Every day counts
It is imperative that students are at school, on time, in uniform, ready to learn and ready to be a Mabel Park Star each and every day. This must remain consistent right up until the very last day of this school year, Friday 12 December. Including today that is only 23 days of school remaining in 2014.

Remembrance Day
On Tuesday 11 November our staff and students paid respects to those who have fought in war and those who continue to fight in war for our nation. We held our minute of silence during our eating break during which time students were asked to think of the sacrifices made by the men and women of our defence forces.

Master Teacher initiative
The Department of Education is delivering on its commitment to improve teaching standards and student outcomes with the launch of the new $135 million Master Teachers initiative. Part of Great teachers = Great results, the initiative will see 300 new master teacher positions created to assist schools with numeracy and literacy support. We are fortunate to have had a Master Teacher allocated to our school. Recruitment for the Master Teacher will occur in coming weeks. We look forward to welcoming our new Master Teacher in 2015.

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 at school and 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. Monday 24 November is our Instrumental Music Night. We hope to see many of you here for this event.

Disco arrangements
The upcoming P&C disco is for all students in Prep – Year 7. I have insisted upon a major change to the running of this disco. Students will remain within the ‘disco zone’ separated from parents, siblings, etc. If you know that your child will be able to cope with this arrangement, I am confident that they will have an enjoyable evening. If your child will not cope with being separated from you for the duration of the disco, I urge you to not bring them along. We are looking forward to an enjoyable evening where the safety of our students is paramount.

Considerations for class placement 2015
Any considerations for the placement of students in 2015 were required last week. Thank you to those families who provided us with information to be considered.

Have you enrolled your child for Prep 2015?
If your child is turning 5 before 30 June 2015, please ensure that you collect an enrolment form from either office as a matter of urgency. During the last week of term we allocate Prep children to classes for 2015 and send home information letters.
End of Year procedures
To ensure correct staffing and class allocations for 2015 it is vital that you inform us if you are either not returning next year or returning late from holidays. Schools are staffed on students who have attended school during the first eight days of the new year. If you are not returning until after Thursday 5 February it is vital that we know to secure accurate staffing for 2015. To simplify this process we have included a section in this newsletter. Please complete the information and return it to either office as a matter of urgency.

P&C Meeting
Please join us for the next P&C meeting on next Thursday night [20 November] at 6pm. These meetings are held in our Resource Centre.

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Road Safety
Recently there have been some incidents involving some of our 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.

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

Year 6/7 Careers Expo
On Tuesday 11 November our Year 6 and 7 students visited Mabel Park State High School to attend the Careers Expo. This day was organised by Year 10 students and provided information to students regarding the skills and qualifications students may need in their future endeavours. This was an excellent opportunity for students to begin thinking about career paths and how high schools can help students fulfil their career aspirations.

Carols in the Plaza
Last Wednesday 5 November the Mabel Park State School Extension Choir competed in a carol singing competition at Browns Plains Plaza. The 22 students from Year 4-7 sang three carols, bringing Christmas cheer to the audience who had gathered to watch the students perform. The judges were also suitably impressed, awarding the choir 1st place. Congratulations to Mrs Stephenson and the students for not only outstanding singing but also being S.T.A.R students. Thank you also to the parents who came to support our students and help with transport to and from the venue.

Middle Campus News
A/Deputy Principal: Glen O’Halloran

www.mabelpark.qld.edu.au
Uniform on the Junior Campus

Congratulations to those of you who have ensured your child/ren is/are in the correct uniform from top to toe each day. The most common uniform breach on the Junior Campus currently relates to hats. Unfortunately, some students are not bringing a hat to school which is a surprise given we live in Queensland.

The wearing of a hat should be a habit that starts in childhood and continues throughout life. Research indicates that childhood sun exposure is an important contributing factor to the development of skin cancer in later life. Skin cancer occurs when skin cells are damaged, for example, by overexposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. Every year, in Australia:

- skin cancers account for around 80% of all newly diagnosed cancers
- between 95 and 99% of skin cancers are caused by exposure to the sun
- GPs have over 1 million patient consultations per year for skin cancer
- the incidence of skin cancer is one of the highest in the world, two to three times the rates in Canada, the US and the UK

Our P&C continue to support our school uniform policy and their initiative to purchase school bucket hats has proven to be a huge success, especially for our Prep students who receive one as part of the resource scheme. You can purchase a Mabel Park State School hat at the Junior Campus office for $12.50.

Attendance

Regular attendance leads to better educational outcomes for our students. I congratulate those students and families who are working towards getting a better start at life by coming to school all day, every day.

Daniel Morcombe Foundation Years 4-7

Yesterday Denise and Bruce Morcombe from The Daniel Morcombe Foundation visited our school to present their ‘Recognise, React, Report’ Tour to all students in Years 4-7. Their message to students was to ‘Recognise, React and Report’ if they feel something is not right. If you would like further information visit http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/

Individual Support Plans and Individual Curriculum Plans

All students who are part of the Special Education Program at Mabel Park SS will have an Individual Support Plan developed this term. These plans are to be developed and agreed upon during this term as a collaboration between the school, parents/carers and therapists (when applicable).

Students who are accessing a different year level curriculum will also have an Individual Curriculum Plan. This plan will identify what year level students are working at for Maths and English. Again, these plans are to be developed and endorsed during this term as collaboration between the school and parents/carers.

