someone,
- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation and/or violence.

It certainly doesn't mean that these instances should be discounted. This type of behaviour can still be very upsetting, however will be addressed in a different way to a bullying situation. If a behaviour has impacted your child, it is important that it is addressed.

If you require more information, <https://parentline.com.au/> can help. Call 1300 30 1300.

Understanding bullying helps parents and carers respond with confidence and work effectively with the school to support their child.

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. It's been a calm start to the term. There have been only a small number of minor incidents reported on OneSchool.
2. The student engagement in learning evident as I walk around the school and through classrooms.



I Polisher

1. A reminder to play fairly, drink plenty of water and to wear hats (it's going to get hot in Term 4).

Sean Cole, Principal



HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

31 OCTOBER

A frightfully fun family affair!

3-4pm

Official Art Exhibition Opening
At Texas Regional Art Gallery
Prep-Year 2 Performance

4-5:30pm

Halloween Walk
Starts and finishes at Texas Memorial Hall
See Mandy Edmonstone for details.

P&C MOVIE NIGHT
At Texas Memorial Hall
MOVIE NIGHT ENTRY • \$5
Food available from 5:30pm
MEAL DEAL • \$7.50
Hot dog or pizza with a popper
Movie starts at 6pm

MINIONS & MONSTERS
Parents must supervise their children.
Bring your own cushion, bean bag or blanket to enjoy the movie in comfort.

TWO WAY MEET MEAL DEAL



\$10

HOT DOG / CHICKEN GRAVY ROLL

+

POPPER

+

PACKET CHIPS

TO ORDER:

INGLEWOOD - CASH ON THE DAY

TEXAS - FLEXISCHOOLS

THANK YOU TEXAS P & C

Head of Department

2027 Student Leadership

There are three leadership positions available to students for 2027:

- School Captain (Secondary)
- School Leader (Primary)
- House Captain (Primary and Secondary)

A student can **apply** for more than one position but can only be **selected** for one position.

Students who are selected as School Captains/Leaders and House Captains are required to attend Student Council meetings but will not be eligible to be the Year Level student council representatives.

Application Packages are available from Administration.

Applications need to be returned to Admin by Friday 23 October 2026.

Attendance

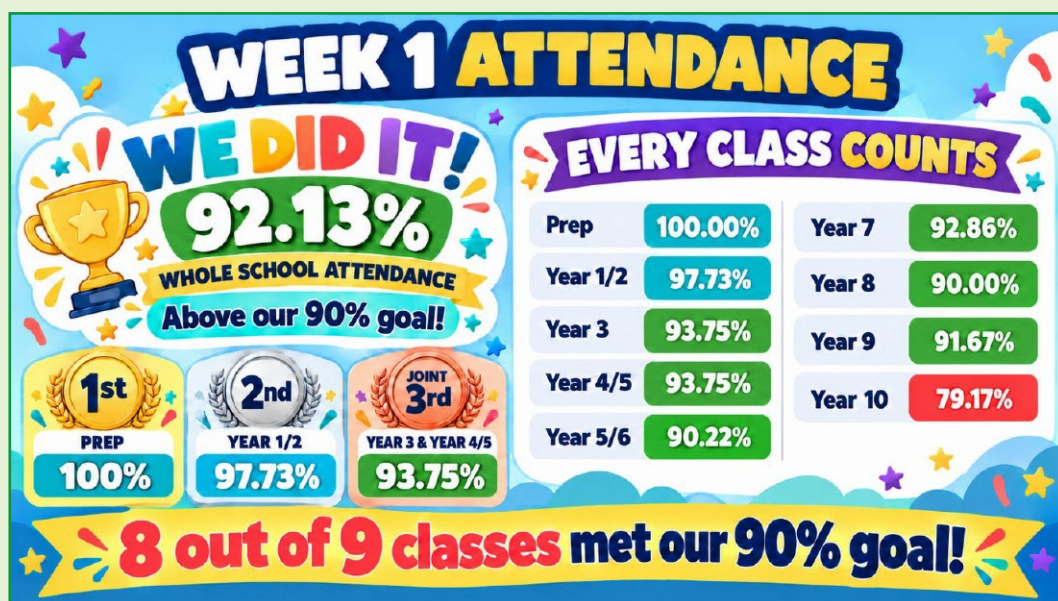
What a fantastic start to Term 4! Our Week 1 whole school attendance reached 92.13%, beating our 90% goal, with 8 out of 9 classes hitting the target!

