

Monday, 12 November 2018

From the Principal

Welcome to Week 5.

At the completion of this week we will be half way through the term with only five weeks left of the school year. Plans are well underway for the formation of classes for the 2019 school year and I have already spoken to a number of parents regarding class preferences. I understand that some students work better with certain students and not others and some feel as though they work better with particular teachers. If you or your child have any requests for class placement in 2019, please drop into the office and complete the 2019 Class Placement form. While every request is considered we cannot guarantee the placement of your child into the requested class.

I have also spoken with Mrs Stackman in the past week and she is looking forward to coming back and joining the staff on the last planning day. She is grateful for the understanding and support she has received while she has been on medical leave and is looking forward to being back on deck in 2019.

This time of the year is always a complicated one with staff movement across our school, into and out of our school. We have staff currently out of our school taking on higher duties in other schools and this always has the possibility to continue in 2019 but this has not been confirmed as yet. One thing we are certain of is that we will be missing two teachers next year from our regular staff. Taryn Butler and Stephanie Kingdon will both be taking maternity leave in early 2019. Mrs Butler will not be returning after the Christmas break, while Ms Kingdon will be returning for a few short weeks at the start of the year to help the new kinder students settle into school life. We wish Stephanie and Taryn all the very best as they begin another chapter in their family lives.

Molly James and Tara Lawrence have both taken a leap of faith to spread their wings and leave Tenambit Public School at the conclusion of the 2018 school year. While it is great to see these teachers expanding their horizons

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and opportunities to gain full time employment it will leave a gap in our school. We have, however, been able to fill these two positions with teachers who will bring enthusiasm, dedication, a broad range of skills and experiences and a love of teaching that will complement the wonderful programs we already have in place at Tenambit Public School. We wish Miss James and Miss Lawrence all the very best with their teaching futures and thank them for their time at Tenambit Public School.

Our overall school attendance percentage is continuing to fall. While attendance at school is compulsory to assist the academic development of your child, it also allows them to develop their social and emotional skills. Even missing one day each and every week, equals two entire weeks of missed learning in a term, eight weeks of missed learning in a year and well over a year of missed education by the time a student reaches Year 6! As you can see, regular absences impact greatly on a child's education. We are seeking your assistance to help us make a positive impact in this attendance data and reach our target of 91% attendance before the end of this term.

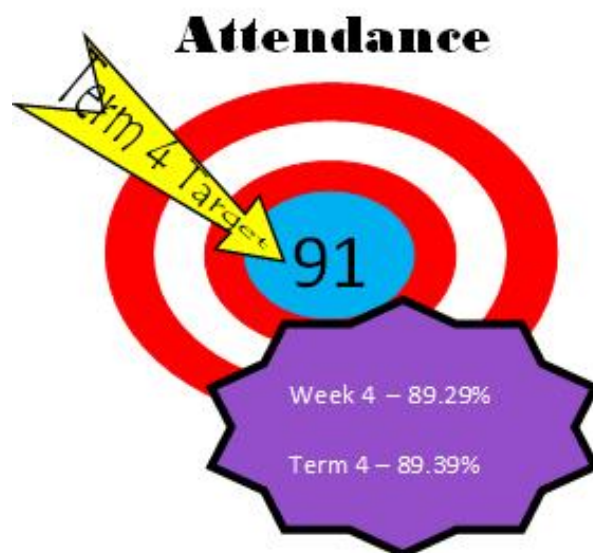
The installation of our shade sail over the play equipment slowed slightly this week. The posts should be installed by tomorrow and the playground equipment can be used again while the concrete around the posts cures. I have been told it will be 10-14 days for the concrete to cure enough before the installation of the sail can take place.

Until next week,

Luke Potts
Relieving Principal

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School Calendar Term 4	
Week 5	
Wednesday 14 th Nov	CUBS Graduation
Thursday 15 th November	Play Group 9.00 – 11.00am
Friday 16 th November	Reg Kelly Cricket
Week 6	
Monday 19 th November	P&C Meeting – 6.00pm
Tuesday 20 th November	Author Visit
Wednesday 21 st Nov	Kinder 2019 Expo Kinder Orientation #1 Casey's Toys Fundraiser
Thursday 22 nd November	Play Group 9.00 – 11.00am
Friday 23 rd November	Cold Rock Day Fundraiser
Week 7	
Monday 26 th November	PBL Badge Day
Wednesday 28 th Nov	Kinder Orientation #2
Thursday 30 th November	2019 Student Leader Speeches and Voting Play Group 9.00 – 11.00am
Week 8	
Tuesday 4 th December	Maitland High Orientation
Wednesday 5 th December	Kinder Orientation #3 Volunteers Afternoon Tea
Thursday 6 th December	Play Group 9.00 – 11.00am
Friday 7 th December	Carols Night
Week 9	
Tuesday 11 th December	Primary Presentation Day
Wednesday 12 th Dec	Infants Presentation Day
Thursday 13 th December	Year 6 Farewell Play Group 9.00 – 11.00am
Friday 14 th December	Voting for Sports/House Captains PBL Reward Day School reports sent home
Week 10	
Monday 17 th December	Class Party Day Stage 2 Excursion to Readings Cinema
Wednesday 19 th December	Last day for students Year 6 clap out - 2.45pm



Author Visit – Chris Collin

Award winning author Chris Collin and his fabulous books will be visiting our school on Tuesday 20th November for a fun and interactive session for all students in the school. For Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 he will explore his books with rhyme, music, puppets and art. For Stage 2 and Stage 3 he will discuss the process of creating fun picture books with rhyme and humor. He will also provide the opportunity to answer questions. Signed copies of his books will be available for purchase also. Cost is \$5.00. Please return notes and payment to the office by **Friday 16th November**.

