Term 4  Week 4  30/10/2014

GRANDPARENT DAY TOMORROW

Principal’s Message
What is the School Plan? The School Plan is a document (approximately 10 pages) focussed on the provision of quality teaching and optimal outcomes for all students at Maclean Public School. It covers a 3 year period. The School Plan is highly strategic, focussing on 3 key areas for improvement determined by the school in consultation with its community, to ensure ongoing growth and development of the school.

The School Plan is underpinned by the School Statement of Purpose School (see attached) which contains our Mission and Vision Statements. Please read the School Statement of Purpose. We value your thoughts and have provided you with a survey response form to be returned to school by Friday, 7th November.

The School Plan aligns the purpose, people, processes, products and practices necessary for optimal whole school performance. It accounts for succession planning and school growth, is informed by the educational landscape and situational analysis of the school and embeds ongoing data collection and evaluation and budgetary considerations.

Sounds technical doesn’t it? Not really. In plain speak, we will:

1. Identify needs,
2. set targets and
3. plan to achieve them.

To do so effectively we need to plan resource allocation (dollars and staffing). To see how we are travelling over the 5 years we will set milestones and will regularly check progress against them.

Thank you to those who have responded to the call for suitable meeting times to discuss school planning. Overwhelmingly, parents and carers chose email as the best communication mode. The two most popular meeting times were afternoon and evening. As a result, meetings will be held on Wednesday 19th November at 2.15pm and Thursday, 20th November at 7pm in the school staffroom. For those who have chosen email communication, questions posed and topics to be discussed will be emailed prior to the meeting so that your responses can be included in discussions. Results of the meetings will be emailed to those who have requested email communication.

Many thanks for your support and may we enjoy the journey!

Kind Regards,
Sandra Armstrong
Principal

P&C MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

Melbourne Cup Event

Clarence Hotel Maclean
4th November 11:30am
$15 a ticket
(ticket includes entry, entertainment and lucky sweeps, lucky door and raffle)
Prize for best hat

FASHION PARADE BY TI’CHELE
GRANDPARENT DAY
Maclean Public School will celebrate
Grandparents Day on Friday 31 October
2014: 11.45am-1.45pm

We warmly invite all grandparents to be part of
our celebrations that includes:

1. Whole school Assembly with Grandparent
   theme and performance from school
   music groups
2. Class visits with Themed literacy and
   creative art displays and in class book
   reading
3. Grandparents can bring along a picnic
   lunch to enjoy with their grandchildren
   starts 1.15pm

Look forward to seeing you on Friday 31 October
2014

HALLOWEEN
Ghouls, ghosts, pirates and witches invaded
Maclean Public School this week as part of
Halloween celebrations. Children from classes
across the school dressed to impress (or
frighten).
Lunch available on the day consisted of bat
burgers, blow fly pies, blood and guts pizza and
mud shakes. These celebrations were organised
by Mrs Bush the canteen manager.

KITCHEN GARDEN

Maclean School pupils are now reaping the
reward of a school grown garden. All the hard
work throughout the year involved planting
seeds and seedlings, weeding, watering and
composting. Now freshly grown vegetables and
herbs are in use in the school’s Green canteen.
Wraps, burgers and Vietnamese rolls, salads and
garlic bread all create a healthy menu that uses
items from the garden.

The gardening experience has allowed the
students to learn a lot about sustainability, co-
operation and commitment. Many students
across the school have had an input into the
garden and now feel a sense of pride to know
that all their hard work is producing a good
result.
ABORIGINAL LITERACY RESOURCES
Many thanks to Ms Andrea Brown the Aboriginal Community Development Officer from Clarence Valley Council for sourcing out and donating a beautiful set of books for all our students to read and enjoy.

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| Oct 31 Fri | • Grandparents Day School Assembly 11.45am school hall.  
• Class Visits  
• Grandparent Day Picnic lunch 1.15pm |
| Nov 4 Tue | • Melbourne Cup Luncheon Tickets $15 Don’t miss out |
| Nov 14 Fri | • School Assembly 11.45am school hall. Spotlight on 3M |
| Dec 1 Mon-Fri | • Intensive swimming Yr2-6 |
| Dec 2 Tue | • School Musical (to be announced) |
| Dec 9 Tue | • Yr 6 Farewell dinner (tbc) |
| Dec 11 Thur | • End of year Disco |
| Dec 12 Fri | • Presentation Assembly TBC |