



Tolga State School Newsletter

SAFETY - RESPECT - RESPONSIBILITY

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Issue Date: 3rd September, 2025

School Calendar

Allan Rockley Touch Football Competition	Wed 23/07 to 10/10
PUPIL FREE DAY	Friday 05/09
P&C Meeting Tolga Hotel Meeting Room 7pm	Monday 08/09
Prep 2026 Open Day 9:00am to 10:30am	Wed 17/09
Last day of Term 3	Friday 19/09
Public Holiday	Monday 06/10
First day of Term 4	Tuesday 07/10
'Day for Daniel' Wear Red—Gold Coin Donation	Friday 31/10
Yr5 Daradgee Camp Consent & Payment due	Friday 31/10



Tuckshop Roster

Mon	08/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Tues	09/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Wed	10/09	Simone
Thu	11/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Fri	12/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Mon	15/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Tue	16/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Wed	17/09	Simone
Thu	18/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Fri	19/09	VOLUNTEER NEEDED



Tolga State School Prep Open Day

Come and meet our
Prep Teachers, get
familiar with the
school and participate
in fun activities.

Bring a hat and closed in shoes.

2026
Prep
Orientation

WEDNESDAY
17th September
9am - 10.30am

Prep/1 Classroom

Parking available on Catherine St



School Procedures
pages 7 to 10

A LITTLE REMINDER!

Friday, 5th September
is a Pupil Free Day!

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Staff, Students, Parents, Carers and Community Members,

This week, I have been on Long Service Leave in Brisbane watching my son at State Baseball (I wrote this whilst enjoying the sun and being a Mum). I want to thank Mr Anderson (A/ Principal) and Mrs Lanskey (A/DP) who manned the fort during my time away. I am looking forward to seeing kids and families on Tuesday.

Part of my daily routine is walking through classrooms and seeing student engagement and work samples of progress. I am so impressed by the work happening in all grades and students trying their best and having a go.

As part of ongoing school improvement, the education leaders are completing Instructional Leadership Walkthroughs (ILWs) in all classrooms. ILWs are informal classroom interactions for short durations, routinely undertaken to gain a line of sight over student engagement and learning, as well as a sense of key aspects of school culture.

When we go into classrooms, we are using 5 Key Questions to ask students:

- 1. What are you learning?*
- 2. How are you doing?*
- 3. How do you know?*
- 4. How can you improve?*
- 5. Where do you go for help?*



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued...

Gathering this information helps us to understand how our students are learning and their learning progress. As education leaders we are then looking at ways to continue student progress and reach our goals of every student at Tolga SS achieving individual 12 month growth in 12 months.

Next week we will be hosting our Parent Interviews on Tuesday, 9th September in the school library. Teachers will have got in contact with classes already to organise meeting times. If you have not made a time and wish to do so, please contact class teachers to ensure you can have these discussions regarding your student's progress at school. Hope to see you there!

