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Diary Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 (14 October - 18 October)		✚ School Parade 2.20	✚ Religious Instruction ✚ Get Ready for Prep ✚ Yr 5 Camp to Noosa North Shore	✚ Gems ✚ Payment due for Prep - Yr2 Storytelling ✚ Yr 5 Camp to Noosa North Shore	✚ Yr 5 Camp to Noosa North Shore
Week 3 (21 October - 25 October)	✚ Student Free Day	✚ School Parade 2.20 ✚ Leadership Passports due	✚ Religious Instruction ✚ Get Ready for Prep	✚ GEMS ✚ Prep - Yr 2 Storytelling	✚ Prep - Yr 2 Storytelling ✚ Interschool AFL

What's On in Semester 2

- ✚ 21 October 2013 – Student Free Day
- ✚ 23 October 2013 – Get ready for Prep
- ✚ 24 & 25 October 2013 – Prep-Yr 2 Storytelling
- ✚ 25 October 2013 – Interschool AFL
- ✚ 28 October 2013 – Applications Close for Tuckshop Convenor position
- ✚ 30 October 2013 – Get ready for Prep
- ✚ 1 November 2013 – Leadership Nomination Forms Due
- ✚ 1 November 2013 - Fruit & Nut Orders Due
- ✚ 4, 5 & 6 November 2013 - Yr 4 Camp to Currimundi
- ✚ 8 November 2013 – Interschool AFL
- ✚ 8 November 2013 – Fruit & Nut Delivery
- ✚ 15 November 2013 – Interschool AFL

Tick Season.

Could parents please check their children for ticks? Because of the current weather conditions we are seeing a large number of them about.

Bookclub

Orders for this issue of Bookclub are due back no later than Wednesday 23 October. Please pay by cheque or credit card (not cash) and return the slip to the Bookclub Box in the library. Payment details are outlined on the Scholastic flyer.

As volunteers donate their time to provide this service, no late orders or cash can be accepted.

Thank you.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Welcome Back

It is great to be back and well and truly into the swing of our final term for the year. Needless to say the Spring weather has been amazing and is certainly providing some great opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. Last week was one of the happiest weeks I have seen at Maleny. Parents, students and staff alike had lots of fun holiday stories to share and friends to catch up with. I welcome a number of new families to our school and thank them for choosing Maleny State School as their first choice of school.

2014 Enrolments

Please alert Desley in the office if you will be leaving our school next year. This is the time of year when we start to design our class structure for 2014 and it is important for staffing and student placement that we accurately predict our effective student enrolment.

Classes for 2014

If you would like us to consider factors in relation to your child's class placement in 2014 now is the time to complete a Parent Request for Class Preference Form. Only requests in writing will be considered. If you have had a conversation in the past around class placement with any staff member you need to put those same ideas on paper so we can factor them into our planning. There are many factors that we consider along with parent and student requests in making up classes each year (academic, behaviour, relationships, student special needs, staffing, boy/girl ratio etc). We do not swap and change children once classes are organised as this often impacts on a number of other children and class balance. So please alert us now if you wish to have input around your child's placement. As we only have two different classes in most year levels there is not much room for flexibility. Some year levels will have all straight year level classes and others may have composite classes in addition. All students will be given the opportunity to list five friends they

would like to be in a class with; our aim is that students will have one or more of their friends in their class. It would be wise to discuss your child's selections with them. Parent requests need to be complete by the end of **Week 5 Friday 8 Nov.**

NAPLAN

Our overall school results were very impressive, reflecting that the longer students stay at Maleny the higher the results they achieve. Adding value to students each year is our aim. Individual NAPLAN results were sent home with students last week. Please also remember that NAPLAN is a point in time test that students sat in May. School reports are based on student achievement over the whole of the Semester. I will discuss these results in more detail at our next School Council and P&C meeting.

