Term 3  Week10  18/09/2014

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Principal’s Message
As the term comes to an end, classrooms are certainly not in wind down mode. There is still a lot happening across the school both indoors and outdoors! If you have time, take a wander around the gardens – edible and non-edible – adjacent to Mr Sozou’s room and the library. Mrs Spencer, Mr Dominey and their team of student gardeners have dug, weeded, planted, fed and watered the gardens back into life with results so impressive they would have the Backyard Blitz team very excited! All classes have their own garden beds so all children from Kinder to year 6 are involved. It is wonderful for our children to be able to grow healthy food and to have a nibble as they work! Much of the garden produce will find its way into our school canteen.

Yesterday was Red Kite Day at Maclean Public. Children and staff dressed in red and donated a gold coin. The canteen sold red hotdogs and cupcakes and almost $500 was raised as a result. Maclean Public has a special association with the Red Kite Foundation. Red Kite provided wonderful support to Maclean P.S. student, Lulu Oaten and her family, during Lulu’s illness and passing two years ago. Red Kite continues to keep in touch with Lulu’s family to this day.

Redkite supports children, teenagers and young adults with cancer and their families. Their support services include financial assistance, emotional support and education assistance. Financial assistance includes grants to help with expenses and financial counselling. Emotional support in hospitals is provided through social workers and music therapists, and support within the community includes telephone and email counselling, bereavement support and family days. Redkite receives no government funding and relies entirely on the generosity of the community to provide these important services. Many thanks to everyone who supported yesterday’s fundraiser.

Last Saturday night’s Alissa Project Dinner was a great night that raised a significant amount of money to support the work in Cambodian schools that past Maclean P.S. student Alissa Marshall had been so passionate about. The Maclean community was extremely generous and support was exceptional. What an amazing legacy Alissa has left.

Tomorrow we will farewell our practicum students Tom, Catherine, Rebecca, Kelly and Lew and intern Amelia. It has been a pleasure to have them all at MPS. They have been a very welcome addition to our staff and I am confident that Australia’s future students will be in good hands.

Kind Regards,
Sandra Armstrong
Principal

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT –TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE PANTRY!

Over 30% of behaviour problems in children are a direct result of what they eat. The big problems are the artificial additives and of course, sugar – particularly the hidden sugar in juices, soft drinks etc. Please take stock of the food your child eats. The coming holidays are a great time to clear out the pantry and start afresh. Unprocessed foods are often cheaper than the processed foods so as well as helping your child to achieve his or her learning potential at school, you may also be saving money.
OLD PHOTOS OF MACLEAN PUBLIC SCHOOL AND OLD SCHOOL UNIFORMS
If you have any old photos of the school you are willing to share, please bring them into the school office for us to photograph. We are compiling a photographic history of the school and its students and staff for next year’s Sesquicentenary. We are also looking for old school uniforms. We will look after them for you but so far, no one has been able to supply anything. Please help out if you can.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

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DONATIONS OF CAKES PLEASE:
Cricket Gala Day
Any donations of cakes for the cricket gala day would be much appreciated. They can be left at the canteen in the morning.

GREEN CANTEEN
Would you like the option of an additive free lunch for your child at school? Well now it is available. Each Thursday the canteen will be open for breakfast, recess and lunch selling only “green” foods. The full canteen list will be sent home as soon as it is ready. Following is a summary of items for sale:
- Breakfast muesli, cereal, fruity toast
- Sushi-Vegie, Tuna, Chicken, Salmon
- Vietnamese Spring Rolls(GF)- Chicken, Beef, Vegie
- Salad-Ready Radish, Worship the Watermelon(V, GF)
- Burgers- Ode to the Egg, Finding Nemo, The Sky is Falling
- Rolls and Wraps (GF)
- Fried Rice
- Vegie Pasta Bolognase
- Drinks - Fruit Flurry, Smoothies
And yet there’s more!!

GREEN CANTEEN
COMMUNITY NEWS

Milo in2Cricket program

The Milo in2Cricket program (Harwood Cricket Club) for girls and boys aged between 5 - 8, will be commencing again this year on Saturday 4th October at Chatsworth Island Public School. The program will commence at 8:45am for a 9am start each Saturday for 10 weeks. Learn awesome skills and play exciting games and have great fun.
Sign on Day - 19th September from 3:30pm at McDonalds Yamba or at the first week of the program.

Yamba Nippers

Sign on Days

Nipper information and sign on sessions:

Sunday 14th September 11am-1pm at Yamba Surf Club
Wednesday 17th September 3-4pm in the Yamba Public School Hall
Sunday 21st September 10am-12pm at Yamba Surf Club

We will need to sight a birth certificate for all new nipper registrations.

Nippers is a fun, family activity that teaches children about beach and surf safety. Children can join Nippers once they have turned 5.

Please contact Kerry Lee with any nipper enquiries on 0413536944 or email yambanippers@gmail.com

Dance Camp - Diversity I

Let us entertain you these school holidays! Join us in a series of 5 diverse dance classes over 5 days with a focus on fun, friendship and self expression!

Bollywood, Street/funk, Indonesian, hip hop and more!

22 - 26 September 2014
2 - 4pm, a different dance class each day.

K to Year 12. Parents and dance lovers also invited.

Register online at:
www.fortheloveofdance.com.au