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Familygram

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Diary Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 10 (31 March - 4 April)	Swimming Program P & C AGM	Swimming Program 2.20 Parade	Bruce & Denise Morcombe Visit (wear red) Religious Instruction 123 Magic Parenting Course	Disco	Last day of Term 1

Week (7 April - 11 April)	<h2>School Holidays</h2>				
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What's On in Semester 1

- 31 March - P&C AGM from 6.30pm
- 2 April - Denise & Bruce Morecombe visit – Wear Red
- 3 April - Disco
- 4 April – Last day Term 1, 2014
- 22 April – First day Term 2, 2014
- 24 April – Voices on the Coast
- 25 April – Anzac Day

School Watch

Watch over our school during the holidays.

With the holidays fast approaching, we encourage you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene, call the School Watch number – 13 1788.

Voluntary Contribution

A big 'Thank-you' to all those who have paid the Voluntary Financial Contribution. The Contribution for 2014 is \$50 per child or \$40 per child for families with three or more children enrolled at our school.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Bruce and Denise Morcombe Visit

Wear Red this Wednesday as a show of support for the Morcombe family and their important child safety message. Bruce and Denise will be visiting our school on Wednesday morning at 9:00 to educate students on 'Keeping Kids Safe'. Please also bring a gold coin donation to support the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. This will be collected in classes Wednesday morning.

P&C AGM

Please come along to our AGM meeting tonight at 6:30 in the library. All Executive Positions will be declared vacant and new nominations will be taken. I urge interested and new parents to attend. As a school we very much want a greater connection with our parent and community body. It cannot be achieved by a handful of people. Make my day and come along.

Disco

Celebrate the end of term with your students at our first Term disco on Thursday night. Prep – 3 times are 5:00pm – 6:15pm and 4-7 are from 6:30pm – 8:00pm. Parents will be required to assist in the tuckshop. Please contact the office if you can assist beforehand with organisation or just roll into the tuckshop and assist where needed. Food and drinks will be on sale.

All children MUST be collected from the Hall by parents. Please be on time to collect children. Children must remain in the hall unless eating/drinking or taking a quiet break outside the tuckshop area. There will be little tolerance for students who engage in deliberate, inappropriate behaviour. In such instances parents will be called to collect students early.

Easter Raffle

The student council will be selling raffle tickets each morning this week for \$1 each. We are still looking for more Easter Egg donations for this raffle. Please bring these to the office and receive a free ticket in the raffle. There will be a small prize for each year level and a larger overall prize. Tickets will be on sale at the disco and year level prizes will be drawn.

Operation Jump Street

Undercover police will be patrolling outside schools and booking people that are not following traffic rules. Offenders will be notified by mail. Issues that arise at our school are centred around our pedestrian crossing, parents walking through our staff car park and our 2 minute drop off zone. We also encourage students to ensure they are following safe practices when crossing the roads in town and near the library.

SWPBS (School Wide Positive Behaviour Support)

We are currently revising our whole of school reinforcer system for good behaviour. Positive reinforcement is a procedure whereby a student, contingent upon performing a specific behaviour, is immediately rewarded to maintain or increase that behaviour.

We are seeking parent and student input to ensure we develop an effective system that has ownership from all stakeholders. We do have two parents as part of our SWPBS team. However, we encourage you also to attend our SWPBS meeting this week on Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 pm to comment and share your opinion on this school wide system. This meeting will be held in the library at 3:00pm.

SWPBS - Rule: Be Respectful- Fortnightly Focus – Quiet Talking- Quiet Eating

Our school fortnightly focus is “Quiet Talking- Quiet Eating”. Please reinforce the following points with your children each day this week.

Be Respectful

- I put my rubbish in the bin before I leave
- I speak quietly and considerately to those close by
- I wait for teacher directions and line up quietly
- I wait my turn at the tuckshop
- I use manners and polite language
- I am a cooperative bystander
- I go to the toilet/get a drink sensibly at the correct time

Our fortnightly focus is derived from behaviour data and teacher input to ‘hot spot’ areas that need revising with students. The focus is introduced each Monday and discussed throughout the week. The focus is also outlined on parade by myself and student leaders. 4 Bee tickets are awarded to students displaying the correct behaviour. You will see focus behaviour posters around the school. If you look carefully at the posters in your child’s classroom you will notice each class will also have their own class focus. Students are rewarded for displaying the correct behaviour. If you have a general concern about a specific behaviour within our school, please alert us so that we can address it across our school.

Bullying Prevention

I have been working my way through classes in the school discussing what bullying is and the importance of exposing anyone who is using bullying behaviours by surveying students. Thankfully the overwhelming majority of our students within our school are not being bullied. We have identified a few potential hot spots that we have been successfully able to deal with. If you have concerns please always feel free to make an appointment with your child's class teacher, the Deputy Principal or myself.

