Tuesday, 26 August 2014

Dates to remember
29th August Monster Maths Morning
4th September Father’s day stall
5th Father’s Day cricket match @ lunch

Principal News
Dear Parents,

A big thankyou and congratulations to our P&C Committee for a wonderful Trivia Night held last Friday. Approximately 50 school and community members took on the tough questions posed by Craig Byrne (our MC extraordinaire). A great night was had by all with some hot bidding at auction and some healthy debate over questions and answers. We had some special guests, Janelida Harlow (previous P&C President for 5 or more years), Chani Cardwell (Principal Alexandra Bay), and Martina Leitner (Principal Julatten State School) to name a few. It just shows that the community spirit is still alive and well in the Douglas Shire. Special thanks to Rachel Byrne, Jodie Deuble and Anthea Crees for organising, co-ordinating and running the night. Great night, job well done!

Another big thankyou, congratulations and well done to Kay Pike and Julie Cobb for co-ordinating yet another outstanding Book Fair. Kay and Julie’s commitment to our students and school is unsurpassed. Their infectious enthusiasm, motivation and ‘can do’ attitude puts them up there with the best. Thankyou to all students and parents for supporting our Book Fair and as a result our school receives over $1300 worth of books to use in our library.

Congratulations to Ethan Crees for starring in the Under 12 Queensland Basketball team at the National Championships held in Townsville last week. Ethan and his Queensland Basketball buddies won the National Championship. An outstanding effort for the Qld team and for Ethan to bring back to Mossman a National Gold medal. Outstanding effort Ethan!

Merit Awards
Prep- Samuel for working very hard in class
Jezebel for joining in and trying to do her words
1A-Nanami for matching two digit numbers with number words.
Acacia for always following the rules and making excellent progress in her reading by reaching the end of year benchmark.
1/2/3 – Bianka for working very hard on her sight words and with her reading.
Chad for solving a difficult maths problem.
2/3-Lesley for writing in sentences for comprehension activities, and always doing neat work.
Alma for following some of our class rules and being on time each day this week.
3/4- Heath for excellent efforts in reading and reaching his end of year level reading target.
Torrell for having an enthusiastic attitude and actively participating in our class ‘Multiplication Fair’.
4-Christopher for being a learner by always trying your best in class.
Zak for being a learner by trying your best in 4A.
Damien for settling in well in your new schedual. Well done!
5A- Zane for success and improvement in EMMS.
Ethan for being a learner in all areas and supporting his peers.
5/6/7-Danika for making outstanding progress in becoming an active learner and respectful class member.
Jerome for demonstrating respectful behaviours in class and participating in learning tasks.
Pauline for showing great maturity in her writing with outstanding word choices and developing neat handwriting.
Nicolas for always being on task, trying his best and being a wonderful role model for our class.
6/7-Todd for being an awesome mentor supporting junior boys.
SEP-Coen for recognising sight words
Beryl for always completing her work and having neat presentation
Principal award
Ben Deeral-Nunn for showing great leadership skills in helping his friends be respectful.
I-Spy
Samuel, Jarvis, Aaliyah, Thomas, Harry, Todd, Michael, Bronson, Bree, and Samuel for being respectful by helping move the reading room.
Todd and Harrison for being respectful by being a great mentor for junior boys.
Ben for being respectful by advising another student to be respectful.
Jaylee for being respectful by helping tidy up the photo albums in the library.
Anna for being respectful by picking up rubbish around the senior playground.

Thank You
The Crees family would like to say a huge thank you to all the members of our school community who have congratulated Ethan on his success. Ethan was part of the 12&U School Basketball team who competed at the Australian School Championships to win Gold. He was not only representing his family but his school and community too. We would like to acknowledge his teachers and the school for their support and for sharing in the excitement. We would also like to make special mention of Nina and Mal from Welcome Mart who offered sponsorship to help assist with costs. They are very generous people. Thank you also to his friends for asking after him and then pretending you didn’t miss him!

P&C Fundraiser
Father’s Day Stall
Each year the P&C holds a stall for students to buy a gift for Father’s Day. We ask families to donate a gift to the school to be sold at the stall. Those students who donate an item will get first choice when it comes to purchasing a gift. Wrapping your gift in clear cellophane is also a big help. It doesn’t need to be anything expensive. We usually price the items between $2 and $10 so that there is something affordable for everybody. Your help will be greatly appreciated.
Students who wish to purchase a gift can bring some money to school on Thursday September 4th. Donations need to be handed in to the school office by Tuesday September 2nd. We would also appreciate any help we can get in organising the stall, so if you have the time and would like to assist with gift wrapping, pricing or manning the stall on the day, please let us know.

Thank you!

