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Diary Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3 (28 October - 1 November)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ School Parade 2.20 ✚ Band MusicFest Brisbane 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Religious Instruction ✚ Get Ready for Prep ✚ Sunshine Coast Maths Competition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Gems ✚ Yr 3 Historical Village Maleny 	
Week 4 (4 November - 8 November)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Yr 4 Currimundi Camp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ School Parade 2.20 ✚ Yr 4 Currimundi Camp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Religious Instruction ✚ Yr 4 Currimundi Camp ✚ Yr 7 High School Transition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Gems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Interschool AFL

What's On in Semester 2

- ✚ 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
- ✚ 18 November 2013 @ 4/30 – Yr 7 Family Planning Parent Info Session
- ✚ 21 November 2013 – Payment due Yr 2 Recycling Excursion
- ✚ 25, 27 & 28 November 2013 – Yr 7 Human Relationships Education
- ✚ 28 November 2013 – Yr 2 Recycling Excursion, Nambour

Student Absence Line Ph 54998366

If your child is away from school for any reason please call the absence line and leave a message. Just follow the prompts.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



NAPLAN - Excellent Results

This term students in year three, five and seven received their individual NAPLAN results. Maleny State School performed above the State in nine out of fifteen areas and above the nation in five areas. Our school focus has been in reading and we are very pleased that our year five students achieved collectively the highest score over the last six years. Overall results indicate that students have added value to their achievement bands as they progress from year three to seven. I presented our schools results to our School Council meeting last week and will also present these at the next P&C meeting. As a school we will reflect on our results, programs and teaching practices and look at strategies that we can employ to ensure we continue to improve.

Class Preference Forms

Please ensure you have completed a class preference form in writing by Friday, 8 November 2013 if you would like us to consider any educational reasons about the placement of your children in 2014. Sorry late request will not be able to be considered.

Swimming

Our swimming program commences this week, please remind students to bring their togs, towel and change of clothes. This year we will also be employing two additional swimming coaches from the Maleny Swimming Club to ensure class sizes are smaller enabling children to be provided with the most effective coaching possible. Parent spotters are still required for all classes, please volunteer where you can. The trial of additional coaches was unanimously voted for at our last P&C meeting. It was agreed that \$10 was a minimal cost over the term, class sizes would be reduced, instruction for students would be more effective while at the same time assist the school cover rising costs (e.g. electricity and for pool maintenance costs). This is still 5 or more times cheaper than what many other schools are requesting for swimming lessons.

P&C Meeting Wed 13 Nov

Please come along to next month's meeting to view the plans of our new junior toilet block and brainstorm fundraising ideas for 2014. Also will be discussed the possibility of lobbying for flashing lights to be placed outside our school to indicate children crossing ensuring that our children are safe.

Prep Open Days

Our last of four Prep Open days will be held this Wednesday from 9:00am until 10:30am. Parents have been overwhelmingly positive about our Prep transition program and it is lovely to see new parents and children attending each session.

Music Fest

Good luck to all of our instrumental students who will travel to Brisbane this Tuesday to participate in Music Fest at Iona College. Students performed well at parade last week along with band members from the Montville State School.

Classroom News

Year 4 News

ADS! ADS! ADS!

Have you ever looked at all the tricks companies use in advertisements to persuade you to buy their products? Well the fun, fantastic and fabulous fours have been looking at all the persuasive techniques found in advertisements that they see on the television, on websites and in magazines that are trying to persuade children to buy toys. Last week they were busy completing a special assessment task where they compared an advertisement from the past to a present day advertisement. This week they need to work in small groups on a panel discussion which looks at techniques used in a toy advertisement.

In science they have been enjoying force experiments where they are given challenges to complete in 60 seconds. Some of the challenges have included making a ping pong ball land in a cup, domino falling races, ping pong soccer and all sorts of challenges and investigations involving magnets and invisible forces.

In Maths this term the Yr 4s have been busy making connections between fractions and decimals numbers. We have also been working hard at developing our mental computation of subtraction facts.

However, the main excitement for the Yr 4s is that **CAMP WEEK IS NEXT WEEK!** Yahoo! Please pay any outstanding camp fees as soon as possible. Looking forward to sharing our camp news soon!



Year 5 News!

Camp

What a fantastic camp at Noosa North Shore with a fantastic group of students. Lots of laughter was had (at and with Mr Faulkner), a few tears, challenges overcome, and a few lost shoes in the mud. The student's favourite activities ranged from canoeing, to the giant swing, body boarding, and spot light. The bus trip was a little quieter on the trip home from camp. Thank you to Mr Faulkner, Mr Flamank, and Miss Hartley for a great time away. Here are some pictures to share of our adventures.

Swimming

Swimming begins week four on a Tuesday. The students need to return a permission letter, payment of \$10 for the term lessons, swimmers, rash shirt or sun safe shirt, thongs, and towel. Two parent helpers are required each swimming lesson so if you are able to help out, please let the teacher know. The times are:

5B – 11:40-12:10

5A – 12:20-12:50

Any help is appreciative.

