



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

10 Dec Last Day for Dental Forms

10 Dec End Term 4

2022

17 Jan Dental Van arriving

18 Jan Uniform Shop –open

24 Jan First Day of Term

26 Jan Australia Day

08 Mar School Photos

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,

Gee I can't believe it is the last week of term. It has gone so quickly and it was a super busy one too.

Classes and Staffing

We have been working with Regional Office over the last month to try and forward plan for our staff and classes for 2022. Tammie Qazim is transferring to another school on the coast to be closer to home. We thank Tammie for all her hard work over the last 4 years and wish her the best. We welcome Mr Tim Hackney to our school community as he will be transferring here next year. We are still working with Regional Office as we currently have several staff on leave. Over the last few weeks we have lost families due to the cost of housing and availability of rentals. This is a common problem across the Hinterland and on the Sunshine Coast with housing availability a real concern for many. Therefore, we are currently short 8 students which will result in 7 classes for next year. If we manage to gain 8 students, we will be able to plan for 8 classes which could be achievable, but there is a lot of uncertainty around this given the current situation.

As discussed with Regional Office, given these circumstances we are unable to notify families of classes for next year, as much as we would like to. Staff will return the week prior to school commencing in 2022 and we will email families at this time notifying them which classes their child/ren will be in. It is challenging because our student numbers are continually changing which impacts on classes. As discussed at the P & C we agreed it would be more upsetting for students if they knew who their teacher was for 2022 and then suddenly be informed just prior to the commencement of school, that they were in another class with a different teacher. It can be complex as we have a lot of considerations to factor in when forming classes, however we are doing our very best when making decisions. If you have any further questions or comments regarding classes please contact Julianne.

Booklists

Booklist have been emailed out to families on Tuesday 7 December. If you did not receive an email please contact the school office.

Report Cards

Reports will be issued tomorrow to families via email. If you would like a paper copy please contact the office.

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

Vaccinations

On Tuesday 30 November, the Premier announced a new public health direction requiring mandatory vaccination for workers in schools and early childhood settings.

This means that all workers entering our school will need to have at least one vaccination dose by 17 December 2021 and be fully vaccinated by 23 January 2022.

Anyone who works in, undertakes an educational placement in, or volunteers in a school, early childhood centre (such as a kindergarten) or childcare centre is considered a worker in an education setting.

The Department is currently working closely with Queensland Health regarding the announcement to maintain safety within our schools. **Please be reassured that all staff have been vaccinated and will be returning next year. Our beautiful little school will continue as usual.**

The requirement to be fully vaccinated does not apply to visitors, including parents and family members to school. There will be little change with how parents interact within the school setting, as parents will still be able to attend parades, visit classrooms to chat to teachers or walk their child/ren to class etc. It, does however apply to volunteers who assist with delivering supporting activities and services in the school such as P & C, Tuckshop, After School Care, working with students assisting with activities or reading, excursions etc. We will work together with families.

There is no current requirement for students to be vaccinated and we will always keep parents well informed with any updates. We respect and understand that parents have a choice with regards to vaccinations.

We thank you for your patience and understanding. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the office.

P & C

I would personally like to thank our hard-working P & C executive committee – Chloe Boyd, Eloise Davis and Olivia Besson for everything you have done over the last 2 years. You have managed to navigate through some difficult times, last year with COVID restrictions and have juggled your very busy working lives with P & C matters, while also being a mum. We can't thank you enough, you are all Super Stars! The P & C have a very healthy bank balance thanks to you. I would also like to thank all those parents who have supported fundraisers and events over the year. You are all so positive and supportive and it has been an absolute pleasure working with you.

Tuckshop

Bec and Kerrie, you are both so amazing! You have done such a fantastic job this year and we love all of the fun and excitement that you have brought into the school. We appreciate all your efforts and creative ideas over the year such as the picnic at Baxter's Creek for R U OK Day, organising the bubble Disco, fundraiser ideas, Guess the number in the Jar, PJ Day and many more. Thank you so much for the kind donation to our Chaplaincy Program and for your generous support to the RSPCA and R U OK Foundation. Gosh! We have really enjoyed tuckshop this year, with the delicious food and you are both so organised. We love seeing your smiling faces and hearing the giggles and laughs coming from the tuckshop. We can't thank you enough. You are both absolutely amazing!



