

Fortnightly  
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# Newsletter



## Magnetic Island State School

**School Vision:** All students can succeed.

**Mission:** Magnetic Island State School will be a positive and supportive school empowering students to be the best that they can be. Students, staff, parents, carers and community members will work together to foster an outstanding academic, creative and environmentally sustainable learning environment.

Be Respectful  
Be Responsible  
Be Safe

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## Principal's Report

Hi everyone,

Thank you all for your kind support over the last couple of weeks. As you can imagine, it has been a tough time for our staff, losing our good friend and admired colleague, Mrs Sharon Jupp. Sharon was such an integral part of our staff group and we will all miss her. Sharon was an inspirational classroom teacher, whose passion for literacy was infectious. In her role as Literacy Coach she inspired us all to become better (and not boring!) writers. Sharon was also passionate about working in our school kitchen garden and sharing her knowledge and enthusiasm with us. As always, we are doing everything we can to support staff and students though this very sad time. Please let me know if you feel that your child would benefit from extra support.

Over the next two weeks, our Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN Online. NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students have learned through their regular school curriculum. One of the main benefits of NAPLAN Online is tailored (or adaptive) testing, in which the test presents questions of higher or lower complexity depending on a student's performance. Tailored (or adaptive) testing is designed to assess a wider range of student abilities and to measure student achievement more precisely.

You can support your child by reassuring them that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and by reminding them on the day to simply do their best, just like they do every day at school. Teachers have familiarised the stu-

## Kacey Constantine

dents with the types of questions in the tests and the students have worked with the online platform during the last few weeks. Good luck to our Year 3 and 5 students. I know that you will do a great job and I am already very proud of you. You can see the types of questions and related functionalities available in the NAPLAN Online assessment at <http://nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>.

After the bit of rain that we have had, there has been a increase in the presence of mosquitoes on the school grounds. It might be worthwhile applying repellent to your child before school, students can have repellent in their bag (roll-on only) if required.

Thank you.



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# Awards

## Awards for Term 2, Week 2

<u>Class</u>	<u>Achievement</u>
<b>Prep</b>	Matilda
<b>1</b>	Archie
<b>2</b>	Bronx
<b>3</b>	Leili
<b>4</b>	Indy Del Rio
<b>5</b>	Lucas
<b>6</b>	Abbie
<b>PE/Japanese</b>	Sol
<b>PCL class</b>	Yr 2

## Awards for Term 2, Week 3

<u>PCL</u>	<u>Achievement</u>	<u>PCL</u>
Charlie	Sahara	Joy
Timmy	Cruz	Bailey
Guilia	Emili	Clara
Ines	Georgia W	Emi
Nya	Hunter	Baylee McG
Clay	Lincoln	Isabella
Jazlyn	Mitchell	Jacey
Owen		
	Prep	



**Week 4**  
**PCL Focus**  
**Be Respectful**  
**Respect Others Right to Learn**





## Prep

Melissa Digby

Don't forget about the parent information meeting that's on this Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> May at 2:30pm in the Prep classroom. Come along if you would like to find out how to effectively help your children with their home reading, sight words and phonics.

## Year 1

Deb Hay

Welcome to Mrs Lowe and thank you for the support you have given to us over this past week. Mrs Lowe is our Pre-Service teacher and we have loved getting to know her this week.

We hope you enjoyed our Mother's Day art as much as we enjoyed making it. The children spent lots of time cutting, gluing, painting and finishing off their

creations.

This week we are planning our Outdoor classroom and the students have some great ideas for how we can make this another wonderful environment in which we can learn.

In Year 1 we love Lego. Last year we collected lots of Lego from our families

donating to our classroom. We would love to add to our collection. If you have any old Lego laying around, not being used, or your friends and family do, you might like to donate it to our bucket. Even a small handful of Lego would be great! Thanks in advance.

