

# STARTING SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS NORTH SHORE CAMPUS

A warm welcome to our new and returning families of Townsville Grammar School's **North Shore Campus**. The following information relates to the start of the School year at the North Shore Campus.

All School Commencement Information is available on our website: www.tqs.qld.edu.au/2026

#### **KEY DATES:**

#### Monday, 19 January 2026

Townsville Grammar School North Shore Campus School Office re-opens 9:00am

## Tuesday, 20 January 2026

Class lists (2026) will be available on the notice board and via Parent Lounge.

## Monday, 26 January 2026

Australia Day Public Holiday

# Tuesday, 27 January 2026

Connections First.

Prep - Year 6 (11:00am - 3:00pm) - More information to come

Principal's Welcome Function for parents (PP - Year 12) - North Ward Campus - 4:30 - 6:00pm

# Wednesday, 28 January 2026 - School commences

Prep - Year 2 (8:45am) Year 3 - 6 (8:30am)

## Monday, 2 February 2026

EEC (Pre-Prep) 2026 commences

# FIRST DAY ARRANGEMENTS - WEDNESDAY, 28 JANUARY 2026

- Year 1 to Year 6 students who are aware of their class may report directly to the classroom from 8:15am.
- New students seeking direction to their classroom are asked to report to the School Office at approximately 8:20am so that they can be shown to the classroom and introduced to their teacher.
- Prep students report directly to their classrooms at 8:30am.

Once you have accompanied your child/children to their classrooms you are invited to the Undercover Area for morning tea. A firm but friendly goodbye to your child demonstrates your trust in the teacher and helps your child settle within the classroom quickly. Please explain pick up arrangements with your child or procedures if they are attending Outside School Hours Care.

#### **BOOK PACK**

As part of the General Purpose Levy (GPL), all students will be given a book pack on the first day of school. This will contain all the exercise books, text books and basic stationery that your child will need throughout the year. Your child's teacher will go through these supplies during the first week and will send items home for labelling and covering during the course of the week.

#### **TUCKSHOP**

An updated School Tuckshop list is available on our website and orders are all made online via Flexischools www.flexischools.com.au

# **UNIFORMS - THE SCHOOL LOCKER**

All students are asked to arrive in the correct uniform on the first day of School.

Details of Physical Education/Sport requirements will be communicated in a schedule to be finalised once timetables are complete. All Townsville Grammar School uniforms, as well as a range of other School supplies and equipment, will be available from **The School Locker – Domain Central**. A list of opening times is available at <a href="https://www.tqs.qld.edu.au/2026">www.tqs.qld.edu.au/2026</a> - under UNIFORMS.

As per the School Handbook, the following is of particular note:

- Hair For comfort, safety and appearance, it is expected that children's hair be kept tidy. Conventional haircuts, natural hair colours and styles only are acceptable. The general rule for boys is not below collar or in eyes minimum number 3 (no undercuts). Haircuts should not bring undue attention to the child. Long hair on girls is to be tied back by scrunchies or ribbon in black, navy blue or yellow.
- Jewellery The wearing of ornamental jewellery is not allowed. The practice of wearing jewellery creates
  hazards in such areas as Physical Education, Science and Drama. Minimal jewellery wristwatch, 1 pair of
  sleepers or studs for pierced ears is permitted. Earrings may only be worn by girls through the lobe of the
  ear. Nail polish is not acceptable. Jewellery of sentimental value or religious significance is not to be worn,
  as exceptions cannot be allowed.

# **SHOES**

- Pre-Prep and Prep
  - o Sports shoes (velcro or lace up) with visible short white socks.
- Years 1 6
  - o **Black leather lace up shoes** are to be worn with the formal uniform. The uniform code stipulates that the black lace up shoes:
    - Are able to be polished
    - Be hard-soled
    - Are lace-up (not buckle or Mary-Jane style) Velcro for Year 1 permitted

- No suede or nubuck finishes
- Shoes with higher heels are not permissible
- Please ensure you carefully check that the footwear being purchased meets the requirements, as the issue of replacement of incorrect shoes can be expensive.
- Students are expected to maintain a polish on their black shoes, and the responsibility for this care should fall to them. For lunchtime play, students wishing to change into sports shoes may do so for comfort. However, school shoes are to be worn on their return to class.
- Sports shoes and the sports bucket hat may only be worn with the sports uniform. The grey TGS slouch hat is to be worn with the day uniform.