Art Show Success

This was the first time that Maleny State School has hosted the Alan Reading Memorial Art and we were proud to be able to use our school hall to assist. There were over two hundred entries and the event was well supported evidenced by good numbers through the door. In total our school had twenty-one entries from our school children in the new section organised for younger artists. On Tuesday parade we will acknowledge all children that entered and announce place getters. In total two of our students were awarded First place, two Second places, two Third places and one Highly Commended. Congratulations to Katie in Year Five who sold one of her paintings.

Prep Open Days

Our second Come and Try Prep Session will be this Wednesday from 9:00 – 10:30. If you have or know of a local Prep aged student please encourage them to attend. Parents have acknowledged the value of these sessions and certainly we see the reduction of anxiety in students that are able to attend our transition program. There will be two further Prep Open Days on Wednesday the 23 and 30 October. I hope to see you there.

Enrol for Prep Now

I have already completed many of next year's Prep enrolments with students. Please phone the office for an interview if you have not yet enrolled your children officially. Please encourage local parents of Prep aged students that they are welcome to come and visit our school and meet myself before making their final decision of what school they will choose.

High School Transition Program

Last Wednesday our Year Seven students along with their teachers attended a transition day at the Maleny

State High School. Students engaged with teachers and students from other primary schools in a motivating CSI investigation. Students will attend two more of these days on Wednesday 16 and 23 October.

Camp

This week our Year Five students are attending year five camp at Noosa North Shore. We wish them well and look forward to seeing students using their initiative and displaying their leadership skills throughout the camp.

2014 Leadership

All Year Five and Six students interested in leadership positions in 2014 should be close to completing their Leadership Passport. These will need to be handed in by Tuesday next week. Nomination forms will be given to students on Tuesday next week and will be due in on Friday the first of November.

As our Year Six students are going to High School at the end of next year, along with our Year Sevens, we will double up on leadership positions enabling the maximum number of students to have leadership opportunities.

Canberra Camp 2014

Next year both Year Six and Year Seven students will be offered the opportunity to attend the Canberra Camp. As the numbers will be double that of normal it is imperative from a planning perspective that we know as soon as possible how many students will be attending. Letters were sent home last week, please return these to school as soon as you can.

A Smile always bounces back.

I look forward to seeing yours soon.

John 😊

Classroom News

Prep A and Prep 1 B News

Welcome to Prep A Miss Ennis and to Prep 1B Miss Natasha.

This term Prep A welcomed Miss Ennis to their classroom. Miss Ennis is a final year Bachelor of Education combined degree student at The Sunshine Coast University. Miss Natasha is completing the practical component of her Teacher Aide course.



All of the children have settled back into school easily and have been following all their routines and the 4 Be's both in and outside their classroom. This term each

class is collecting “bees” on a hive as part of their classroom behaviour incentive. Our hives are already buzzing with bees from the first week at school. Keep it up Prep A and Prep 1 B.

The Prep’s have enjoyed transitioning to the junior playground. Last week we followed a transition program where Prep A and Prep/1B played as a group in the junior playground. This allowed the children to familiarise themselves with the environment and the different expectations of this area. We have also practised eating our lunch under the buildings and feel that we are now ready to join the Year 1, 2 and 3’s at their usual eating and playing times. The children enjoyed role playing various situations they may encounter in this new environment and we hope you enjoyed sharing their 4 Be posters which came home last week.

The children are all trying to be the best readers that they can be and are enjoying practising their reading in lots of different ways at school. Help is still needed to listen to and change readers at school. We hope you are all continuing to engage in reading eggs at home. Please see us if you have forgotten your passwords.

School swimming starts week 4. Please sign the roster outside your classrooms if you can help with swimming. It has been interesting to watch the changes in our silkworms over the holidays. Thank you to Yileen and Eden’s families who took great care of them over the break. Now that they have grown bigger it seems we have too many in our boxes. If anyone would like some silkworm pets at home, please bring in a shoebox to school. You are welcome to take leaves from our school mulberry tree if you do not have any at home.

We are looking forward to welcoming our 2014 Prep students and their families over the next 3 weeks. These will take place on the 16, 23 & 30 October from 9 until 10.30 am. Our current Prep students take on the leadership role of helping and showing their new friends around. It does not seem that long ago that they themselves were visiting Prep at Maleny for the first time.

