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”
This week we are focussing on: Stay on task and follow adults directions.

Date 27th March 2013 Week 9

FROM MICHELE’S CHAIR

THANK YOU MRS PERRIMAN
Yesterday, we farewelled Mrs Delma Perriman, a member of our office staff, who has taken the opportunity to relocate to Maroochydore State School. Mrs Perriman has worked at Mooloolah since November 2009. Her attention to detail in ensuring that the accounts were paid on time and that the school was always well resourced were two particular traits that I appreciated. Mrs Perriman also worked closely with the teacher aides. Her knowledge of Education Queensland processes and procedures was invaluable. I wish Mrs Perriman great success for her future and thank her for her efforts while a member of our staff.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
The Annual General Meeting of the P & C was held last Wednesday, March 20. It was wonderful to catch up with everyone again and meet some of the new parents. Please take the opportunity to attend P&C Meetings. This is the time when you can raise concerns and issues and suggest innovative ideas.
Our P&C welcomes all members of the school community wishing to become active participants. The meetings, while filled with the business to discuss, are lively with lots of laughter and good nature. Those who wish to become a P & C member should complete a Membership Form. These will be available at each meeting.
Congratulations to the following members of our community on their selection to the P&C.

President
Sally Gassner

Vice President
Jess Parry

Treasurer
Vanessa Hayman

Secretary
Jaclyn Lewis

Minutes Secretary
Kylie Gillespie

Publicity
Kylie Gillespie

Fund Raising
Selina Stewart

Tuckshop
June Lewis

Uniform Shop
Rachel Muller

Banking
Lisa West

Chaplaincy
Vanessa Hayman

Banking
Ricki-Lee Scott

Dawn Osborne

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASSROOMS?
Over the last three weeks I’ve had so many students visit my office to share their work. Oliver completed his holiday journal while on a trip to Fiji and has enthusiastically shared it with me throughout the week. Gracie completed a mind map after the Year 2 Mary Cairncross excursion while Akemi thoughtfully worked through the sounds and letters needed to correctly spell ‘outstanding’.

Every day I am amazed at the learning that is happening in classrooms. One of the biggest thrills I had was in the 5,6,7 English class. The students had been brainstorming ideas that represented their opinion of Fast Food. They were then asked to write a ‘Sizzling Start’ to a piece of persuasive writing. The following is an outstanding contribution from Bailey Archinal.

Starving? Have that craving for that Hot, Oily taste in your mouth? Want it quick? Want it fast? Well … fast food is your answer. If we ban our nice, tasty, cheap food where would we be? Aw … Nice hot and crispy chips and a cold soda to wash them down. Yes please.

Congratulations Bailey! You had my attention at the word ‘Starving’.

BUSH DANCE
Thank you to our wonderful P&C for their enthusiastic and energetic organisation of this year’s Bush Dance. The children and their parents had an absolutely amazing time. It was great to see so many children participating in each of the dances.

One concern that I do have regarding fund raising events that are held at the school are the number of children who arrive without parents. I am extremely concerned about the safety of the students who attend and would like to ensure that the procedures relating to events that are held at the school are tightened so that the safety of children is always ensured.

CONTRIBUTIONS
Hooray! Year 2DA have received their brand new computers. Thank you to the parents and families who have supported us in this project with your voluntary contributions. $1800 has been contributed so far. Just a reminder we are hoping that every parent can contribute $50 for each child. If that happens we will be able to raise approximately $10,000 and replace the majority of computers that are presently in classrooms. As we continue to receive the contributions we will continue to replace computers. Let’s aim to replace the computers in the Year 1 and 1/2 classrooms next term. Thank you in anticipation for your generosity.

PARKING
I have received a request from the Sunshine Coast District Traffic Branch to inform parents attending school zones during peak times that it is important that all traffic regulations are followed. This is in direct response to the increase in complaints of traffic offences around our school during peak times.

Plain clothes and uniformed Police Officers will be patrolling streets in our community.

During this operation, police will be targeting the following traffic offences:

- Illegal Parking in No Stopping Zones/Drop off zone - Prep turn around
- Double Parking
- Parking on footpaths
- Driver’s using hand held mobile phones
- Seatbelt offences (Driver and passengers including children)
- Crossing double/single continuous dividing lines
- Any other breaches of the road rules

There will be a zero tolerance of any breaches that are detected, and will result in offenders having action taken against them.

