



# MAPLETON STATE SCHOOL

## TOP OF THE RANGE



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**Core Priorities:** Writing

**Value:** Every child matters every day!

**Vision:** We as the Mapleton State School community, stand united in our vision of creating an inclusive environment in which students are supported to follow the Mapleton Way to become successful, engaged learners.

Mapleton State School acknowledges the traditional Jinibara people on whose land it stands.



### 2021 DATE CLAIMERS

- 15 Sep Prep Open Morning  
9.15am—10.30am
- 17 Sep End Term 3
- 04 Oct **Queen's Birthday**  
Public Holiday
- 05 Oct Term 4 Begins
- 18 Nov Yr 6 Graduation
- 07 Dec Swimming Carnival  
Yr 4-6
- 10 Dec End Term 4

**Choir will be performing Monday morning 9am at parade!**

There will be a rehearsal in the hall before school at 8.30am for all choir students.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

All parents, carers and visitors need to report to the school office when collecting/dropping off children or belongings during school time.

### From the Principal

Mapleton State School acknowledge the traditional custodians of the place we now call our school. We pay our respects to the Elders past and present and are proud to be supporting and encouraging emerging Indigenous leaders every day.

Dear Parents/Carers,

This term has gone so quickly and we have been busy with lots of enjoyable activities, engaging with families and our cluster schools.

Regional office is currently looking at enrolment numbers across all schools in preparation for staffing for 2022. If any families know they will be leaving the school over the Christmas holidays or if you are aware of any new families moving into the area, can you please let the office know so we can try and start planning classes for next year?

### Prep Orientation

Next Wednesday morning we will have another Prep Open Morning. This is a fun filled morning for all those children starting Prep next year to familiarise themselves with our wonderful school.

### Composting

Everyone is doing such a great job placing the correct food scraps in our new tumble composter. Our senior students have been going around the school after second break and emptying scraps from the green bins in the lower school area into the composter. However, they no longer need to continue doing this because Kristie and Brendan Cananvan have very kindly donated their tumble composter which will be used by the lower school. Thank you so much. It will be used on a daily basis and all students know that the food scraps go in one side of the composter while the other side is used for the maturing compost. We will then use the compost on our vegetable gardens. It is wonderful that we can start educating our students at such a young age because it becomes a part of their normal routines.



### Graduation

This year's graduation has been set for Thursday 18 November and we will be starting around 5.30pm. We understand some families need to know well in advance so that they can adjust work arrangements. We are looking forward to this year's graduation and planning is currently under way. The P & C mentioned in the last general meeting that they were happy to contribute funds to help purchase a book or book voucher for each student. More information will be communicated as it gets closer to the date.

## From the Principal

### Playgroup

Our weekly playgroup every Wednesday from 9.15—10.30am is going really well. It is lovely to see so many new families coming along and having the opportunity to meet families in the area. Anyone is welcome to attend from surrounding areas (not only those who reside in Mapleton).

We had a great morning at playgroup this week. It was so lovely to spend the morning outside in our wonderful Prep playground. Happy Fathers day for Sunday to all our wonderful Dads.



### Vegetable Gardens

We have four very keen and passionate young gardeners who are doing an absolutely fantastic job weeding, planting, mulching, harvesting and maintaining the vegetable gardens near the Year 3/4 classroom. Gosh it looks amazing!

They have planted lettuce, tomatoes, spinach, parsley, herbs, snow peas and beans just to name a few and they are all looking very healthy. The boys work on the gardens every morning before school and throughout their lunch hours. Well done and keep up the great work!



### Babysitters Club needs your support!

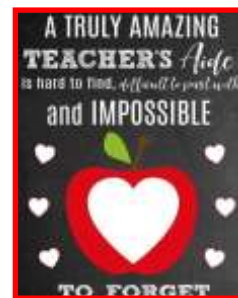
We need your support in order to be able to keep the service running at Mapleton State School. To enable this we need 5 children per afternoon to cover costs. At the moment we are running as a loss because we only have 1 or 2 children from Monday – Wednesday afternoon and we have no bookings on Thursday and Friday.

To drum up some more support of our service, The Baby Sitters Club is offering a **FREE** trial - no strings attached!

**Book in your child for a free 2 hour session in the last 2 weeks of Term 3 (6<sup>th</sup> September – 17<sup>th</sup> September)  
1 free session per child.**

### Teacher Aide Appreciation Week

Last week was Teacher Aide Appreciation Week. We had a morning tea for our teacher aides to thank them for their hard work and all the support they provide to teachers and students. They are an asset to our school and we wouldn't function the same without you. Thanks so much for all you do!



