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July Diary Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 (15 - 19 July)		NO School Parade		GEMS	
Week 4 (22 July - 26 July)	Senior Athletics Carnival	School Parade 2.20	Yr 5 High School Visit P&C Meeting 6.30	GEMS	

What's On in Semester 2

- 22 July - Senior Athletics
Helpers needed for Tuckshop
- 24 July - P&C Meeting
- 24 July - Yr 5 H/S Visit
- 27 July - Australian Bush Dance
- 28 July - Recording School
Song
- 29 July - All School Rugby
Union Competition
- 29 July - Junior Athletics
Helpers needed for Tuckshop
- 1 Aug - Concert Band Montville
12:00 pm
- 4-7 Aug - Concert Band
Eisteddfod
- 8-9 Aug - District Athletics
- 26-30 Aug - Year 7 Camp
Canberra
- 26 - 28 Aug - Year 6 Camp
Marantha
- 3 Sept - Regional Athletics
- 13 Sept - Yr 4 Readers Cup
- 19 Sept - School Concert

Student Absences

Just a reminder, the Student
Absence Line is 5499 8366.
Please phone this number
and leave a message to
notify the school if your
child is absent from school.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Welcome to week two. I look forward to seeing many parents over the next the two weeks at parent teacher interviews. Our electronic booking system closed on Friday afternoon. If you missed out please contact your child's teacher to organise an interview at an appropriate time. I congratulate all students and staff on such a settled first week back at school.

Bush Dance

Saturday 27 July dinner served at 5:00pm, with dancing commencing at 6:00pm. Please ensure you have marked this event on your calendar. A great family event that is sure to be lots of fun. Prizes and competitions with special appearance by Grot the puppet. Ensure you round up all your friends and come along.

School Community Pool

On the last day of second term I met with the Hon Andrew Powell MP, Cr Jenny McKay, Belinda Walker (TMR), Trevor Schulz (DETE), Steve White (NPRSR), Kim Easton (Maleny Pool Committee), Tim Bagshaw (Hydrotherapy Committee, Heath Collie & Nathan Walker-Edwards (SCRC), Alaina Megson (Andrew Powell's office) to discuss the future proposal of a new school based community pool. I fully understand this is not the first time such a proposal has been put forward and have been briefed on the last 30 or so years this proposal has been looked at. I am very keen to seek input from our school community in relation to this proposal and other future innovative uses of parts of our school land. It is vital that these discussions occur at this time to ensure all future decisions are mutually beneficial to the school and community and, not restrictive of any future plans. I would like a P&C or School Council representative to be a part of all future meetings. I welcome your ideas at our next P&C meeting where I will detail full discussions of this proposal so far.

P&C

Please join us at our next P&C meeting on Wednesday 24 July at 6:30pm. On the agenda we will be discussing, proposed school community pool facility, use of DEEWR funding to continue our chaplaincy program, Fun Father's Day Event and allocation of P&C resources. The more voices the more representative and creative our decisions will be.

Chaplaincy

Thank you Chappy Bev who does a great job keeping our students active and happy each week. Our Chaplaincy program will be discussed at the upcoming P&C meeting, and plans for 2014 funding determined. Consultation of the continuation of our chaplaincy program is an annual requirement of all schools.

Great Response to Winter Uniform

Thank you to all parents who have ensured that students are wearing the correct school uniform especially the correct jumper (school or navy) this week. Our students looked great and the feeling of belonging is quite evident. This week I will be following up with a few students that are having difficulty following our school uniform policy. As always if there is a genuine reason for your child not being in uniform please send a note that details this. Please see me for a second-hand jumper if finance is currently a bit tight. We have two parents from our last P&C meeting that are fine tuning our existing policy to ensure we are consistently improving on what we do each year.



Thank you to Danica, Elise and Louisa for modelling the correct jumper and track suit options.

Saving Lil and Archie

All students engaged in this entertaining performance on Friday that emphasised the need to be balanced, to be connected and to belong. Students were taught the importance of listening to the adults in their lives and following instructions/rules. How to recognise their feelings and channel them into something positive.

Understanding that it is important it is to stand up for yourself and not be a victim or a bully. One important message was about connecting with people in a positive way, face to face and on the internet – if it is negative or nasty then log off or walk away. Also addressed was the responsible use of technology and getting the right balance between screen time and other things like face to face friendships, exercise etc. Senior and Junior shows had slightly different content but both covered the other important messages of Digital Citizenship, Bullying, Co-operation and Respect.



Lost Items

Lost items left in eating areas and playgrounds are returned immediately to classrooms at the end of lunch. It is essential that parents label all clothing items and check regularly that names have not rubbed off or blurred. Items with no name are displayed on the lost property clothes line near the tuckshop at Tuesday parade. Items left unclaimed at the end of each term will be redistributed, used as back up clothes or second hand stock.

