Principal’s Note

Book Week Parade was a great success with the majority of the students and staff dressing up as one of their favourite book characters. The students had a great time parading their costumes, as did the staff!! Our special guest author Ian McIntosh, ran workshops on a variety of literacy related activities for each class. The feedback from the students was very positive with some of our seniors participating in a Master Class at lunch time.

On another positive note, I would like to congratulate Miss Delia Koelman on successfully gaining permanency here at the school. Delia is an outstanding graduate who is clearly dedicated to the profession. Please congratulate Delia and make her welcome.

Don’t forget we are still taking entrants for the ‘Entertainer of the Year’ competition. If you play a musical instrument you have the chance at winning a $100 gift voucher from Arties Music Store!! Please go to the office for an entry form. The competition will be held Thursday the 17th September.

We only have ten school days to go until our Fete. We are still in need of more donations so please bring in items for us to sell: plants, clothes, wine, sweets, cakes, anything! And most importantly, we need everyone to be there on the day to help make this a successful event.

Finally, I have been offered an Acting Principal position at another school for four weeks starting Week 10 of this term. I will be returning in Week 4, Term 4. Ms Caron Grey will be stepping in for me while I’m away so there will be minimal disruption to the school.

Enjoy your week!

Jo Sinclair-Jones

Lawn Bowls, an after school activity funded from the Sporting Schools program in Term 3, has been one of the most popular we have run. Thank you to all the members at the MI Bowls Club who have helped us learn about ‘weight’, ‘jack’ and ‘grass’.
Gold & Silver Awards

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PE Awards went to Lacey and Hunter.
Stanley went to Year 4.
Instrumental Music Awards went to Jack D and Ned.

SCHOOL FETE
Saturday 12th September

There are going to be so many exciting things to do at our School Fete, you will be busy fitting them into the five hours we are open! We should call it the Maggie Island Show, rather than just a School Fete. We have some amazing rides: a giant water slide (don’t forget your bathers and towel), the flying swings and two jumping castles. We have a side show alley complete with ‘roll the ball into the hole’, hit the balloon with a dart, ten pin bowling, fairy floss and freshly made donuts. We have live entertainment all day, pony rides, a coffee cart and of course a bar area for the adults to rest in. And that is just the start! There will be so many bargains from all of our stalls: white elephant stall, book stall, clothing stall, plant stall, cake stall, wine stall, lolly stall - come prepared to shop until you drop. We are keeping some surprises for the day, but you will have to be here to find out what they are.

The Fete opens at 10am with an address from the Principal and music from the School Band. All activities run for five hours until 3pm. There is no entry fee, just come along and enjoy the fun and help our school raise some much needed funds.
**Prep News**

In English, the children have been working very hard with their writing of rhyming couplets. They are now preparing to present their couplets with actions, eye-contact, intonation, good volume and use of emphasis. We are looking forward to some very entertaining presentations next week.

In Maths, we are making sandwiches to collect data. The class will make a variety of sandwiches and will taste test them and then give their opinion on which sandwich tastes the best. We will then collect data from the class about their choices.

In Technology we are becoming familiar with Microsoft Paint. With the assistance of some Year 5 students, we are working our way through some simple tasks that include using different Paint tools, adding backgrounds, auto shapes, text and saving their work. We are finding this lots of fun and are creating some interesting results.

The introduction of the daily spelling practice booklets this term has been very helpful in developing skills to improve reading and writing. We are also seeing some great spelling results.

HELP WANTED!!

We desperately need parent helpers to read with and swap readers for our children each morning. Any time you may be able to give, on a regular or casual basis will be of great help.

With only a few weeks left this term, we are trying to complete assessment in most areas so we encourage parents to have children to school well rested ready to complete these tasks. Don’t forget to provide your child with a healthy lunch and a piece of fruit for their five minute snack break each day. This makes their job of concentrating and completing these tasks a lot easier.

