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# Moggill Matters

Newsletter  
October 26, 2016



## From the Principal

### WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Every day, Queensland teachers are making a difference educating and inspiring young people across our state. At Moggill State School we have a team of hardworking, enthusiastic and caring teachers who go above the call of duty to ensure all students are provided with the best learning opportunities possible.

World Teachers' Day is an opportunity to acknowledge our teachers and say thanks for the significant contributions they make in our classrooms and community.

Celebrated in more than 100 countries world-wide, World Teachers' Day was established by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) in 1994 to recognise the role of teachers in society. World Teachers' Day is held internationally on 5 October. As the day usually falls during school holidays, Queensland celebrates on the last Friday of October each year.

FORWARD TO A FRIEND

VIEW OUR WEBSITE

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Mr Darren Marsh

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Mr Paul Niner

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In 2016, World Teachers' Day will be celebrated in Queensland this Friday 28 October. During Assembly on Monday students acknowledged our teachers and thanked them for their commitment and support. On Friday, our P&C will be acknowledging our teachers and school staff on behalf of the wider school community by providing breakfast before school. Thank you to our P&C and parents for your support and acknowledgement of the amazing teachers we have at MSS.

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3202 0499

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This week while I have been visiting classrooms, I have asked students about how their teachers have helped them to be and do their best. Some responses are below:

"Thank you for teaching me to read; thank you for noticing when no one else seems to notice; thank you for convincing me to have a go because, I had no idea how much I would learn and enjoy learning; thank you for believing in me; thank you for listening; thank you for making me feel safe; thank you for setting me in the right direction; thank you for helping me to be and do my best and thank you for learning with me."

#### **DAY FOR DANIEL — 28 OCTOBER**

Day for Daniel is this Friday 28 October. 'Day for Daniel' is a National Day of Action to raise awareness about child safety and protection. Parents, carers and guardians are asked to start a conversation about personal safety in the real world and in an online environment. Wear Red and Educate is the theme of 'Day for Daniel' as we strive to take action and conduct child safety activities in our school community to help in 'Keeping Kids Safe'.

#### **The objectives of 'Day for Daniel' are:**

- To raise awareness about child safety and protection and to promote a safer community for children.
- To educate children regarding their personal safety and empower them to RECOGNISE, REACT and REPORT.
- To provide safety and educational material.
- To honour the memory of Daniel Morcombe.

'Day for Daniel' is an opportunity for Australians to make a statement that crimes against children are not acceptable in modern Australia. It aims to help empower our children to RECOGNISE, REACT and REPORT if they feel something is not right.

#### **What does RECOGNISE, REACT and REPORT mean?**

RECOGNISE encourages students to be aware of their surroundings and to recognise body clues in situations where they don't feel safe. REACT helps students to consider choices that may keep them safe or help make them safe again as quickly as possible. REPORT encourages students to report unsafe incidents to an adult.

Thank you for your support of this important initiative within our school community.

**MSS 2016 Priority:** Ensuring every student is literate, numerate, curious and connected to the world around them.

#### **To achieve this, our sharp and narrow improvement focus is:**

- Consolidation of our Reading and Writing programs
- Spelling improvement for EVERY student

#### **EVERY Student, EVERY Day – LEARNING and ACHIEVING**

Mr Darren Marsh  
Principal



# From the Deputy Principal

## **GOTCHAS FROM WEEK THREE**

Congratulations to the following students for gaining a GOTCHA:

- Annika from 1H for Being Responsible
- Emma from 2R for Being Responsible
- Nick from 4A for Being Responsible
- Lachlan from 6P for Being Respectful

Well done!

## **FURTHER REMINDER - DAY FOR DANIEL**

The last day of October (Friday, 28 October) is the National Day for Daniel, where communities are encouraged to reflect on child safety issues and a day of remembrance for Daniel Morcombe. Our school will be conducting numerous child safety initiatives in the weeks before this event. On the day, students and staff are encouraged to wear an item of RED CLOTHING to show support for child safety issues. Please ensure that your children wear an item of red clothing on this day.