Jolly Bops Science



Wow! This show really went off with a bang last Wednesday. Students and teachers alike were captivated with a rich balance of science and comedy from the Professor and Rusty the Robot. The combination of the science of flight, fire and sound demonstrated through experiments with an indigenous perspective was excellent. I'm sure stories of exploding balloons, shooting smoke rings, flying boomerangs and a whole lot more came home last week.

Maleny High Concert

Maleny High School students will show case their music talents to all students in years five to seven with a 30 minute concert this Tuesday in the Hall at 1:50pm. All parents are welcome to attend this 30 minute concert. Year seven students will receive a Maleny High 'Music Showbag' which includes enrolment information and information about subjects and programs offered at our local High School. It also contains a Music Excellence Program application form, and a 'Malenis' sample CD of original student music.

Classroom News

Year 4 News

In science this term we are investigating physical properties of materials and considering how these properties influence the selection of materials for particular purposes. In our first lesson we looked at the properties of slime. Some of the properties we listed included that the slime:-

1. felt cold at the start but conducted heat from our hands
2. was very flexible
3. transparent when stretched.

We discussed how materials like slime/gel are used in heat and cold packs and in cushioning of sports shoes.

4B News

On the last day of term two the children in 4B shared their learning with their parents. All the children in the class described or showed something that they had been doing in class over the semester. Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend. Here are some snapshots of 4B Sharing Session



Year 5 News

We have started back with a bang and a giggle! The Jollybops Science Show was a fantastic learning experience involving many jokes and exciting moments. The Science Show not only explored Science concepts, but Indigenous inventions. Here are some pictures to share from the exhilarating experience!



A very busy term lies before us with school sports day on Monday of week 3.

I have always found Maths an "Eggs-cellent" subject to study. No, I do know how to spell "excellent," the above happens to be the name of this unit; a very practical unit as enable student to create financial plans.

The Science unit focuses on light, its source and how it can be absorbed, reflected and refracted. In History, we continue with our exploration of Australian colonies. The reasons: economic, political and social, for their establishment after 1800.

English is the analysis of poetry. The students will review several poems considering text structure, language features, purpose and audience. Within a couple of weeks' time, ask your child for an example of alliteration.

For those lovers of art, it is fantastic to see art added to our GEMS program.

If you have any questions or your child is experiencing any difficulty, don't hesitate to contact Louise or myself.

Eric Faulkner

Louise Vlieg

5/6C News

Terrific Term 3 ... 100 days to go!!

With report cards complete for Semester 1, I would firstly like to say how proud I am of everyone in our class. We worked hard and our results show this. We're now ready for Semester 2 and are all ready to put in an even bigger effort for the rest of the year. Parent/Teacher interviews have begun and I'm so proud of all the great work I can share.

In English we commenced our new Unit 'Letters and Diary writing though History' This will involve writing, editing and publishing our own letters and diary entries containing facts with strong historical contexts. We are reading a fantastic imaginary diary of Lizzie Harvey, a convict transported to Sydney Cove and her entries recount the desperate days in-between the landing of the First Fleet, establishment of the new colony and the arrival of the Second Fleet.

This focus on the European Settlement of Australia fits in perfectly with our History units which continues from the First Fleet landing though to the establishment of secondary colonies along the East coast of Australia. We will study the important turning points in Australia's early history which had huge impacts on the direction of our country.

Science studies will explore Space and Natural Disasters – so we begin with our Solar System, the Earth and Moon relationship, the Moons effects on tides and the weather and finally looking at extreme weather conditions and natural disasters caused by movement of the Earths tectonic plates. Phew! What a ride that will be.

In Maths, we will again be busy working our way through many aspects of everyday numbers, percentages and data. We're investigating 2D and 3D in shape and averages in statistics and data representation. We're looking forward to using some of the maths we have learned - especially when we are mapping and using coordinates in orienteering activities.

I am also incredibly thrilled that ALL our class were able to attend the JollyBops and Lil' and Archie Performances last week – We all LOVED the shows and had some great conversations afterwards. Another HUGE upcoming event is the Year 6 Camp to Maranatha later in the term, so stay tuned for

important notes coming home in the next couple of weeks. Year 5 camp to Noosa North Shore is early in term 4.

Cheers

Miss Hartley – and 5/6C

What's Happening in 6A

With Athletics Day coming up next week 6A has been busy practicing their sprinting, long jump and ball games to be ready and raring to go on the day. 6A is aiming for maximum participation in all Sports Day events and hopefully some champions as well.

This unit in English we are examining and interpreting literary texts. Students will listen to, read and view extracts from literary texts set in earlier times, around the time of the Snowy Mountain River Scheme construction. They will demonstrate their understanding of how the events and characters are created within historical contexts and write diary entries from a time gone by.