Lindy Hicks and Mandy Bauer.

1A News

At the end of last term the children were working very hard on a retell of a cultural story. One aspect of this is that they not only had to write the retell but also create an image that would go along with it to help in the retell. In the same minimalist style as the artwork in the story ‘The Two Bullies’ the children created a collage image to help retell a favourite moment in the story. The final artworks were on display at the concert night in the final week of term 3.



Lastly, a quick message regarding student’s school supplies. As Term 4 has started and we are straight back into our work there are some students who have used up some of their supplies. Whilst I have some supplies e.g. old school books, colour pencils etc. these are being used up quickly. You may get a brief note asking for a small top up of things like lead pencils, glue etc. , to help them get through to the end of the year.

1/2C News

Last term of the year has come around so fast. Students are making great progress and are really taking off in their learning journey. They are reaching learning goals and are striving for high quality results in their work. I’m very proud of their learning successes and the educational work ethics they display. I also thank their parents who are engaged in their child’s learning

As the weather is suddenly warming up, please ensure your child has a water bottle to access each day within the classroom, to prevent any dehydration or headaches that impact on their ability to effectively learn. Water bottles will be sent home on Friday’s for washing out. Swimming is starting Week 4 this term on Mondays at 10.00am. We are always looking for parent volunteers to assist with swimming, as spotters or to assist in the pool. If you think you might be able to help out please let me know and I’ll pass the information on to our PE Teacher (Mrs Doherty).

Our classroom Newsletter will be coming home soon to inform parents in more detail about this terms subject tasks.

Thanks

Kerry Lees

Classroom Teacher

Year 2 News

Welcome back to Term 4! This term we will be incorporating recycling into our classroom through our science unit ‘Save Planet Earth’. We will be exploring Earth’s resources and learning about what we can do to protect, preserve and reuse what we see as rubbish. Later in the term we hope to look at how this happens in our local community.

In Literacy we are exploring narratives and how characters are portrayed through language and pictures. We will be looking at how stories are built up to help us create our own exciting event to add to a familiar narrative.

In maths we have been exploring larger numbers and will be focussing heavily on mental computations. You can help us to practice by asking us addition and subtraction questions.

Last term we set classroom goals to improve our performance in the classroom. We designed our own desk reminder to help us this term to continue to monitor our own successes. Some examples of these are to improve neatness, persisting with difficult tasks, waiting our turn to speak and trying our best.

We look forward to a busy but rewarding time for our last term in Year 2.

Year 3 News

We are looking forward to an exciting term 4 with creative and fun activities planned. In English we will be exploring and reading poems that are written by Australian poets, and then we will be writing our own poetry. We will be looking closely at *My Country* by Dorothea Mackellar which is a poem many parents and grandparents may remember from their time at school!

In Maths we have a very busy term as we will continue to explore the areas of number and place value, shape, fractions and decimals, data representation and interpretation, chance - explore the language of chance, and make predictions based on data displays, money and financial mathematics, using units of measurement, location and transformation, geometric reasoning - identify angles as measures of turn and compare angle sizes in everyday situations.

In Technology this term students will choose a toy or item and make design improvements that will encourage other students to buy this toy. The students will draw and label their design and make a model from plasticine. Students will then reflect on their design improvements.

Our Visual Arts assessment for term four will be to create a multimedia art piece which will include colour, line, texture and pattern.

In PE, swimming will commence in Week Four, the students will go to the pool every Wednesday.

We are continuing our History Unit on our Local area, students have enjoyed seeing old photos of the Natural and built environments in and around Maleny. We will also be looking at modes of Transport in our local area from the 1900's.