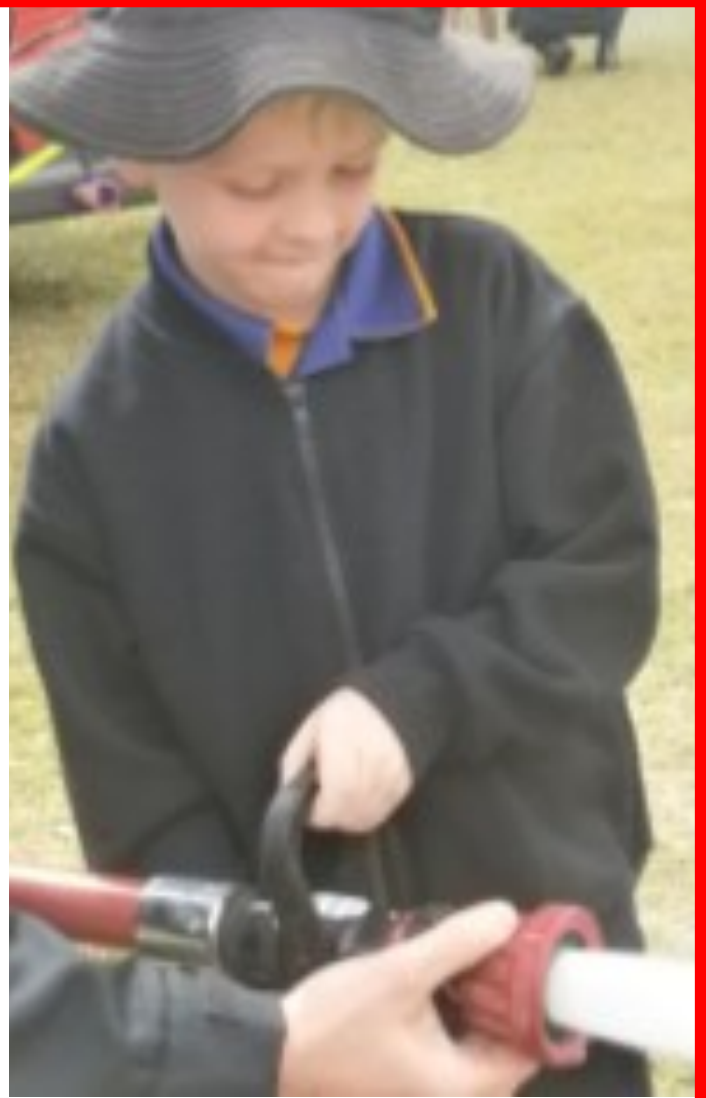
Until next time, yours in Education,

Belinda Grose

Principal



CLASSROOM NEWS



Fire Brigade Visit

This Term the Fire Brigade visited Year 1 Students to talk about fire safety. Topics included: ringing “zero, zero, zero” when there is an emergency; knowing their home address; and seeing what the firemen look and sound like when dressed in their full safety uniform. The visits concluded with the students getting to inspect the fire truck “Sophie” and having a turn using the fire hose.

SCHOOL NOTICES



**SCHOOL
WATCH**

LOOK • LISTEN • REPORT

PHONE
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POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING


At Tolga State School, we're proud to be a Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) school!

PBL is a research-backed approach that supports positive behaviour throughout our school. It helps improve student outcomes, boosts wellbeing for both staff and students, and reduces behavioural challenges.


We're all about creating a positive, supportive environment where everyone can thrive!

Department of Education
**Positive Behaviour
for Learning (PBL)**


What is PBL?
PBL is short for **Positive Behaviour for Learning**.
PBL is a plan for schools to




- be a positive place to learn




- teach students how to behave at school



- tell students when they do the right thing




- help students when they make mistakes



- work together with parents.

To find out more about PBL
contact your school or [regional office](#).



**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

Be Responsible before and after school

Why is this important?
So that we can:

- Start school calmly
- Get home safely



How can we do this?
BEFORE SCHOOL:

- GET TO SCHOOL, STAY AT SCHOOL
- TEACHER AIDE SUPERVISION FROM 8:15
- SUPERVISED PLAY ON THE OVAL FROM 8:30
- WHEN THE BELL RINGS, SIT QUIETLY AND WAIT FOR YOUR TEACHER

AFTER SCHOOL:

- **BUS** – GO DIRECTLY TO THE AREA UNDERNEATH THE OFFICE AND WAIT QUIETLY
- **PICKUP** – GO DIRECTLY TO THE PARENT PICKUP AREA AND WAIT QUIETLY
- **WALKING** – WALK DIRECTLY HOME IMMEDIATELY

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SCHOOL PROCEDURES

STUDENT QUERY PATHWAY

**What to do if I have a query
or concern about my child?**



STEP 1. CONTACT CLASSROOM TEACHER

(A response will be received within 2 working days where possible)