In Maths students will be demonstrating their knowledge of fractions and decimals, using units of measurement and patterns and algebra. Our goal is to improve our understanding of basic number concepts to assist with our overall performance in Mathematics.

In History students will be investigating the development of Australia as a diverse society. They will examine how Australian society changed throughout the twentieth century? Who were the people who came to Australia? Why did they come? What contribution have significant individuals and groups made to the development of an Australian society?

Science will see students explore how sudden geological and extreme weather events can affect Earth's surface. They will consider the effects of earthquakes and volcanoes on the Earth's surface and how communities are affected by these events. Students will gather, record and interpret data relating to weather events and explore the ways in which scientists are assisted by the observations of people from other cultures.

Last but not least, in Arts students will be exploring their dramatic side. Our actors will be learning and performing an 'Intergalactic Federation' play. Who knows, maybe we will find a future Hugh Jackman or Nicole Kidman in the class.



Year Seven News

Welcome back to Term 3. This term students will be engaged in many activities ranging from developing a personal recount from an Australian literary text to discovering about our government system before students go to Canberra for their Year 7 camp.

This week the students were involved in a science experiment. Our unit is about space, so we had to represent the relative distance between the planets in our Solar System.

Shane and Jennie

Library News

The Premier's Reading Challenge Term 3 Week 2.

If you haven't started already, it's not too late to get involved in the Premier's Reading Challenge. All students are challenged to read or experience 15 or 20 books, depending on their year level, before 6 September. Years 5 to 7 read 15 books, Years 3 & 4 read 20 books and Preps to Year 2 read or share 20 books.

If you have not already received a copy, the form can be downloaded from <http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/pdfs/reading-record-schools.pdf>

Books read during this time can also be counted towards the MS Readathon taking place in August. Money raised goes to support those living with Multiple Sclerosis. For more information please visit http://www.msreadathon.org.au/About_the_MS_Readathon.aspx

School Sport News All Schools Rugby Union

The Sunshine Coast Finals of the All School Rugby Union competition which Maleny State School has

qualified for will be held on Monday 29th July at Peregrin Springs Sport Complex. This is an afternoon/evening competition with the first game set to start at 4:30pm. A draw and more information of the event will be provided as it comes to hand.

Chaplaincy News

Hello and welcome back after the holidays. Just a couple of things to let you know about this Chappy News:

The first is about the annual review of the Chaplaincy Service. Each year the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations conducts a review of nationally funded Chaplaincy Services across the state. The aim of the review is to find out if there is ongoing support for the Chaplaincy Service by the school community. If you would like to have your say, please come along to the next P & C meeting to be held on Wednesday 24th July at 6:30 pm in the Meeting Room at the school.

The other news I have is that the Chaplaincy Service is hosting **The Great Australian Bush Dance** (please see attached flyer) on Saturday 27th July. Come along for inexpensive family fun. Entry is \$5 per adult, \$10 per family of four and \$2 per child under 13 years. The event will kick off at 5pm with a puppet show for the kids. There will be food and drink for sale, and mystery door prizes. The dance steps are easy to learn and simple to do. So, come along and have some fun. All proceeds will be donated to our Chaplaincy Service.

Regards
Chappy Bev

From the Office

Please be advised of the new times for making payments in the office:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:15-9:00am	8:15-9:00am	8:15-9:00am	8:15-9:00am	8:15-9:00am
	2:00-3:00pm			

BPAY Payments

Due to complications with BPAY, this method of payment will no longer be available. Please deposit all payments directly into our bank account noting

the invoice number, initial and surname of the student for whom you are paying.

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Cash, cheque and credit card payments can be made outside of these times by inserting the cheque/correct change in a payment envelope or writing the credit card details on the front of the envelope and depositing it into the drop-safe in the office. Please ensure that the envelope is sealed so the cash does not fall out. Please write the student's name, class, amount enclosed and what the payment is for, clearly on the envelope.

Office hours are 8:00am to 4:00pm.

P&C News

"Maleny Obstacle Mania"

23 August 2013 from 3-5pm

A fun filled exhilarating obstacle consisting of 8 stations, to be completed by a father/adult with his/her child. No training required only enthusiasm and loads of humour. Limited t-shirts will be available for purchase, advertising our event. There will be face painting, jumping castles, photo booth, DJ, delicious food and a very important member of our school will be locked up in a mock "jail". He will require your help to raise his bail and enable his release.

We hope to see you there!!!!

The Sunshine Coast daily will be there and Channel 7 news will offer us some coverage on local Telly. We are looking for willing sponsors for some of our machine hire, if you are interested please e-mail me on misty.bland1@bigpond.com.

Our P&C have kindly donated to the school a Yarning Mat and Little Black Game Pack for NAIDOC Week.

