NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Next Tuesday we are inviting all parents, carers and relatives into our school for our Celebration of Learning morning. The day will commence at 9am with a short assembly. Visitors will then be invited back to the classrooms where our students can show off the wonderful work that they have completed throughout the term. Our teachers have also organized a fun classroom activity for everyone to participate in! The morning will conclude with a shared morning tea as part of our Harmony Day celebrations, so please send along a plate for your child to share (parents and carers are invited to stay for the shared morning tea also). After lunch students will be participating in a variety of activities for Harmony Day, including cooking damper, making origami, aboriginal dot painting and traditional story-telling. It looks set to be a fun-filled day and we look forward to seeing lots of you here!

Our annual Cross Country will be held next Thursday 24th March commencing at 9am. We require some parent volunteers at checkpoints along the track so please contact the school if you are able to help out. All parents are invited to attend and join in the sausage sizzle at the end! Please ensure that your child brings a hat, comfortable joggers and a water bottle.

Mr L’Orange will be taking leave for the first two weeks of Term 2. He will be replaced by Jane Martin.

We will be welcoming back our Music teacher Mrs Thorburn next term. Mrs Thorburn is excited to be returning to Machans and is keen to continue with our Choir and introduce a Ukulele group!

Just a quick reminder that our P&C AGM is being held tonight at 6:30pm. All are welcome!

Until our next newsletter… Jessica Wertz, Principal
Prep & Year 1 News – Ms Vallis

Some lovely efforts are being made in home reading, writing and learning homework, so a special thanks to those parents and carers who are making such a wonderful contribution to their child’s education. A positive attitude to learning makes school a much more enjoyable experience for everyone. It’s lovely to read of their efforts in their home reading logs.

On the 15th of April, the first Friday of Term 2, we have some special visitors from the Teddy Bear Hospital, a volunteer run program aimed at educating our young students about primary health care in an interactive and engaging manner. The children will need to bring a teddy bear and a hat for this visit.

Special congratulations this week goes to Marina and Caleb for 100% in their spelling, and also well done Hayley and Jaxon for their fantastic improvement. Don’t forget, every day in every way, every lesson counts!

Year 2/3 News – Miss Carvill

Last week in maths students practised collecting data. Students were required to design a question and four possible answers. They then surveyed their classmates and put their data in a graph. Lastly they were required to answer questions about the data that they had collected. We learnt that a lot of students in our class are huge fans of pizza!

We are very excited to welcome parents into our class next week for our celebration of learning. Students have worked very hard this term and are looking forward showing off their work. We will also have an exciting activity for parents to take part in.

TYCs Easter School Holiday Drama Activities 5yrs – 12yrs

Spin along to TYC for our upcoming Awesome Autumn Drama Programs (5yrs - 12yrs) these Holidays and get your early bird saving & TYC Student Discount!

First up we have our Four-Day Drama School Program, Around the Bend with Adventure Timez: The Magic is Back! (29/3 – 1/4: 9am - 3pm) with Special National Guest Artist, Australian Theatre for Young People. Next up with have our Autumn Drama One-Day Program with Zany Impro (4/5: 9am - 3pm). Then to finish off the holidays we have another Four-Day Drama School Program, Wizarding Worlds: Fantastic Beasts and Treats (5/4 - 8/4: 9am - 3pm), with Special Local Guest Artist, Hayley Gillespie. Explore acting, costumes, lighting, sound and multimedia elements, finishing with a creative performance on the final afternoon. Learn the essentials of stage performance through improvisation, role-play and characterization activities and then perform in front of a live audience with costumes, sets, props, sound effects, live projections and theatrical lighting!!

Book today and get your Early Bird Saving before Sat March 19. For more information phone 40414066, email info@theyoungcompany.com.au or visit our website www.theyoungcompany.com.au

LIBRARY BOOKS

Next Thursday 17th will be our last week for borrowing. All library books must be returned before the holidays.
It has been a good week this week in terms of spelling and homework. Our class once again received the spelling trophy for best spelling average in the school, it was great to get it two weeks in a row. Our class has given themselves the challenge of getting the hat-trick and after testing the kids Friday they have taking a big step towards that.

Students should make sure lunches and hats are packed before they leave home. We have had a couple of students this week come to school without lunch and without their hats which should be a standard thing packed into their bags.

To all the student councillors, we will have another meeting this coming Friday, 18th where we will be planning more about the ideas for next term.

That’s all from me, have a great week and don’t forget homework!

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**Students of the Week**

**Lincoln** - for working and focusing well on his written tasks this week. Lovely effort Lincoln.

**Johannes** - for showing great generosity and caring for her fellow peers. Johannes happily help others in the class after finishing her task.

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**HARMONY DAY!**

*When:* Next Tuesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} March

*Free Dress Theme:* Cultural dress or wear orange

*Please bring along a plate to share at morning tea time!*

Gold coin donation – all money raised will go towards our Student Council
We have begun to get the garden bed ready to plant out once the weather fines up and cools down a bit in the afternoons.

We had a group chat about being fair, kind and respectful of others and ourselves as well as reinforcing OSHC rules and expectations.

Ella showed great school leader qualities by listening to Iluka reading while Skyla and William did some homework.

Then there were displays of fantastic limbo and cartwheel abilities under and over a plastic chain link!