Anne Coogan Nerida Wotlemaro Sarsha Anthony
Anna Keir

Students of the Week

Week 1, Term 4:

Prep	Clayton &	Prep/1B	Beth & Linkon
A	Cooper		
1A	Jack & Jayden	1/2C	Isabelle
2A	Bailey & Oscar	2B	Hayley & Jasper

3A	Ochre & Samuel	3B	Rex
4A	Maddison & Jordan	4B	Hieu & Kate
5A	Maleny & Mya	5B	Jamae & Kassie
5/6C	Marcy & Annmaria	6A	Django
7A	Tyron & Nick	7B	Matthew & Hayley

Chappy News

Hello,

I hope that you all had a wonderful time over the school holidays. I was lucky enough to help out at the Alan Reading Memorial Art Awards, which took place in our school hall over the break.

Nineteen of our Years 5,6 and 7 students entered their art works into the Junior Section. It was the first time the awards had included a section for primary age students. Prizes for First, Second, Third and Highly Commended will be awarded at this weeks' parade.

I feel immensely proud of the work that our students entered and I heard many complimentary comments from the people who came to see the exhibition. One person liked a student's art work so much that she bought it!

I would again like to thank Lyn Reading and Shell Maksimous for donating some of the proceeds to our School Chaplaincy Service. Some money will also be given to the Starlight Foundation.

An extra activity for children, which will run during term four, will be a table tennis tournament. Sign up for the competition will be in week three. I'll keep you posted with how this is going.

Kind Regards, Chappy Bev



Music Notes

Maleny School Concert



What a great night! It was wonderful to have more than 250 students on stage either in class items, small groups or solo performances. Some of our highlights were Zac showing his 'dubstep' dancing skills; Year 7 students Jack and Matthew playing guitar accompanying Crystal and Elisha singing 'Soul Sister'; the Humarimba Group, and our solo singers Matilda, Bethany and Hannah, Shelby and Dylan. Funds raised go towards the staging of next year's school Musical "The Haunted House".



The Haunted House

In 2014 we will be staging the musical "The Haunted House". The Musical's message is 'to believe in yourself and how be a good friend' As well as many acting roles there will be class dancing items for most year levels.

To make this Musical a success I need volunteers in many areas including: set design and construction, stage lighting, rehearsal coaches in dance and acting (helping students learn their script!), costume design/ making and sourcing materials, help with creating program/advertising flyers, videoing concert and producing DVD, and makeup.

Liz Cripps Music Teacher

Dental Van News

The dental van is moving to Kenilworth State School on Friday 18/10/13. Your children's dental treatment will be completed if dental forms were returned to us and appointments kept. If you have any queries regarding this please feel free to contact us.

If your child has a toothache or dental emergency, prior to our next visit (approx 2 years), please contact us or the Nambour School Dental Clinic for an appointment. An interim visit for a check-up to your own family dentist is recommended.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff, teacher, parents and students for your patience and co-operation, and making us feel welcome during our stay at Maleny.

Don't forget to keep on brushing and flossing.

Dental Van Staff

PH. 0419 736 942 (Dental Van)

5441 2763 (Nambour School Dental Clinic)

From the Office

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.

Our Bank account details are:

BSB: 064-462

Account Number: 10080359

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

Tuckshop Convenor Required



The Maleny State Primary School Tuckshop is seeking an experienced, suitably committed and enthusiastic person to share the position of Tuckshop Convenor. The successful applicant will commence in Term 4, 2013 working 2 days per week (8am – 1.30pm). Applicants must be self-motivated and have previous experience in the catering industry. This position involves working as a team member within the school community.

Applicants must hold or be eligible to hold a Blue Card.

Applications Close Monday 28th October 2013.

Applications forms are available from the school office.

Applications to:

The P&C Secretary

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Centenary Memorabilia

As we continue to celebrate 100 years of education in Maleny, we would like to remind you that it is still possible to purchase some of the items of memorabilia that we still have available to commemorate this special occasion. Still available we have

- ✚ Commemorative Books @ \$15.00
- ✚ Commemorative stubby coolers \$ \$8.00
- ✚ Commemorative Pens @ \$5.00

These items are a fantastic keepsake of your child's time at Maleny State School and also great gift ideas for friends and family. Items are available at the School Administration. Payment is to be made by Cash or Cheque.