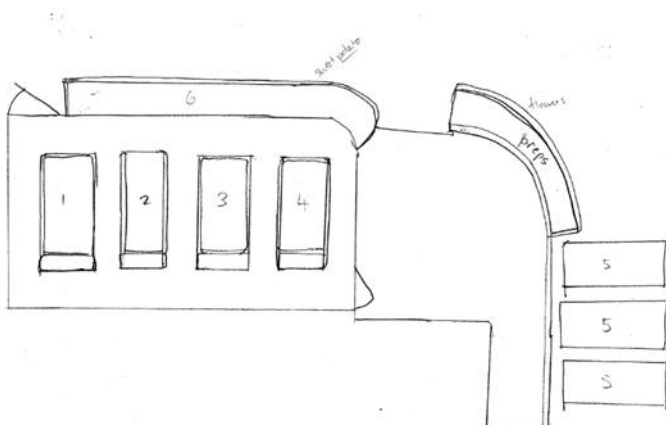


## Garden News

Our school garden is looking absolutely incredible, thanks to the hard work of our fantastic students. This term is very exciting for growing fruit and vegetables and we had planned our whole

school planting for Wednesday this week, but due to the expected weather, we will postpone for a week. The afternoon session on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May will be a very busy, as we are planning

some amazing activities, all revolving around gardening and producing a healthy crop. This year every class has been allocated a gardening bed of their own.





## Year 2

We have had a great couple of weeks of learning and are now well in the swing of term 2.

For our Science unit this term we are looking at how things move. We have been talking a lot about push and pull and last week we looked at spinning toys. We posed some investigation questions and made some predictions while make pin wheels. The kids had a

lot of fun with this, especially playing with the pin wheels at the end. Our end of term project will be to make a moving toy which will be constructed out of recycled materials, so get collecting!

We have been having lots of fun with The Arts and our Drama shadow puppet play. The students worked in groups to write a short play and constructed their own shadow puppet characters. It was

great to watch all of the wonderful plays and see the characters come to life behind the screen.

A big shout out to all the kids who are dedicated and doing their home reading every single night. The hard work is paying off with the students making lots of progress with their reading. Well done!



## Year 3

It has been lovely to begin this week on a Monday for a change! I am really looking forward to getting back to our 'normal' weekly routine...with a little bit of NAPLAN thrown in.

Yes, it is NAPLAN time and I am very happy to see that the class are enthusiastic about beginning this testing. They really shouldn't be stressed about it... and there will be Oreo cookies for everyone when we finish next week.

Over the past week the students have practised persuasive writing (I hope the mums enjoyed this), and narrative writing, so they are prepared for whichever genre is required for their NAPLAN writing. In Maths they have developed their understanding of different addition and subtraction strategies and converted word problems into number sentences.

For Science the class shared their ideas and had fantastic discussion about natural and human threats to the Great Barrier Reef. I am sure they will do a great job of persuading us that we need to protect this beautiful area that we are lucky to have on our doorstep.

## Janette Blundy





## Year 4

## Jodie Wilson

Year 4 had some FUN with FORCES this fortnight! The class has had some interesting lessons and thoughtful conversations about this topic. They have learned that there are many types of forces acting on objects, to make them move, and even to keep them still! Did you know, there is more than one force acting on an object that is resting on the ground? Gravity is the force, created by the Earth's magnetic field, which pulls all objects towards the centre of Earth. This means the object is being 'pulled' towards the ground by gravity, whilst at the same time, Normal force is acting in the opposite direction, to make sure the object does not keep falling. Year 4

learned about Newton's laws of physics, and then tested some of his theories by participating in some fun experiments.

Also, this week, we went out to the school garden to prepare the Year 4 plot for planting. Some students helped weed and clean up the area, and others began planting seeds in seedling pots, in preparation for planting the seedlings for the 'whole school planting' day. We chose the plants our class will be growing, and discussed where best to plant them. Cucumber and snow peas are good climber plants, so the class decided to plant them next to the trellis wall, so they have a good chance of surviving. We will then plant some dwarf beans

and capsicum at the front of the plot. Lincoln's family also contributed, by donating some garlic chive plants to add in. We will put them in the centre. We can not wait to get our garden growing so that we can enjoy our delicious harvest!