### Chicken coup update

Mr and Mrs Qazim were up at the school a couple of weekends ago measuring up the chicken coop and looking at how we can best fox proof it. Fencescape have kindly offered to donate some timber to help rebuild the coup.

We are going to pull down the existing netting structure and rebuild it with a timber frame lined with chicken mesh. Railway sleepers will be dug into the ground to ensure foxes are unable to dig under the coop. We hope to commence work in the next week or so.

A huge thanks to all of the wonderful families and the P & C who have very kindly donated money to assist with the cost of the materials and/or for the purchase of new chickens. We are all looking forward to having it all up and running again in Term 4.



## From the Principal

### Chaplaincy Fundraiser - "A Rainbow in my Pocket"

We are holding a fundraiser for our lovely Chappy Vicky. It is based around a poem **"A Rainbow in my pocket"** written by our local resident artist and volunteer Deb Greenwood. The poem is a reminder that even when we are feeling blue, we can have rainbows in our life, reminding us that the future is always bright. The children can purchase a lovely, little crocheted rainbow, or bookmark, which come with a copy of the poem. We thank Deb also for the making of the beautiful items for sale.

The Student Council will be selling the rainbows before school near the office area.

Crocheted rainbow fidgets: \$3.00

Bookmarks: \$1.00

Poem only: 50c

Chappy Vicky's bright and cheerful support within our school brings a rainbow into the lives of students and staff each day. Thank you for your support of our Chaplaincy program.



### B Jewel Boutique

Belinda Wright, the owner of B Jewel Boutique is very kindly donating 10% of her monthly sales to our school. Just let Belinda know that you are a part of our whole school community, a parent/carer or staff member and Belinda will keep a record of the sales. Belinda feels very strongly about supporting our local school and we really appreciate her generosity. That's such a lovely Random Act of Kindness. Thank you so much.

B Jewel Boutique is located next to the bakery and is open on Wednesday-Sunday from 9am -2pm.

Gosh! Come and have a look at all of the beautiful dresses, jewellery, bags, candles and lots of other gorgeous items.



## News Items

### Prep

Term 3 in Prep has been full of fun rhyming stories! We have been enjoying reading funny stories by authors like Julia Donaldson, such as *Room on the Broom* and *The Gruffalo*. The children are becoming very confident at hearing, reading and writing rhyming words. We have been expanding our vocabularies by identifying interesting words and their meaning from these stories too. We are getting ready to write a 4-line rhyme with all the skills we have learnt. There have been some beautiful artworks created from these stories as well!



### Netball News

Well done to both our Mapleton Netball Teams! On Saturday, the Monarchs won all their games and the Magpies won Division 3 Grand final!! Maybe next year we could expand to three teams...



Some of our Mapleton players learning and mixing it with the best. Thank you Sunshine Coast Lightning for taking the time to help our girls learn some new skills.



## Student Absence Notification

Please remember to call the school on **5456 3360** or email at **lstai9@eq.edu.au** early in the morning if your child is going to be away or late for school so your child's absence can be recorded correctly.

### Same day notification

Our school will contact parents as soon as possible on the day if a student is not at school and we don't know why. If you are advised by the school that your child is away without a reason, please contact us as soon as possible to let us know where your child is. We will follow-up with parents if no response is received.

### Contact details

Do we have your most up to date contact details? If not, please contact the school on **5456 3333** so we can update our records. These details include parent/carer's name, address, phone numbers, email address and emergency contact details. Please remember to contact the school if any of these details change.



# BOOK WEEK!



Thanks to everyone who came dressed as their favourite book character as we celebrated Book Week.





## Small Schools Oztag Carnival

Last Thursday, Mapleton students attended the Glenview Oztag Carnival. This was part of our Small Schools Sports Program. As always, our students represented our school to the highest standard. There were many spectacular tries scored and some awesome tagging witnessed. It was so wonderful to see the smiles, hear the laughing and watch the sportsmanship that our schools are famous for.

Some games looked more like 'Hot potato' but as the day went on, more understanding of the rules became evident. This week the Year 5 and 6 students continued Oztag by setting up some fun games on the oval at lunchtime.

A massive thank you to Glenview State School for coordinating the day; to the Oztag Team for supplying the referees; to Headings Buses for transporting us to and from the venue and finally to the students for the effort, enthusiasm, respect and courtesy they showed towards the adults and other students.

It is always a pleasure to be part of such a great day. Your children are fine ambassadors for our school.

Mike Price  
Yr 5/6 Teacher  
Small Schools  
Sports  
Coordinator



# Chappy Chat

## Chappy Chat – R U OK?

Thursday 9 September was R U OK? Day and at school we talked to the students about how to check in with their friends and find out if they are Ok.

