**Principal’s Message**

**Principal’s Morning Tea**

Our second Principal’s Morning Tea for the year was held on Monday morning. Students were acknowledged and rewarded for showing excellence in one of two areas. Firstly, all students who had achieved 100% attendance for the entire term (up to and including 11 June), along with one student from each year level who had demonstrated excellence in class for the entire term. This event celebrates exceptional achievements by our students and I look forward to it each term. Congratulations to all our award winners this term.

**Report Cards**

Report cards will be sent home on Thursday 20 June. These reports are a summary of student achievement for all of Semester One 2013. This is a great opportunity to read through the report card with your child/ren and set goals for Semester Two. It is vital that we all have high expectations for our students as they will strive to achieve the goals set for them. We expect all children to do their very best.

**Staffing**

At the end of this term, we say farewell to Mrs Hampel and Mrs Stanton. Mrs Hampel has been our Physical Education teacher and Mrs Stanton has taught in Year 7 and Year 5. We wish these ladies all the best and thank them for their work with our students.

Mrs Peardon finishes as Head of Special Education Services at the end of this term too. A huge thank you to Mrs Peardon for her work with our students in SEP. Mrs Boulter will return as Head of Special Education Services at the beginning of Term 3.

**96.5fm Radio Broadcast**

Thank you to everyone who came along to the 96.fm radio broadcast, it was a fantastic morning. A special thank you must go to Chappy Fiona for all of her organisation of the event and the P&C parents who were up nice and early cooking breakfast for us all. The crew from 96.5fm were extremely impressed by our school community. Well done to everyone. The link below will take you to the website for photos and audio from the morning. We have also added the link to our Facebook page.


**After School Activities – Grasshopper Soccer**

This week permission forms went home to take part in an after school soccer program on Wednesday afternoons. The cost is $20 for the 11 week term. If you are interested, please make payment at the office as places are filling fast. New forms can be collected from either office. The students are very excited and are learning many new skills. There are still a few spaces left in all classes, if your child/ren is/are interested in these, please call in at either office to collect the permission forms.

**School Holiday Security**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need your help to look out for crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

**P&C Meeting**

Our next P & C meeting will be held this Thursday night 20 June at 6:00pm. Come along and share your ideas and thoughts with the group. This is a great opportunity to hear all about what is happening in and around the school.
**SCUBA experience**
7 students from 5/6JC experienced SCUBA diving at Devocean dive company on the Gold Coast last week. This experience was a reward for attendance, behaviour and effort at school. The experience was organised by Mr Caldwell and supported by Chaplain Fiona. All involved reported an excellent experience and are already looking forward to next time.

Have a lovely break. See you all back at school on Monday 8 July. There is NO pupil free day.

Racquel O’Connor
Principal

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**Middle Campus News**

**Deputy Principal: Troy Maher**

**Hair cuts**
Although not written in our School Dress Code, we do expect cooperation from our students and families when it comes to choosing an appropriate haircut. Our school has built an excellent reputation and for this to continue we must attend to all matters closely. We appreciate the support of families in having students at school with neat and tidy hair. We also appreciate that our students do not have their hair cut in a way that draws attention to themselves or is not reflective of an excellent school.

**June/July holidays**
Hopefully these holidays will be an opportunity for students to relax and refresh before the commencement of Term 3. If parents/carers are lucky enough to have holidays at the same time, enjoy the break with your children, stay safe and see you all next term.

**Junior Campus News**

**Deputy Principal: Nicole Miller**

**Targets**
What a busy term we have had on the Junior Campus with our clever students achieving their learning targets. As of last Friday, I have had the great pleasure of awarding 844 targets – what a wonderful result! Of course, student success would not be possible without the dedication and support of all our teachers and staff. It never ceases to amaze me the lengths to which a Mabel Park staff member will go to ensure the success and happiness of our students.

**Attendance**
I realise I have spoken about the need for our students to get the best start in life that they possibly can and the easiest way this is achieved is through regular attendance at school. Regular attendance improves a student’s academic progress and this then leads to increased confidence, which leads to success. This message, however true, is still not seeing the Junior Campus students maintain a 90% or above attendance rate.
I would like to suggest we start to think of this differently. Every day your child is away, the money that the Government is spending on your child’s education is lost. Unfortunately, this is money that your child cannot get back as it is spent on that day regardless of who is at school or who isn’t. For a child who has a significant number of days absent, this money begins to represent thousands of dollars. Don’t let another dollar escape your child; send them to school so they can reap the rewards!

**NAIDOC Week**
NAIDOC celebrations are held around Australia each July (7-14 July) to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples (see advertisement for Logan’s NAIDOC celebration). At Mabel Park, we will be celebrating NAIDOC week next term in week 3. This year we will be holding our annual NAIDOC parade in conjunction with Mabel Park State High School and we will also be hosting our first NAIDOC Expo. Our newly formed Murri Committee, comprising of some of our dedicated mums, has begun preparations for our Expo. Our committee is also teaching some of students a dance routine which we hope we will be able to showcase at our NAIDOC parade.

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**Curriculum News**
**Head of Curriculum: Vicki Hailstone**

**Curriculum and Learning @ Mabel Park**
Semester One has been a wonderful term for all grades. We have completed numerous units of work and have achieved fantastic targets and goals. It has been pleasing to see the quality of work produced for assessment pieces this term. Both students and teachers are to be congratulated for their efforts.