The objective of this operation is to make the streets, in our community safer for all road users, parents and students attending the school.

I appreciate your assistance in helping us to create a safer environment for all.

BEHAVIOUR
I love being able to share stories with parents of children who show respect, responsibility, act safely and who come to school to improve their learning. Throughout this term, I have shared lots of those stories. Congratulations on the great contribution you are making not just to our school but to our community. I am so proud to have shared part of your journey.

Some links that may be of interest to parents:
http://www.talkwithkids.org/violence.html Helping children who become physical when they are angry

“The greatest mistake you can make in life is fearing you will make a mistake.”

Elliot Hubbard

Congratulations and thank you everyone for the terrific contribution you make to our learning community. Have a safe and happy chocolate holiday.

Michele

CHAPPY MARK’S BUSHDANCE
On behalf of the P&C and Chaplaincy Committee a huge thank you is extended to the fantastic Mooloolah Community for supporting “Chappy Mark’s Community Bushdance.”

The Bushdance was a wonderful social evening thoroughly enjoyed by all the families attending. Once again, the "Bushland Boogie Band" were superb and the dancing was awesome.

Congratulations to all our raffle prize winners and to our very lucky cowpat lotto winner.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who helped organise the Bushdance and to all the helpers on the night. All your help was greatly appreciated and contributed to the terrific success of the night.

Please support the fantastic businesses who contributed to the success of the Bushdance.

Their support of our school is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

DENTAL VAN
Forms were sent home at the beginning of the week for our dentist visit to school next term. Could you please return these to the office as soon as possible.

Congratulations to all Gold Award Winners:

| Zac Stewart | Cambell Luck | Lukas Tietze |
| Alex Murphy | Alyssa Hayman | Tom King |
| Blair Beck | Makenzie Hooke | Dallas Muller |
| Alisha Fogg | Summer Osborne | Amelia Foster |
| Nate Joseph | Flynn Storer | |

HAPPY & SAFE HOLIDAY
Enjoy the time with family and friends
See you all on Monday 15th April
CLASS ROOM NEWS

YEAR 1CH

Thank you to all the parents who were able to have a catch up to share about their child’s progress and set some priorities for next term. What a busy term it has been! Things only come together with a team of people working together.

A special thank you to all the parent volunteers who have been helping in the classroom or helping with resources.

Next term some of the volunteers have changes to their commitments and the children will be looking for support on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings (9-10am) for reading groups. Also, we are planning on some library lab time with our Mathletics and any help on a Monday (10-11am) or Friday (11.40-12.40) would be greatly appreciated. Best wishes for a happy and healthy Easter break.

Chris, Jenny & Kerry

YEAR 1/2CC

Tell me and I will forget;
Show me and I may remember;
Involve me and I will understand.
Chinese proverb

As the term draws to a close and I reflect on the last term, it is both rewarding and affirming for me to see the children begin to take on such positive approaches to learning. Arriving on time with eagerness, taking on the learning tasks enthusiastically, supporting each other, showing pride in their achievements, displaying resilience, being great listeners, demonstrating thinking and doing their best.

These attributes and behaviours are what we reward children in our class with WOWs for. I have begun to present WOWs for some very exciting things. What a way to finish our first term!

We now have a WOW wall on display for parents and visitors to read. Please take time to read these and to congratulate children for their efforts. This wall will certainly get more interesting over the coming weeks and term!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS
Catherine

YEAR 2DA

I would like to thank all my parent helpers who have helped with excursions and reading this term. A special thanks to Ebony, Michelle, Renee, Lisa, Dahlleen, Selina and Vanessa. A special mention to our most improved spelling whiz kids: Toby, Ieasha and Maddy. Have a Happy Easter and a relaxing break.

Donna Aspinall

YEAR 3/4LF

As well as other things in English, we have been improving our spelling and writing in preparation for NAPLAN next term. We have been learning how to write a paragraph using a topic sentence and backing it up with more information in our following sentences.