## **WORLD TEACHERS' DAY**

On Friday, 28 October we celebrate World Teachers' Day. This day acknowledges the hard work of all staff in educational institutions, not just teachers. During Week Four, please extend a BIG thank you to all of our hard working staff.

## **PEACE CODE**

This week we focus on the message – Find Help.

## **SNAKE WARNING**

With the warm weather, snakes become more active. On assembly I cautioned children about playing in garden beds or in long grass. Please remind your children on this important safety message.

## **POSSUMS AND BAGS**

Our possums are very curious. They will investigate open bags and sample food found. I reminded students to keep their bags "done up" to prevent curious possums looking for food. Please remind your children on this safety point.

## **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Please note that we will be commemorating Remembrance Day on Friday, 11 November with a service commencing at 10.30am in the Hall. Parents and community members are invited to this important school/community function.

## **PARENT CYBER SAFETY**

Please "pencil in" a parent cyber safety talk on Tuesday, 8 November. I anticipate that a Queensland Police Service member will conduct this important information session. The session is anticipated to commence at 7.00pm in our library. More information will follow once this session is confirmed.

All the best for Week Four.

Mr Paul Niner  
Deputy Principal



## 150 Year Celebrations

### ORDERS

[Souvenir Ad](#)  
[Souvenir Order Form](#)



Have you purchased your souvenirs of the school's 150 Year celebrations? There is still time before the end of the year to place your order. Even if they are not interested now, your children will love showing off their souvenirs when they come along to the 200 Year celebrations in 2066!!!

Prices have been reduced, so please see the above linked Flyer and Order form for all the details.

Thank you  
P&C Committee

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## From the P&C Association

### JAMS & CHUTNEYS

There are still some of Joan's wonderful jams and chutneys left from Mogganza. If you are interested in purchasing any, they are \$5 each and available through the tuckshop. Please drop in and see Lisa who can organise to get some for you.



### P&C MEETING

Our next meeting is on TONIGHT at 7pm in the Resource Centre. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thank you  
Helen Capern

### CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKET - SATURDAY 26 November 3pm-7pm

Don't miss our Christmas Twilight Market, there are heaps of stalls offering locally handmade gifts perfect for your loved ones this Christmas.

There will also be plenty of food options on offer, and a petting zoo and jumping castle for the kids.

If you would like some more information please email me on [allabouthandmademarkets@gmail.com](mailto:allabouthandmademarkets@gmail.com) or find us on FB.

Thanks  
Rebecca

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## Important Payments

### PAYMENTS DUE

#### YEAR 5 CAMP

26 Oct Tallebudgera **FINAL PAYMENT**

**Payments**

18 Oct	Family Planning Yrs 4 – 6	\$25.00
1 Nov	Swimming Yrs 4 – 6	\$50.00
3 Nov	Bugs R Us Yr 4	\$20.00

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## From Administration

### PAYMENT OF INVOICES

The school payment window will be open for receipting:-

8.15am to 9.30am	Monday to Friday
2.30pm to 3.30pm	Monday to Thursday
<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>Friday PM</b>

Thank you.  
ADMIN

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## School Calendar

### OCT

- 27 Dance Fever Yrs 3-6
- 28 Day for Daniel
- 28 World Teacher's Day
- 28 National Bandanna Day
- 31 Tallebudgera Camp Yr 5
- 31 Stem Club Year 3

### NOV

- 1-4 Tallebudgera Camp Yr 5
- 1 True Ed Year 4
- 3 Dance Fever Yrs 3-6
- 3-8 Book Fair
- 4 Chappy Parent Morning Tea 9am
- 7 MetWest Cricket
- 8 PEEC Bugs R Us 4A
- 8 MetWest Cricket
- 8-9 Swimming Yrs 4-6
- 10 Prep Orientation Day
- 10 PEEC Bugs R Us 4F
- 10 MetWest Cricket
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 20 Moggill Music Showcase 3.30pm-6.30pm Sunday
- 29 Junior Christmas Concert
- 30 Senior Christmas Concert Yrs 3-6

### DEC

- 5 Swimming Carnival Yrs 4-6
- 6 Year 6 Graduation Dinner
- 8 Senior Final Assembly 9.15am
- 8 Year 6 "Ringing of the Bell" 2.15pm




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## From the Sports Office

### INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Well done to all of our premierships winning teams



from Semester 1 and 2 interschool sport. Photos for each team will take place this week.