Businesses that support our school

Dental Van Information
A number of weeks ago, the School dental van had distributed dental forms for classes 6/7, 5/6/7 and prep children. So far, only about 12 children from the older grades, and 8 Prep forms have been returned. If you are a parent of children in these grades, and you would like to utilise our service, please check processing and return of these dental forms to the school office. If you would like to phone the dental van to check that the form you filled in has arrived at the school office and been received by us, please phone the dental van on 0408062395 from 9.30 am – 3.00 pm and to arrange an appointment.

Thankyou, Sue Hole
Oral Health Therapist
Once again we held a very successful Book Fair. We sold a phenomenal $3669 worth of books and novelties allowing us to select $1333 worth of books from commission and rewards to place on our library shelves.

Thank you to all those staff, parents/caregivers and students who supported us by purchasing something from the Book Fair. It is wonderful to see so many people support us.

Thank you also to all of the people who assisted in so many other ways to make this such a successful event. We could not have done it without you.

Thank you again everyone for your support of this, and every, Book Fair. An outstanding effort once again!

Kay Pike
Book Fair Coordinator

Dimbulah State School Centenary Celebrations
1914-2014
All past and present students, teachers and principals are invited to attend.

Date: Saturday 27th September 2014
10am: Start with registration, memorabilia display, school tours
11.30-1.30 Lunch
1.30: Official Opening, speeches and roll call
3pm: Capsule Opening and burial of new capsule, performances by student
6pm: Cutting of the Cake, BBQ tea and Entertainment
7.30pm: Fireworks followed by games on the oval.

Everyone Can Play
Port Douglas Tennis Club is offering
Free Tennis Programme
Lessons, Social Round Robins, Racket
8 weekly group lessons, 2 social tennis, 1 racket All free
For Adults and Children
2 locations: PD and Mossman
Commencing week of Oct 7-12

56 places available. To be registered and to receive a sign up form send an email request to tenniscoachingportdouglas@gmail.com or Post an envelope with your name and address on the back to Everyone Can Play, PO Box 835, Port Douglas 4877 Should there be more applicants than available places, a lucky draw will take place. Tennis players who are currently playing at PDTC are not eligible for this programme.

provided the funding for this programme

Monster Maths Morning
Mossman State School is celebrating Numeracy Week with our annual Monster Maths Morning. Each class will offer two maths activities, for students to experience what fun maths can be. This is a free event for all students to attend. Families are welcome to join in the maths entertainment.

9.00am to 11.00am Friday 29th of August, 2014
MSS Central Gardens

“KIDS FISHING FUN DAY 2014”
SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER AT 8AM
AT THE MOSSMAN BOAT & FISHING CLUB, RANKIN ST, NEWELL BEACH
$10 ENTRY INCLUDES BAG OF GOODIES ON ARRIVAL AND A FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE
KIDS DON’T FORGET YOUR FISHING RODS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE DAY
ALL CHILDREN MUST HAVE A PARENT/GUARDIAN PRESENT AT ALL TIMES
HEAPS OF GIVEAWAYS
PLEASE REGISTER BEFORE THE DAY AS SPACES LIMITED.
E: mossmanbtc@hotmail.com OR PH: NATALIE CRIMMINS ON 0437 718 840
Book Fair Colouring/Activity Competition Winners:
The winners of this competition were:

**Years Prep-1:** Ezi M-L & Nanami A
**Years 2-3:** Shanarah S & Jaymi
**Years 4-5:** Braxton W (Correct Entry to “Go Buggy with Words”)
**Years 6-7:** Jaslyn C (Correct Entry to “This Puzzle Bugs Me”)

Each of these students was given a $10.00 voucher to spend at Book Fair.
The judges were impressed with the colouring-in of the competition entries so they decided to acknowledge some of these students with a prize of a Book Fair novelty item.
These students were:

**Years Prep-1:** Lena S
**Years 2-3:** Laura G-J
**Years 6-7:** Dana C, Lisa C, Phoebe C, Sophie K,

There were many more terrific entries so well done everyone.

Guess How Many Bookworms!
The winners of the “Guess the Bookworms in the Jar” competition were:

**Jar 1** Charleen Ireland with the correct guess of 329
**Jar 2** Hollie Huffadine with the correct guess of 214
They have won the relevant Jar of bookworms. Hope they get eaten over a period of time.

Congratulations to both!!
Thank you to everyone who guessed a number and to the students who gave up their lunch times and Open Night to record guesses.

Dress up Competition
We’d like to take this opportunity to thank all the participants and their parents/caregivers for the effort put into the costumes for the Dress up Competition. They all looked fantastic but unfortunately not everyone could win.
Below are the winners chosen by the Senior Student judges:

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Congratulations to all!!
Thank you to the Judges. They had an extremely difficult job deciding on winners from such a fantastic array.