Prep	lkgun0@eq.edu.au	Loren Gundersen
Prep/1	nduff20@eq.edu.au	Neeka Sullivan
Year 1	smorr74@eq.edu.au	Sandra Morris
Yrs 1/2	vbate3@eq.edu.au	Vicki Bates
Year 2	kmpar2@eq.edu.au	Kylie Pardon
Year 2	mhami164@eq.edu.au	Maree Hamilton
Year 3	amcor2@eq.edu.au	Anna Corcoran
Yrs 3/4	tharr446@eq.edu.au	Tania Hammond
Year 4	vcoll11@eq.edu.au	Victoria Collins
Yrs 4/5	gcame30@eq.edu.au	Gabi Cameron
Year 5	kklei41@eq.edu.au	Katrina Klein
Year 6A	jfish34@eq.edu.au	Juanita Fisher
Year 6B	mande334@eq.edu.au	Michael Anderson

STEP 2. IF NOT RESOLVED - CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Email the office at **admin@tolgass.eq.edu.au** and your request will be forwarded to the correct staff member for follow up and resolution.



SCHOOL PROCEDURE

STUDENT ABSENCE PROCEDURES

At Tolga school we expect all students to attend school on all school days. **Every day at school does count.** Parents or guardians of students who are absent must inform the school of their student's absences. Parents/Caregivers will be sent a text message if the student's absence is unexplained.

You can reply to the text message. If a reason for the student's absence is not provided, this is assigned the Absence Reason Code of U – Unexplained and will be recorded on the student's attendance and report card.

If your child is absent from school:-

- Phone the School Absence Line 4089 5166 and leave a message or
- Advise the absence via QParents or
- Reply to text message when received or
- Phone school office 4089 5111

Note: Parents need to apply for an exemption if their child/ren will be away for more than 10 consecutive school days. This application form is available for collection from the school office and needs to be approved by the Principal.

If your child is leaving school early:

- Phone the school office 4089 5111 to advise reason and time of collection from the office or
- Send a note with your child to the office with the reason and time of departure

Note: Your child will be present at the office at the prearranged time for collection. Your child must be sighted and signed out before leaving school grounds.

If your child will arrive late to school (after 8:50am):

- Phone the school office 4089 5111 to advise reason and expected time of arrival

Note: Your child must present to the office prior to going to the classroom to receive a late slip which will be given to the teacher on arrival to class.

Parents to ensure the safety of your children please make certain **they and the office** understand afterschool pick up arrangements.

Parent Pick Up is located under A Block on Main Street.

Supervised until 3:20pm.

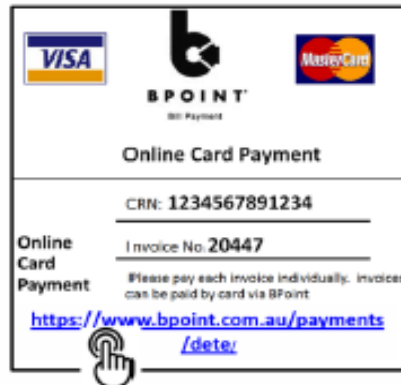
If existing arrangements do change please ring the school office 4089 5111, before 2:00pm, so the message can be relayed to your child in plenty of time.

Please phone the school office or email admin@tolgass.eq.edu.au any **changes to your contact details**. This includes home address, email address and IMPORTANTLY your contact home phone/work phone and mobile number/s. Also advise any changes for those listed as emergency contacts for your child/ren.

SCHOOL PROCEDURE

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete>

**Payment of
school invoices
using BPoint**



BPOINT
B2B Payment

Online Card Payment

CRN: 1234567891234

Invoice No. 20447

Please pay each invoice individually. Invoices can be paid by card via BPoint

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete/>

The BPOINT **Web Link** at the bottom of the invoice is hyperlinked with information from the invoice.

Once the customer clicks on the link the BPOINT page opens up and pre-fills all the required information.