Thank you

Louise Vlieg and Eric Faulkner



News from 5/6C and 6A

Tremendous Term 3 and 4 ... Three quarters of the year complete!

Welcome back after the holidays and a very exciting last term. We sadly look forward to the end of 2013 in a positive and enthusiastic way by hitting the ground running. These aside, work in the classroom remained focused over Term 3 and students produced fantastic work in all subject areas.

In English - Unit 5 & 6 – Reading and writing Diary entries based around the novel – Surviving Sydney Cove – a fiction novel based around historical facts from 1790 in colonial Sydney. Unit 7 – Reading, watching and comparing novels with movies and websites – Our focus includes Storm Boy and Moon Bear Rescue.

In Maths - We continue to investigate Number & Place value; Fractions & decimals; and Chance and Data representation & interpretation.

In Science - Beginning in Space and zooming back down to Earth, we studied how natural events (disasters) can shape and make changes to the Earth's surface. Our scientific studies of Space have zoomed into Properties of Light investigations and Properties of Energy investigations. Finishing with the investigation of all Living Things – Just a small unit really!

An important Note – There have been some changes our Swimming times

- PE (Swimming) – Monday 11.40 – 12.20pm (56C) and 12.20 – 1.00pm (6A)

We would love helpers and thank-you to some parents who have already volunteered their time.

Please feel free to drop into the classroom to say hello, and if you need longer to discuss anything please arrange a time with me to do so. A BIG Welcome to our new class members Cody, Bethany, Conor, Tu and their families who have joined us at Maleny State School

Caroline Hartley & Greg Corkin
5/6C & 6A Teachers

Year 7 News

Maleny CSI Program

Our Year 7 Students have just completed a transition to high school program, kindly organised and facilitated by the staff at Maleny State High School. The students were involved in a wide variety of subjects over the course of 3 consecutive Wednesdays. Their task over the three weeks was to help solve a 'crime' that had taken place in the school library. On the last afternoon the 'criminal' was apprehended by our local police and taken away in a police vehicle. Well done all of those students who successfully solved the 'crime'.

Thank you to the staff and students who made the three days such a success.



Swimming News

Swimming Program Under Way

Our swimming program started this week! Most of the students were ready and willing! I think we are all glad to be getting in the pool and cooling off while learning. The students will be working with me and two other qualified instructors this term. Steve Smith, our Maleny Pool manager and Chris Thompson are both familiar with Maleny pool and are enjoying meeting all the students. Swimming will run until the end of the year. So, please help your child to remember their gear each week so they don't miss out on valuable learning time. IF you have any questions, concerns (or celebrations) relating to your child please contact me at school.

Smiles, Mrs Melissa Dougherty (PE)

Students of the Week

Week 3, Term 4:

Prep/A	Aliea, Noah & Beth	Prep/1B	Chilli & Matilda
1A	Tom & Ebanee	1/2C	Sinny & Fraser
2A	Sieanna & Lara	2B	Matthew & Sarah
3A	Ava & Oliver	3B	Sacha & Max
4A	Eden & Shane	4B	Amelia & Dylan
5A	Kyle & Hayden	5B	Kassie & James
5/6C	Oskar & Beau	6A	Hayden
7A	Daniel & Catriona	7B	Maggie & Janak

Week 4, Term 4:

Prep/A	Emily	Prep/1B	Darcy & Bronson
1A	Darcy & Lillian	1/2C	Aisha & Sabastian
2A	Lily & Lily-Rose	2B	Annika & Daisy
3A	Charlotte & Ben	3B	Riley & Olivia
4A	Nik & Nicole	4B	Lucy & Lieu
5A	Maleny & Will	5B	Adam & Jamae
5/6C	Jeremy	6A	Sam
7A	Kylie & David	7B	Satya & Oscar



THE BEE BUZZ



Congratulation to our Fabulous Super Bee Winners: Ethan, Jack, Taylor and Merlynnie. Watches kindly donated by Maleny Jewelers

Chappy News

Table Tennis Competition

Hello,

There will be a table tennis tournament running during term four. The competition is open to years 4 to 7 and it will be held in the hall first and second lunch on Thursdays and Fridays. Sign up for the competition will take place this Thursday, 31 October in the hall during first lunch.

For this year's competition there will be two divisions, an Open Division and a Year Level Division. The Open Division will be open to all students in years 4 to 7 and will enable those who are regular competition players to compete against any age players. The Year Level Division will enable those players who are less experienced to compete against other students of a similar age. There will be some small prizes awarded to winners.

Regards

Chappy Bev



Music Notes



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After many weeks of intense rehearsals our School Band will be travelling to Brisbane on Tuesday 29th October to participate in the prestigious Band Competition at Iona College. Last week the Band performed their music on Parade in preparation for the competition and sounded great.

