Principal’s Note

Our hardworking Principal, Jo Sinclair-Jones, is currently on leave until the end of term. During that time, I will be taking responsibility as Acting Principal and we are very excited that Cat Johnson will be returning to Magnetic Island State School, taking responsibility as Head of Curriculum. It will be wonderful to have Cat’s smiling face back with us for a few weeks!

Last week, all our teaching staff were fortunate enough to attend an important Anita Archer Professional Development workshop. Dr Anita Archer is a recognised author and consultant on Explicit Instruction, teaching effective strategies for engagement and instruction in the classroom. Research clearly shows that increasing engagement in the classroom increases learning and Dr Archer’s strategies focus on organising learning so that every child is engaged throughout the lesson. At Magnetic Island State School, our teachers are committed to this type of teaching and learning.

You may have seen the posters “I Do, We Do, You Do” in your child’s classroom. This comes from the Explicit Instruction model, which uses ‘gradual release’. This means that every lesson begins with teacher modelling (I Do), leads to shared learning experiences (We Do) and ends with independent work that allows students to demonstrate learning (You Do). As well as providing effective learning experiences, this model builds confidence and ensures success.

Have a wonderful week.

Caron Grey
Acting Principal

Reconciliation Week student art project—interpretation of the Aboriginal flag.
“All students can achieve high standards given the right time and support”

Gold & Silver Awards

Gold & Silver awards for Term 2, Week 6:

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PE Awards went to Summer and Mark H. Stanley went to Year 4.

A Dragon’s Tale was the opening event of the Under 8’s day. Our Prep class wrote and performed the tale which was enjoyed by everyone.
Prep News

It is an exceptionally busy time of the year with assessment being completed in all areas. Please try to send your child well rested and ready for these tasks.

This week all student’s will be presenting their Science Assessment: Wind Ornament, during their regular Show and Tell time.

The children are working very hard on learning their sight words and improving their reading. It is very important to practice daily and to build these good routines. We are noticing great results from those who are following the daily routine.

School photos are on this Thursday 11th June. Please return payment by then if you wish to order photos.

Under 8’s Day was a great success with the children having a very busy morning of fun. A big thank you to our special helpers and presenters who made this year memorable: Mrs Darrigan and the school band, Sharrie and her boot camp, the ambulance and fire crews, Janelle and Maddi from Bungalow Bay, Lana from the Kindy, our fabulous teachers and especially the teacher aides who helped behind the scenes preparing for weeks and the Year 5/6 children, our buddies, who helped out wherever we needed them.

As always, the fire truck and ambulance were favourite activities, as well as the lemonade and ice cream making and the carpentry table, where some wonderful creations were created. But it was very hard to go past the live exhibition from Bungalow Bay with lizards and a very friendly snake to get close to. It was great to have lots of parents attending and we all enjoyed the closing with Mrs Johnson on hand to lead the mandatory Chicken Dance. Please enjoy the photos that follow.

Any suggestions or feedback for next year feel free to contact us.

Julia Shafer
Year 3/4 News

Congratulations to Year 3/4 for receiving the Stanley award for being the cleanest year level in the school!

As Term 2 comes to an end, students have been busy finalising their English recounts and other assessment pieces. Students are quite enthusiastic about writing their recount of a convict child on board a ship and their writing so far has been impressive. We look forward to reading their final piece of writing for the semester.

Our photo shows the students enjoying the Spelling Dictionary game.

School Photos – Thursday 11th of June. Please ensure your child is wearing their new school uniform (if possible) or their best uniform with the correct shorts, shoes and socks. No coloured hair or jewellery as per the uniform policy would also be appreciated.

Athletics Carnival – Wednesday 17th June. Please ensure your child wears their house colour shirt.

School Beach Party – Tuesday 23rd June. As part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour and Learning program we are have a School Beach Party as a reward for students who have either received 60+ gotchas for the term OR have only receive 0-1 timeouts for the term. To attend the students need to have achieved these criteria and returned their ‘Out of school activities’ permission note.

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Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is celebrated across Australia each year between 27 May and 3 June. The dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey—the anniversaries of the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision. The week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort.