Children cannot be expected to fix someone's problems, nor know the best way to help and support. However they can be encouraged to listen to what their friend is saying, let them know they care and tell a teacher, school Chappy or trusted adult if they are worried about their friend.

By promoting an environment of positive peer support and accessing support channels via an adult, children can learn that asking, 'Are you OK?' is a key life skill.

R U OK? has 4 Conversation Steps to help navigate a conversation when someone says, "No, I'm not OK".

These steps are:

1. Ask the question
2. Listen
3. Encourage action, eg. Talk to a trusted adult.
4. Check in

R U OK? Day is also a great opportunity for you to check in with your own friends and family. Why don't you plan who you want to check in with and ask R U OK?

Your Chappy,  
Chappy Vicki.  
[velan1@eq.qld.edu.au](mailto:velan1@eq.qld.edu.au)



### R U Ok? Morning Tea

What a beautiful day to have a picnic at Baxter Creek. A huge thanks to Bec and Kerrie for organising such a lovely morning tea. We all really enjoyed taking in our beautiful surroundings.

Bec and Kerrie have kindly donated \$100 from morning tea sales to the R U OK? Foundation. We appreciate everything you both do. Thanks so much!



Thanks so much to Rapid Relief Team for your donation of Smarrt Cookies to our school. These nutritional bars are delicious and wonderful to have for students who need them.





## From the Principal

### Majestic Cinemas

The end of the school term is fast approaching and once again we have a family friendly offer for your students and families these holidays.

**On presentation of the voucher attached** they are able to get \$9.90 movie tickets to watch all the films across the school holidays (Not limited to those advertised on the voucher).



*When driving towards an unsupervised  
**children's crossing:***

*Stop at the stop line when children are entering the  
road and Wait until the crossing is clear before  
accelerating*



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Looking for a summer sport?

### Come Play Softball!!

Suncoast Hinterland Softball Association invites interested players to sign-on for the upcoming summer season.

**SIGN-ON:**

**SUNDAY 29TH August, & SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> September 9am – 1pm**

**WHERE: Mooloolah Multi Sports Complex  
129 Mooloolah Connection Rd, Mooloolah**

**WHO: Males & Females of all ages & abilities  
– 5yrs to masters**

**CONTACT: 0422204661**

or [secretary@suncoashinterlandsoftball.com](mailto:secretary@suncoashinterlandsoftball.com)

find us on Facebook – Suncoast Hinterland Softball Association

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**FOR A SUMMER OF  
SOFTBALL**

**MALES & FEMALES  
ALL AGES & ABILITIES**

**OCTOBER – MARCH  
SATURDAYS**

**PH. 0422204661**

**f SUNCOAST HINTERLAND SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**



## Notices, Contacts and Calendar Events

### **STUDENT ABSENCES:**

Please report any student absences on **5456 3360**

### **UNIFORM SHOP HOURS:**

**Tuesday** mornings from 8.30 – 9.00am. Email - [mapletonuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:mapletonuniformshop@gmail.com)

### **P & C:**

[mapletonpandc@gmail.com](mailto:mapletonpandc@gmail.com)

**SCHOOL WATCH:** 131 788

### **MAPLETON OBSERVATORY:**

Located on the school grounds.  
For information please phone 5476 1183 or visit - [www.mapletonobservatory.com.au](http://www.mapletonobservatory.com.au)

### **SCHOOL BANKING DETAILS:**

BSB - 064424 Acct - 00090669

### **P&C BANKING DETAILS:**

BSB - 064424 Acct - 00900107



## Book Club **LOOP**

The **EASIEST** way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

### Parents: Are you registered for **LOOP**?

**LOOP** is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

**Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and register today!**

## September 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1 Regional Athletics	2 Regional Athletics SS Otago Carnival	3 Student Free Day	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Prep Open Morning	16	17 End Term 3	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
27	28	29	30			

## October 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
4 Queen's Bday Public Holiday	5 Term 4 Begins	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## ***THE MAPLETON WAY***



### Care for yourself-

- Play where it is safe
- Remain in school grounds unless permitted to leave
- Display clean and healthy personal habits
- Maintain suitable dress standard
- Protect yourself from the sun

### Care for your school-

- Keep a litter free environment
- Care for trees, gardens and buildings
- Care for equipment (sport, classroom)
- Uphold school's good name in public

### Care for others-

- Allow others to learn without distraction
- Treat every other person with respect, courtesy and kindness
- Resolve conflict peacefully
- Respect and care for others' property
- Leave dangerous items alone

### Care for your learning-

- Do school work to the best of your ability
- Have all items ready for lessons
- Listen carefully for instructions
- Ask for help if you do not understand