**Principal’s Message**  
Principal: Racquel O’Connor

**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 three areas. Firstly, all students who had achieved 100% attendance for the entire term, secondly one student from each year level who had demonstrated excellence in class for the entire term and finally our Gold Gotcha recipients who have displayed excellent behaviour in the playground. 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 26 June. These reports are a summary of student achievement for all of Semester One 2014. 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.

**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 Thursday night 17 July 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.

Have a lovely break.

*See you all back at school on Monday 14 July. There is no pupil free day.*

**Upcoming Events**

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**Middle Campus News**

**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.

Mr Maher’s mind benders
Last newsletter’s answers: Each contains consecutively, three consecutive letters of the alphabet; Nil. If 4 are correct, all 5 must be; indigo, cerise, maroon and magenta; William Shakespeare

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 (6-13 July) to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This year the theme for NAIDOC is ‘Serving Country: Centenary and Beyond’. The year’s NAIDOC theme honours all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have fought in defence of country. For more information in regards to NAIDOC week, visit the official NAIDOC website: [http://www.naidoc.org.au/](http://www.naidoc.org.au/)

At Mabel Park, we will be celebrating NAIDOC week next term in week 3. This year we will be holding our annual NAIDOC parade on Tuesday 29 July in conjunction with Mabel Park State High School and we will also be hosting our second NAIDOC Expo on Friday 1 August. Our CEC Leanne Smith and a team of dedicated mums have begun preparations for our Expo. Our Mabel Mob students are also busy rehearsing our NAIDOC parade and Expo. We look forward to seeing you all at these upcoming events.

Reading
Might I also take this time to remind you all to enjoy a book or two or three or even more over the holiday period!

Curriculum News
Understanding Your Child’s Report Card
For Semester 1 report cards, teachers are evaluating student work based on our Curriculum into the Classroom (C2C) units and assessments tasks from Term 1 and 2 in English, Maths, Science, and History. Due to staffing arrangements during Semester 1, some classes/grades were not assessed in History. C2C units are in ongoing review and adjustment, based on feedback from teachers. Report card results in English, Maths, Science, and History this semester are based on the content descriptors and year level Achievement Standards from the Australian Curriculum, and as such may not be reliably compared to previous years’ results. For further information on the Australian Curriculum standards visit the online curriculum at [http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/](http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/)

Over recent years, parents, students and teachers across Queensland are gradually becoming more familiar with a 5-point scale (e.g. A-E) process for reporting in all schools. The system schools are using refers to attainment standards called “benchmarks of achievement”
or “criteria.” So what makes an “A”, “B”, “C” etc is predetermined by a scale of achievement. Any student who shows evidence of meeting a particular level, deserves that benchmark grade.

This is what you could consider the new difference for a “C” really means:

A “C” means that the student has met the criteria for a learner to be at the appropriate age level.

A “C” means that the student is doing everything required at their Year Level at school. The best description is to say that a “C” means that the student’s academic development is exactly where it needs to be.

That means attaining a “C” for Achievement means you are ON TARGET for your age level!

With all of this in mind, we must accept that it may be harder to get an “A” or “B”. These grades are not awarded simply to the top students in the class. They are only given to students who show that they are independently capable of working beyond the criteria required for their year level.

Sneaking in Learning over the Holidays

• Let children read ingredients from recipes while you bake together. It’s a great way for them to learn measurements and temperatures.
• Set aside time for kids to "show off" their new reading skills to visiting relatives. Children love being the focus of attention, and grandparents are usually more than willing to see their progress.
• Grab a magazine from the news agent that interests your child
• Find books that focus on an interest your child has. For example if they love bikes, find a book on Lance Armstrong, or a children’s book that includes a bicycle adventure. There are books out there to suit every interest under the sun – it just takes a little browsing.
• Use the winter break to strengthen your child’s vocabulary. This is a perfect time to start a treasure chest of words, by having your child look up new words, then write the word and definition on 3x5 cards. Use the word in a sentence or have them write a story based on the word. This exercise will reinforce reading comprehension and writing skills
• Give your child an opportunity to appreciate the arts by attending free events like concerts or plays during the holidays, or stop by a local museum
• Give a book or educational gift that will keep on giving throughout the year

Professional Development

Across the year our staff participate in and present in a range of Professional Development (PD). This PD ensures our staff are up-to-date with the latest research and developments across a range of educational topics. The following are range of PD opportunities our staff have participated in:

Assistive Technology Expo
As part of the National Partnership agreement for More Support for Students with Disabilities an Assistive Technology Expo was run at Bond University on Monday 16 June. Congratulations to Mrs Cowan and Miss Williamson for being accepted to present the great work they are doing in their classrooms on differentiating the curriculum through the use of iPads.

Access All Areas
This week three of our Special Education teachers are attending Access All Areas professional development which focuses on supporting students with Physical Impairments in our school. Ms Burns, Miss Lawrence and Mrs Bennett will return with some great strategies and skills to support our students.
WOTTIF
On Saturday 31 May a number of staff attended the WOTTIF workshop at the Mater Hospital. This workshop focused on developing handwriting skills and supporting self-regulation and attention of students in the classroom. Ms White, Mrs Williams and Ms Burns have shared some insightful learnings from this workshop.

Individual Support Plans and Individual Learning Plans
By the end of this term you should have received your child’s ISP/ILP. Please contact your child’s SEP Teacher if you have not received it.