The Mat and Little Black Game Pack was designed and developed by De Greer-Yindimincarlie from Yindi Arts to meet an identified lack of Aboriginal resources for children in the education system. The mat & card game features symbols that have been used by the Aboriginal people for thousands of years to communicate tell stories or instruct/direct. This game pack helps us learn the symbols and their meanings in a fun and educational experience. The mat and game will be

available to all classes on a borrowing/booking system.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday 24 July, 6:30pm, in the meeting room, next to the school library.

All Welcome.

Tuckshop News

Helpers needed for Sports Days. On Monday, 22 July, Senior Athletics Day and Monday, 29 July, Junior Athletics Day the Tuckshop will be open and operating from the Under Cover Area near the Senior Oval.

Tuckshop Roster for July

16 July 2013	-	Help needed , Dawn G, Fiona B
17 July 2013	-	Help needed , Sally C
18 July 2013	-	Help needed , Peter M
19 July 2013	-	Anne S, Kate L
22 July 2013	-	Help needed, Senior Athletics
23 July 2013	-	Help needed , Amanda K, Aki L, Karen G
24 July 2013	-	Help needed , Judy C
25 July 2013	-	Help needed , Michele W
26 July 2013	-	Nicole c, Aileen J
29 July 2013	-	Help needed, Junior Athletics
30 July 2013	-	Lorraine B, Dawn G, Fiona B
31 July 2013	-	Help needed, Lisa M

We still require more helpers for the tuckshop – especially on Sushi Tuesdays. Please see Gunnar or Kate if you are able to help, even if it is for just an hour or two in the mornings. Your time will be greatly appreciated.

Flexischools allows parents and students to place orders online at a time and place convenient to them. Parents simply register themselves on the flexischools website and enter their children's names and classes. The registration process only takes a few minutes and parents can begin placing orders immediately. Register at: <http://www.flexischools.com.au/>

Uniform Shop News

To make ordering uniforms even easier for time-poor parents and carers, uniforms are also now available via flexischools. Visit the above mentioned website to register.

**Uniform Shop is open Friday mornings
from 8:30 to 9:30.**

Dental News

We have issued dental forms to the rest of the school (ie. L to Z). If you wish to use the school dental service it would be appreciated if these forms are completed and returned to us as soon as possible (deadline is Friday 26/7/13). **There will be a letter box outside dental van to place these in.**

All students, with surnames starting with A – K, should have received a check-up and treatment would be underway if dental forms were returned to us.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact us.

Ph. 0419 736942.

Dental Van Staff

Thank you

Community News

Support our Inspirational Teachers

Our school has been invited to submit nominations for the ASG NEiTA Awards for Inspirational Educators. This is an opportunity for our school to publicly recognise and encourage our great teachers, and give them a well-deserved pat on the back. NEiTA is the only independent national awards program where school parents/grandparents, parent associations, school boards/councils, secondary student councils, and community organisations can nominate teachers and principals who contribute excellence.

Nominated teachers receive a congratulatory NEiTA Certificate of Nomination and become eligible for NEiTA State and National Awards. It's easy to nominate. Nominations can be made online, or forms can be downloaded, at www.neita.com.au or call the NEiTA Secretariat for a form by phoning free call 1800624487.

Nominations Close on 31 July 2013.

Mountain View Challenge Event for School-Age Runners

The Lions Club of Maleny Blackall Range has begun organising an annual 3 km running event for children up to 16 years of age. We are especially keen to attract youngsters so that the benefits of fitness through running are enjoyed from an early age. For more experienced youngsters there is also the option of an 8 km run. The Mountain View Challenge venue is the Maleny Showground where registration for this event will be open from 7:30am on Sunday 28th July. The cost of registration is \$10 per runner, and the start will be at 8:30am. The events start and finish at the showground, and runners will be marshalled closely on the section that includes footpaths within the town. A special trophy has been donated by Maleny Realty to be known as the Mountain View Challenge Schools Participation Shield. This will be awarded to the school with the highest number of runners in proportion to the total number of students enrolled at the school. For more details see their website: www.malenylions.com/mountain-view-challenge

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THE GREAT AUSTRALIAN BUSH DANCE - MALENY Saturday 27th July 2013

Starts: 5pm

Dress Theme: 'Aussie Bush'

Admission: \$ 5.00 / Adult

\$10.00 / Family of 4

\$ 2.00 / Child (Under 13)

**"All proceeds help support
Maleny Primary School Chaplaincy"**

* Music of 'The Bushwacker's Band'
called by Graham Owens.

- * Delicious food & drinks for sale.
- * Exciting family fun.
- * Mystery door & floor prizes.
- * Dancing starts 6pm.
- * Special appearance by 'GROT' the puppet
5pm – 6pm.

WHERE: Maleny Primary School Hall - 16 Bunya St. Maleny

Enquires: Graham Owens – 5494 3033 or 0458 777 285



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