BPOINT
Receivables Solution

Supported by the
Commonwealth Bank

Make a BPOINT Payment

Bill Code: 990534 (Department Of Education And Training)

Customer Reference Number: 1234567891234

Invoice Number: 20447

Student Name (Maximum 30 characters): James Richardson

Amount (AUD):

Select your payment option:



Account by Commonwealth Bank

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**All the required
information is
pre-filled.**

**Customers enter
the amount they
wish to pay and
their payment
method**

PRE-POPULATION OF INVOICE DETAILS



TAX INVOICE

INVOICE NUMBER: 1234567891234
INVOICE DATE: 15-Apr-2017
INVOICE REF: 20447
ELECTRONIC: 1234567891234
ORDER NUMBER: 1234567891234

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Item Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Net Amount
Non-Paid component	1.00	21.00	21.00
		GST TOTAL:	6.00
		INVOICE TOTAL:	27.00

* All taxes shown except on items which include GST

Payment Methods

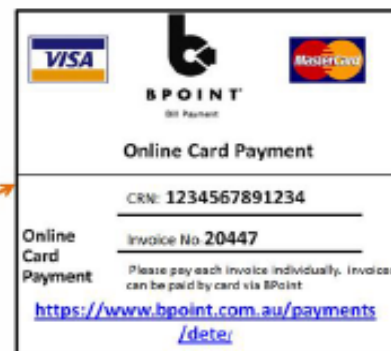


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SCHOOL PROCEDURE



DOES YOUR CHILD'S THERAPIST OR HEALTH PROFESSIONAL REQUEST INFORMATION FROM TOLGA STATE SCHOOL?



Collaboration between parents, students, health professionals and education specialists are an important factor towards educational decision making and therapeutic interventions. Schools are often asked to share information about a students' functioning, needs and progress. Given the sensitive nature of these requests, schools must adhere to strict administrative guidelines.

STEP 1

Make a request for information to the principal, admin@tolgass.eq.edu.au, and discuss your needs with your child's classroom teacher. This will ensure the right personnel are utilised to give the correct information to your chosen health professional.



STEP 3

Please allow reasonable timeframes. Department of Education and Training offer a two-week guide as a general rule for this process. Our Guidance Officer, generally the person completing these requests, works two days a week at Tolga State School. Please allow adequate time for the preparation and creation of requested reports



STEP 2

Sign a 'Third Party Consent' document. This document ensures that the school, and health professional are not breaching any privacy laws.



STEP 4

Quality assurance is of top priority when conducting any assessments or reporting. You may be contacted by school personnel to gather more information. Often a draft is created, checked by students support team members and classroom teachers, then passed onto the request provider.



STEP 5

If you have any further questions, or would like a more detailed document, please contact the Student Support Team at Tolga State School.



I need to tell my
Teacher so they
know I need help!



Is it BULLYING?

When someone says or does something
unintentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's
RUDE.

When someone says or does something
intentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's
MEAN.

When someone says or does something
intentionally hurtful and they **keep doing** it-
even when you tell them to stop or show
them that you're upset - that's
BULLYING.

TUCKSHOP TALK



TOLGA STATE SCHOOL P&C TUCKSHOP MENU

FIRST (BIG) LUNCH: 11:00AM
SECOND LUNCH: 1:20PM



TOLGA STATE SCHOOL TUCKSHOP & P&C

MONDAY

Croissants \$5.50

TUESDAY

Sushi, Chicken or Vege \$5.50

WEDNESDAY

Burgers! Chicken or Beef \$7.00

THURSDAY

Taco's \$5.50

FRIDAY

Hot Diggity Dogs! \$6.00

FRESH FOODS

Salad Bowl	From \$4.00
Chicken Caesar Salad	\$7.50
WRAPS	\$7.50
-Sweet Chili chicken: tenders, salad & Philly cheese.	
-Caesar: tenders, egg, bacon, lettuce, Caesar dressing.	
SANDWICHES-White Wholemeal	\$3.50
GLUTEN FREE BREAD- \$1.20 extra	
Extras: Lettuce, Tomato, Beetroot, Cheese, Corn	\$5.00
Extras: Ham, Salami	\$1.00
Extra: Chicken	\$2.00
Extras: Salad Dressing/Mayo/Sweet Chili	\$4.00
Get your Sandwich TOASTED at no extra charge!	

