

Monday, 18 November 2019

From the Principal

Welcome to Week 6. We're now over the half way mark of the term and as usual, it will fly by.

I would like to thank our school community for attending our showcases last week. Our Stage 2 and 3 students enjoyed sharing their learning with their families and I'd like to take a moment to thank Mrs Jack for ensuring music lessons in our primary classes were engaging, relevant and enjoyable for all.

I'm sitting writing this in North Queensland, where it's only 5.30am on what is already another hot and humid day. The fires are still burning up here too and the rain storm (including hail) last night still hasn't made a difference to the heat and wind this morning. We can only hope things will settle soon for those who are still in fire zones and for those who are fighting the fires.

This Wednesday is our Kindergarten Expo and the first formal transition day for our 2020 Kindergarten children. They will spend the morning in classrooms with their teacher for the new year. It's always a very exciting time of year for our 'almost Kinders' as they get to learn about a new space, enjoy time with their buddy and meet those who will be in their new class. This also gives teachers a chance to observe the dynamics of the class, to see how the children interact with each other and to tweak class groupings if necessary.

Our nominees for the school's 2020 Student Leader positions are presenting their speeches to family and peers Tuesday morning. All students K-6 will then vote on their choice of students to represent our school. We have always had fantastic student representatives and I'm sure this will again be the case next year.

Here's to another great week!

Until next week,

Donna Stackman

LOCAL COMMUNITY

Activity of the week - Maitland Parkrun

Parkrun is a community based event that you will find all throughout the globe! It is a self-paced, weekly event that sees communities come together and complete a five kilometre course at either a competitive run or a leisurely walk. Maitland Parkrun is held on Saturdays at 8.00am at Walka Water Works.

For more information, please visit

www.parkrun.com.au/maitland

Website of the week

Our website of the week is actually an app! **Smiling Mind** is a free mindfulness and meditation app with specific programs for children from 7 years of age to adults. As the school has been investigating mindfulness, this app may be a great introduction for families and a way to bring it into your home.

Tenambit Tots Playgroup

We would like to invite our families to come along to playgroup this week for some water play fun! With the warmer weather it will be a great chance to stay cool!

Our book this week will be The Very Cranky Bear and we have a very crafty activity to go with it!

Remember that playgroup is completely free and will run on Wednesdays from 9.15am to 11.00am. We look forward to seeing you there!

PRESENTATION DAY

Wednesday 11th December

Years K-2 commences at 9.30am

Years 3-6 commences at 12.00pm

School Calendar Term 4	
Week 6	
Monday 18 th November	P&C Meeting – 6.00pm
Tuesday 19 th November	Leader speeches & voting - School hall - 9.30am
Wednesday 20 th November	Kinder Expo 9.00am-11.00am – School hall CUBS transition Tenambit Tots Playgroup 9.15 – 11.00am
Week 7	
Wednesday 27 th November	CUBS transition Tenambit Tots Playgroup 9.15 – 11.00am
Week 8 – School Swimming Scheme (Stage 1 & 2)	
Monday 2 nd December	Last Infants Assembly
Tuesday 3 rd December	Year 6 MHS Orientation Day
Wednesday 4 th December	CUBS transition Tenambit Tots Playgroup 9.15 – 11.00am
Thursday 5 th December	Last Primary Assembly
Friday 6 th December	Year 6 – MHS “Taking care of me” Wellbeing Day
Week 9 - School Swimming Scheme (Stage 1 & 2)	
Monday 9 th December	PBL Badge Ceremony – 12.00pm School hall
Tuesday 10 th December	MHS Presentation Day
Wednesday 11 th December	K-6 Presentation Day
Thursday 12 th December	Year 6 Farewell
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Whole School Performance
Week 10	
Monday 16 th December	PBL Acknowledgement Day
Wednesday 18 th December	Class party day Last day of term
Thursday 19 th December	SCHOOL FULLY CLOSED
Friday 20 th December	SCHOOL FULLY CLOSED
School Calendar – Term 1 2020	
Week 1	
Wednesday 29 th January	School commences - Yrs 1-6
Wed 29 th Jan – Fri 31 st Jan	Kinder Best Start testing
Week 2	
Monday 3 rd February	Kindergarten commences
Week 3	
Thursday 13 th February	Swimming Carnival
Week 4	
Thursday 20 th February	Zone Swimming Carnival
Week 6	
Friday 6 th March	Primary Athletics Carnival
Week 8	
Friday 20 th March	Cross Country



Attention Year 6 Parents

Kindy photos needed!! (Pre-school/Year 1 or 2 photos will be perfect as well).