#### **MEDICATION**

If medication for your child is required (short term or ongoing), please ensure it is delivered to the Office for processing as a permission form needs to be completed.

# WORK SAMPLES / REPORTS (NEW STUDENTS)

If you have documents from a previous school, which we have not yet sighted, these may be provided at your earliest convenience, either to the classroom teacher or through the Office.

#### MUSIC & DANCE ENROLMENTS

Please complete the enrolment forms online at - <a href="https://www.tgs.gld.edu.au/2026">www.tgs.gld.edu.au/2026</a> - see the Co-curricular section.

#### **BUS**

Townsville Grammar School provides a bus service to and from Bushland Beach areas. This service is for Prep – Year 6 students only.

Students travelling on this bus must be enrolled and currently attending Townsville Grammar's North Shore Campus. This is a free service. Please refer to the School Website for details of bus stops <a href="https://www.tgs.qld.edu.au/bus">www.tgs.qld.edu.au/bus</a> or there is a link via <a href="https://www.tgs.qld.edu.au/2026">www.tgs.qld.edu.au/bus</a> or there is a link via <a href="https://www.tgs.qld.edu.au/2026">www.tgs.qld.edu.au/2026</a> - see the BUS section.

## OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

Before School Care is offered from 6:30 until 8:30am.

After School Care from 3:00 - 6:00pm

Vacation Care is available from 6:30am until 6:00pm.

New families wishing to enrol their children into Outside School Hours should contact OSHC on <a href="mailto:oshc@tgs.qld.edu.au">oshc@tgs.qld.edu.au</a> for more information.

Vacation Care timetables and booking forms are available throughout the year online at <a href="https://www.tgs.qld.edu.au/oshc">www.tgs.qld.edu.au/oshc</a>

#### **PARKING and KISS AND GO**

Parking is always at a premium during the first days of the School year and we ask that parents observe the setdown areas and bus bays and use them accordingly. The speed limit in the car park is 10km/hr. Please obey traffic flow signs particularly the one-way system regarding entry (EEC end) and exit gates. Under no circumstances are cars to block traffic on Erskine Drive. At the end of school, students will be supervised in the covered area.

#### TGS SCHOOL APP - IMPORTANT FOR SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

The TGS School App is becoming an increasingly important communication tool across our School from PP – Year 12. Parents can download the App by searching Townsville Grammar School in the App Store or Google Play. Once downloaded – please select SETTINGS and then NOTIFICATIONS - and tailor your alerts so that you only receive information relevant to your child's year level or co-curricular interest area.

## **CLASS LISTS**

Please note that the lists of classes for 2026 will be displayed from Tuesday, 21 January. We are unable to read class lists over the phone. As enrolments and transfers occur up until the starting date for the school year, the formation of classes is subject to change.

All allocations to classes are made with a range of significant factors in mind and are therefore carefully considered. We cannot guarantee that requests for particular classes will be met, and seek your understanding of our decisions regarding placements.

#### LEAVE ARRANGEMENTS

As per the School Handbook, all requests for leave, e.g. early departure at the end of term, long weekends, family holidays, sporting trips etc. must be directed in writing to the Head of Junior School in advance of the leave: <a href="martin.tait@tgs.qld.edu.au">martin.tait@tgs.qld.edu.au</a>

## **EARLY EDUCATION CENTRE**

Any further enquiries regarding the EEC Centre at North Shore can be directed to the Director of Early Education, Ms Cyndi Friend, on 4412 6601 or via email: <a href="mailto:cyndi.friend@tgs.qld.edu.au">cyndi.friend@tgs.qld.edu.au</a>.

Thank you for your cooperation with these arrangements to ensure the start of our 2026 School year is as smooth as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact our Campus Reception on 4412 6600 if you have any questions. We look forward to an enjoyable year ahead.