DRINKS

Plain Milk 300ml	\$3.00
Bottled Water	\$2.50
Milk Popper (Chocolate, Strawberry)	\$3.00
Juice Popper	\$3.00
Plain Milk 300ml with Flavoured Straw*	\$3.50
Flavoured Milk 300ml (Chocolate or Strawberry)	\$3.50
*Straw flavours to choose from: (when available):	
Choc Mint, Chocolate, Strawberry, Cookies & Cream,	
White Chocolate, Caramel, Marshmallow, Vanilla	

HOT FOOD

Sausage Roll	\$4.50
Beef Lasagne	\$6.00
Meat Pie	\$5.50
Fresh Beef Pasta + Garlic Bread (gluten free available)	\$7.00
Pizza	\$5.00
Sauces (Tomato, BBQ) 40c Spork 10c	

SNACKS!

Apple Slinky or Boiled Egg	\$1.50
Chocolate Muffin	\$2.00
Frozen Bulla Yoghurt	\$3.50
Frozen Yoghurt Twisted Watermelon	\$3.50
Gingerbread Student	\$3.50
SNACK PACK (Lamington Cheese Crackers & Sultanas)	\$4.00
Donut's	\$4.00

BIRTHDAY BUCKET

An Ice Block for the Birthday Student's whole class \$15.00
Please order by 4pm the day prior 😊

ORDERS CAN BE MADE ONLINE VIA THE FLEXISCHOOLS APP OR WEBSITE

(BY 8:30AM FOR SAME DAY ORDERS)
OR CASH OVER THE COUNTER

MON/TUES/WED/THURS/FRIDAY 8:30AM - 1:30PM



Place lunch orders from your iPhone or iPad! Find us in the App Store.

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VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

KEEP UP TO DATE ON FACEBOOK OR THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

CONTACT US! 07 4089 5111

TOLGASTUCKSHOP@GMAIL.COM

P&C GENERAL MEETING

ALL WELCOME

7pm, Monday, 8th September

Venue: Tolga Hotel Meeting Room



TOLGA STATE SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS (P&C) ASSOCIATION



UNIFORM SHOP

Orders can be made Online via the FLEXISCHOOLS App or Website (by 4:00pm for Next Tuckshop Day Pickup) or Cash/efpos over the Tuckshop counter Monday-Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm.

UNIFORM ITEMS FOR SALE:

Purple School Shirt (Size 4-18)	\$40.00	Hair Ties (Variety Colours)	\$5.00
Sports Shirt (Tandara Green or Tinaroo Blue) (Size 4-18)	\$40.00	Chair Bags (One Size)	\$12.00
Black Shorts (Size 6-14)	\$28.00	Library Bags (One Size)	\$14.00
Black Skorts (Size 4-12)	\$28.00	Headphone Bags (One Size)	\$10.00
Black & Gold Jacket (Size 4 only)	\$10.00	Old Style Sports Shirts (Size 4-18)	\$10.00
Black Fleece Jumper (Size 6-14)	\$35.00		
Hats (Size M&L)	\$20.00		

WHAT WE DO Tolga State School's Parents and Citizens' (P&C) association works in partnership with our school's principal, our student parents and the community to promote the interests of the school, and facilitate its development and further improvement, to achieve the best possible outcomes for students!

We are able to provide feedback and advice on school policies and activities, assist in providing resources to enhance student outcomes and are involved in a variety of school activities including fundraising, school functions, our tuckshop and school uniform decisions, ordering and sales.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED We LOVE parents of students to be involved with your P&C and help shape the future of our school! Whether it's volunteering in the Tuckshop, fundraising, helping run events or putting forward ideas and suggestions it all helps!

We hold our meetings on the 2nd Monday of each Month at 7pm - We look forward to welcoming you!

COMMUNITY NOTICES



ATHERTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL

For students transitioning to Year 7 in 2026

BOOK YOUR ENROLMENT INTERVIEW TODAY

*Our Enrolment Interview Day for students commencing
Year 7 in 2026 will be held on Friday, 5 September.*

To book an interview visit:

www.athertonshs.eq.edu.au/enrolments or phone 4030 5250.

parentline
parentline is a service of yourtown



Free, non-judgmental, confidential counselling

Phone, Email or WebChat

1300 30 1300

8am-10pm

parentline.com.au

8am-9pm



Kids do better when parents feel supported.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Positive Partnerships facilitate a range of workshops about autism specifically for parents/carers and school staff.