At Magnetic Island State School students have been learning about the Wulgurukaba people and significant events for indigenous people in Australia. Also, students have participated in an art event making hands for change to create an aboriginal flag on the school oval.
Year 5/6 News

Our fourth English unit is progressing well, though we have a lot to finish before the end of term, and quite a few interruptions, so wherever possible, children need to be at school and well-focused. If there is a need for a child to be away from school, please try to organise this outside of school times. This may be hard to avoid at times, but if it’s possible to do, it provides your child the best opportunity to complete tasks in class time.

This unit asks children to make comparisons between the novel and film version of a story, and we chose ‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’. The children enjoyed reading the text again, and loved watching the film. We selected the older version of the film as it is significantly different, which will make the comparison easier. In class discussions, children showed good insight into the decisions made by the author to characterise people and present his key message. Please discuss both the novel and film with your child, as this will help him/her to clarify thoughts when writing the comparison.

We are finalising assessments in various subjects over the next two weeks, so again, it’s very important that children are well rested and are focused for their class work. With the long weekend and other upcoming interruptions, it’s important that children are as ready as possible for their work and assessment. Thanks to those parents who are trying to enforce extra sleep and times of rest.

A major upcoming event is our Peer Support Day camp, which will occur in the last week of term. Notes will be sent home about this during this week. All Year 6s are involved, and due to numbers, we will also train some Year 5s as Peer Support Leaders. This is a great program, and children learn a great deal through their experience as group leaders. We’re already looking forward to starting Peer Support lessons in Semester 2.

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

Sharon Jupp and Martin Hammelswang

Premiers Reading Challenge

Students in Prep to Year 4 have started the Premier’s Reading Challenge. From 19th of May until 28th of August students are challenged to read (or have a text read to them) a certain number of books. The Challenge is designed to help children enjoy a range of texts and develop literacy skills. All participants will receive a certificate from the Premier.

Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL)

Every week students are explicitly taught a behaviour expectation from our ‘Behaviour Matrix’ (find it in the Covered Play Area). Gotchas are given specifically targeting this behaviour.

This week:

“USE THE TOILETS PROPERLY”
WORLD OCEANS DAY

Year 5/6 Students clean up Nelly Bay Beach

Ten Year 5/6 students participated enthusiastically in a Beach Clean Up on Nelly Bay Beach last week with staff Paul and Jodie and volunteers Dr Rick Braley and Claudia Gaber. Dr Rick Braley discussed with the students about the positive impact they will have on the marine and bird life by cleaning up the beach. The Beach Clean Up was in support of World Oceans Day.

Four sacks of debris were collected, weighing 43kg! The debris consisted of 441 items and these were analysed after the clean-up and registered on http://www.tangaroablue.org/database.html. The following table shows the results. Some of the items were very surprising including a huge 20 litre vegetable oil container and six pairs of thongs.

The information gathered can be used to work out the source of the debris and raise awareness about how we can change our behaviour by reducing the amount of pollution from runoff. All the students actively joined in and we will be going back again to reduce the amount of debris on the beach.

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Last week of After School Activities this week!

Parents are invited to play basketball against the students on Wednesday 10th June at 3.15pm.
School Photo Day is Thursday 11\textsuperscript{th} June.

Envelopes have been sent home and should be returned asap.

Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office.

You can order online now by following these easy steps:

**Step 1:** Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter our school code LV3 LBM VJW

**Step 2:** Enter student’s details.

**Step 3:** Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection.)

**Step 4:** Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page).

**Please note:** LATE FEES will apply once orders are closed | Family/Sibling photo orders online close 48 hours before the first school photo day however they can be purchased with an envelope up until photo day.
How to purchase Magnetic Island State School uniforms

The School Threads website is simple to use:

1. Go to www.schoolthreads.com.au
2. On the home page select Magnetic Island State School from the List of Schools
3. You will see a list of uniform requirements
4. Scroll below the uniform requirements and select the required uniform item e.g. polo
5. Choose size and quantity from the drop down boxes and add to cart
6. To choose more uniform items click on Continue Shopping
7. When you have finished shopping, click Checkout and follow the prompts for payment and delivery instructions. Please note that for delivery option you must choose I want my order delivered as the pick up option is only available to Brisbane residents.
8. Postage is normally $7.50, however postage is free for orders over $150. You might like to consider combining orders with friends to save on postage fee.

There is a sizing chart included and uniform samples are available in the school Staff room. You are also welcome to contact the shop on 07 3366 1659 for assistance during trading hours (8.30 am – 4.30 pm).