At Mooloolah State School, the 4 B’s enable all of us to take pride in our achievements

- Be Safe
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be an Active Learner

This term we are focussing on the whole matrix and particularly "The 4 B’s"

* Know your after school arrangements. * Respond to adults directions promptly & appropriately

Date 21st Feb 2013  Week 4

FROM MICHELE’S DESK

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
Thank you to all of the parents who have already submitted their voluntary contribution. So far, this year, we have received approximately $1100. Four new computers were recently purchased for the Yr 2 class and they should arrive within the next week. If you have not done so already please contact either Pam Day or Delma Perriman at the front office for information about submitting your $50 contribution.

PARENT/TEACHER AFTERNOON
Thank you to all parents who were able to attend the Parent/Teacher afternoon last Wednesday and Thursday. The teaching staff really appreciated having the opportunity to inform you of the school’s values, goals for the year, curriculum intent, extracurricular intentions and classroom behaviour management. If you were unable to attend last week's meetings could I encourage you to make an appointment with your child's class teacher so that you are aware of their classroom routines for 2013. It is important that we support one another in helping our students actively manage their routine.

NATIONAL CURRICULUM
This year, History has been included as one of the key learning areas in the National Curriculum. Teachers and students have embarked on the units of work and continue to find that the expectation of student knowledge at the beginning of each year level to be at a higher level of development. To ensure the best possible progress for our students, parents and teachers must work hand in hand to build the skills and knowledge required for each child's success. Please contact your child's class teacher if you are able to support them by volunteering in their class.

LEADERS
The Year 7 students have been through an extensive leadership process to select the best possible student leaders for our school. It involved the students nominating to be a House Captain and/or a school leader as School Captain or member of the School Representative Council. Nominated students then spoke to the student body and students from years 4 - 7 voted along with the staff. 6 students were interviewed for the positions of School Captain for 2013. The successful students were:

House Captains
RUNGERT
- Cody Parry
- Nate Joseph

WESTAWAY
- Daniel O’Farrell
- Hayley Sugden

MADOCK
- Connor Nuttall
- Harlee Henderson
School Representative Council
Harlee Henderson Hayley Sugden Scarlet Hopkins
Georgia Gillespie Nate Joseph Zac O'Brien

School Captains
Georgia Gillespie Zac O'Brien
All students who nominated for the roles of School Captain, Student Representative Council and House Captain should feel justly proud of their efforts. To stand in front of your peers and family and speak confidently about your aspirations is not easy. I consider everyone to be a winner in this situation.

Over the following months, I look forward to working closely with the Yr 7 students. They have been chosen in these roles as the school leaders for 2013 because there is a belief that they are ready to develop their skills in this area. They cannot do this alone. They will need self-belief, the support of their friends and classmates and the ever reliable support of staff and family. Developing the skills necessary to become a good leader is not easy, particularly when you are only 12 years old.

The presentation of badges to these students will take place at a special assembly tomorrow Friday, February 22 at 9am. The families of all of our leaders are welcome to attend our assembly on Thursday.

P&C MEETING
Thank you to those parents who attended the P&C Meeting on Wednesday night. It was fabulous to see so many people at the meeting.
Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 20 at 7pm. We welcome all parents to become active members of the P&C and look forward to catching up with you on the night.

STUDENT ENROLMENTS
Officially, as of Day 8, 190 students had enrolled in the school.
Throughout the past few weeks, I have been working closely with Regional Office in an effort to gain an additional allocation of a teacher for our school. This week I was notified that my application had been successful. A letter was sent home with the eldest in the family on Wednesday advising parents of the new class format. The new teacher will teach the Year 3/4 class. In order for us to make that class we have had to move students in Yr 1, Yr 1/2 and Year 4. Thank you to the parents who have supported the movement of students. Staff are working hard to make the transition as seamless as possible. We look forward to children starting in their new classes on Monday.

DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL
The District Swimming Carnival is being held at Beerwah today. Thank you and congratulations to the students who represented our school.

Michele’s Timetable
This year, I will be spending more time in the classrooms. I have a goal of sitting with every child in the school and listening to them read. I also want to know how they are learning and what contributions they are making to the classroom learning environment. For this to happen I will need to block out two sections of the week when I am not available. These times will be Tuesday from 9am – 11am and Thursday from 11:40am – 1pm. Please arrange an appointment with either Pam or Delma should you wish to contact me during those times.

Dad’s Group
I have a parent who is interested in setting up a Dad’s Group. If you are interested in being a part of the group and getting together with some of our dads to arrange some quality time with your children could you please let me know? This may be a time where a group of you can take your children camping or arrange a picnic, some fishing etc....

TUCKSHOP
I am so thankful of the tremendous parent support that we have at Mooloolah. This year we are campaigning hard to increase the number of volunteers who help out in the tuckshop. We would love to hear from you if you could volunteer your time on a Friday? Find out when the mother of one of your child’s friends is volunteering. That way you will be able to work together while supporting the children at the school. The more helpers we have the less time you will need to help out.

Thank you everyone for the terrific contribution you continue to make to our learning community.

“Every story has three sides to it. Yours, mine and the facts.”
Foster Meharry Russell
Michele

STUDENT BANKING
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program is available at Mooloolah State School. It’s a great way to give your child a financial head start by helping them to learn the important skills of saving and smart money management while earning some fun rewards.

Important things to remember about School Banking:
- Open a Dollarmites YouthSaver Account at any Commonwealth Bank Branch. Any child from newborns up to the age of 16 can have a Dollarmites account and bank at our school.
- Bring your deposit wallet into school on Tuesday. Please complete all details on the deposit slip - including Name, Account Number, Student Number, Date and Deposit amount.
- When depositing a number of coins it is best to use a zip lock bag to ensure no coins fall out of the deposit wallet.
- Banking money is processed at the Post Office. The postmaster has advised us that they can no longer accept foreign money. Please make sure all coins are of Australian origin.
- Claim your Dollarmites rewards. 10 Tokens can be traded for a reward item. Please remember to complete your child’s name and class details on the reward voucher. Reward voucher sheets can be obtained from the office.
- School banking is for deposits only. We cannot process withdrawals or check account details such as account balances.
- The Commonwealth Bank pays a commission to our school for all deposits done through school banking.

At our next parade February 28th bank staff will present information on the school banking program. On Thursday 28th and Friday 29th bank staff will also be available to help parents complete the application form required to open a Youthsaver account for their child. Parents/Guardians will need to bring along photo identification such as a valid driver’s licence or passport. No identification is required for children enrolled at Mooloolah State School as the school will confirm their identity. Younger siblings not yet attending school are welcome to participate, however you will need to bring along their birth certificate.

Thanks again for banking at school your school banking co-ordinators.

Congratulations to all Gold Award Winners:

Maleka Philp Lilly Philpott Abby Ward
Samuel Nutt Beau Gray-Christison Annie Gurdler
Jake Mawbey Ella Cormack Zoe Barwick
Ronan Anderson Harlee Henderson Jake Aldred
**CLASS ROOM NEWS**

**YEAR 1/2C**

We have been busy in our class setting up animal habitats as part of our Good to Grow unit of science. We now have 4 hermit crabs Spike, Mr Conehead, Pinky and Walnut as well as beans growing and a goldfish habitat.

The beans are a part of an experiment which really gives children an insight into the parts of the plant during germination as the seeds have been planted between paper and glass - very interesting! Our art display is in the foyer of our admin block so please take the time to view your child’s self portrait and house model.

Our upcoming excursion is still going ahead and now includes Mrs Aspinall’s class.

Due to an increase in numbers parent helpers may be required to carpool, this is something you can be thinking about if you have said you can be a parent helper. Please see me if this is a problem. The permission note, forms, and cost information will be sent home in coming days.