### **YEARS 4 – 6 SWIMMING PROGRAM**

The Years 4 – 6 swimming program is scheduled to commence in Week 6 of term. Details including cost and timetables has been forwarded home via students. Please note that the swimming carnival is a compulsory event because all teachers in Years 4 – 6 are involved in the organisation and running of the carnival. Students who do not wish to swim are still required to attend. Nomination forms for each of the events to be held at the carnival will be sent home in Week 8 of the term.

### **STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Congratulations to Tahlia E (5H) and Jasmine D (5J) for their efforts at the recent QLD School Sport State AFL championships for 10–12 Years girls. Both girls had a fantastic championship with Tahlia's team winning all of their 6 games and Jasmine's team winning 5 of their 6 games. Well done!

Thank you  
Mr Mitchell (PE Teacher)

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## **From the Music Room**

### **STRINGS NEWS**

The end of year concert is fast approaching. A "date saver" note has been sent home asking parents to keep SUNDAY, 20 NOVEMBER from 3.30pm onwards free. ALL groups (Strings, Bands and Choirs) will be performing on this afternoon. ALL students are required to attend this concert. If your child is unable to attend, you must discuss this with the relevant teacher before this date. It will be our final concert for the year.



### **SENIOR STRINGS**

NO ensemble or lessons this Monday, 31 October as the Year 5's are away on camp and Mrs Randall is away on leave. Parents, please be aware that their Semester 2 exam is scheduled for Monday, 14 November. Students should be practising these pieces over the next few weeks.

### **JUNIOR & BEGINNER STRINGS**

Beginner strings should have been issued with a new timetable this week as there was a clash for the Junior strings with Dance Fever. Please check the timetable on the Media Room door to check that your child is using the new timetable.

NO ensemble or lessons next Thursday, 3 November as Mrs Randall is away on leave. Parents, please be aware that the Semester 2 exam is scheduled for Thursday, 17 November. Students should be practising these pieces over the next few weeks.

### **THANKS**

Many thanks go to Harrison, Ruby, Will and Hadley for their performance last night at the Year 2 recruitment night. Congratulations to you all!

### **YEAR 2'S/NEW STUDENTS FOR 2017**

Thank you to all of the students and parents who attended the Information Evening last night. Please be aware that if you are still needing to return your

form, you are asked to do so by this FRIDAY, 28 OCTOBER to the "All Returns Box" clearly addressed to Mrs Randall.

The allocation of instruments will take place over the next few weeks. As discussed, please do not purchase an instrument until you have received confirmation that your child has been allocated a position.

My contact details are [srand2@eq.edu.au](mailto:srand2@eq.edu.au) should you need to contact me about any of the above information.

Mrs Randall

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## From Junior Choir

The Junior Choir will be singing on parade in Week 5 (31 October). We will be singing "The Climb" and "Unlock your Dreams".

Jo Mills



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## P-2 Christmas Concert

Tickets will go on sale on Thursday, 3 November at 8.15am at the Office Payment window or placed in the All Returns Box from this date as well. CASH only sales as the tickets are only \$2 each and it makes things so much quicker at the window.

Jo Mills  
1M Classroom Teacher



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## From the Resource Centre

### BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

Our second Book Fair for the year will be arriving next week in Week 5. Due to Reading Club being held in the Resource Centre on some mornings Book Fair will commence on the afternoon of Thursday 3 November and run through until Tuesday 8 November. It may be a good chance to get some Christmas shopping under way!

### NEW BOOKS

We have many new books available for borrowing. Most of these have been purchased with funds raised through our successful Book Fairs.

Here are just a few of our new offerings:



The Ascendance Trilogy by Jennifer Nielsen  
The Stupendously Spectacular Spelling Bee by Deborah Abela  
Tom Gates series box  
Kate DiCamillo animal stories series  
Lots of new science titles for both younger and older readers

Thanks.  
Mrs Swann  
Librarian

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## Pathways to Peace: Listening

Communication is the way in which humans form and maintain relationships. A key component of communication is listening. Listening is an art and needs practice. It is as much about learning how to as learning which behaviours to avoid.