1st: Prep: 100%. Small students, HUGE achievement!

2nd: Year 1/2: 97.73%. Hot on their heels!

3rd: Year 3 and Year 4/5: 93.75%. Sharing third place because apparently sharing really is caring!

A big thank you to our families for helping students arrive ready to learn. Let's keep showing up, joining in and making every day count. **Who will take the attendance crown next week?**



Learning Legends: Prep to Year 3

A few happy snaps from my classroom walkthroughs this week! Our Prep to Year 3 learners had plenty to show me and lots of learning in action!

Ms Jillian Hazard, Head of Department



QParents Refresh

From 20 October, QParents will have a refreshed look, clearer navigation and new features to make it easier to use.

These include a to-do list for all children, improved views for families with multiple children, a combined timetable, easier access to consent requests and the option to pay multiple invoices at once.

QParents app users must update the app to continue using it. If automatic updates are on, the app will update automatically. Website users do not need to take any action.

QParents is getting a refresh

- ✓ New to-do list
- ✓ Easier access for families with multiple children
- ✓ Combined timetable view
- ✓ Easier access to consent requests
- ✓ Pay multiple invoices at once



Miss Pole Preservice Teacher



My name is Mary Pole, and I am a third-year preservice teacher from the University of the Sunshine Coast. I am delighted to be completing my placement at Texas State School in Mrs Trim's Year 5/6 class. I look forward to further developing my teaching skills and working alongside students, staff, and families as part of the community. I am passionate about creating engaging learning experiences and supporting students to reach their full potential. I look forward to meeting you all and will see you around the school!



EXPECTATION OF THE WEEK

SAFE

We participate,
help others and contribute
to our school community.

Texas P-10 State School

WORDS OF THE WEEK

WEEK 1	Prep	Year 1/2	Year 3	Year 4/5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
	imagine	inform	informative	biography	guide	gravitational	geographic	exhibition catalogue or biosecurity	exhibition catalogue or biosecurity

WEEK 2	Prep	Year 1/2	Year 3	Year 4/5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
	subtract	partition	partition	equivalent	sequence	constitution	metamorphic	stereotype	stereotype

Know it • Use it • Spell it

TERM 4 SPORT DATE CLAIMERS

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 2 12-16 OCTOBER					2 WAY MEET BETWEEN TEXAS AND INGLEWOOD
WEEK 4 26- 30 OCTOBER					DDSS AQUATHLON
WEEK 10 7-11 DECEMBER			TEXAS PREP-2 SWIMMING CARNIVAL		

Students of the Week

Term 3 Week 10	Student		Reason
Prep		Mahlee	For your amazing improvement in spelling and sounding out CVC and digraph words. Great job, keep it up! You are Fintastic!
Year 1/2		Hector	For your enthusiasm and commitment to learning.
		Levi	For trying hard to do your best.
Year 3		Presley	For your amazing effort in English and getting up with confidence to present your speech. Great job!
Year 4/5		Ricky	For working enthusiastically on our Art Exhibition projects. Your creativity, effort and attention to detail have been wonderful. Keep up the fantastic work!
		Jonathan	For working enthusiastically on our Art Exhibition projects. Your creativity, effort and attention to detail have been wonderful. Keep up the fantastic work!

Term 3 Week 10	Student		Reason
Year 5/6		All Students	For your incredible commitment to your learning and assessment in the final weeks of Term 3. You all gave your personal best with many of you making significant improvements in your subject results. Well done.
Year 7		Kailan	For your great effort in Volleyball in HPE. You play by the rules and try your hardest.
Year 8		Lachlan	For the excellent effort you have put into mapping and diagram creation in HASS.
Year 9		Nevaeh	For your great participation in the Two-Way Meet. You tried hard in every sport and showed great sportsmanship.
Year 10		Amelia	For the serious dedication that you display towards your Sports Shed duties. You always make sure that the room runs smoothly.

