

THEATRE CLUB PROGRAM 2026

Dear Parents.

In 2026, the Theatre Club program will continue to run on Thursday afternoons from 3:45 – 5:00pm in the PA Space.

Theatre Club provides an opportunity for students to build their confidence and improve their lateral thinking, self-expression, teamwork and communication skills. Students attending this club will improve their performance skills through a range of Theatre Sports games and activities, as well as scripted performance opportunities throughout the year. Theatre Sports is a form of improvised theatre entertainment. It's also a fun way for students to gain valuable improvisation experience and stage time. Students form teams and play through "games" where they invent scenes from prompts, while following particular sets of rules. Everything is made up on the spot: the plot, dialogue, mime and sometimes even songs. The teams are judged on their ability to follow the rules of each game, deliver a cohesive storyline and entertain the audience. Students also have the opportunity to try out for Interschool Theatre Sports Competition that take place multiple times a year.

Another opportunity Theatre Club students have is to participate in scripted performance such as The Scene Project during Term 2 and the Townsville Eisteddfod in Term 3. The Scene Project is Queensland Theatre's largest Education offering, encouraging drama students throughout the state to engage in the creative process of performance, from rehearsal through to presentation. Each year a playwright pens a new work and the participating drama groups are tasked with the challenge of creating their own unique 15-minute version of the play. During the rehearsal phase, Queensland Theatre artists visit the participating schools to facilitate workshops. The Scene Project is about collaboration, acknowledging students and teachers as artists, building confidence and encouraging live performance in a professional space and manner. The project concludes with local schools coming together in a professional theatre venue to share their performance. On this day, a cast of professional Queensland Theatre actors also present a full interpretation of the play (under the same 'minimalist' parameters that schools have), providing young artists and their teachers with new ways of making and shaping texts that can be taken into their classrooms. Students who would like to participate in The Scene Project will be required to pay a show levy of \$40 to help cover costs of entry, props and costuming).

Students will need theatre blacks, consisting of black pants, black tee-shirt, black socks and black closed in shoes. Attendance at Theatre Club is free and all students from Years 7 to 12 are welcome to attend – you do not have to be a 'drama' student! Some performance opportunities may include a show levy to help cover the cost of costumes and venue hire. These fees will be outlined to parents and students prior to the commencement of rehearsals for such performances.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at sarah.crawford@tgs.qld.edu.au for more information.

Kind regards,

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