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Rugby Notes

Week Ending Sunday, 10 March 2024

2024 Club Rugby Season Dates	The TDRU junior season is scheduled to commence following the Easter school holidays and conclude the week prior to the September school holidays. There will be a break in competition during the June/July school holidays.
Junior School Teams (U8, U10, U11)	<p>It is great to see the Junior School teams (U8-U11) start their training. Pre-season training will continue at Annandale on Tuesday afternoons for the remainder of the term.</p> <p>Please note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Players are to wear their boots and bring their mouthguards to training• Headgear and shoulder pads are optional• The North Shore students who are returning on the bus after training will arrive back at North Shore at 4:45pm. Parents are kindly requested to assist staff by arriving promptly at this pick up time. <p><u>Coaching Staff:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U8 coaches – Mr Chris Gray, Mr Ricky Evans, Mr George Marshman• U10 coach – Mr Martin Tait• U11 coach – Mr Giles Derrett
Senior School Teams (U13, U15, U17)	<p>Confirming to all parents that we will be fielding a team in U13, U15, and U17. Our player numbers are solid but we still need a few more numbers particularly in our U15 and U17 teams. Please talk amongst your networks to recruit a few more players, there are also plenty of families I am aware of who are yet to sign up on Rugby Xplorer.</p> <p>The senior school teams (U13, U15, U17) will continue with the current arrangements of integrating pre-season training with the Block Interschool Rugby Competition.</p> <p>When the club season commences next term, training will shift to Tuesdays and Thursdays.</p> <p><u>Coaching Staff:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U13 – Mr David Enfantie and Mr Max Ellis• U15 – Mr Andrew McKinnon and Mr Caelan Malone• U17 – Mr Connor Barrett and Mr Josh Agostino
How to Register 	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Download 'Rugby Xplorer' App2. Select 'Sign-up or Login' from menu3. Once signed up or logged in, select 'Register' from menu4. Under 'Play Rugby', select 'Find a Club'5. Who would you like to register? – select a previously linked profile or 'link a new person' and then click 'next' at the bottom of the screen.6. Which Club would you like to register to?7. 'Townsville Grammar JRUC' – select and then click 'next' at the bottom of the screen.8. Role = Player9. Registration Type = XVs Juniors QLDC



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Duration = Season Under 'Additional Details', when asked if you want your profile private, please select 'no'. This allows us to allocate your child to a team. Select the size of 1 pair of socks, 1 pair of shorts and training shirt for your child (these are included in your fees) Complete payment In order to claim family discounts, you have to register all children at the same time – select the link “would you like to add another registration?”. <p>Full payment for the following levies will be collected at the time of registration: Playing/Training Kit, ARU, QRU, Insurance, TDRU, Prepaid Gate Pass, All TGS Costs.</p>
TDRU Fast Start Program	<p>The TDRU are looking to incorporate a new initiative this season called the “Fast Start” program. This essentially provides team the opportunity to play some pre-season fixtures prior to the regular season commencing. TGS is intending to participate in the final 2 weeks of this program (16 & 17 March and 23 & 24 March) and I will provide more information in due course.</p>
Block Interschool Rugby	<p>The TGS teams are currently competing well at the Block Interschool Rugby Competition played on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. We have strong numbers in all of our teams – Year 7 & 8, Year 9 & 10, and Year 11 & 12. It is fantastic to see black and gold jerseys out on a rugby field regardless if it is a school or club competition.</p> <p>Be sure to read the weekly match reports available on our Interhouse and Interschool Sport page, under 'Interschool Block Sport News (North Ward)'</p>
TGS Rugby – Gratitude	<p>A key pillar of the TGS Rugby culture will be “Gratitude”. As such, after every training session or game, we want our players to shake hands and say “thank-you” to all the coaches, managers, and volunteers involved. After each game we also shake the hands of our opponents and the referee. Over time, this simple gesture will become automatic, but parents can assist us by giving their son or daughter a gentle reminder every now and again.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div>
TGS Rugby Community – seeking your support	<p>I am seeking assistance from our TGS Rugby Community. I am looking for a generous supporter who would like to donate a “Player of the Match” prize or voucher for every TGS game played this season. We are looking at having eight teams this year, each playing 15-18 games. Having a prize or voucher (valued at around \$20) being awarded after each game is a great way to recognise and reward our fabulous young players.</p> <p>In addition to knowing that you are supporting a great rugby club with loads of quality young boys and girls, your support will be well noted in all rugby newsletters publicised during the season.</p> <p>If you can help or know of anyone amongst your networks that can assist, please be sure to let David Enfantie know.</p>



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School App

The TGS App plays a very important part in our sports communications. I encourage all students and parents to download this app to your phones as a matter of priority.

The School App is available for download from the Apple App Store or Google Play, by searching Townsville Grammar School.

- Search Townsville Grammar School and download
- Go to Settings (bottom of screen)
- Select NOTIFICATIONS - enable - this will allow you to receive important School notices
- Select SUBSCRIPTIONS - select the Year Levels and co-curricular activities that are relevant

Once downloaded, select the sport your child is playing for notifications.

