NEWSLETTER NO.33 – 26th November 2014

Swimming Carnival
Many thanks to the organising committee and the teachers for their commitment to what was a wonderful day. Everywhere I looked and listened was the sound and appearance of children having fun whilst participating in a school event. I love days like this. Thanks also to the P & C for providing a hot lunch on the day – it’s always great to have this type of treat on special days. I would also like to acknowledge Woolies, Northern Beaches for providing the fruit for the children on the day. It was very quickly devoured!

QSchool App.

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Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support

Attitude is the focus of our schoolwide positive behaviour learning this week. In the last couple of weeks, while emotions are running high with the entire school community, polite and respectful communication by everyone will ease matters considerably. So, if you are tired, think about the fact you are tired, then decide how you are going to communicate with others. If you are snappy and short with your peers, they will be likely to be snappy and short with you. Resolve to be polite and respectful and they are likely to be polite and respectful with you.

Principal Word of the Week
A great predictor of success in literacy, particularly reading is a wide vocabulary. Most classes have instituted a ‘word of the week’ and to support this, I thought I also could have a word of the week. Many of these words will come from http://www.wordthink.com/ which focuses on words that can be used every day. My word of the week this week is:

Trepidation
Trepidation n. A feeling of fear or agitation about something that may or may not actually happen. “He entered the cave with considerable trepidation.”
Cobuild Dictionary website: http://dictionary.reverso.net/english-cobuild/

Have a great week,
Belinda Eckford

Student of the Week – 20th November
Congratulations to the following students for achieving Student of the Week last week:

| Prep B | Mrs Becker | Tammi | For shining in all areas of her school work, attitude and behaviour. Well done. |
| Prep M | Mrs McAuley | Stevie | For excellent writing. |
| Yr P/1 | Mrs Clarke | Felix | For always being a STAR student. |
| Yr 1S | Ms Swettenham | Sinai | For being brave, especially while Mrs Clarke was away. |
| Yr 1/2K | Ms Kirkpatrick | Kalista | For always looking after others at school. |
| Yr 2B | Mrs McLean | Corey | For making more of an effort to get involved. |
| Yr 2/3BR | Mrs Tapp | Leah | For demonstrating a positive ‘give it a go’ attitude. |
| Yr 3P | Mrs Peltonen | Lilly | For always listening and following instructions. |
| Yr 3/4W | Mr Wolfenden | Stirling | For being respectful, by raising your hand and putting your hands on your head to show completion. |
| Yr 4A | Ms Armstrong | Aiden | For a fantastic recycling booklet! Well done! |
| Yr 4B | Mr Brandon & Mrs Aldridge | Levi | For consistently showing respect to your teachers and class mates. |
| Yr 5O | Mr O’Hara | Tahia | For a great improvement in behaviour this term. Well done! |
| Yr 5/6B | Mrs Miller | Tayah | For great attitude. You always try your best! |
| Yr 5/6S | Mr Stafford | Mitchell | For working well on maths activities. |

Music
Ms Elliott
Prep M
For good teamwork when using and packing up the dress up costumes.

PE
Ms Lloyd
Back row from left: Tayah (5/6B), Levi (4B), Lilly (3P), Corey (2B)
Middle row: Tammi (Prep B), Stevie (Prep M), Aiden (4A) Sinai (P/1C), Felix (P/1C), Kalista (1S), Vate (1/2K)
Front row: Mahad (Prep M), Stirling (3/4W), Mitchell (5/6S), Tahi (5O), Slater (Prep M)

Boardies day

Eimeo Surf Lifesaving Club would like to thank Bucasia State School for their involvement in this year’s very successful “Boardies” fund-raising day. The other schools involved in this project were Eimeo State School, Mackay Northern Beaches State High, Mirani State High and Mackay Christian College, as displayed by the logos on the board.

P&C Notices

Last Meeting
Tonight is our last meeting of the year. We are meeting at the Northern Beaches Bowls Club for dinner and the meeting will follow. Children welcome. Dinner is from 6pm. All are welcome.

Celebration Night
Please find enclosed an order form for Celebration night. Seaview Lions have graciously consented to cater this event for us as they did last year. Orders need to be in early for their catering needs. Please complete and return to the office. Drinks will also be on offer and be able to be bought from the Tuckshop. Due to the change in format, dinner will be served from 5pm in the undercover area.

Book Lists
Very shortly Book lists will be handed out to all students. Bucasia News at Hibiscus Shopping Centre has consented to supplying booklists should families be interested. Also Mt Pleasant News Xpress have also expressed an interest in supplying our booklists. If you “Like” them on Facebook you can also get a 10% discount. Facebook: News Xpress Mt Pleasant. Booklists can also be emailed through and you decide the pickup date. Email: mtpleasant@newsxpress.com.au

School Banking Coordinator
We are looking for someone to help out with our school banking. Hands on training will be provided. You only have to be able to count and give up half an hour a week.

Tuckshop Volunteers
Marika is always happy to have tuckshop volunteers assisting with the day’s work, so if you have spare childfree time between 9am and 11am any school day, please pop into the tuckshop and give Marika a hand. The weather is hotting up and the tuckshop does have air-conditioning®.

As always please do not hesitate to contact any P & C member with any enquiries or concerns you may have. Kylie West, P&C Secretary, 0408569728.

Swimming Carnival Photos

Community Notices

Gymnastics
School holiday fun for primary school aged children at Mackay Gymnastics:
Wednesday’s & Friday’s – 7, 9, 14 & 16 January 2015 at Snow Wright Court 9.30 – 11 a.m. Cost only $16.50 per child. A great way to get children active and out of the house. Numbers are limited so please book. Ph 49 42 0032. Email admin@mackaygymnastics.org.au

eKindy Registrations
Registrations for eKindy in 2015 are now open. Please find attached a copy of the Registration form for eKindy in 2015. Please feel free to pass the form on to colleagues, local networks and/or families who may be interested in registering for eKindy. Additional information about eKindy can be found on the webpage https://brisbanesde.eq.edu.au/ourschool/ekindy/Pages/ekindy.aspx

Helping Hands Bucasia Outside School Hours Care –
Your child’s "home away from home"
Helping Hands Bucasia provides quality childcare for school aged children. Located on school site guarantees safety and convenience for children and their families. We offer a pick-up and delivery service to Prep and Year One classrooms so you have peace of mind that your little ones are safe at all times. Our qualified staff ensure your children are fully supervised at all times.
Service opening hours: Before School 6:30am – 8:50am, After School: 3:00pm – 6:00pm, Vacation Care: 6:30am – 6:00pm. We currently have vacancies for Before & After School Care and Vacation Care. For more information, enrolments and bookings contact Amy on 0427 007 113.