Thankyou again to the army of helpers that have been changing books and listening to children read. a particular thanks to Eb with her reading group.

Happy Learning Chris, Jenny & Estelle

**RESOURCES CENTRE**

Bookclub orders will be sent home tomorrow Friday. Any problems please see me in the library next week. Thanks to everyone who ordered.

Classes have all been borrowing and we have been letting children who don't have a library bag borrow and give them a plastic bag to use but it would be appreciated if you could provide your child with a sturdy waterproof library bag. These are available from the Uniform Room at a cost of $6. Thanks for your support in caring for all the books in our collection.

Happy Reading Jenny Wilson

**P.S. URGENTLY NEEDED**

As I am working more in classes this year I would really appreciate if more volunteer helpers could be found for our marvellous library. If you have some free time even if it’s only for hour or so each week I would love to hear from you.

**SAN TAEKWONDO**

San Taekwondo now in Mooloolah. Olympic sport - great for self-defence and fitness.

Classes Tuesdays 4:00 – 5:30 pm at Fitness Matters Gym, 2 Karanne Drive, Mooloolah

First TWO WEEKS free, visit www.santkd.com or Phone Cameron 0437 571 540

**DATE CLAIMERS**

Leadership Parade tomorrow Friday 22 Feb 9pm

**RUGBY LEAGUE**

Want to try Rugby League but not sure if it’s the sport for you?

Then boys and girls come along to one of Rugby League Sunshine Coasts come and try days on the 23rd of February from 9am-11am. All sessions are run in a safe and co-ordinated environment by NRL qualified coaches. Rugby League Sunshine Coast adheres to a strict safe play code and zero tolerance policy. On hand for the mornings activities will be local Junior, Seniors and NRL Development coaches as well as the Sunshine Coast Sea Eagles Q Cup players. To find your local club go to www.falcons.com.au or email nathan@falcons.com.au

**MOOLOOLAH AFTER SCHOOL NEWS**

Mooloolah After School Care is delivering Yoga to children with a qualified Yoga teacher on Wednesday afternoons. She gears the whole programme around animals and the like to keep children interested. It would be a wonderful opportunity to let your child experience a different form of exercise, learn more about breathing and relaxation techniques, and have a bit of fun whilst participating. This activity is of no extra cost to yourselves, apart from the afternoon at After School Care. It will be held in the school hall from 3.30- 4.30. Afternoon tea will be served prior to classes. We will also have our ever popular swimming on Friday afternoons at the School Pool. Both activities will start this week and continue throughout Term 1.

**SCC COME & TRY AFTERNOON**

If you are interested in both or either of these special deliveries please book your child in 54947491.

Sunshine Coast Council, in partnership with the Australian Sports Commission’s Active After School Communities and Queensland Government’s Sport and Recreation Services, invites primary school aged children and their families to join in:

Where: Beerwah Sports Grounds, Sportsground drive

When: Wednesday 27 February from 3.30pm to 5.30pm

Who: Children aged 5 – 12 years old

Program: Arrival and registration from 3pm

3.30pm: Activities start. Children will be split into age groups and rotated through the sports

A range of sports will be on offer, including:

- Softball, Rugby League, Soccer
- Badminton, Rugby Union
- Touch Football, AFL and more!

All local primary school-aged children are welcome to attend this free event. Fruit will be provided and there will be plenty of giveaways on offer.

Local clubs will be on hand to take registrations for the winter season, meet the coaches and importantly, provide an opportunity for children to have fun trying out the range of sports on offer.

Registrations can be done online and should only take a minute (see below), or email: darrynhoare@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au or call 5441 8625 by Monday 25 February 2013. If you forget to register, don’t worry, we’d still love to see you on the day!

Don’t forget your hat, sport shoes, sunscreen and a water bottle!

**REGISTER ONLINE NOW AT:**

www.community.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/news/come-try-
winter-sports-expo

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