**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

Music Department set to showcase their talents

This term is an extremely busy one for Mrs Stephenson and her music department. Our students will be performing several times between now and the end of the year both at school in in public forums. Students here at Mabel Park SS have fantastic musical opportunities across all ages and it is with the help and support of Mrs Stephenson that they get to refine and showcase their enormous talents. Good luck to all of the students for their end of the year performances.

**2013 Prep enrolment session**

We are holding another two Prep enrolment sessions on Thursday 22 November at 9am or 5pm. Please bring along your child’s birth certificate. Students who are enrolled prior to November 30 will go into a draw to win one of 5 uniform packs. It is vital to ensure your child is enrolled for Prep prior to the end of the year.

School Uniform – black shoes

This year our student uniforms look fantastic. We have received so many positive comments from our parents and community members regarding how great our students look. The last part of our uniform that we need to work on is getting everyone in black shoes. Our uniform is black leather shoes or black jiggers (no canvas shoes or ballet shoes). As with enforcing our uniform over the last two years we are more than happy to help out families who are struggling financially to get their students in complete uniform. Our expectation will be that all students have the correct black shoes by the end of Term One 2013. Please ensure that the next pair of shoes you purchase for your child is the correct black shoes. If you have any questions or concerns please contact your child’s Deputy Principal.

**Foundation Principal, Rita McIvor**

We received the sad news this week that the Mabel Park SS Foundation Principal, Ms Rita McIvor, passed away. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Ms McIvor.

**Facilities Upgrade**

Many of you will have noticed our new basketball courts on the junior campus. The students love them and are learning many new skills during PE lessons. Thank you to Ms Radicke, Mrs Hampel and Mr Sprules for the purchasing and installation of these through a school based “Innovation Grant.” Look forward to some upcoming competitions. The other change that many of you may have noticed is the demolishing of the three buildings at the back of the junior campus. These buildings were extremely old and required extensive maintenance. This has opened up a beautiful new play area to be used in 2013.

**P&C Meeting**

Thank you to our wonderful P&C who put on another successful disco last Friday night. Thank you also goes to all of the teachers who stayed behind to help with supervision. The students had a great night! Please join us for our last P&C meeting for 2012 this Thursday night 15 November at 6pm. Look forward to seeing you all at our many upcoming events.

Racquel O’Connor
Principal

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**MABEL PARK STATE SCHOOL 2013 PREP Enrolment Session**

If your child was born between 1 July 2007 and 30 June 2008 and is enrolling in Prep in 2013, give them a flying start at Mabel Park!

**WHEN:** Thursday 22 November 2012 9am or 5:00pm  
**WHERE:** Mabel Park State School Resource Centre  
Junior Campus (access and parking via Boren st) 3386 5333  
**BRING:** Your child's birth certificate

Students who are enrolled prior to November 30 2012 will go into a draw to win one of 5 school uniform packs.

We look forward to meeting you and your child!

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**Junior Campus News**

**Welcome**

Hello Parents and Carers. My name is Mrs Jade Peardon. I’d like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the Acting Head of Special Education Services. I will be replacing Diana Boulter who is on maternity leave. If you haven’t already heard the good news, Diana had her baby last week and they are both doing very well. I have had the pleasure of meeting most of you and am very much enjoying this role. The children have been working very hard to achieve their learning targets and I have to say that one of the highlights of this job is seeing your children working so hard in their classrooms and being engaged with such a diverse range of learning experiences. The children love using the iDeVICES also and I must commend their teachers for their skills in providing such engaging learning experiences and the special relationships I see them sharing with their students, it is very inspiring. I look forward to meeting you in the upcoming weeks.

**Individual Support Plans**

In the coming weeks your child’s Special Education Teacher will be contacting you to sign off on your child’s Individual Support Plan. Individual Supports Plans (ISPs) focus on your child’s individual educational needs. These have been developed in consultation with teachers, specialists, AVTs, therapists and parents/carers. Once the ISP has been signed by everyone you will be receiving a copy. Meeting to discuss these ISPs is a great opportunity for your child’s teachers to celebrate their achievements and set new learning goals.

**AUSLAN**

A reminder to all students that we have AUSLAN club during Parade on Tuesday at 2pm in 3EK. Ms Burns, Ms Waddell and Ms Kelly are there to support our students learning AUSLAN. Also if you would like a copy of the AUSLAN alphabet there are copies at the Junior Campus Staffroom. Each week at Parade students will join in learning the sign of the week and can also have a go at signing our school song.

**Student Support Services**

Just a reminder about our Student Support Services. If you have any concerns about your child’s development please see your child’s teacher. They can then refer your child to our Student Support Services. Our Student Support Services consists of Lynne Kendall (Guidance Officers), Sonnha Chatterji [SLP], Ros Scandar [SLP] and Lynne Foulkes (School Wide Positive Behaviour Support). We will work towards assessing and supporting your child’s needs.

