Tuesday, 3 June 2014

**Principal News**

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are in the month of June and the winter season has begun. Time flies when you are having fun.

Our school along with most other state schools in Queensland have made changes to the way they report on students who are performing substantially above or below age appropriate expectations. Our teachers have developed and written an Individual Learning Plan. These plans specifically identify areas of teaching and learning focus for individual students. These focus areas are then reported on in our school report card.

Our school will be having a teaching/learning and discipline audit on Monday 16 June. This audit happens approximately every 3 years.

Our P&C School Dance has been scheduled for Friday 20th June. Mrs Gray has been teaching each class a dance which they will perform on the night. Please keep this date free so that you can come and support our wonderful P&C committee and enjoy a night of live music, great food and fine dance.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sensational crossing supervisors (lollipop ladies). These ladies do a fantastic job in keeping our students and parents safe and helping in making Mossman School a good place to be. So thank you ladies for your tireless and sometimes thankless work through rain, wind and mill season. Once again thankyou!

**Merit Award**

Prep1- Jalun for trying hard and working quietly
1/2/3-Thully for showing an improved attitude towards school work.
2/3-Appun for setting out his grid book neatly and accurately completing 2 digit vertical addition sums.
3/4-Kaijah for working hard to improve her reading and joining the level ‘30’ club. Fantastic!
4A-Jove for always being a learner, being safe and being respectful to your peers and teachers.
Cain for always working to the best of your ability in both Literacy and Numeracy.
5A-David for showing initiative, applying his skills and knowledge and working hard.
5/6/7-Zion for practicing reading and improving his decoding and fluency. Well done on going up 2 levels!
6/7B-Todd for always being a willing helper and a high standard role model for our school
SEP-Tom for eating his lunch within the set timeframe for 2 weeks in a row.
Principals award-Tahzeak for demonstrating great reading progress and sight word knowledge

**I-Spy**

Damon, Roshahn, Peyton, and Isabelle for being respectful by helping clean up the school gardens.

Kaijah for being a learner by not giving up and finishing all the new puzzles.

**Uniform Shop**

Uniform shop is open **Wednesday and Friday mornings only**.
Businesses that support our school

This year, help us send 320,000 shoeboxes to kids in South-east Asia and the South Paciofic. Every year, people of all ages, families, churches, schools and businesses pack shoeboxes with gifts for children in need. Globally, more that 100 million shoeboxes have been given to kids in need in more that 130 countries since 1993. An operation Christmas Child shoebox is more than a gift...it opens up a world of life-changing opportunities for the child, their family and their community. No matter how old or young you are pack a shoebox this year for a child who has nothing. Thanks for being a part of Operation Christmas Child!

If you would like to contribute to this cause there will be a donation box in each classroom.

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**Dance Extravaganza**
with live music from

**The Walker Brothers Connection**

**Friday June 20th from 5.30pm**
Undercover Area near Tuckshop

$10 Entry per family
Children to be accompanied by an adult

Food and drinks available for purchase

**THIS IS AN ALCOHOL FREE EVENT**

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**Gift Ideas**

- **SOMETHING TO SLEEP**
  - Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.
- **SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL**
  - Exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.
- **SOMETHING TO WEAR**
  - T-shirt, shorts, underwear, cap, beanie, sandals, things, etc.
- **SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH**
  - Tennis ball, car, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, wind-up toy, etc. (no battery operated items)
- **SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE**
  - Soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, hair-dye, scrubs, etc (no toothpaste)
- **SOMETHING SPECIAL**
  - Car keys, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers, note or photo of yourself.

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**What not to include**

- **ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT**
  - Items that can spoil boxes
  - Including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, pasted fusible, batteries.
- **ANY FOOD or LOLLI S**
  - Of any kind (due to shipping regulations) including medicines and vitamins.
- **ANY USED or DAMAGED ITEMS**
  - (Due to customs regulations) including clothing and toys.
- **ANY BREAKABLE ITEMS**
  - Including glass, porcelain, mirrors.
- **ANY ITEM THAT CAN SCARE or HARM A CHILD**
  - Including knives, nail-related toys, toy guns.
- **ANY GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS**
  - Including play-money, playing cards, dominoes.
- **ANYTHING OF A RELIGIOUS, RACIAL or POLITICAL NATURE**

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