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Extension Class: Tiarna G

100% Attendance

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**Mabel Park Stars**

John P, Josh M, Cooper S, Bryson B

**Tuckshop News**

The tuckshop will be closed on Friday 27 June 2014 (last day of Term 2). Please ensure children bring lunch to school.
Advertisements and Notifications

Mabel Park Playgroup
Come have a yarn Activities for the children
Transport is available
Every Monday 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 on
1800 794 303 or 3200 4762

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 3200 5033
COMMENCING Monday 19 May, 2014

Mobile Playscheme
Free playgroup
Mabel Park State School
Borman Street, Slacks Creek
For children 5-10 years of age and their siblings.
Free play, arts and crafts, stories, singing,
Dance, school term only. Monday - Friday
Tuesday afternoon 12.30pm
During the school term
For further information, please contact
Celia 0411 66 88 53 or 3200 0511

Grasshopper
AUSTRALIA’S #1 NON-COMPETITIVE SOCCER PROGRAM
FOR GIRLS & BOYS AGES 2 TO 12 YRS
TRY IT FOR FREE
SAT 19TH JUNE
9:00-9:30AM
11:00-12:30PM
STATE SCHOOLS
WISHART WARRIGAL RD
SUN 20TH JUNE
8:00-9:30AM
11:00AM-12:30PM
HOLLAND PARK ROCHDALE STH

Please call Grasshopper David
To book your FREE place
PHONE 1 300 797 004 / 0432 529 901
PLEASE NOTE PLACES ARE LIMITED
Young Sports in Springwood!

FREE SOCCER BALL, BASKETBALL or TENNIS RACQUET!

For all new enrolments before 11 July

Young Sports is an exciting Multi-Sport program for children 3-10yrs of age. We introduce children to 9 popular sports, one at a time. Our sports include:

- ATHLETICS
- BASEBALL
- BASKETBALL
- CRICKET
- GOLF
- HOCKEY
- RUGBY
- SOCCER
- TENNIS

Children will acquire:

- An introduction to the joy of sport
- The basic skills for each sport
- Essential developmental motor skills
- Confidence through achievement

FIRST LESSON FREE!

Term 3 classes start

Friday 18th July from 3.30pm!

$12 for 3-6 year olds / $17 for 7-10 year olds (Payable by the term or weekly by direct debit)

Venue: Ozsports Springwood, 3269 Logan Rd.

Book now with Young Sports!

3376 3388  info@youngsports.com.au  www.youngsports.com.au
FAMILY PORTrait FUNDRAiser
Saturday 9 August 2014

Mabel Park State School invites you to participate in our Family Portrait Fundraiser. Advanced life Professional Photographers will provide you with a Family Portrait for only $20 (valued at $130).

For your $20, you receive your choice of a 10 x 13 inch print (in colour) OR a Pencil Sketch with a bonus key ring with a family portrait photo to fit. 100% of this money is retained by Mabel Park State School

Please contact Mark Fletcher on 0499159896, or mdflletcher72@gmail.com to reserve your photography session before they’re all gone! Our fundraiser will be held on Saturday 9 August 2014 at Mabel Park State School.

Additional photos will be available for purchase at no obligation. These additional photos include: Portraits & Greeting Cards – featuring your Family Portrait & other photos taken on the day, with a Complete Package for only $199.00! Please visit our facebook page on www.facebook.com/advancedlifefundraising for more information about the images on offer, what to wear or other general queries.

There are four rules for participation in this fundraiser:

Rule 1 Minimum of two generations in the Family Portrait
Rule 2 No person may appear in two separate fundraising Family Portraits (exception of separated couples)
Rule 3 An adult family member appearing in the fundraising Family Portrait must be present to collect & view their family portraits (or able to make alternative arrangements)
Rule 4 Families must sit for a minimum of three separate poses on the day

Please help Mabel Park State School raise valuable funds by participating in our upcoming advanced life Family Portrait Fundraiser. Invite your neighbours and friends - Family Portraits provide memories to be kept & cherished by the entire family for years & generations to come.
### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open for students to come and get a free breakfast before school starts. From 6-8am Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (Junior Campus) and Tuesdays and Thursdays (Middle Campus).

### Ganyjuu Playgroup

For children 0-3, parents and carers. Come and join the playgroup. There's also some free health checks from CLS Health available for the children.

### Get Connected Morning Tea

For parents and carers to access support and information. There will be an opportunity to get to know the staff in a friendly environment meet other community members and service providers, indulge in some treats and Make new friends. The morning tea will not be on 4th August

### Learning Centre

For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, University, TAFE and a Cultural activity. Monday 3–4pm. We partner with Salvation Army & Deadly Choices.

### Community in the Classroom

For parents and carers, you can attend and participate in activities in our school and classroom. Starting with School holidays at 9am.

### What’s on in your Hub

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### F.U.N.I Club

This term F.U.N.I. Club is for families of Prep IC. Come and learn about F.U.N.I. and if you can come to all 6 sessions your child gets to take the F.U.N.I. home during the school term. FREE afternoon tea.

Mabel Park State School
Junior Campus, 18 Blackman Street, Heads Creek QLD 4116

For more information call
07 3869 5313 or
email me at
judy2@mabelpark.qld.edu.au

### Relaxed.

It’s a healthy habit.

### Believe you can and you’re halfway there

### SUNI Club

### No Stress

- All activities are free! -

*Compliments in a variety of the many programs are provided, the knowledge is not limited to the above. For more information, please contact the Schools Council office on 07 3869 5313.*

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