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From the Principal

Silver Award - Congratulations To Our Vivace Strings Ensemble

Fanfare is the state-wide festival of bands and orchestras from Queensland state schools. This year's program saw over 27,500 instrumental music students from more than 420 schools. This year we funded the transport for our Vivace Strings Ensemble to attend the Fanfare Competition. Our MWPSS picked up a Silver Award for their outstanding performance.

For the first time in Fanfare history, there will be a separate primary grand final that will showcase the primary instrumental music program and provide equal opportunity for primary ensembles to be recognised. The primary ensemble deemed to give the best performance in the primary grand finals will open the Fanfare 2016 secondary grand final concert.

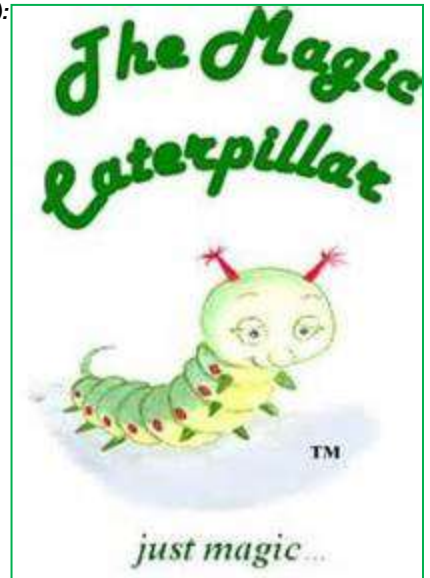
Through the regional finals to be held between 1-17 June 2016, five secondary ensembles and up to five primary ensembles will be selected to come to Brisbane to take part in the primary and secondary grand finals. The grand final concerts will be held at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre. The primary grand final will be held on 18 August 2016 and the secondary grand final concert will be held on 19 August 2016.

Fabulous Story Of Success For MWPSS Student

The Leadership Team and I are very serious about students all achieving their very best. The Magic Caterpillar's Building Blocks to Literacy is a framework of interconnected skills designed to ensure that children develop the foundational skills for literacy including phonological and phonemic awareness, motor skills, print concepts and oracy. We have invested over \$30,000 in training all our Prep, Year 1 and SEP Teachers in the Magic Caterpillar Program, the use of these resources and training for teachers in all areas of literacy including: - reading, written language, handwriting, phonemic awareness, spelling, perceptual motor skills and learning difficulties. We are achieving fabulous results as you will read in the story below.

From Annina (SEP Teacher):

I wanted to share something AMAZING with you. As you know, we have been using the Barbara Brann "Magic Caterpillar's Building Blocks to Literacy" program in Prep, Year 1 and the SEP. Just recently, one of my SEP students wrote their FIRST sentence!!!!!! This student had been a very reluctant writer, but this program is really working for this student and many other of our students. At the beginning of the year, this student would run away whenever I brought out pencils for writing and would scream in protest. They know their letters and sounds well but has really struggled to use them in more meaningful ways. So, it completely blew me away when this student happily sat down with me and wrote their very first sentence, complete with a capital letter at the beginning and a full stop at the end. I laminated the writing and sent it home. This student's mother is over the moon! I couldn't be prouder! I cannot wait to see what else they write, along with the rest of my class.



School Review Improvement Action Plan

The teaching staff analysed the School Review report and recommendations and have decided that the following 2 areas will be focused on for the next 12 months.

- Develop and implement a whole-school curriculum plan, with associated learning area plans, which clearly documents the school's agreed curriculum philosophy for the consistent implementation of curriculum within and across year levels.
- Develop and implement an observation and feedback culture that promotes continuous professional improvement.

We will maintain our sharp focus on **Reading** and **Attendance** while we develop and implement the Curriculum Framework and the Observation and Feedback for staff.

Qschools App Details

Make sure you register for the 'push notifications' to get newflashes of important information via the QSchools App.

- Go to Settings
 - Choose the school.
 - Tick 'School Emergency Alerts' and 'School Announcements'
- You will then get all our school announcements as a notification on your phone or iPad.



From the Deputy Principals

School Uniforms

Mt Warren Park has a strong uniform policy and it is important that as a school community we support it. As winter rolls in and the days become cooler we are starting to see a number of multi coloured jackets and tracksuit pants that aren't a part of our school uniform expectations. Please assist us to ensure that our school is always positively represented both within the grounds and in the broader community. Plan brown jumpers are the appropriate alternative if you are not purchasing a school jumper from the uniform shop.

