Dear Parents,

I trust all families had enjoyable Spring School vacation and that students are refreshed and ready for a productive final term of the school year. Parents are urged to continue to encourage and support children as they begin and then work through what is often a demanding term made more challenging by the summer heat.

Now is a great time to revisit the learning goals parents, students and teachers agreed upon during discussions at the commencement of Term 3. A big effort over the next ten weeks will make a huge difference in making sure children are fully prepared for their new year level in 2015.

Congratulations to the majority of our students who enjoyed a Rewards Activity session on the last day of Term 3 in recognition of their positive and productive behaviour at school. We trust all children will strive to be included in the end of year rewards activities as a reward for consistent good behaviour and positive learning outcomes.

A special welcome to families new to our school this term. We trust you will find Marian a caring and focussed learning environment for your children.

This term we finalise transition processes for Kindy children who will enrol at Marian SS next year as Prep students and for our current Yr 6 & Yr 7 students who prepare for their move to High School in the new year. This will be an exciting time for these children and we are confident that our plans and processes will result in a smooth transition to their new places of learning.

Included elsewhere in this newsletter is a listing of important dates and events for Term 4. Families are asked to note these significant activities.

A sincere thanks to Sharee Corby & Liz Atkins for co-ordinating this year’s P&C Spell-Athon held late in Term 3. 205 students raised $7 000 from this learning & fundraising activity. Imagine what the P&C could have done with money raised if every student contributed towards this fundraiser !!!

Thanks also to families who donated to our Chaplaincy Coin Trail on the last day of Term 3. I urge families to continue to support Chaplain Liz and the work she does on behalf of our students.

Congratulations to Jack McMullen (3P) for a winning entry in last term’s Mackay Sugar Safety Poster competition. Jack’s poster reminds everyone of the potential danger near cane train crossings during the crushing season. Jack won $300 for our school and this money has been spent on the purchase of Literacy resources for Yr 3.

Best wishes to all individuals and school groups who will be competing in the Mackay Eisteddfod over the next few weeks. I hope children enjoy their ‘on stage’ experience as a culmination of all the practice and preparation in the lead up to this cultural experience. Thanks to Miss Brett and Mrs Haworth for their work in preparing our school groups.
**From the Deputy**

**A Note from your School Photographer**

Last term we took the following special group photos:

- School Captains
- Sports Captains
- Year 6 Group
- Year 7 Group
- Senior Band
- Junior Band
- Choir
- Drum Beat
- Recorder Band

These presentations are 8”x12” group photo presentations with the children standing together with their individual portraits below.

These special group photo presentations are available for purchase for only $27 ea by collecting an envelope from the school office.

You have until Friday, 17th October to purchase at this price (orders placed after 17th October will incur a $20 search fee as the images will then be archived).

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of your photo day experience with us, we would love to hear your feedback on 4921 3355 or by email at schoolphotos.cq@msp.com.au

Keep smiling!!

**SkoolBag**

A reminder to all the SkoolBag is also available for Android users now. Please see below for our current number of downloads:

- 106 iPhone users & 32 Android users.

**C&K Kindy Transition**

This term Marian continues to maintain strong links with our Kindy community, with formalised visits to our current Prep classes commencing this term. Each week, the Kindy classes will join with our Prep classes for 30min to engage in Prep activities to better prepare them for Prep in 2015. Also this term, the Kindy groups will be introduced to Miss Brett and Mr Schmidt while engaging in a Music and PE Lesson. Later in the term, we have also scheduled a 2015 Prep parent meeting, open morning and opportunities for families to participate in a face to face interview. We look forward to continuing the strong links with the staff and students of the Marian C&K Community Kindergarten.
Grandparents Day
On Thursday, November 6th, we are taking the opportunity to invite all grandparents into our school to celebrate the part they play in the lives of young children. We would cherish their presence from 9.00am onwards, inviting them to join class activities for an hour, followed by a meet and greet with admin staff over a morning tea. In the next newsletter, we will ask for an indication of attendees.

Nude Food Day
In the first week of November, we also celebrate NUDE FOOD Activities and keenly seek the participation of all children at school. This activity is aimed at children bringing food in lunch boxes without wrappers – which leads to healthier choices, healthier children. Our first NUDE FOOD Day is scheduled for next Tuesday, 21 October. Teachers will be re-visiting the importance of healthy lunches (ie avoiding not so healthy foods often in wrappers or packets) and will highlight a class points competition for the best Junior and Senior classes who will win an icy cup each. Bonus points for Nude Foods and Penalty points for food in wrappers will be discussed.

State Track and Field
Next week from Monday 13 – Wednesday 15 October, Namen Miller and Rachel Norman will be part of the Capricornia Track and Field Team competing in Brisbane at the State Titles. We wish them well.

Working Bee, Saturday, 8 November.
Our P & C is eager to undertake some much needed maintenance work at the school and we are seeking a good response from families so that much can be achieved.
Details: Start 7.30 am Finish at 11.00am. Sausage sizzle, eats and refreshments will be provided for morning tea.
Tasks for the Working Bee are outlined below. Please consider how and where you can assist by allocating your family name to the appropriate job space, returning the form to school by Friday 31 October.

Kent Lyons
A/Deputy Principal

2014 Mackay Eisteddfod
As our school groups begin Eisteddfod performances next week, we would like to remind parents that Eisteddfod tickets are now on sale from the MECC Box Office and Eisteddfod programmes are also available for purchase at the MECC.

3PM Parking Problems
Could families of older children (Yrs 4-7) to delay their collection of students until approx. 3:10pm. You will be amazed at the reduced traffic density you will encounter by arriving at school at 3:10pm each afternoon. Children are welcome to sit with our supervised "bus children" or wait quietly inside the school fence for these extra 10 minutes in the afternoons.