123 Magic

The final of a series of 3 workshops designed to help parents with behaviour management strategies will be held this Wednesday. A big thank you to Deb Price a Behaviour Support Consultant with Education Queensland, who has been facilitating the 1-2-3 MAGIC Programme with parents. The workshops have information on

- Controlling difficult behaviour eg. arguing, fighting, tantrums
- Encouraging good behaviour eg. going to bed, doing homework, eating
- Strengthening your relationship with your child through the use of praise, active listening and shared fun.

Happy, Safe Holidays

Thank you Maleny for your support to myself and staff this Term. I am already looking forward to a productive and enjoyable Term Two. Have a great family holiday and if around please keep an eye on our school.

A Happy and Safe Easter Break to all.

John 😊

Classroom News

Year 3 / 4

Over the last two weeks the class has been focusing on the art of persuasion. The students have been required to express their opinions about different topics. They then worked in groups to debate their ideas. We appointed a judge and the children had to listen while each child stated their beliefs. It was a challenge to prioritise our reasons for our arguments.



This week we have been writing a persuasive article about a topic we feel passionate about. Topics have ranged from: Playing Sport is Better than Watching TV, Smoking should be Illegal, Save The Tassie Forest, Minecraft is the Best Video Game, and Read Books Rather Than Watch TV. The children have been using many persuasive devices to make their writing more interesting.

In Science we have been creating a PowerPoint on an endangered animal. We had to write a slogan for our campaign. This week we have seen some very educational presentations by many of the students.

Trish and Lou

What have 5A & 5B been doing?

As the end of the term is quickly approaching, we are busy trying to finish our units before the holidays.

In English we have been looking at reading strategies. The two that we have worked on so far have been "Asking Questions" and "Predicting". We have been using these skills to help us with our reading comprehension. Also we have been looking at literary devices like similes, alliteration and metaphors. Some people have looked at these in more detail in Writing GEMS.

Here's a few examples that we've created:

as crazy as a whacky walnut (Kate), as rich as money (Shelby),
as loud as a possum on a tin roof at night (Luka),



the moon was a ghost hanging in the sky (Ayla), fluffy like a cloud (Rosie)
 the sun was like an erupting volcano (Mariah),
 white like a sheep's fluffy wool (Hayley), the stars shone like diamonds (Riley)
 he was a fat pig lying in the sun (Matthew GD).

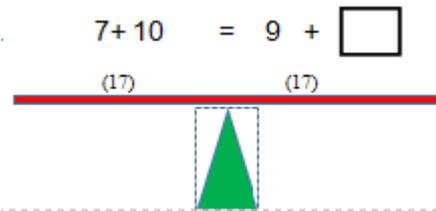
Recently in Science we investigated how adaptations are important for animals living in different environments. Did you know these Polar Bear facts?

- They have black skin to absorb heat
- They have pads on their paws to grip the ice
- They have 2 layers of fur
- They have small ears and tails so that they prevent heat loss
- They are more likely to suffer from heat than the cold
- they dig underground and use the snow as a blanket
- They have 42 teeth
- Only have 2 predators (humans and other polar bears)



Here's a few Maths equivalence equations we have written. Can you solve them?

$10^2 \times 5^2 = \frac{1}{4}$ of 10 000 (Jack) $5 \times \square = 10^2$ (Matthew) $20^2 = 4 \times \square$ (Parker)



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Terrific Term 1 Year 6 and 7

What a fantastic start to the year we have had. As we race towards the first break of the year our classes have been working hard to complete our units in English, Maths, Science, History and for the first time – Geography.

Our leaders have been very busy attending the GRIP Leadership conference, running our weekly Parade, attending Student Council meetings and organising and running the Senior Sport Shed.

Speaking of sport, we are very proud to have many sport stars amongst our classes this term. For once in about 7 years we have made it through a season of Interschool Softball without rain interruptions, postponements or cancellations!!!

Our Teams competed very well this year with the results as follows – A Boys 2nd Place, A Girls 5th Place, B Boys 8th Place and B Girls 2nd Place. The A Boys and B Girls fought hard in their Final Playoffs only to go down by 2 and 1 run respectively. All the students who attended participated with great sportsmanship and enthusiasm.

Congratulations everyone! Our classes are full of talented and responsible students who are involving themselves with many other activities including choir, recorder band, fundraising for special causes.

Thank you to all parents and caregivers who have helped us, have a fabulous Easter holiday break and we look forward to seeing everyone ready to jump into term 2!



Our Successful Finalists.



Musical Notes:

Thank you to the many students who have applied to be a dancer for The Haunted House. All places are now filled.

After School Rehearsals begin Term 2!

All **Actors and Singers** are required each Tuesday from 3.00pm - 4.00pm beginning 22nd April (which is the first day of Term 2!)

After school rehearsals for **Dancers** will begin on 13th May and will run from 3.00pm- 3.30pm.

All after school rehearsals will be based at the School Hall.

CAN YOU HELP? SEWING COSTUMES

I am in desperate need of people to help make some of our costumes. Clothing items to be made include; circular skirts, shirts and six long dresses. If you can help please contact me via email lcrip9@eq.edu.au , phone school 54998333 or mobile 0402413159.