As well this week students from the whole school are participating in the **Music Count Us In** program. All classes have been learning the song 'Keep On' and will be performing this song as part of our Tuesday's Parade.

Music Count Us In is the nationwide program run by the Music Council of Australia and supported by Australian Government to promote music and to celebrate the value of music education to students' development. It involves more than 600,000 students and teachers from schools all over Australia who sign up to learn, rehearse, and then perform the same song, on the same day.

Music Count Us In highlights the benefits of a structured and sequential Music Education program. Decades of research shows that learning music can help students' self-confidence, self-discipline and team work. It can help students who might have lost interest re-engage in school, can improve school attendance and can even help students make healthy life choices. PLUS there are strong links between music learning and academic skills in literacy and numeracy. Research shows that music is unique in its flow-on benefits to students who learn it.

For more information go to

<http://www.musiccountusin.org.au>

Liz Cripps (Music Teacher)

From the Library

Students from Prep to Year 2 snuck away from school last week for a very special meeting at the Top Secret Storytelling Clubhouse at a secret location in Maleny.

After the specially designed ID tags were scanned, the new members of the club joined Clive the fox and Humphrey the donkey, as they attended the local theatre for the premier of *Nobody owns the moon*. Clive had a great laugh, but Humphrey got a little upset.

More friends were found when the characters from the series *Friends for keeps* decided to play house. Sheep was a great help building the cubby-house with Panda and Owl.

The Top Secret Storytelling Clubhouse members also watched the weather and seasons change in *Isabella's garden* and *What the sky knows*. We all had a great morning with Tim and Verena. It was great to be part of the Celebration of Books here in Maleny.



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

Next Meeting – Wednesday 13 November 2013 at 6.30 in the Library. All Welcome

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

29 Oct 2013	-	Aki L & Karen G
30 Oct 2013	-	Lorraine B & Jenny A
31 Oct 2013	-	Michele W
1 Nov 2013	-	Nicole C & Michelle C
5 Nov 2013	-	Dawn G & Fiona B
6 Nov 2013	-	Lisa M
7 Nov 2013	-	Peter M
8 Nov 2013	-	Linda 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

Last Chance for the Fruit & Nut fundraising drive – Term 4 2013

Fruit & Nut Drive orders close on this Friday 1st of Nov. Orders are for bulk 1kg bags of dried fruit and nuts. 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. 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

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Conductor - Antoni Bonetti
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Handel - Water Music
Tchaikovsky - Swan Lake
Haydn - Trumpet Concerto in E Flat Major
Mendelssohn - Fingal's Cave Overture

With performance by Noosa String Ensemble
Conductor - Silvi Echley

MALENY: Sunday, 3rd November
2:30pm, Maleny High School Hall
50 Bunya Street

NOOSA: Sunday, 17th November
2:30pm, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,
15 Eumundi Road, Noosaville

Tickets: Adults \$5
Students \$5
Children Free

Tickets at door or phone: 5442 5695

www.noosaorchestra.com.au

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Sunshine Coast Oriana Choir have been busy mixing the ingredients for a wonderful Christmas feast of music. Everything from medieval folk songs, African spirituals and traditional English carols to modern classics. A highlight will be the Oriana Ladies' Chorus presenting Benjamin Britten's Ceremony of Carols, accompanied by harp. 2013 marks the 100 year anniversary of Britten's birth and so choirs around the world are performing this magical work in celebration this year. Also singing will be the Oriana Youth Choir.

Where – Maleny Community Centre on 30 November @ 7.30 and Caloundra Uniting Church on 1 December @ 2.00pm

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“An invitation to come to Messy Church which is an All Age Family Worship at St. George’s Anglican Church, 2 Walkers Drive, Maleny on the first Sunday of each month from 4 p.m.- 6 p.m. We finish with a meal. Contact # Neil or Judy (07) 5429 6544. Our next Messy Church will be 3rd November, 2013. We look forward to seeing you”.

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

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Employment Opportunity - Housekeeping

Housemaid required for casual work at Montville Mountain Inn. Hours of employment during school hours and on weekends. Experience in housekeeping would be preferred.

Immediate start and award wages
 Please call Lyle 5442 9499 / 0418 157 642



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



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**Active After-school
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Free sport and healthy snacks for kids!

The Australian Sports Commission's exciting Active After-school Communities (AASC) program is set to continue this term. It is a great chance for kids to have fun with friends, learn new sports and get active.

**AASC - Term 4 activities 3.00pm to 4.00pm
AFL and Touch Footy**

Further details:

Maleny State School - 3.00pm to 4.00pm -
Monday and Wednesday GRADES 1-7 only -

Free activities, games and afternoon tea!

Beginning Week 4 - Monday 28th October 2013

**See Miss Hartley or the Office for Permission
Forms (hand in before participation is allowed)**

Wear Hat & sand shoes - Please Meet at the yr6/7
eating area after school BY 3.00pm

Miss Hartley will see you there!

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