Tuckshop News

Tuckshop Roster

15 Oct 2013	-	Lainie H, Aki L & Karen G
16 Oct 2013	-	Judy C
17 Oct 2013	-	Helen B
18 Oct 2013	-	Karen S & Jocelyn E
22 Oct 2013	-	Dawn G & Fiona B
23 Oct 2013	-	Sally C
24 Oct 2013	-	Peter M
25 Oct 2013	-	Anne S & Kate L

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/>

P & C Fruit & Nut Fundraising Drive

Fruit & Nut fundraising drive – Term 4 2013

It's Fruit & Nut Drive time. Orders for our bulk 1kg bags of dried fruit and nuts close on the 1 November. Delivery will be after school on Friday the 8th of Nov. It's a good time to get your Xmas holiday orders in. These products are sourced from a quality wholesale supplier so that we can supply 1kg bags at very reasonable prices. Products are not 'organic' unless stated on the pricelist, but we've tried this supplier and were very happy with the freshness of their products.

This time all orders will be processed online via Flexischools.com.au after this Wednesday. If you know someone who would like to order but doesn't have a student at the school, that's OK. They can just nominate 'friend of the school' rather than 'your child's class', then they can put an order through. Or you can get together with some family and friends so you can put in one big order. If you have any queries please email malenyfruitnut@gmail.com

Thanks, from your Fruit & Nut fundraising team.

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.**

Community News



Enriching our lives

Create a Zine workshop with Jeremy

Join Jeremy and other young people to create a zine from scratch. If you are a writer, poet, artist or someone who enjoys a creative challenge then come along. This event is co-sponsored by Friends of Maleny Library.

Cost: \$20 per person.

Bookings and payment through Rosetta Books 5435 2134 or www.celebrationofbooksmaleny.com

Bookings essential.



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FAMILY DAY OUT

Saturday 19th October 10am- 2pm

Landsborough State School Oval, Cribb Street, Landsborough



- Family Event
- Sausage Sizzle/ Drinks
- Fairy floss/Snow cones/Coffee
- BYD Chairs/Blanket
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Hold it Mama

You are invited to come and hear Mary O'Dwyer, well-known Physiotherapist speak on pelvic floor health.

Place: St. George's Anglican Church, 2 Walker's Drive, Maleny

Date: Friday, 1 November 2013

Time: 9.30 am

Cost: \$5.00 donation for morning tea.

RSVP: Corinne 0429944359 or Judy 54296544



Enrol at Maleny Prep NOW!

Get Ready for Prep sessions

- Wednesday 16 Oct - 9.00am–10.30am
- Wednesday 23 Oct - 9.00am–10.30am
- Wednesday 30 Oct - 9.00am–10.30am

We look forward to meeting you and your children.

Interviews for all Prep students will be held in Term 3 and early Term 4. Please contact Maleny State School on Ph 5499 8333 to collect your Enrolment Package and arrange an interview time.



For more information about Maleny State School visit www.malenyss.eq.edu.au

Maleny CELEBRATION OF BOOKS

Children's Activities 24 to 28 Oct

Date	Activity	Venue	Ages	Booking	Cost
Mon 21 Oct to Sat 2 Nov Opening Hours	The Inside Story: How a book becomes a book. A display by local Children's authors Prue Mason, Gary Crew, Jill Morris, Peter Carnavas, Judy Pauson and Fuschia.	Library Foyer	All Ages	No	Free
Sat 26 Oct 9:30am-12pm	Children's Book Swap Bush: Bring along a pre-loved book and swap it for another.	TesCh Park	All Ages	No	Free
Sat 26 Oct 10:20:30am	Treasure Hunt: Test your sleuthing skills. Books by Maleny's local authors have all the answers.	TesCh Park	7-12 years	No	Free
Sat 26 Oct 11-12:30	Book Making Workshop: Make handmade books with local artist Fiona Dempster. Numbers limited	Library Meeting Room	7+	Yes, at Rosetta Books	Free



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