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Road Safety
Recently there have been some incidents involving students running across roads, nearly leading to accidents. As our school is bordered by a major thoroughfare it is of utmost importance that students use the correct pathways when travelling to and from school. If needing to cross Paradise Road students are reminded to use The Learning Link Bridge. This will ensure the safety of our students when crossing Paradise Road.

Students need also adhere to Road Safety rules when riding bikes, including the wearing of helmets. This will ensure that students are protected in case of an accident.

Yugambeh Cup
On Friday 8 November, 10 of our Middle Campus students represented the school at the Yugambeh Cup touch football carnival. All students displayed outstanding skill and sportsmanship. Our team finished the top of their pool group and went down to the eventual premiers 3-2 in the semi-final. Further testament to the outstanding sportsmanship displayed by our students was the awarding of the tournament Best and Fairest Award to our very own, Aydhen H. Congratulations to all staff and students who made the day such a success.

School Uniform
Mabel Park State School is a uniform school and our students wear our uniform with pride. Uniform expectations extend to the wearing of jewellery and makeup. Students are not to wear makeup, including fingernail paint, to school. In the case of religious and cultural jewellery, written consent must be provided. Consideration to these requests will be acted upon by the Principal.

High School Transition Program
Our Year 7 students are enjoying their transition to Mabel Park State High School. Every Wednesday afternoon our students are supported at the High School by the Special Education staff to explore and engage. Thanks to Ms Forster and Mrs Waldie for supporting the students in their transition to high school.

Assistive Technology Expo
As part of the National Partnership agreement for More Support for Students with Disabilities our Special Education Teachers will be engaging with the Regional Assistive Technology Expo. Congratulations to Ms Bennett and Mrs Williams for being accepted to present a culmination of excellent work done by our Special Education Teachers.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to the students who participated in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. The following students met, or exceeded the required number of books to be read and received a certificate from our Premier, Campbell Newman.


Mabel Park State School Information

Keep up to date with all events happening in our school by liking our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/mabelpark0356 or jumping onto our website: https://mabelparkss.eq.edu.au

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

Students who receive Gotchas throughout the term are presented with a Gotcha Certificate for excellent behaviour in the playground.

Gold Gotcha (20): NA


AUSLAN Sign of the Week

Team
Start with thumbs in crook of pointer fingers, palms facing outwards. Turn hands in an outward arc toward the front.

Sharing
One palm flat while the other hand is moving from side to side.

Weekly Awards

Prep
Alex S, Angus B, Boyd H, Maria A, Eeriel B

Year 1
Shyla B, Isabel W, Joshua L, Owen E

Week Three & Four, Term Four 2013
School Disco
With only a few short weeks of school left, don't forget about one of the most talked about events of the year! The school disco will be held on Friday 22 November. For only $6, your child will gain entry into the disco as well as receive a sausage and a popper. You can make your payment at either office or entry will be $8 on the night. We will have treats available for purchase as well as some new glow products. Hope to see you there.

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Banking
School banking is processed on Tuesday afternoons. Remember to fill in the bank books correctly and drop them into the office on Tuesday mornings.

Congratulations to those students who participated in School Banking this year. If students have collected 10 or more silver Dollarmites tokens you MUST redeem them for a reward before the end of Term 4. Students will be starting from zero tokens in 2014. Select the reward item you would like on the rewards list and send it in with your banking. If you do not have a rewards card please put a note in with your banking telling us which prize you would like. There are eight exciting new rewards are coming in 2014!
Advertisements and Notifications

School Disco

Beach Theme

All parents of Prep children are required to stay with their children.

Friday 22nd November 2013

$6 Entry

Paid by Friday 15th November

Includes Sausage Sizzle & Drink

$8 Entry

if paid on the night

Glow Products Available on the night

Years Prep – 3 4pm – 6pm

Years 4 – 7 6:30pm – 8:30pm

NO BIKINI’S

Is your child almost ready for Kindy?

TRANSITION 2 KINDY PROGRAM

Our T2K program offers a welcoming, safe and comfortable environment for all children and their families.

We assist in the smooth transition into kindy by supporting your child’s strengths, interests, motivations, talents and developmental needs.

- Supported Playgroups -
- Centre Based Programs -
- Child Developmental Assessment -
- Kindy Packs provided for your child -
- Information packs for parents for all the options on Kindergarten -
- Enrolment fees paid to a approved kindergarten Services -

We are situated at the Logan Children and Family Centre, Glenda Street, Waterford West.

For anymore information of the Transition2Kindy program (T2K) feel free to contact Ganyjuu on 1800 794 303 or email us at info@ganjisu.org.au
Lost and Found
A Samsung Galaxy S3 in a black folding case has been lost. If it was picked up accidentally near the tuckshop please return it to the office. There is a cash reward.

2014 Student enrolments and staffing
At this time of year we are busily planning for next year. This planning includes knowing how many students will be enrolled and attending our school in 2014. I ask for your cooperation in communicating with us your intentions for your child/ren for next year. If your child/ren will remain with us in 2014 and will start school on day 1, you need not take any action. If your child/ren will be still be on holidays and miss the start of school next year, please complete the box immediately below and return to the office. If your child/ren will be attending another school next year, please complete the second box below and return to the school office.
STUDENTS LEAVING AT END OF 2013

FAMILY NAME: ___________________________
We wish to advise that our child/ren will be transferring to another school for 2014 and will not be returning after the Christmas vacation.

New school: _____________________________
Parent Name: ____________________________
Parent Signature: ________________________ Date: __________

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