QLD Term 3 and 4 Workshops 2025

Explore our lineup of scheduled workshops throughout QLD for Term 3 and 4 in 2025.

To learn more about our workshop options and to get in touch with us, simply scan the QR codes located at the bottom.

	Date	Program	Location
Term 3	16 Jul	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Hope Island, Gold Coast
	22 Jul	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Warwick
	24 Jul	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Millmerran
	28 Jul & 4 Aug	Professional Learning sessional	National Online
	29 & 30 Jul	2 Day Parent Carer workshop	Gladstone
	5 & 6 Aug	2 Day Professional Learning workshop	Ipswich
	16 Aug	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Coolangatta
	19, 26 Aug & 2, 9 Sep	Parent Carer sessional	National Online
	3 & 4 Sep	2 Day Parent Carer workshop	Indooroopilly
	9 & 10 Sep	2 Day Professional Learning workshop	Redlands

	Date	Program	Location
Term 4	8 & 9 Oct	2 Day Parent Carer workshop	Noosa
	11 Oct	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Logan
	14, 21, 28 Oct & 11 Nov	Parent Carer sessional	National Online
	14 Oct	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Toowoomba
	15 Oct	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Redlands
	16 Oct	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Ipswich
	28 Oct	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Atherton
	30 Oct	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Innisfail
	3 & 10 Nov	Professional Learning sessional	National Online
	26 Nov	1 Day Parent Carer workshop	Caloundra

Scan the QR codes for information and resources on a range of topics.



Diverse Communities



Parent and Carer



Professional Learning



First Nations People

To find out more, please contact Lynda Hunt, QLD Coordinator
lhunt@positivepartnerships.com.au



call:
0403 914 326

Positive Partnerships is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education. The views expressed within this program do not necessarily represent the views of the Australian Government or the Australian Government Department of Education.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Podcast Club Monthly Meeting

Hosted by Arts Nexus Studio
@ Mabel's Hive - Atherton



A monthly club meeting (name to come) for young people aged 25 years and under.

Do you know a young person who loves to spin a yarn, share a story, tell jokes?
Perhaps they are a Youtuber or live streamer? Interested in Podcasting?

This group meets monthly and are planning lots of things for the future.
Come along to share your ideas and join in the fun. If you can't make it, message us at
admin@artsnexus.com.au so we can keep you on the list and let you know about the next
gathering. At this first gathering we will:-

- Decide our name
- Choose our logo
- Work out our activities

To let us know you can make it or share your ideas, email Lachlan and Melissa at
admin@artsnexus.com.au

LAST FRIDAY of each month

NEXT ONE : 29th August, 2025

4pm - 6pm (welcome to arrive early)

Gold Coin Donation

VENUE: Mabel's Hive at 40 Mabel Street, Atherton

Mabel's Hive



Share | Grow | Recognise | Network | Collaborate | Explore | Enterprise | Impact

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www.ArtsNexus.com.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES

2025 FNO INTER-SCHOOL MTB SERIES

ATHERTON - AUG 10
MAREEBA - AUG 24
SMITHFIELD - OCT 19

SCAN QR CODE
FOR DETAILS



CAIRNS

#575 Thanks Frank

COMMUNITY NOTICES

You are invited to join us at
Bethany Baptist Church's

Youth Camp

September 22nd-26th 2025

Years 4-12 (Ages 9-17)

Quinola Lakes

83 Andrickson Road,
Malanda

Price

Overnight Camper \$140

Day Camper \$90

**NOTE: Forms must be submitted
by the 8th of September!**

For More Information

Please ring Cam Drews on 0407 447 291
or email him at swerd4x4@bigpond.com

Or email Lauren Drews at
loz.holmes@bigpond.com

Forms

For a form please
email Lauren Drews
loz.holmes@bigpond.com