LAST WEEK TO PAY!!!!



PBL Affirmation for the Week

"I can be responsible"

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

8.30am – 3.15pm



CUBS Graduation

Our twenty five week School Readiness program will conclude this Wednesday 14th November with our CUBS Graduation.

Children will be dropped as usual to the library at 9.00am but parents/carers are asked to come to the hall at 10.00am for a celebration of children completing the program.

Christmas Raffle

All classrooms have received a basket in their rooms for our Christmas raffle donations. These will be used to make up our Christmas hampers. Could you please help out by making a donation. Some ideas for donations could be food items, toys, books etc.

We will also be donating a couple of hampers to the Samaritans.

Thank you for your help.

Calendar

An order form has been sent home to families for our calendars. All children will do an artwork in class but if you wish to have a specific photo this needs to be supplied.

There is a sample of last year's calendar in the window at the office if you would like to view it.

Orders and money need to be returned to the school office by **21st November**.

*****As the calendars are done by the P&C, please note that cash only can be accepted as payment.***

ASSEMBLIES

Infants: Monday 2.25pm

Primary: Friday 2.25pm

Tenambit Public School P&C and Casey's Toys Greenhills will be holding a Christmas Fundraiser Shopping Night.

Casey's Toys will provide a quiet child free environment with champagne and light refreshments and we supply the customers!

With Christmas just around the corner, not only will this be a great opportunity to raise money for our school, it will also give us a chance to grab some great presents in the process.

Please feel free to share and invite friends along, the more the merrier!

Just remember to RSVP!

Please find below the answers to some frequently asked questions for the fundraiser at Casey's Toys:

Can you lay-by on the night?

Unfortunately not - in order to process the 20% voucher for you, the sales need to be completed within your designated time frame.

Are there any additional deals on the night?

You will have access to the newest specials we have on the night while you sip champagne - however as it is a fundraising evening, no further discount is offered. Your organisation gets back 20% of the total spend!

One parent cannot make the evening but still wants to contribute - is there any way?

I would recommend contacting the store directly for clarification but most stores can try to arrange something to accommodate them.



Home Reading

Please note the cut off for students to receive their 200 night Home Reading Certificate this year will be the end of Week 7 (Friday 23rd November).

If you are nearing 200 nights by that time, please ensure you bring your Home Reading Record Book into the office so you receive your Certificate. e.g. If you are on 195 nights, and know you will finish 200 nights by the end of term.

2018 ICAS Competitions

Congratulations to the following students on their achievement in the UNSW ICAS exams this year.

Semester Two Reports

This term, student reports will not be handed out at Presentation Day, they will be sent home on Friday 14th December.

HEAD LICE ALERT

It is that time of year again, and unfortunately several cases of head lice have been detected at school.

We seek your cooperation in checking your child's hair and in those instances where head lice or eggs are found, treating your child's hair early to stop the spread.



Thank you.

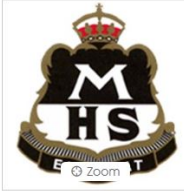
Book Packs – Maitland High School


Stuart and Dunn Office Choice have book packs for Year 7 students moving into Maitland High School in 2019. The all-inclusive pack is to assist parents of these students, to ensure the ease of ordering. This pack can be delivered **free of charge** directly to you, or can be picked up from their store in Beresfield. The total cost per pack is \$85.00.

The packs can be purchased from:

<https://stuartanddunn.officechoice.com.au/maitland-high-year-7-book-pack>

Digital Technologies	James Gent	Merit
	Sophie Eades	Credit
	Sarah Gent	Credit
English	Alanna Smerdon	Participation
	Sophie Eades	Participation
	Khiara Lynch	Participation
	James Gent	Credit
	Sarah Gent	Distinction
Mathematics	Sybella O'Leary	Participation
	Alanna Smerdon	Participation
	Sophie Eades	Participation
	James Gent	Merit
	Sarah Gent	Merit
Science	Everlyn Anderson	Participation
	James Gent	Distinction
	Sarah Gent	Distinction
Spelling	Sybella O'Leary	Participation
	Everlyn Anderson	Participation
	Khiara Lynch	Participation
	James Gent	Credit
	Sarah Gent	Distinction
Writing	James Gent	Participation
	Everlyn Anderson	Participation
	Alanna Smerdon	Credit





