From The Principal

Farewell Miss Hunt, Mrs Vlieg and Mrs Dougherty

We congratulate Miss Hunt Yr 2 (Emerald North SS) and Mrs Vlieg Yr 5 (Brightwater SS) on their successful transfers. Mrs Dougherty has done a wonderful job in PE this year and we thank her for her valuable contributions. All will be dearly missed by staff, students and parents alike. Please take the opportunity this week to thank all of these teachers for their wonderful contributions to our school. We will acknowledge Emma, Louise and Melissa on our final Tuesday parade this week that will commence at the earlier time of 2:15pm.

Thank You to our Volunteers

This is without doubt one of my favourite morning teas saying Thank You to the wonderful volunteers that our school relies on. Over 170 invitations were sent out to those who generously give their time to help in the school and over 70 people were able to attend. Volunteers assist in the important areas such as reading, swimming, tuckshop, LAP (Learning Assistance Program) tutoring, arts, classroom help, bicycle education, religious education, excursions, P&C activities, Centenary celebrations, ANZAC services and a host of other activities on a daily basis.

Volunteers who attended the day were treated to spectacular views, a delicious morning tea and lovely messages of appreciation from the Maleny School Captains. Thank you to Lodi and Yucca Pameijer of “Top of The Range Flowers” who kindly donated bunches of flowers that were presented to some of the attendees in recognition of outstanding contributions to the school.
Our volunteers provide us with an important connection to our community, which I see as a vital part of Maleny’s culture. My vision for Maleny State School is to foster and increase this important relationship between our school and the wider Maleny community.

Anyone interested in becoming a much valued volunteer in 2014, can contact the school on Ph 54998333.

**Year 7 Graduation and Farewell**

Our special Graduation Ceremony for Year 7 students is on this Tuesday beginning at 9:30am, followed by a morning tea starting at approximately 10:30 am. Students are required to wear full school uniform for this event. Students from years five and six will also attend this ceremony. We encourage parents of year seven students to attend if possible. We will also say farewell to our Year 7 students at our final parade on Tuesday afternoon at 2:15pm.

Our Year Seven Graduation Dinner is at Tranquil Park. The event starts at 6pm on Tuesday December 10 and finishes at 9pm. It is strongly recommended that parents and students sit together during the meal, as the main purpose for this event is for you to spend time with your child on this special occasion. We request that the students remain within the venue as other guests will be staying at Tranquil Park and we would like to respect their privacy.

**Classroom News**

**Prep A and Prep/ 1B Pizza Party**

Great excitement!!! One of our friend’s at Prep, Macey, won the Andrew Powell Design a Christmas Card Competition. Her winning entry is pictured and we were all treated to Pizza Party at Prep. It was lovely that Macey got to share her prize with her friends in Prep A and Prep/1B. Mr Andrew Powell joined us at school for the party and it was an extra surprise when he arrived with the Channel 7 News camera crew. There were lots of families who tuned into Channel 7 that night. Thank you to Mr Powell for organising the delicious pizza’s from our school tuckshop.

**1/2C Celebrates Antarctica Day**

Our class has the honour of representing Australia in the Antarctica Day celebrations. This special day recognises when 53 years ago, on 1st Dec. 1959 - 12 Nations signed the Antarctic Treaty, setting aside 10% of the Earth, “forever to be used exclusively for peaceful purposes in the interest of mankind.”

As a legacy to the 50th Anniversary of the Antarctica Treaty, OUR SPACES initiated Antarctica Day in 2010. School students from around the world have been invited to design, create and send their Antarctica Day flags to the region to become a part of the celebrations. To enable us to design inspirational, reflective flags for the yearly event our class has been investigating facts about the Antarctica region and the history leading to the treaty and in turn its effects on our planet earth today and into the future. Students have been extremely enthusiastic about this project and we would to especially thank the McCallum family for making this experience possible for us at Maleny State School.

1/2C Classroom Teacher
Kerry Lees
Last week the Grade 2’s went on an excursion to Nambour Recycling Centre. We had a great time and learnt a lot of new information which has helped us to be ‘Super Recyclers’ in the classroom and at home. When we came back to school we wrote a recount of our excursion, you can read some of them below.

Yesterday I went on an excursion to Nambour Waste 2 Resource Centre. We travelled on a bus and I talked to my friend, Jared, and looked at Where’s Wally Books. Firstly, when we got there we got told the rules and talked about the right and wrong bin for rubbish. Secondly we got told a story about someone who tried to put a car engine in the bin. Next we went outside and read K-zones while we ate lunch. After that we got into our groups and did recycling activities that were awesome. My favourite activity was the Smart Shopping because we got to scan our own food. Lastly we went for a drive to the landfill sight and saw heaps of Ibis and rubbish. Something I did not know before was plastic bags can’t go in the recycle bin and Ibis like rubbish. I had an amazing day.

By Joshua 2B

Yesterday 2A and 2B went to Nambour Recycling Centre at 9.00am and we got there around 9.45am. When we got there the lady got on and told us the rules. Then we got told how to be an amazing recycler. After we went out to have some lunch. Then we started to do activities. My favourite one was the Smart Shopping where we got to scan foods and look for foods with only a little bit of packaging and it was not just waste. I took a photo on the ipad.

By Ryan 2A

Yesterday my class went on an excursion to the Nambour Recycling Centre. Firstly we talked about recycling and waste, about the things that we put in the right bins. Next I went to eat with Wendy, Daisy, Dakota and Bailey. He was very funny trying to chuck Sponge Bob Square Pants in his mouth. Then we did some activities. My favourite were when we saw the cameras inside the MURF and when we saw all of the Ibis. It was a bit extreme that some Ibis like to eat rubbish. It was a good excursion and I learnt a couple of things.