Jade Peardon  
A/Head of Special Education Services

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**SEP News**

**Disco**

Thank you to all families who supported our school disco on Friday evening. The students had a wonderful time and enjoyed dancing and chatting with their friends. Thank you to the P&C and all of our parent and staff helpers on the evening, without your support events like this wouldn’t be possible.

**Arrival Before School**

I am seeking your assistance in ensuring that your children are not arriving at school too early in the morning. A number of students have been here at 7:30am over the last week and that is not safe. Our first bell goes at 8:30am. Students do not need to be here before 8:15am. If your child arrives too early they will be directed to wait at the office and you will be contacted to advise you that they are at school too early. PYSY operate before and after school care on site if you require it. You can obtain information and book their services by phoning 32080897 or 0403738819. Your support with this matter is appreciated.

**Targets**

Congratulations to all of our students who have achieved one or more targets this term. On Friday 2LP and 2NP had so many students achieve maths targets that I had to take my prize box to them! The students in those classes achieved 28 targets on Friday. Well done and keep up the hard work!

**Enrolments**

If you have not yet enrolled your 2013 Prep child please do so as soon as possible. We are looking at our class composition and staffing over the next few weeks and really need a clear indication of how many children we are catering for. If you have new neighbours or you have family intending to send their children to Mabel Park SS next year please encourage them to also enrol or contact us on 3386 5333 at their earliest convenience.

**Make your grandparents’ day on 18 November**

Families are encouraged to get behind Grandparents’ Day on Sunday 18 November.

Grandchildren and families can celebrate by doing something special such as sending their grandparents a special postcard or certificate, treat them to lunch, or just spend time together doing something you enjoy.

A range of free resources are available including posters, postcards and downloadable certificates of recognition for grandparents. To order posters or download certificates and other Grandparents’ Day resources, visit www.communities.qld.gov.au/communityservices/seniors/seniors-support-initiatives/grandparents-day

Allison McLean  
Deputy Principal (Junior Campus).
STUDENT INFORMATION FOR 2013

STUDENTS LEAVING AT END OF 2012
FAMILY NAME: ____________________________
We wish to advise that our child/ren will be transferring to another school for 2013 and will not be returning after the Christmas vacation.
New school: ____________________________

Child's/Children's Name/s: ____________________________
2012 Class: ____________________________

Parent Signature: ____________________________
Parent Name: ____________________________

STUDENTS ON HOLIDAYS FOR START OF SCHOOL 2013
FAMILY NAME: ____________________________
We wish to advise that our child/ren will be away for the start of school in 2013 and will not be returning until _______________(date)

Child's/Children's Name/s: ____________________________
2012 Class: ____________________________

Parent Signature: ____________________________
Parent Name: ____________________________

YEAR 6 NEWS

Healthy Lunches = Healthy Minds
This semester 11 pioneering students in Year 6 have been on a journey heading towards the crucial destination of healthy eating. Mona Hecke, author of “The Lunchbox Revolution” has provided the inspiration and presented a “Healthy Eating Masterclass” for our lucky students. Mona is passionate about educating children on the benefits healthy eating has on their education. The students have been set weekly challenges in an online learning environment with the ultimate goal to create and share healthy eating ideas. Along the way they have been meeting and collaborating with another 140 likeminded students from schools across the region. The students are more than happy to share their knowledge and parents are able to see the work the students have been doing by viewing the online learning community.

Glen O’Haloran-Year 6 PLTL

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Student Council Fundraiser
What: Moustache Day, wear or grow a moustache for the day. Only stick on or mascara moustaches. No permanent marker or texta moustaches.
Date: Monday 19 November
Cost: Gold Coin
Why: Raising money for Guide Dogs QLD and Prostate Cancer

The Student Council will collect money from classes after parade on Monday 19 November.
No money- No Mo!

WE WEEKLY AWARDS

Class: ____________________________
Name: ____________________________

Prep: Ryan S, Julia M, Angus P, Belinda C
Yr 1: Elle-Louise A, Nicholas S, Stephanie M, Bailey A, Jaylon H
Yr 2: Najib A, Hayley K, Elijah W, Crystal F
Yr 3: Jedi S, Simon W, Issac S
Yr 4: Taliah M, Cameron W, Laticia T
Yr 5/6: Kyle W, Tai D, Carly F, Zoe B
Yr 7: Michael I, Che B, Shanece W
Extension: Georgina A, Alex J, Ezra M
PE: NA
Music: Jayden K
Science & Technology: Callum W, Logan R

TUCKSHOP NEWS

$5.10 Meal Deal
Mini Chicken Snack Wrap
Honey Soy Vegie Crackers
Orange Juice

AUSLAN-SIGN OF THE WEEK

Sign of the Week (7)
Speech
How to sign it:
With palm facing face and fingers and thumb bent towards face, but apart; close fingers together so that fingertips tap thumb tip twice.

Sign of the Week (8)
Technology
How to sign it:
Hold one hand flat, horizontal and pointing forward in front of side. Tap the blade of this hand with the middle finger of your other hand twice.