Behaviours to learn.

1. Patience.
2. Acknowledgement. Nodding, smiling and leaning forward are all indications of attentiveness.
3. Be supportive by offering encouragement to the other person to talk or continue talking.
4. Active listening by giving feedback that indicates that ideas and feelings are being respected, understood and accepted.
5. Foster trust. Be sincere.

Behaviours to avoid.

1. Directing and leading. This is taking control of what the other person is saying or wants to talk about.
2. Blaming. Blame is a put-down. It is judgemental and aggressive.
3. Interrogating. This is the use of questioning in such a way that the other person feels threatened.
4. Moralising and preaching. Do not be patronizing or condescending.
5. Faking attention and interest.

Dr. Simon Petrie

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## Chappy Corner

Daniel Morcombe Day is being celebrated on Friday. Talking to our kids about keeping safe not only in the physical environment but also digital environment is paramount. According to THINK U KNOW, many of the challenges which face children and young people in the digital environment are the result of poor relationship management. Rather than focussing on the technology which is the setting of these challenges, it is more helpful to address the relationships, conflicts and dramas at play.

*Do what you can, with what you  
have, where you are.*

*~ Theodore Roosevelt*

### **CYBERBULLYING**

Cyberbullying is the use of information and communication technologies to support the deliberate, repeated and hostile behaviour, by an individual or group, which is intended to harm (Bill Belsey, cyberbullying.ca).



The rate of cyberbullying is still far less than the rate of traditional bullying but its effects can be much more harmful. Cyberbullying can occur 24/7 as children and young people can always be accessed via their mobile phone or the internet. It is often categorised as covert bullying as it goes unseen or unnoticed by adults.

Sometimes, the perceived anonymity of the internet and the inability to see the immediate reaction of someone can lead children and young people to engage in behaviour which they wouldn't necessarily engage in a face-to-face situation.

What are the key steps I can take?

- Think before you post.
- Know how to block and report people on the sites you use.
- Encourage empathy and putting yourself in the other person's shoes.

Most young people won't cyberbully and most won't be cyberbullied. The majority will, however, be aware of it happening to others. This powerful group of bystanders can play a pivotal role in preventing and managing cyberbullying.

Bystanders can play one of three roles:

- Positive – supporting the person who is cyberbullied.
- Negative – encouraging the person who is cyberbullying and perhaps joining in.
- Neutral – not getting involved in the incident, however their silence may be perceived as endorsing the cyberbullying.

It is crucial that we equip children and young people with the skills they need to develop their own strategies for standing by their friends without putting themselves in harm's way and creating a culture which does not tolerate bullying in any of its forms. This might include social and emotional learning (SEL) techniques and providing young people with the opportunity to work with their peers on youth-driven initiatives.

So what advice can I pass onto my child?

Encourage them to support their friends who are being cyberbullied and assist them in telling a trusted adult.

- Provide opportunities for your child to develop their own strategies for combating cyberbullying.
- Create an environment in which your child is comfortable coming to you with any issues they face online without fear of having their devices confiscated.
- Talk with your child about appropriate forms of conflict resolution so that they do not resort to cyberbullying.
- Make sure your child knows who they can talk to about any issues they are facing online if they are not comfortable confiding in a parent.
- Help to build resilience in your child to deal with nasty one-off comments.
- Encourage your child to reduce their exposure to people they don't know who may upset them, by changing their privacy settings.
- Find out the policies of your school, sports organisation and any of the sites and applications your child uses in relation to cyberbullying.

<http://www.thinkuknow.org.au> has some informative resources for parents and children.

Niki Durrheim  
School Chaplain

## From the Tuckshop

News from our little corner of the school...

Can you believe it is the end of October!!

### **HALLOWEEN SPECIAL!**

Halloween (love it or hate it) I love any chance to have some fun, so this week we have SPOOKY SOUP!! \$3.00 for a dish of wonderful homemade Pumpkin Soup with a Dinner roll.



There will be two fundraising programs for the Tuckshop this term. Right now a form will be coming home for Apple Slinky Machines!