If your child did not attend Tenambit Public School in Kindergarten or did not have their photo taken on photo day, please send a copy of their Kindy photo to the school (Miss Turner) before Friday 29th November. These photos are needed as part of the Year 6 Farewell. Thank you!

Miss Turner



On Monday 25th November 2019 students are encouraged to come to school with *crazy hair* and donate a gold coin. This enjoyable whole school event is part of Year 6 fundraising and also marks the beginning of this term's staff wellbeing week.

PBL Badge Ceremony
Monday 9th December
12.00pm – School Hall

CUBS Graduation

What a great bunch of "Almost Kinders" we have. They enjoyed their graduation from CUBS enormously last Wednesday. Our teachers can't wait to get them into the classrooms this week for their first Kinder Orientation morning.



Please note the school will be fully closed on Thursday 19th December and Friday 20th December as staff development have already been completed earlier throughout the Semester.

Tasmanian Devil – by Chase Allen

Tasmanian Devil



DIET – The Tasmanian devil eats insects, meat and dead animals with diseases.

HABITAT – The Tasmanian devil lives in the bush and in animal parks.

ENDANGERED – The Tasmanian devil is an endangered species because of the face cancer in their mouth, which prevents them from eating their food.

APPEARANCE – The Tasmanian devils have a white patch and black and red parts. They are the size of a small dog.

BEHAVIOUR – The Tasmanian devil is very shy and sometimes shake when humans are around.



SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

8.30am – 3.15pm



COME AND TRY RUGBY



Maitland Blacks Junior Rugby

Interested in the 2020 rugby season but want to give it a try first?
Come along to our free Try Rugby day!

Who All kids - boys and girls - turning 5 or older in 2020
Where Marcellin Park, Lorn
When Sunday 24th November
 9.30am registration
 10am - 12pm activities
 BBQ afterwards!

Email info@maitlandblacks.com.au for more information.

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 MAITLAND RUGBY CLUB
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2019 Calendar Orders

Order forms for the annual calendars are going home with students today. Please ensure orders and money are sent back to the office by Friday 22nd November. **(Please ensure you place your order and the correct cash money into an envelope prior to handing into the office. NO EFTPOS will be available for the calendars as it is run through the P&C).**

200 Nights Reading

The cut-off date for 200 nights reading certificates will be 22nd November (Friday – Week 6).

The book labels for these certificates will be handed out at the End of Year Assemblies in Week 8.

The book label can then be taken to the Library on Presentation Day to collect your book prize.

SAVE THESE DATES IN YOUR HOLIDAY DIARY!

Maitland Evangelical Church
PRESENTS

MON-FRI 13-17 JAN / 9:30 - 12 PM



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FOR AGES
3-14
YEARS

at East Maitland Public School

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**GUEST SPEAKERS, GREAT COFFEE
AND PERSONAL STORIES**

**13 - 17 JAN
9:30 - 12PM**

**EAST MAITLAND
PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**FREE CRECHE
0-3YRS**

MON:	LOOKING AFTER YOURSELF DOESN'T HAVE TO BE BORING OR SERIOUS.
TUE:	5 WAYS TO WRECK YOUR RELATIONSHIP
WED:	BUILDING RESILIENCE IN TEENAGERS
THU:	UNTANGLING YOUR CHILD'S EMOTIONS
FRI:	FORGIVENESS - WHAT IS IT AND HOW DOES IT WORK?

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OR [FACEBOOK.COM/MAITLANDALIVE](https://facebook.com/MAITLANDALIVE)

Event hosted by Maitland Evangelical Church

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MAITLAND GROSSMANN HIGH SCHOOL

5-8PM SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2019

**STREET PARTY
+ CAROLS**

FOOD TRUCKS / BYO PICNIC

JUMPING CASTLES / LIVE MUSIC
FACE PAINTING / PETTING ZOO
& ENTERTAINMENT

ALL AGES WELCOME
BYO PICNIC RUG OR CHAIR
DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

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*Street
Party*
& CAROLS