Open Hours - 8:00am – 9:00am Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 2:15pm to 3:15pm every Wednesday afternoon. Payment can be made by cash or EFTPOS only, we CANNOT accept cheques.

Inappropriate Language

Our community is one of learning, it is important to remember that whilst you are in our school you too are a part of our learning culture. Children as you all know are moving around through our school at all times, so it is extremely important that whilst in the school grounds no inappropriate language is being used. Sadly, I had a complaint from Prep students that overheard a group of adults swearing outside their room. **This is not on**, we must model appropriate language at all times to ensure safe and respectful learning spaces.

What you can do to support the learner...

We live in every changing world where children are digitally switched on and far more literate with technology than we were at their ages. With great access comes great responsibility and we need to be vigilant as parents, caregivers and educators to monitor what websites and social media our children are interacting with.

<http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/children>

<http://thinkuknow.org.au/>

These are just a couple of sites that can give your child some safe strategies when using the internet.

Congratulations

What an outstanding week had last week with our two fantastic sports days. Ms Nikki Taylor is one organised lady who has our whole school moving in the right direction. Thank you Ms Taylor for your time and effort. Thank you to those teachers who helped out in the setting up and those who assisted Ms Taylor in the packing up of all the equipment. We had some outstanding effort and the student who won their age champions are to be congratulated for their athleticism. WELL DONE to Ella, Terry, Kaylan, Jamie, Cody, Chloe, Mitchell, Kaelyn, Jaxon and Alisha.

Under 8's Day

Our special activities morning to celebrate Under 8's this year will be held on Friday 27 May as an end of semester celebration. Teachers are busy getting everything organised and ready for this special event! Our C&K friends will also join in on the festivities and parents are welcome to join in the fun with the students from 9am – 10:50am. Our Chaplain will run a coffee shop for parents and visitors on the day. See you there!

Under 8's Day Badge Competition Prep to Year 2

Our annual Badge Design Competition was judged and winners announced on Monday's assembly. They are as follows: Prep = Harry Warren, Year 1 = Jordan Cox-Greaves and Year 2 = Jacey Howley. Congratulations and thank you to everyone who entered in 2016.

Life Education Van

Next term the Life Education Van will be visiting our school again. All students in Prep to Year 6 have received invoices and permission notes this week. The modules each year level will be taught are on the back of the permission note. All parents are invited to attend a Parent Information Session that will be held on Monday 18 July at 1:45pm in the Life Ed Van which will be located between the Tuckshop and the Staffroom. Please complete the RSVP form attached to the permission note if you would like to attend and return it to the office.

Parade Presentations

Our school parades are always a great presentation and the following classes will help make parade even better by performing throughout this term. Make sure you note the day of your child's class presentation.

Term 2 2016:

WEEK	DATE	CLASS
6	16 May	6B
7	23 May	5A
8	30 May	4D

WEEK	DATE	CLASS
9	6 June	1A
10	13 June	2B
11	20 June	2/3A

Year 5 & 6 Camp

An expression of interest note will be sent home very soon to all children in Years 5 & 6 so all parents / carers can indicate whether or not they would send their child/ren on a school camp in Term 4, 2016. Please make sure you return the tear off slip so a decision can be made as soon as possible.

Playground Equipment

Our school Workplace Health and Safety requirements need for us to ensure that school playground equipment is only to be used at the designated times during school hours and only by children authorised to use the equipment. Please ensure that children do not play on the playground equipment outside of school hours as we do not provide supervision at these times.

Morning Rules

Please assist us by reminding your children of the importance of following our school's morning rules: Children are to wait quietly in the tuckshop covered area before 8:25am when the Deputy Principals take them to the hall. Supervision is provided in the hall until the first bell, where children will be dismissed and must be in classrooms on the second bell.

Additionally, can you please reinforce the importance of children coming straight to school by the most direct route and once at school they are not to leave the school grounds as it is important that we ensure their safety at all times. Children are not to wait outside classrooms unless they are directly supervised by their parent or caregiver!

Report Cards

Teachers are currently collecting data and testing children's progress and will be finalising the writing of Semester 1 Report Cards over the next few weeks. Report Cards will be sent home early in Term 3.

General School News

NEW PAYMENT OPTION - BPOINT

Parents will notice a change to the way they can pay school invoices. The new payment method of BPoint is now available as an online payment system.