By Lily-Rose 2A

3A and 3B Final News for 2013!
We would like to thank all of the Parents and Carers for their support this year and wish you a very happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year. We hope that you are able to spend some time with your family before school resumes again in 2014.

The children have had a fantastic year and these were some of the highlights, according to them, not listed in any particular order!! WE enjoyed art, swimming, improving in writing- including writing poems and letters, music, handwriting, Dance Fever, the history excursion to the Historical village, our Kumiko multimodal powerpoint, maths games, science experiments, computer lab time and playing ‘Pumpkin’ and Jeopardy for Spelling.

Best Wishes,
Anne Coogan, Sarsha Anthony and Anna Keir.

Please return any outstanding Library books to the school by the end of the week.

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Students of the Week

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Chappy News

The table tennis tournament has now drawn to a close. This year there were over fifty entrants. Two winners from each division (Years, 4,5,6,7 and Open Division) will be awarded their certificates and prizes this week.

The Rumball Drive fundraiser for Chaplaincy was a wonderful success. Approximately 12 people from our local community came in on Monday the 2nd to make the 2400 rum balls. They all sold out and unfortunately there were some people who missed out. Many thanks in particular goes to Jenny and to Felicity for their enthusiasm and excellent organising skills.

Please have a wonderful and safe Christmas Holiday.
See you in the New Year,
Chappy Bev

Advertise in our Familygram

We are currently looking for Advertisers for our Familygram for 2014. The newsletter is published in colour once a fortnight and circulates throughout approximately 250 families in the school community. The cost for an 8cm long x 4.6 cm sized advertisement is $200 (including GST) for the year.

If you are interested in advertising in our Familygram please contact the office on Ph 54998333.

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
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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

The final meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday, 11\textsuperscript{th} December. Please bring along a plate to share the festive cheer.

### 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 Closed Friday, 13\textsuperscript{th} December 2013 for cleaning.**

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered in the Tuckshop, without you, the tuckshop would not be able to provide our children with the fresh and nutritious food that it does. Our tuckshop not only offers a wonderful selection of freshly cooked food, but it also offers great customer service to our children, staff and also at our catered events. If you would like to be part of this fun extended family, we are always looking for helpers, so if you have some time to give during the week, please contact Gunnar or Kate at the tuckshop to see which days help is most needed.

**Tuckshop Helpers Break-up**

Friday, 13\textsuperscript{th} December @ 11.30am. Please bring a plate to share. For RSVP please contact Gunnar or Kate.

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](http://www.flexischools.com.au/)

### Uniform Shop News

Did you know that you are now able to enjoy the convenience of the Flexi-school system to order school uniforms as well. [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au).

Orders can be done online through the Flexi-school system or directly with the Uniform Shop. Orders will be filled straight away if in stock and can then be collected from the Uniform Shop on Fridays between 8.30 and 9.30am.

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

The Uniform Shop will be open 22/1/14 & 23/1/14 from 8.30 – 10.00 am

### Community News

**Aussie Day Sport, Recreation & Service Club Expo**

Maleny Showgrounds 26th January 2014.

A family fun event! Bring the whole family to the Maleny Showgrounds on Australia Day! Check out a diverse range of healthy leisure time activities for all ages – FREE entry for all.

Displays and interactive demos! From Taekwon-Do to chess, antique car restoration to croquet, soccer and pony club to woodworking, arts, crafts and fire engines – there’s something for everyone.

Grab a Big Aussie Day APEX Breakfast and catch the 5th Light Horse Troupe in all their finery at the Flag Raising Ceremony. PLUS great family prizes to be won in the Aussie Day Expo Passport Draw! 7.00 am breakfast and ceremonies 9.00 - 1.00 pm Aussie Day Expo - see you there!

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**SUMMER FUN AT THE POOL!**

Looking to keep the kids amused these holidays?

Want to keep fit over Christmas? Looking for a way to keep cool over summer?

Well look no further than Maleny Swimming Pool!

Over the Holidays we have the Intensive Program, for all swim abilities, for one week your child will participate in lessons at the same time every morning. The cost to participate in an intensive week is $55, there are 4 weeks being run over the holidays, please call us or drop in and see us for more information. We have a special course running for any 10-16 YO looking to become a junior life guard, the course will run from 9-11am every day from the 20\textsuperscript{th}-24\textsuperscript{th} January 2014 the cost per participant is $95, please call into the pool for more information. Looking to keep fit over Christmas or just keep cool? The good news is the pool is open from 5:30am – 6:30pm every day for exercise swimmers or just a relaxing swim, (we are closed 24, 25, 26, and 31 December 2013 and 1 January 2014.) Stuck finding a really great Christmas present? Stop in at the pool are browse our wide range of goggles, kick boards, flippers, and much more! You can purchase any of these product for wholesale price, don’t forget to look in our specials bin for even more great savings! We stock Vici, Vorgee and Eyeline products. We look forward to seeing you here at the pool over the Holiday Break!

We wish you a Happy and safe holidays form all the Staff at Maleny Swimming Pool.
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<td>Cardboard Tube Craft Make monsters, flowers or whatever creation you want</td>
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<td>Tues 14 Jan 10-11am</td>
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To advertise your business here, please contact Maleny State School on 5499 8333.

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