Students of the Week

Term 4 Week 1	Student		Reason	Term 4 Week 1	Student		Reason
Prep		Arley	For the improvement in your independent writing. You are such a rockstar with your 'On the weekend...' writing, segmenting and blending sounds and writing longer and more interesting sentences. Keep up your hard work, I am so proud of you!	Year 7		Lily	Congratulations on a fantastic start to the term! You have shown a positive attitude, enthusiasm, and a wonderful willingness to learn. Keep up the great work – you've made an excellent start!
Year 1/2		Giannis	For your descriptive writing, expressive reading, accurate maths and magnificent collage work.	Year 8		Cody	Congratulations on a fantastic start to the term! You have shown a positive attitude, enthusiasm, and a wonderful willingness to learn. Keep up the great work – you've made an excellent start!
		Frances	For your descriptive writing, expressive reading, accurate maths and magnificent collage work.	Year 9		Kingston	Congratulations on a fantastic start to the term! You have shown a positive attitude, enthusiasm, and a wonderful willingness to learn. Keep up the great work – you've made an excellent start!
Year 3		Jock	For your enthusiastic participation during classroom discussions. You have a wealth of interesting information on a range of topics. Well done!	Year 10		Addison	Congratulations on a fantastic start to the term! You have shown a positive attitude, enthusiasm, and a wonderful willingness to learn. Keep up the great work – you've made an excellent start!

Prep HASS and Technology

Prep students have been enthusiastically exploring, experimenting and discovering how everyday materials can be folded, shaped, joined and connected to create 3D models of features in their classroom. Using their own classroom maps as a starting point, students have been putting their creativity and problem-solving skills to work as they design, construct and improve their models. There has been plenty of hands-on learning, wonderful curiosity and excitement as students discover what works, what doesn't and how they can make their creations even better! They are also learning about caring for places and have been very clear that they make their beds and put their clothes in the dirty clothes basket!



Year 1 and 2 HASS and Technology

Year 1 and 2 students have been busy becoming history detectives! Through examining photographs and other sources of information, they have been investigating how everyday life has changed over time, particularly the technologies we use in our homes. Students have enjoyed identifying similarities and differences between the past and present, making fascinating discoveries about how people once lived and worked. Discussion is a huge part of learning as can be seen by students in the photos animatedly sharing their thoughts about how mowers and clothes washing have changed over time. Of note, none of them appeared keen to wash their clothes in the "old" way.



In Technology, students have also been enthusiastically developing their digital skills, learning how to use devices safely and confidently while exploring fun and meaningful ways to collect, organise and represent information about their own class.

Year 3 HASS

Our Year 3 students have been putting their geographical and mathematical thinking skills to the test as they explore how data can tell us interesting stories about different places. During learning it became clear that building real life experience with a space would help students apply their knowledge to the task of understanding why a manual arts classroom might be located away from other learning spaces. To this end, Miss Nettie and Mrs Christidis took pivoted learning and spent a great deal of time showing the class through the manual arts room, equipment and facilities to learn first-hand why the space is not near their learning area. A huge thanks to Mrs Christidis and Miss Nettie for taking this opportunity to provide rich and authentic experiences to the class.

Students are now preparing to put this knowledge and their existing skills into action by comparing two different places, drawing conclusions and using evidence to explain their thinking. It has been wonderful to see their growing confidence as they discover just how much information can be revealed through maps, graphs, data and what they can interpret based on their knowledge and experiences.

Mrs Deanne Doherty



Year 1 and 2

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting final term with our Year 1 and 2 students.

English

This term, students will be exploring information reports, with a focus on fascinating animals and countries around the world. They will learn how to gather and organise information, identify important facts and communicate their knowledge clearly.

Students will also continue to develop their spelling and reading skills. Our information reports will provide opportunities for students to demonstrate their reading comprehension and show their understanding of the information they have explored.

Maths

In Maths, students will consolidate their mathematical understanding. We will be working on skip counting, partitioning two- and three-digit numbers, problem solving, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Students will also explore number patterns and complete general revision of the concepts covered throughout the year. As we approach the end of the school year, students will also be exposed to some content from the next grade level, helping to build confidence and prepare them for the exciting learning ahead.

Science

Our Science focus this term is Light and Sound. Students will investigate how light and sound work and explore how we use them in our everyday lives. We will make connections between our Science learning and music in a creative and practical way.

Art

There is lots of exciting creativity happening in Art this term! Students will be looking at the work of mixed-media artist Kate Mitchell and using her work as inspiration for their own magnificent artworks. Our students are creating wonderful roosters for the school art exhibition, and we can't wait to see the finished pieces on display. We will also be completing some exciting 3D artworks. The Year 2 students will have an additional opportunity to develop their practical skills as they learn some basic hand sewing.