**TORCH**
Students in Years 3-7 have recently completed their Test of Reading and Comprehension (TORCH) testing. TORCH is a set of reading tests designed to assist teachers in their assessment of students’ reading comprehension skills. Each test consists of a reading passage and a corresponding answer sheet. Teachers can use the information gathered to plan for the needs of each student in reading, for the next semester. Teachers will be discussing the best teaching strategies during this week and the first week back after the holidays.

**Some nursery rhymes from Year 1**
You will need a QR scanning app on your mobile device to access these videos.
Each video requires the access code ‘mpss’. Enjoy!

**Mabel Park State School Facebook Page**
Download the i-nigma app to read the QR codes in the newsletter. Scan the following code to like our Facebook page!

**Reading over the holidays**
Many of our students and teachers look forward to the holidays so they can take their mind off school and concentrate on having some fun with family and friends and I know this is exactly what I am going to do! I am also going to read a book and I encourage all of our students to continue their reading over the holidays. Research tells us that when students neglect to read over school holidays that there can be a lag in their reading when they return to school. Research also tells us that the more we read, the better we read, so please be sure to use the holidays to read, read, read!

Hope you have a wonderful and restful break, and I look forward to seeing you all after the holidays!
**Staffing update**

Our Year 7 Special Education Teacher Jackie Forster has returned after a month’s long service leave, so we say goodbye to Angela Stanton who replaced her during this time. Angela Stanton chose to stay on with us for the last 2 weeks of the term in Year 5JB, she has done a fantastic job of teaching the Year 5’s and Year 7’s, and we will be sorry to see her go.

**Thank you**

My time in the Head of Special Education Services position has come to an end also, and I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone here at Mabel Park State School for making me feel welcome and a valued member of the team. I have learnt a lot and enjoyed the position immensely. I believe that Mabel Park State School is indeed Logan’s best school, and that is because of the fantastic students, teachers and community we have here. For this reason, I have chosen to stay on and am very much looking forward to teaching in Term 3. Mrs Boulter will be returning to Mabel Park in Term 3 after her maternity leave, and I know she is also looking forward to coming back to work at Logan’s best school.

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**Principal’s Morning Tea Term Two 2013**

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**100% Attendance**

**Prep**


**Year 1**


**Year 2**

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Year 7

Parents and Citizens’ News
President: Joeann Gibbons

School Banking
Don’t forget the Dollarmite competition for school banking. You only need to make 3 deposits this term to have a chance to win. We would love to see someone from Mabel Park State School win. Please remember to fill in the deposit books. Do not include foreign coins and please leave tokens in the books.

Sports Day Raffle
Congratulations to Roberta on winning our $30 meat voucher at Sports Day last week. Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket as this is just another way of showing your support to the P&C.

96.5 Visit
What a fantastic turn out last week for the 96.5 visit. Thank you to all that showed support when they purchased a yummy brekky burger. Also a huge thank you to Margaret, Natalie, Tracey, Mark and Wayne for all their help in organising and cooking.

Family Portraits
Family portraits will take place on Saturday 10 August. The cost is $20 for a 10 x 13 photograph and key ring. Notes will be sent out after the holidays. Book in early to avoid any disappointments.
P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting is Thursday 20 June at 6pm in the library. Come along, join us and tell us what you would like to see at Mabel Park.

Enjoy the holidays and stay safe everyone.

Library News
If you borrow a book before or after school, you are given a raffle ticket and go into the independent borrower draw. There is a weekly draw each Monday on parade and a major book prize which is drawn at the end of each term.

Congratulations to Olivia T in PHB. Olivia is the winner of the independent borrower book prize for Term 2.

Advertisements and Notifications

Parenting Preadolescence (0-12yrs)
Group Triple P Workshop
$30 per person / $50 per couple

Program runs over 4 consecutive Monday nights commencing Monday July 15, 7pm at the Life Development Centre – Outlook Room, Springwood Seventh-day Adventist Church 121 Barbaralla Drive Springwood

REGISTER NOW - only 14 spaces available
by email fm@springwood.org.au
or phoning Nadelle on 0430 404 332:
1. Name
2. Email Address
3. Phone

Upon confirmation of your registration, payment will need to secure your placement. Payment options provided with your registration confirmation.
Mabel Park PCYC

Outside Hours Care

Our centre provides care for children from Prep to Year 7 and is situated in G Block on the Junior Campus.

HOURS OF SERVICE OFFERED

Before School Care: 6:30am to 8:30am
After School Care: 2:40pm to 6:00pm
Vacation Care: 6:30am to 6:00pm
(Child Care benefit available through Centrelink)

For enquiries and bookings
Phone: 3208 0897, 0403 738 819

Grasshopper Soccer

HOLIDAY PROGRAM 1st & 2nd Week of School Holidays

AND

TERM 3 STARTS SATURDAY 13th July

MABEL PARK STATE SCHOOL OVAL

(SEE FLYER GIVEN TO YOUR CHILD)

OR

PHONE 1300 767 004

TO REGISTER!

PLEASE NOTE PLACES ARE LIMITED

PROGRAMS WE RUN:

HOLIDAY PROGRAM
MIXED MICRO (3-12yrs)

WEEKEND PROGRAM
MITE-E
PINT SIZE
INTRO TO MICRO
MICRO
MICRO PLUS

TIMES:

MON 24th June & MON 1st JULY
9:00-11.00AM

STARTING SAT 13th July, 8 WEEKS
Warmly Welcome You To:

LOGAN NAIDOC CULTURAL CELEBRATION 2013

The theme for NAIDOC Week 2013 is:

We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963.

WHEN: Wednesday 10th of July 2013
TIME: 10:00am - 3:00pm
LOCATION: Logan Gardens “Spider Park”
Civic Parade
Logan Central

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