MAITLAND HIGH YEAR 7 BOOK PACK 2019

CODE: MAITLANDHIGHYR7

- 5 x Protext Exercise Book A4 8mm Ruled 192 Page
- 5 x OC Exercise Book A4 96 Page
- 1 x OC Scrap Book 72 Page
- 1 x Casio FX82 Scientific Calculator
- 1 x Calco Math Set
- 4 x Display Books
- 2 x 2B Pencils
- 2 x 3B Pencils
- 2 x 8GB USB Sticks
- 5 x Arline Smoove Black Pens
- 1 x Micador Highlighters Wallet of 4
- 1 x 30cm Plastic Ruler
- 1 x Eraser
- 1 x OC Glue Stick 36g
- 1 x 170mm Scissors
- 1 x BIC Evolution Coloured Pencils Pack 12
- 1 x Faber Castell Sharpener
- 1 x Poly Cover A4 Visual Art Diary 120 Page

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Author Visit- Chris Collin



Award-winning children's author Chris Collin is visiting our school! Chris has published four best-selling books, including the wild and wacky *Funky Chicken A Bushy Tale of Crocs and Chooks*, the award-winning *Funky Chicken Chooks in Space* and his 2018 release, and Funky Chicken's wildest ride yet, *Funky Chicken Mission InCROCible!* Chris' presentations are educational, great fun and highly interactive! His philosophy is simple; encourage our kids to read and write by making reading fun! The presentation includes storytelling, puppets, video slideshows, singing and dancing! Chris explains how a picture book is created in language that is easy for the students to understand. Some students will even become illustrators for the day and create their own rhymes and picture books!

- ***Funky Chicken: Chooks in Space*** is in the Qld and Victorian Premiers Challenge Book List and was voted WINNER in the 2016 Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards!
- His first book ***Funky Chicken: A Bushy Tale of Crocs and Chooks*** is in the Premiers Reading Challenge Book List in Qld, NSW and Victoria and was shortlisted in the 2014 Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards.
- ***A Bug Called Doug*** is in the Qld Premiers Reading Challenge Book List and has been included in the 2019 Brisbane School of Distance Education E-Kindy program.
- ***Funky Chicken Mission InCROCible*** is in the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge Book List.

You can download **for free**, educational activity sheets specific to our books from the Funkybooks website. www.funkybooks.com.au/educational. These activities are great fun and **available for anyone** to use including teachers, parents and care givers!

If you are interested in purchasing a *signed* copy of Chris' beautiful books, *Funky Chicken* puppet or other merchandise, just fill in the attached order form and money slip, pop it into an envelope and deliver back to the school per the steps below.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO PLACE YOUR ORDER

Deliver your completed order form in a sealed envelope to **The School Office** by **Tuesday 20th November**.

Alternatively, you can **place an order** at www.funkybooks.com.au

FUNKY BOOKS

ORDER FORM

Funkybooks
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Buderim, Qld 4556
P 0429 326 794
E sales@funkybooks.com.au
W www.funkybooks.com.au
ABN 54 886 710 599



Office Use Only	
DATE: _____	LOCATION: _____

Cash, Credit Card or Cheque Accepted

ITEM	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
HARDCOVER BOOKS			
Funky Chicken: A Bushy Tale of Crocs and Chooks (RRP \$24.95)		\$22.50	
Funky Chicken: Chooks in Space (RRP \$24.95)		\$22.50	
A Bug Called Doug (RRP \$24.95)		\$22.50	
NEW RELEASE			
Funky Chicken: Mission InCROCible (RRP \$24.95)		\$22.50	
OTHER			
Funky Chicken Puppet (RRP \$24.95)		\$22.50	
Funkybooks Calico Library Bag (RRP \$7.50)		\$5.00	
SUPERMEGAFUNKY PACK! – ALL 4 BOOKS, A FUNKY CHICKEN PUPPET AND A LIBRARY BAG SAVE OVER \$30 off RRP!		\$110	

Recipients name & Class no. here: _____

Message (Optional –Chris is happy to write the message) _____

PAYMENT SLIP

Full Name _____

Postal Address _____

Contact Phone Number _____ Email _____

IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD (note - this form will be shredded once processed)

Type of card (please tick) Visa Mastercard

Card No.

Expiry Date - Amount \$ _____

Name Printed on the Card _____

www.funkybooks.com.au



CASEY'S TOYS & TENAMBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL

WARMLY INVITE YOU TO OUR INAUGURAL

Christmas Fundraising Shopping Night

WEDNESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2018 6 - 8PM

**CASEY'S TOYS MAITLAND, LEVEL 1 STOCKLAND GREENHILLS
SHOPPING CENTRE (NEAR TARGET)**

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL BY DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT CASEY'S - IT'S THAT EASY! TENAMBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL WILL RECEIVE 20% OF THE TOTAL SPEND IN GIFT VOUCHER FORM (10% HOBBIES) WHILE YOU GET TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF;

CHAMPAGNE & LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

QUIET CHILD FREE SHOPPING ENVIRONMENT

BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS

ACCESS TO OUR FAMOUS SPECIALS

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL & LOCAL BUSINES

PLEASE JOIN US & RSVP TO THE OFFICE OR TO OUR FACEBOOK EVENT BY MONDAY 19TH NOVEMBER. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

NAME; _____

PH; _____

GUESTS; _____