Julia Shafer  
jshaf3@eq.edu.au

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**Year 2 News**

**Assessment and Attendance** - As we near the end of the term our assessment schedule becomes busier than usual. Please try to ensure that your child does not miss any school days unless absolutely necessary over the next few weeks, as it is difficult to catch students up on missed assessments. Let’s hope that the bug going around will have passed soon!

**Homework and readers** – Please remind your child to complete their homework and bring it to school on Fridays (or earlier if they have finished). The homework is important to consolidate some of the key concepts covered in class. Your child should be able to complete the homework independently, but it offers a chance for you to see some of what is being covered in class and how your child is going. Your child should also read aloud to you for 15 minutes each night. Please remind your child to bring their reader to school each day, even if they haven’t finished their book. Thank you to those parents who have been helping change readers.

Delia Koelman

*Check out our sprouts! We have enjoyed watching them grow and change in just one week.*
Year 1 News

We have been working hard on our English and Maths units, but unfortunately there have been many students absent due to illness. Our Maths has concentrated on comparing the values of coins, telling and writing/drawing time to the half hour, and counting collections in twos, fives and tens. If your child has missed some of this work, they may have been given “homework” so they can practise missed concepts. This work will be in their reading folder. Please see me about this if you have queries.

A number of students are in need of new stationary items – especially good quality (named) writing pencils and a new scrap book. Some students also need coloured pencils, either because they have bee sharpened to “nothing” or have been lost. Please check with your child about these items and be sure to name all new stationary.

Thank you again to our terrific parents and volunteers who listen to home reading on Thursdays and Fridays. All are welcome for these sessions.

Jo T

Year 3/4 News

This year is flying by, it is spring already!
Book week was a great success with most students dressing up in some interesting book characters. The kids also thoroughly enjoyed the talk from author Ian McIntosh.
Thank you to all students who have donated to the Fete so far. Keep it coming.
The Year 3/4 students have started to explore and write their own poems in English. As part of the unit, students are to present their humorous poem. To assist in their preparation and confidence, any chance they have at home to read aloud to an audience would be very helpful to them.

Kerri-Anne McAtee & Jeremy Pullen

Eve & Mal from The Isle of Lost
Where’s Wally
Year 5/6 News

In English all students have been working hard interpreting different forms of Poetry; exploring such delights as odes written in praise of socks, free-form verse about a school with ‘lessins’, a bushranger ballad and a fabulous lyrical poem about cricket! They are using the new learning wall to great effect. Come in and have a look if you get a chance, the students will enjoy showing you how it works.

Maths work focusses on helping the students to use their knowledge of decimals and fractions to solve tricky word problems. Talk to them about how you work out how to calculate a third of the number of passengers on the ferry today, or how to share $150 between 6 people.

The Science assessment is nearly complete, and I was delighted how many children were able to access the research information via the computers, to help improve their grade.

We have some fantastic pictures taken during our recent beach games challenge day. The children met up with 3 classes of students from Currajong State School, during their visit to the Apex Camp. We walked down to Nelly Bay, introduced ourselves and then played some excellent games together. The games were designed to help the children get to know each other in preparation for High School transition next year, build confidence and social skills. All of our children behaved well, modelling our school values of respect, responsibility and safety, whilst still having heaps of fun. Thanks to Steven Sanderson from Currajong for inviting us to join in this worthwhile event.

Well done to all the children who have logged on and completed tasks on Studyladder.com. Feedback seems to be very positive and most children are enjoying learning in this way.

We are having a blitz on encouraging better homework habits this week. Please check that your child has kept up to day with any sheets sent home as well as finishing all Spelling Rules Units to Unit 8 by Friday 4th September.

Getting into the habit of 10-15 minutes homework a day now will improve your child’s success in transitioning to High School.

Please be sure to contact us if you have any concerns regarding your child’s progress.

Sharon Jupp and Martin Hammelswang

Photos of the Beach Games Challenge held at Nelly Bay with Currajong State School.
BOOK WEEK 2015 CELEBRATIONS @ MAGNETIC ISLAND STATE SCHOOL
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