Please make yourself available to meet with staff to discuss your child’s plan.
Teaching and Learning @ Mabel Park SS

Students are well into the final units of the Curriculum into the Classroom (C2C) for 2014. Teachers are constantly collecting and collating data, preparing for moderation and reporting. It is essential for all students to be at school, on time, each and every day to allow them the best opportunity to achieve and succeed at school. Report cards will be sent home with students at the end of this term.

Curriculum 2015

Phases 2 & 3 of the Australian Curriculum have been released, which refers to the implementation of Civics and Citizenship, Economics and Business, Health and Physical Education, The Arts, Technologies and Languages. These learning areas will be implemented over 2015 and 2016 as per Education Queensland requirements. Teachers will not teach the learning area SOSE in 2015. Instead the subjects History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship and Economics and Business will be taught within the learning area Humanities and Social Sciences. Teachers will continue to implement the current curriculum in the other above listed learning areas, with the remaining Australian Curriculum being implemented in 2016.

SIGN OF THE WEEK

Behaviour                                                                                                                                            Target
Both hands in ‘good’ hand shape,                                                                                          Point one finger upwards and with run thumbs down chest. the other hand, make a flat palm towards the pointed finger.

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

Gold Gotcha (20): John P


Bronze Gotcha (10): Tracy O, Aleena A, Zoya H, Layla D, Zion F, Mia J, Matilda-Rose S, Nastaran A
### Weekly Awards

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### School Disco

The School Disco will be held on Friday 28 November at 5:00pm - 7:30pm. The cost is $6 if paid by 21 November and $8 after. All money is to be paid at the office. The theme is ‘Black & White’.

The disco will incorporate the following changes from previous discos:

- Students only will be allowed within the disco zone
- The disco zone will be separated from parents, siblings etc
- Parents/carers will remain separate from students within the parent zone
- Any students who leave the disco zone without staff permission will not re-enter the disco zone

Questions in relation to these changes should be directed to the Principal.

### Banking

Great news! Students, who bank from Tuesday 11 November til the last Tuesday of Term 4, will be going into the draw to win a prize from School Banking. The prize will be drawn on the Tuesday 9 November and delivered to the winning student.
Advertisements and Notifications

Mabel Park Playgroup

Transport is available  Morning Tea Provided
Every Monday’s on school days
Where: Mabel Park Primary School
Borman St, Slacks Creek 4127
Time: 9.30am-11.30am
Playgroup is open to children up to 5 years
For further information please contact
1800 794 303 or 3200 4762

Join us...

2014 Brisbane Broncos

Interviews... Autographs

Friday 26th November: 6pm - 7pm

Get CONNECTED!

Parents / Guardians / Carers
We invite you to join us...

- Every MONDAY after PARADE
- FREE morning tea
- Come and get connected
- Find out what’s going on in our School Community
- Meet and hear from our friendly staff

For more information—please contact the office 3336 5313.

Save the Children

Mobile Playscheme
Free playgroup
Mabel Park State School
Borman Street, Slacks Creek
For children 0-6 yrs. Play groups and other classes. Come and join in arts and craft, music, story telling, songs, worksheets and fun sessions. Visit our facebook page at 9.30 and low with us.
Tuesday afternoons 12.30pm
During the school term
For further information, please contact
Cell: 0413 66 88 52 or 3199 0311
Term 4, 2014

Monday

- Breakfast Club Lower Campus: 08:30 am - 09:15 am
- Morn Club: 09:15 am - 09:30 am

Tuesday

- Breakfast Club Lower Campus: 08:30 am - 09:15 am
- Breakfast Club Middle Campus: Tuesday: 08:30 am - 09:15 am
- Get Connected Morning Tea & Morning Program: 09:30 am - 10:00 am

Wednesday

- Breakfast Club Lower Campus: 08:30 am - 09:15 am
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- Sing and Grow Playgroup: 10:30 am - 11:00 am
- Exercise: Yalangur Room

Thursday

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**Prep Readiness**

**Prep Readiness Program**

- 09:30 am - 10:00 am
- Prep classrooms: Lower Campus

**Sing and Grow Playgroup**

- 10:30 am - 11:00 am
- Exercise: Yalangur Room

**Community in the Classroom**

- 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm
- Lower Camp 1

**Community in the Classroom**

- 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm
- Lower Camp 2

**What's on in your Hub**

**Term 4, 2014**

- Term 4: 2014
- 13th November 2014
- From 2.15 pm
- The Edith Mayroak Memorial Breakfast is coming to feast! It's going to be a 'breakfast' to mark the year!

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### STUDENTS LEAVING AT END OF 2014

FAMILY NAME: ___________________________

We wish to advise that our child/ren will be transferring to another school for 2015 and will not be returning after the Christmas vacation.

New school: ___________________________

Parent Name: ___________________________

Parent Signature: ________________________ Date: ____________

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### STUDENTS ON HOLIDAYS FOR START OF SCHOOL 2015

FAMILY NAME: ___________________________

We wish to advise that our child/ren will be away for the start of school in 2015 and will not be returning until _________________ (date)

Parent Name: ___________________________

Parent Signature: ________________________ Date: ____________

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Swimming lessons are being offered to ALL students in Year 3 at the end of this term as part of Education Queensland’s learn to swim grant.

When: Tuesday 9 December, Wednesday 10 December and Thursday 11 December

Where: Gould Adams Park Aquatic Centre

Cost: $30.00 for 3 x 45min lessons

Forms and payment are due no later than Monday 24 November 2014

For further information please see Miss Radicke or your child’s Year 3 Teacher