Upcoming Events

- Under Eights Day
- Shake & Stir performance
- Pevan & Sarah concert
- The Texas P-10 State School Art Exhibition
- Awards Night



- Class sleep over
- End-of-year celebrations

We are looking forward to a wonderful Term 4.

Mrs Sonya Finlay



Year 5/6 Term 4 Overview

Learning and Assessment Snapshot

For details on HPE, Japanese and Technology please see specialist teachers

English



Topic: Information Texts

What we are learning:

We are learning to identify the structural and language features of an information text, as well as comprehend literal and inferential meaning.

Assessment:

- Reading Comprehension Exam — due Week 4
- Create an Information Text — due Week 9

Maths



Topic: Algebra, Percentages, Decimals and Fractions, Algorithms

What we are learning:

We are learning to apply percentages, decimals and fractions to real-world problems, as well as identify probability and patterns in everyday life.

Assessment:

- Exam 1 — Weeks 3 and 6
- Exam 2 — Weeks 7 and 9

Science



Topic: Environments

What we are learning:

We are investigating a variety of different environments and the conditions for optimal growth of living organisms. This will culminate in a scientific investigation into the growth of mould.

Assessment:

- Scientific Investigation — Weeks 6 and 7

HASS



Topic: Economics and Community Decisions

What we are learning:

Students will learn the difference between goods and services, as well as how communities make decisions.

Assessment:

- Exam — Week 7

Arts



Topic: Symmetry in Dance

What we are learning:

We are engaging in a dance unit this term where the focus will be on symmetry in dance. This will include both group and individual work.

Assessment:

- Performance — Week 7
- Responding Exam — Week 9

How You Can Help at Home



Ask your child about what they are learning



Complete homework tasks



Promote reading at home



Most importantly, attend school



Term 4 2026

Wellbeing Calendar

Texas State School



Be Safe
Be Responsible
Be Respectful

A positive, supportive and connected school community

WEEK 4

Mon 26 October –
Fri 30 October
2026

Children's Week

Celebrating all children and the importance
of their rights, voices and wellbeing.



WEEK 4

Friday
30 October
2026



Day for Daniel

Wear red and help keep kids safe.
Recognising the importance of child safety,
looking out for each other and speaking up.



WEEK 5

Mon 2 November –
Fri 6 November
2026

Wellbeing Week

A week of fun activities to connect, be active,
be kind and look after our mental health.



WEEK 6

Friday
13 November
2026

World Kindness Day

Create a kinder, brighter school community.
Small actions make a big difference!



WEEK 10

Date to be
confirmed

PBL Rewards Movie Day

Celebrate our positive behaviour and
earned points as a school community!



Community Notice

BONSHAW PUBLIC SCHOOL

COLOUR RUN!

LET'S GET COLOURFUL!

SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

10:30AM
QLD TIME

BONSHAW PUBLIC SCHOOL

GOLD COIN DONATION

BBQ **BAKE SALE**

LOTS MORE AND OTHER SURPRISES ON THE DAY!

♥ **MONEY RAISED GOES TOWARDS SCHOOL RESOURCES**

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL! ♥

YELARBON P&C
SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY

PIG RACES

Come along and cheer on your favourite pig!

Bring your friends and family!

SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER **YELARBON STATE SCHOOL** **GATES OPEN 11AM**

FOOD & DRINKS **KIDS ACTIVITIES** **BAR** **RACE SWEEPS**

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY

COLLITON FARMING **L BULMER & CO Earthmoving** **Local store** **Banyl Crayz** **SAPPHIRE FEEDLOT** **She'll Turn Heads** **TRIBE**

Raine & Horne

TEXAS SWIM SQUAD

STARTING MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER

COST - POOL ENTRY **ALL SWIMMERS REQUIRE THEIR OWN FINs. Please bring to all sessions.**

MINI SQUAD 5:00PM **SQUAD 5:30PM**

PLEASE CONTACT SHANNON ON **0429 180 682** FOR MORE INFORMATION

TEXAS SWIM CLUB AGM

MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2026 6PM AT THE TEXAS POOL

ALL NEW AND EXISTING MEMBERS WELCOME

NO PRESSURE TO TAKE ON A JOB

COME ALONG AND FIND OUT WHAT OUR SWIM CLUB IS ABOUT