### **MENU CHANGES**

Gluten Free Pikelets have been removed from the menu. I am presently experiencing shortages in Focus Lemonade Water from our distributor.

### **FUNDRAISING**

Our Tuckshop is run primarily on Volunteers and we try really hard to keep our menu as reasonable for your budget as possible. What this means however, is that we run very close to the bone. As with any business, we need to replace or upgrade equipment from time to time and as such, we will be fundraising this term.

With Christmas almost upon us, I have tried to target useful and handy products to use as stocking stuffers or back to school essentials. If we have to buy these products anyway – why not help out the Tuckshop at the same time?

Keep an eye out this week for our first Fundraising order form – for Apple Slinky machines and Cheeki bottles / food containers. Our kids love the Tuckshop's apple slinkies and you'd be surprised how handy these machines are in the kitchen. Apple pies, stewed apples, or a quick way to make fruit fun! But wait, there's more... you can slinky potatoes and pears as well. Now, that's exciting!

Clean and BPA free drinking vessels - keeping food cold or warm are all challenges in the lunch box. We all use drink bottles and there is a great need to become more environmentally conscious in our packaging. These make great Christmas gifts for everyone in the family and will help get the school kit ready for next year.

A little further down the track, Homestyle Bake forms will be coming home, so you can purchase all your favourite Christmas goodies, just in time for the festivities. They will arrive fresh and ready to eat, but will store in the freezer for up to three months, so you'll be set for the entire Christmas holiday.

### **EMERGENCY / FORGOTTEN LUNCH ORDERS**

I have a number of outstanding invoices for emergency lunch orders. If this has slipped your mind, please send the money in as soon as possible.

### **TUCKSHOP ROSTER FOR TERM 4 WEEK 5**

**02/11/2016**

Anne Sennitt

Melanie Smeaton

**3/11/2016**

Sarah Pye

Anna Theo  
Alison Cusack  
**4/11/2016**  
Nicola Cook  
Nadine Eisemann am  
Philippa Ferrant-Smith  
Hetty Bax

\*\*\* If you are unable to make it for your allotted time, please try and swap with a friend, or text me on 0408 767 263.

A big thank you to Fran, from our local Brumby's Bakery and Brad, from the Greengrocer's Pantry for their continued and generous support. Shop Local!

Warm regards,  
Lisa Plunkett  
Tuckshop Convenor  
Phone: 07 3202 0409  
Email: [msstuckshop@gmail.com](mailto:msstuckshop@gmail.com)

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## From the Uniform Shop

### PREP CHILD MOVING TO GRADE 1

If your child is moving from Prep into Grade 1 in 2017, they will require the navy hat and chair bags which can be purchased from the Uniform Shop or via Flexischools.



### OLD UNIFORMS

If you have any old uniforms (check shirt or plain blue polo shirt) - drop them off at the Uniform Shop and we will donate to a charity on your behalf. We have been working with Chappy Niki to find some great overseas charities who can use our old style uniforms!

### Opening Hours:

Monday 2.30pm to 3.30pm  
Thursday 8am to 9.30am

Jo McKenzie  
Convenor - Moggill State School Uniform Shop  
E: [mssuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:mssuniformshop@gmail.com)

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## From the Community



GREAT FOOD INCLUDING - WOODFIRED PIZZA  
- LAMB DISHES - TURKISH GOZLENE - GERMAN SAUSAGE  
- PANCAKES - CAKE STALL - COLD DRINKS!

Markets are held in the MRS Paul Moggill Room, Moggill. All profits from the market go back to the school P&C for the benefit of the School and Community. Thank you to all who help out fundraising efforts and we thank you for your support of the Market. If you would like more info please email - [about@unitedteacherahvhs@gmail.com](mailto:about@unitedteacherahvhs@gmail.com)

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**Moccabella**  Coffee Cart  
Tuesday & Wednesday  
7:30am - 10:30am

**&** at Moggill Uniting Church  
(corner Moggill and Kangaroo Gully Roads)

**CHAPEL**  **OP SHOP**

Tuesday | Wednesday | Saturday  
9:00am - 11:00am

Everyone is Welcome

 **MOGGILL**  
Uniting Church

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