BPoint can be accessed via ANY Computer or Smart Phone. Payments accepted via Mastercard or VISA and is a secured payment method. Parents can log into: www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete. Once you have logged in you will need the information from the school invoice to complete the BPOINT payment page.



Cash Collection Procedures – Cash Window

The Cash Window is located in the Admin Block. We offer several methods of payment being cash, cheque, EFTPOS, B-Point and Internet Banking. The cash window will be **OPEN every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8am to 10am.**

Late Payments - It is a solid requirement that all events be paid for by the due date which is stated on all permission / information notes sent home to parents.

Late payments cannot be accepted under any circumstances so please keep updated by checking our newsletter each fortnight.

Refunds - Refunds can only be given in part. This means if there is bus travel involved for the event this is **NOT** refundable. Whether your child attends or not the buses have been booked and need to be paid for. You must complete a "Refund Request" Form available from Administration.

Payment Due Dates - Every fortnight payment reminders are printed in the "General News" and "Dates To Remember" sections of the school newsletter (this is also available on our website).



Prep to Year 6 = Life Education Van Visit from Tuesday 12 July to Wednesday 27 July. \$7 per student due by Thursday 23 June. Information / permission notes and invoices have been sent home.

Year 4 = Wildlife on Wheels from Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary visit to school on Friday 17 June. Full payment of \$10 is due by Thursday 9 June. Invoices and permission have

Mt Warren Park State School C & K – ENROL NOW!!!

All children born between 1 June 2012 and 30 July 2013 you child is eligible to enrol in our C & K for 2017. Sessions are run from 8:20am -

2:30pm and children attend for a 5 day fortnight. Our website is candk.asn.au. For more information regarding enrolment contact the centre on 3801 8331.



PE News

Athletic Carnival Results

Congratulations to all Mt Warren students who participated in the school Senior and Junior Athletic Carnivals last week. The participation level and talent was extremely high. It was a pleasure to see all the students involved and having a great time. It was also extremely pleasing to see so many family members supporting the students. We would also like to commend the students on their team spirit throughout both the junior and senior carnivals.

Overall Placings Senior & Junior:

1st = AYTON, 2nd = DAVY, 3rd = HANLON, and 4th = MARKS

Most Senior House Points: AYTON

Most Junior House Points: AYTON

Ball Games Trophy: MARKS



2016 AGE CHAMPIONS

8 year girl – Ella O'Brien
 9 year girl - Kaylan Barclay
 10 year boy – Cody Acai
 11 year boy – Mitchell Lawrence
 12 year boy – Jaxon Denny

8 year boy – Terry Waugh
 9 year boy – Jamie Edwards
 10 year girl – Chloe O'Brien
 11 year girl – Kaelyn Lane
 12 year girl – Alisha Hale



We must also congratulate the following students who successfully broke Athletic school records.

- Terry Waugh 8 year boys Long Jump new record – 2.90m
- Terry Waugh 8 year boys High Jump new record – 0.92m
- Terry Waugh 8 year boys 200m new record – 38.53sec
- Terry Waugh 8 year boys 80m new record 13.86sec
- Terry Waugh 8 year boys 800m new record – 3.40.57min
- Zahli Barwick 8 year girls High Jump new record – 0.90m
- Ella O'Brien 8 year girls Shot Put new record – 5.52m
- Ella O'Brien 8 year girls 200m new record – 40.72 sec
- Ella O'Brien 8 year girls 80m new record – 14.72 sec
- Ella O'Brien 8 year girls 80m new record – 3.37.27 min
- Ezrah Tuitupou 9 year boys Shot Put new record – 5.99m
- Kaelyn Lane 11 year girls High Jump equalled the record – 1.23m



Pacific Rim District Cross Country Selection

Congratulations must go to Jimmy Baker and Chloe O'Brien who has earned a place in the Pacific Rim District Cross Country team to compete at the South Coast Regional Carnival on the 7th June at Runaway Bay. Congratulations must also go to Meika Flynn, Koopah Glancy, Donte Sharp-Hoyt, Eva Gilmer, Naomi Pitkin and Edward Dunsford who have qualified in the Multi Class division to compete at the South Coast Regional Cross Country Carnival. Mt Warren Park wishes these athletes all the very best of luck.

iCentre News

Star Borrowers - Congratulations to Bailee Purnell 3C and Chloe Fleming 2D, who have been selected as our Star Borrowers for Week 7 & 8. Congratulations Bailee and Chloe. You are wonderful Reading Ambassadors for our school.