Regards

Liz Cripps (Classroom Music Teacher)

Chappy News

Ninja Kids Workshop To Run This Holiday – 16th April

Hello

I have some great news. This coming holidays the Sunshine Coast Ninjas will be running a day workshop for primary school aged kids. I will be the guest facilitator, running lots of Ninja art/craft activities. Some of the proceeds will go to Chaplaincy.

The Ninja Kids' Workshop will also include: lots of Ninja games, soft sword work, and a free lesson pass for future use. The children will build confidence, acquire news skills, improve fitness and have heaps of fun.

Here are the details:

Date: Wednesday, 16th August 2014

- Time: Program runs 9:30 am to 4pm (sign in at 8:30 am and sign out before 5pm)
- Where: Maleny State (Primary) School Hall
- Who: Years 1 to Years 7
- Cost: Only \$45 per child, \$80 for two (the cost is usually \$65 per child)
- What to bring: Lunch, morning tea, hats, sunscreen, runners and water bottles.

Bookings are essential as there are only 30 places available.

For more information please give me a call on Ph 0457954596.

Regards

Chappy Bev

See the flyer towards the end of the Familygram.



Student of the Week

Week 7:

Prep A	Dean & Joel	4A	
Prep/1B	Vinnie & Lachlan	5A	Lizzie & Rose
1A	Ben & Rescue	5B	Luca & Mariah
1/2	Sophia & Kael	6A	Max & Hannah
2A	Taylah & Chilli	6B	Mya & Lily
3A	Lily & Fraser	6/7	Jasmine & Ziggy
3B	Zach & Jessica	7A	Ruby
3/4	Maybelle & Matthew	Japanese	Merlynn

Week 8:

Prep A	Olli & Ranger	4A	Riley
Prep/1B	Oleander	5A	Paris & Riley
1A	Jayda & Ben	5B	Kirra & Amelia
1/2	Jack & Darcy	6A	Taylah & Eloise
2A	Campbell & Ryan	6B	Brooke & Abbey
3A	Noah & Lauren	6/7	Divyn & Kyle
3B	Kaitlyn & Ben	7A	Zephyr & Tasmin
3/4	Max & Ava	Japanese	Class of 6A and Class of 6B

Advertise in our Familygram

We only have 1 advertising space left for our Familygram for 2014. The newsletter is published in colour once a fortnight and goes to 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

Payments

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 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 Annual General Meeting

An invitation is extended to all parents to join us for the P & C AGM to be held on Monday, 31st March 2014 at 6:30pm. We look forward to welcoming you.

Tuckshop News

Our tuckshop not only offers a wonderful selection of freshly cooked food, but it also offers great customer service to our children, staff and 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 or ring Kate on Ph 0410604463. We especially need help on Tuesdays to continue Sushi Tuesday made fresh on site.

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

Did you know that you are now able to enjoy the convenience of the Flexischool system to order school uniforms as well. www.flexischools.com.au.

Orders can be done online through the Flexischool system or directly with the Uniform Shop. Orders will be filled straight away if stock is available and can be collected from the Uniform Shop on Fridays between 8.30 and 9.30am.

There are still some old sports shirts available for \$10 and these will remain uniform until early 2016 - they are available from the uniform shop on Friday mornings from 8.30 - 9.30 until sold out.

All flexischool orders are to be in by 5pm Wednesday so they can be available for Friday pickup or class delivery.

Ninja Kids Workshop

Build confidence and have fun

Ninja Kids Workshop

Presented by Sunshine Coast Ninjas

Sensei Shayne and Sensei Jamie

Sports coaches with the Australian Institute of Sports and Blue card accredited

Guest facilitator Chappy Bev

Date: Wednesday, 16th April 2014

Time: Program runs 9:30am to 4:00 pm
(sign in at 8:30, sign out before 5pm)

Where: Maleny State (Primary) School Hall
(16 Bunya Street, Maleny)

Who: Year 1 to Year 7

Cost: Only \$45 per child, \$80 for 2 (usually \$65 per child)

BYO: Lunch, morning tea, hats, sunscreen, runners and water bottles.



Way of the Peaceful Warrior

Bookings essential: only 30 places available

Contact Chappy Bev (Chaplain Maleny State School)

mobile 0457 954 596

Some proceeds go to Maleny State School Chaplaincy Service



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Email your and your children's names and a contact phone number to Sensei Shayne Harris at Shayne@dynamicimages.com.au

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MALENY LIBRARY FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Venue	Ages	Max.	Booking
8 and 9 April 9:30-11:30am	Upcycled Easter Craft Make bunny or chick with recycled cardboard	Children's Area	All Ages	None	No
10 April 9:30-11am	Storytime and Easter Craft	Children's Area	Under 7 years	None	No
11 April 10-11am	Funny Bunny Drawing with local artist Sally Fisher	Meeting Room	7+ years	15	Yes
15 and 16 April 9:30-11:30am	Upcycled Easter Craft Make an Easter Basket from recycled items	Children's Area	All Ages	None	No
17 April 9:30-11am	Storytime and Easter Craft	Children's Area	Under 7 years	None	No



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Witta Sports Club
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