In Maths we have been working with money adding it and working out change, knowing what the Australian coins look like working with calendars, place value, learning our tables, skip counting in 2s, 5s and 10s from any given number and working out number patterns to name a few. In history we are looking at different celebrations and commemorations and in science we have been doing life and living and growing our own plant in the classroom.

Have a happy and safe holiday. See you all when we return for another busy term of hard work.

Libby Ferguson

YEAR 4JO

Year 4 has been busy looking at chance, probability and data in maths. We’ve just completed a bar graph showing the favourite ice-cream flavours of 4JO. In English we’re exploring how poets use ‘word play’ such as puns, spoonerisms and onomatopoeia to make their humorous poetry more appealing. In science we’ve been completing our evaluation task where the students had to identify an area of erosion around our school and design a solution to the problem.

John O’Donnell

YEAR 5/6/7 CL

Wow didn’t that term go fast. The students and teachers haven’t had time to blink and one quarter of the year has gone. It has been a very productive term with lots of goals achieved and brains stretched and I am sure the students are looking for a break. They can all be proud of their attitude to learning and the behaviour they have shown throughout the term. It has been a pleasure to get to know the year fives and watch them interact with the ‘big’ grade six and seven students. Thankyou to the parents who have helped out in the room this term and I wish you all a great break.

See you all next term.

Chris Lowe

DATE CLAIMERS

School resumes on Monday 15th April
Anzac Day Thurs 25th April

RESOURCE CENTRE

Book club orders were sent home yesterday. Any problems see me in the library. Thanks to everyone who ordered and Lisa & Nikki for placing the order while I was away last week.

It was lovely to come back to the library after a week away and be able to see my desk for at least a day. Thanks to Lisa for looking after the library for me and also Rachel Huddleston who covered lots of reading books for the younger students. Thanks also to Wanda Douglas and Kylie Gillespie for their help this term in the library.

There is always lots of jobs that need doing in the library and the work these wonderful ladies all do is really appreciated.

Students can borrow over the holidays but all books well definitely be due back the 1st week of term 2.

I hope you all have a safe and happy Easter, enjoy your holiday and get the chance to do some reading.

Thanks Jenny Wilson

IS THERE A PLAYGROUP IN MOOLOOLAH?

Great question – let me tell you the answer. Mooloolah Valley Playgroup will be running from Mooloolah State School’s Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) Building located on King Rd, Mooloolah beside the school pool. Starting the first week of Term 2 - Wednesday April 17 from 9:00 am we shall open the doors to all parents/caregivers and their children for a fun filled morning of Playgroup. Playgroup will run every Wednesday during each school term. Mooloolah School’s OSHC facility is perfect for playgroup as there is an enclosed indoor and outdoor playground with lots of interesting toys for young children, full toilet and kitchen facilities all within a secure building. Craft and other organised activities will begin within a few weeks once we know the ages of the children attending and can work out appropriate activities.

Tea and Coffee will be available for adults and we ask families to bring something to share for morning tea. Feel free to come along any time between 9 am and midday and meet other families in the Mooloolah area. For more information contact Playgroup Queensland www.playgroupqld.com.au 1800 171 882 or check out our Facebook page Mooloolah Valley Playgroup.

HIPHOP DANCE

With professional dance teacher, Brooke Osborne (see You Tube). Mooloolah Hall, Wednesday after school, prep to teens, $7 ½ hour. $10 full hour. For class details, email: brooke_mooloolahdance@yahoo.com.au

MAT PILATES CLASSES

First class FREE. Tuesday nights 6pm at Church on the Rise building, 68 Peachester Road Beerwah, $10 per class (no eftpos). For more info, phone Deb Evans 0414 820 879/email debseechange4life@gmail.com

DAD’S CLUB

Dad’s Club has come about after recognising there is little opportunity for Dad’s to get together and spend quality time with their kids.

Dad’s Club is not only a great opportunity for our kids to meet and interact, but also a supportive atmosphere where Dad’s can discuss parenting challenges, which is something that most of us do not get to do often enough.

Naturally, blokes club is Alcohol free and open to anyone interested in jumping on board.

“Every Dad in the club has something to bring to the table, whether it be knot tying, playing guitar, fixing things, gardening etc.”

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