Book Club Issue 4 - Just a reminder that the final Book Club for Term 2 is now open for orders and will close next Friday 3 June. Please send your order and correct payment directly to the iCentre. Thank you again for your support of Book Club and the joy it brings to so many of our students.

Kind regards, *Robyn Bowser, Teacher Librarian/ICT Co-ordinator*

Student Council News

Face Painting - Thank you for supporting Student Council's Face Painting stall last week, where we raised approximately \$80.

Free Dress Day - Student Council will be holding a free dress day on Wednesday 22nd June for only a GOLD COIN DONATION. This is during the final week of this term. Children must wear practical clothing – no thongs or sandals, no singlets and sunsafe hat rule still applies.

Dates To Remember

Friday 27 May	Prep – Year 2 Under 8's Day
Wednesday 1 June	Prep 2017 Enrolment Packs available
Friday 3 June	Book Club Issue 4 DUE TODAY
Thursday 9 June	Year 4 Currumbin Wildlife Visit DUE \$10
Friday 17 June	Year 4 Currumbin Wildlife Visit \$10
	School Disco SEE P & C NEWS
Friday 24 June 2016	Final Day of Term 2
Monday 27 June to Friday 8 July Winter Vacation (2 weeks)	
Monday 11 July	Term 3 Commences
Tuesday 12 July	Life Ed Van Visit, P – Year 6 \$7
Monday 18 July	Life Ed Van Parent Session 1:45pm
Thursday 25 August	SCHOOL PHOTOS
Friday 16 September	Final day for Term 3
Monday 18 September to Friday 30 September Winter Vacation (2 weeks)	
Monday 3 October	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 4 October	Term 4 Commences
Friday 9 December	Final School Day for 2016

P & C News

Next Meeting

The next P & C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 June at 6:30pm in the Staffroom. Everyone is welcome to come along as we would love to see some new faces and welcome any new ideas.

Thanks - Thank you so much to our volunteers at both of the Sports Days and both of our Mother's Day Stalls. Your help is always needed and very much appreciated. Thank you for making both events possible. Thank you also to everyone who supported the p & C by either purchasing a gift or sausage at these events.

School Disco - The disco will be held on Friday 17 June. Prep to Year 2 = 4:45pm to 6pm and Year 3 to 6 = 6:15pm to 8pm. Look out for further information to come home soon. There will be glow products and food for sale. If you are available on the night to help with supervision please leave your name and number at the office.

Tuckshop News

EFTPOS - Payments can be made by Cash or EFTPOS - **A minimum purchase of \$10 must be made.** To guarantee your child gets exactly what they want we recommend that you order their lunch through the bag ordering system. Various items are available over the counter but we cannot guarantee hot food will be available unless it is ordered.

Uniform Shop News

Track Pants - Brown, Size 4 – 14 are now available at LOWES for only \$16.99.

Open Hours - 8:00am – 9:00am Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 2:15pm to 3:15pm every Wednesday afternoon. Payment can be made by cash or EFTPOS only, we CANNOT accept cheques.

Secondhand Uniforms - If you have any uniforms at home that your children no longer wear or fit into and if they are good enough for someone else to use please drop them into either the office or the uniform shop as we are always in need of secondhand stock.

NO CREDIT FACILITIES

It is policy that the Uniform Shop and Tuckshop CANNOT offer credit to parents, students or staff. So please avoid an awkward situation by not asking staff for credit. Thank you.

Department of Education, Training and Employment

QSchools

mobile app

The QSchools app is a convenient way to share up-to-the-minute information with the school community.

The app is designed to integrate with Websites for Schools websites. When a school publishes content to their website, the app is automatically updated with the latest news, events and newsletters.

Emergency announcements and push notifications, such as information about natural disasters and school closures, can be published by the department.

All Queensland state schools are searchable via the app, however only schools who have upgraded their school website with Websites for Schools will benefit from all the features of the app.

Encourage your school community to download for free

via the Apple iTunes Store, Google Play and Windows Stores.



Parent and Community Engagement Framework alignment

The QSchools app is a useful tool for schools implementing the Parent and Community Engagement Framework to facilitate:

- better communication with the school community
- community collaboration
- encourage participation in the school community.

Benefits for parents, carers and families:

- access the latest school news, newsletters and calendar events
- receive emergency announcements and push notifications
- follow multiple schools
- search for the nearest school by current location, postcode, school name or suburb.

Compatible with the following devices:

Android Apple Windows