Year 4 are looking forward to our school planting day. It is a very special day, previously co-ordinated by Mrs Jupp. So this year we honour her memory. I am sure Mrs Jupp would be very proud to see all our students working together during this annual regeneration of our wonderful garden so it can be put to great use.





## Year 5

Finally, we will feel back to normal this week with five full days at school. The Year 5 students have been working well with our whole school PCL focus, 'respect – we respect others right to learn', well done everyone!

We have also loved visiting our school kitchen garden this week. We have weeded, prepped the soil and are ready to plant some goodies in the garden.

Over the next couple of weeks our Year 5's will participate in NAPLAN testing. I have been so proud of their efforts throughout our practice testing and I know they will all try their very best over the next couple of weeks.



## Megan Ward

## Year 6

We're continuing to push ahead with our work in all subject areas, with lots of learning and activities to complete.

In general, the children are well focused on their learning and with some extra encouragement, many students have lifted their efforts to stay up to date. It's very important that this continues as we work towards report cards at the end of this term.

In English we have continued to develop our routines for learning and exploring the LEM spelling rules. Many children are taking a dedicated approach to this

work, trying harder to use all of the clues given to spell focus words, and applying knowledge of phonograms and patterns to assist. We're also spending quite a bit of time focused on the novel '45 and 47 Stella Street and Everything That Happened'. We will analyse this text and another by the same author, developing a statement of this author's style.

In Maths we have continued to explore factors and multiples, number patterns, and both division and subtraction operations. We extended our work in each of these operations, and when children

looked for logical connections and communicated accurately the steps they were taking to find answers, their accuracy climbed.

We also revisited and extended some of our work from earlier in the year in HASS, Science and Art. We have further work to do in each of these areas, and so will gradually build understanding and knowledge of tasks as we focus on assessment activities.

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

## Martin Hammelswang



*This year's P&C Mothers Day stall was a great success—thank you P&C for supporting our children in this way.*



## Date Claimers:

May 2022	
Mon 9th May	NAPLAN commences, Years 3 & 5
Thurs 12th may	Prep parent information session, 2.30pm
Wed 18th May	Whole of school planting
Thurs 19th May	NAPLAN ends
Thurs 19th May	Make your Mark art class, Year 6
Fri 20th May	Walk Safely to School day
Sat 21st May	Federal election, our school is a polling place, volunteer for the P&C BBQ fund raiser
Sat 21st May	Fanfare Music Festival, Kirwan High School
Tues 24th May	Interschool Cross Country competition
Fri 27th May	NQ Netball Cup
Fri 27th May	P&C Movie night, 5.45pm, school oval



**ELECTION DAY BBQ**  
**Saturday 21 May from 7:00am**  
**Magnetic Island State School**



Volunteers needed! Contact MISS P&C at  
[magneticislandpandc@gmail.com](mailto:magneticislandpandc@gmail.com) or

Bridget Kerans on 0438 434 082 to fill a volunteer time slot

All funds raised go to the Magnetic Island State  
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# After School Care



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## FRIDAY 20 MAY 2022

### National Walk Safely to School Day



Teach your child these 5 steps to improve their road safety skills

- Stop one step back from the footpath or shoulder of the road if there is no footpath.
- Look in all directions for approaching traffic.
- Listen in all directions for approaching traffic.
- Think about whether it is safe to cross the road - when the road is clear or all traffic has stopped.
- Walk straight across the road don't run. Keep **LOOKING** and **LISTENING** for traffic while crossing.

**MISS Movie Under the Stars**  
**"Clifford the Big Red Dog"**

Friday 27th May from 5.45pm on our school oval.

Food and drinks available, bring your own rug or chairs.

Tickets available soon, check the MISS Facebook page for more details.



## ELECTION DAY CAKE STALL

### Saturday 21 May from 7:00am

### Magnetic Island State School

Bakers needed! Contact MISS P&C at [magneticislandpandc@gmail.com](mailto:magneticislandpandc@gmail.com) or Bridget Kerans on 0438 434 082 to volunteer to bake some goodies for us to sell on the day!

All funds raised go to the Magnetic Island State School P&C to help support our kids learning!