Parking Request
Parents attending our P-2 Assemblies on a Friday afternoon are asked not to park in the Kindy Car Park. Only parents collecting children from Kindy should make use of these car parks.

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<td>Spreading sand in sand pits</td>
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<td>Remove old tree stumps</td>
<td>Chainsaw/trailer</td>
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<td>Fix seating benches</td>
<td>Drill/sander/ paintbrush ( Bolts , paint supplied)</td>
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<td>Tidy Prep Gardens/remove old boat</td>
<td>Crowbar/trailer/ shovel/mattock/ rake</td>
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<td>Remove surface rust on play equipment</td>
<td>Grinder/sandpaper/paint brush/ ( rust treatment provided)</td>
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<td>Mulching gardens</td>
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<td>Sealing split logs in play areas</td>
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<td>Remove rocks and concrete outside junior toilets</td>
<td>Crowbar/ sledge hammer/ wheelbarrow/shovel</td>
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<td>Trip hazards in garden areas – remove</td>
<td>Mattock/ axe/shovel</td>
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<td>Remove rubbish/ collect balls under buildings</td>
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We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students and families who supported our recent Spellathon. The P&C made a profit of just over $7000 - a fantastic effort from everyone who participated! Congratulations to the highest fundraisers in each year level who will each receive a $20 voucher to be spent at this year’s Scholastic Book Fair. Their names and funds raised are as follows:-

A big congratulation also goes to Natasha Cornell’s Prep class who were the highest fundraising class in the school, raising a total of $858. Prep C will receive a trophy to proudly display in their classroom.

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<td>Year 7</td>
<td>Kirra Gray (6/7D)</td>
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Over 100 students achieved 100% on their Spellathon test and are in the draw today to win a $40 Scholastic Book Fair Voucher. And the entries are also in for the Ipod Shuffle draw, where participants gained a ticket for every $20 they raised.

We hope all those students who participated enjoy their incentive prizes (you should have these by the end of the week).

Thanks once again for their support and the support we receive from parents and the community. We have been amazed at the results!

Sharee Corby and Liz Akins

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**Student Council**

**Welcome back to term 4.**

The Student Council has two jobs lined up so far. Our first one is organising The Talent Quest. We will be asking for nominations soon, so if you are a soloist or want to be in a group; have a think about it and nomination forms will be available soon.

Secondly, we have decided to participate in ‘Canteen’ to raise money for cancer research, which seems to unfortunately affect many families. Over the next couple of weeks Student Council members will be selling bandannas for $4 and pens for $3. We have ordered enough bandannas for every student, the pens however will be ‘first in’. More details about where and when bandannas and pens will be available will go up soon.

Cheers.

**Tuckshop News**

We are seeking new volunteers in our Tuckshop. We have only a small cohort of people now and most weeks we require them to work up to three days. If anyone is interested in lending us a hand please pop in and see Bernie.

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Tues 14/10| FRIED RICE
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Thurs 16/10| POTATO WEDGES/SOUR CREAM/BACON/ CHEESE OR SLOPPY MINCE ROLL
TUES 21/10| FRIED RICE
Congratulations to Casey Keilbach (Yr 6) for winning the Best & Fairest Player for 13D Mackay Netball Association.

Community Notices

SENSORY MOVIE DAY
26th of October at 2PM

Tickets are $8.00 each
Companion I.D Card Accepted
Children 2yrs and under are free
Birch Carroll & Coyle Mackay North Cinemas
Grandview Drive, North Mackay QLD 4740
For more information email or call Katie on senso-
ymovieday.mackay@hotmail.com
0400843127

Face Painting starts at 1pm thanks to Ink Kidz, spot prizes and every child receives an animal balloon at the end of the movie

Sensory Movie Day Mackay is an inclusive event for families with special needs.
Lighting on dim, sound lowered, volunteers at doors for those escape artists.
Children are free to move around, flap or stim.
This is a no judgment screening.
Refunds are available within the first 40mins.
No Diagnosis required, siblings and extended family are welcome.

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SENSORY MOVIE DAY MACKAY

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Every dollar you save with School Banking will automatically enable
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Competition ends 31 October – visit your nearest GPA.

To find out more, visit commbank.com.au/deepeasawards

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JANUARY 2015
EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS
IMPROVE YOUR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation that is registered with all state and
territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. We are
the first and only secondary exchange organisation in Australia and New Zealand to be certified to ISO 9001
(Quality Management System) and we ensure the highest standards of care and support to our participants.

In January 2015 we will be receiving exchange students from Europe (Germany, Italy, Denmark, Finland, France), South America (Argentina) and Japan. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a
local school for 2 or 10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are looking for host families across Australia
to welcome these students into their home.

Our students originate from a variety of countries. Below is a sample of students who will be arriving.

16 year old Brazilian student, Maria, enjoys being with her friends, visiting the local shopping centre
and the cinema. She also enjoys listening to music such as the Red Hot Chilli Peppers and Oa-
sis. Maria describes herself as friendly and affectionate. She loves to meet new people, and is excited
by learning about other cultures and meeting new people. Australia is her dream country to visit and is very
excited to improve her English, understand our culture and make new friends.

14 year old German student, Tim, enjoys playing hockey, tennis and meeting his friends. Tim has
been playing field hockey for 10 years. He would like to continue with hockey or tennis, whilst staying
in Australia. He also enjoys speaking German. Tim is looking forward to visiting Australia and learning about
our lifestyle, country, culture and language. He describes himself as polite, independent, social, responsible,
self-confident and uncomplicated.