From the Principal

Random Acts of Kindness

Gosh! Where do I even start? We have the most caring and thoughtful parents and families at Mapleton. Throughout the year we have had so many 'Random Acts of Kindness' which has a huge impact on our wellbeing and whole school culture. Mapleton has a beautiful positive vibe with a family friendly environment and everyone is so supportive of each other. Community connections and partnerships are vital and I feel it is so important to be a part of our local community and support businesses in time of need and link our outsider providers such as the Blackall Range Kindergarten, RSL, Lions Club, Range Care, Community Library, QCCC, the Men's Shed and many more.

Thanks to all of our beautiful Mapleton families for the lovely surprises on the way. We appreciate it and highly value parent participation and your feedback.



THANK YOU

Would like to give a big Thank you to Tammie Drake for bringing in the beautiful cakes for staff! Tammie you are so talented and thoughtful. Your cakes are just so amazing. Thank you from all the staff. A thank you also to all the parents and students who have showered us with wonderful gifts of all kinds.



Cash for Containers

Wow!!! We have raised \$2743 since we commenced this program in 2019. This year we have managed to raise a huge \$1800 which is just absolutely amazing. Thank you to everyone for supporting this initiative and especially to Joel Davis and Roz Banks for initiating and organising this. The whole school community truly values our recycling program which also includes our Soft Plastic Program and recycling of other every day household items, thanks to Kristie Canavan. Thanks for all your many trips to Nambour each week taking the soft plastics and your time researching what else can we recycle as a whole school. We can't thank you enough. I have been in touch with Jason from Urban Depot to see if we can change the time on Thursday to 8am – 9.30am as that will be more convenient for families as they do the drop off in the mornings.

Uniform Shop

A huge thank you to Janet McKeering and Catherine MacDonald for your many years of continuous support with running the Uniform Shop. You have both done a fantastic job volunteering your time every week. You have both been very organised and efficient throughout this time ensuring we have enough stock on hand at all times. Thank you so much.

From the Principal

Art at Mapleton

Gary Myers a well known artist from Maleny visited Mapleton State School to do a workshop with year 5/6 which was very interesting. The students thoroughly enjoyed learning various different techniques and they had the opportunity to watch how an art piece was created. We have some very talented and artistic students and all students had a go at creating their own masterpiece. Well done. We were so fortunate to have Gary come to our school. Thank you to Mrs Davidson and Mr Price for organising this.



Chickens

A huge thanks to Chloe Boyd, Kristie Canavan, Julie Jones (year 1,2 teacher) and Beth Loughran for volunteering your time over the school holidays collecting the eggs and keeping an eye on our chickens daily. Thank you so much. Thanks also to the Loweke family who kindly donated a bag of feed for the chickens, that is a huge help.



From the Principal

Concert

We would like to thank Natalie Proellocks for the wonderful organising and coaching of the children for the end of year concert. The children did such a beautiful job showcasing their talents. Thank you to all the families for coming to support them.



Clap Out

All parents and family members are invited to our last parade for the year. At 2.30pm we will meet in the Undercover Area and do the Clap Out and say farewell Mrs Qazmin and our Year 6 students.



School Watch

If you see any suspicious activity in our school grounds over the holidays please call School Watch 13 17 88 or police.

Wishing all our Families a safe and happy summer holiday. Looking forward to seeing you all at start of Term 2022.



News Items

Prep-1 News

Chambers Island Excursion

On Thursday Prep-1 went to explore Chambers Island. We caught the big bus and walked across the long bridge to get there.

We had great fun playing the North, South, East, West game. Tina took us for a walk through the mangroves to find ghost crabs. It was lots of fun walking through the mud. Then we waded knee deep through the water to find hermit crabs. After that we threw a big net in the water and caught three toad fish.

Glen gave us some maps to use. We had to find different activity stations around the island using the maps. We started with an obstacle course. There was a feely bag activity that we had to guess and find what was in the bag without looking! Then we combed the sand for shells. We could choose a favourite shell to take home. After that we used annaloupes (small magnifying glasses) to look at interesting things around us.

Everyone had a great time. Poor Sammy had a bush turkey steal one of his sandwiches! We all agreed that our mums and dads should take us to Chambers Island one weekend because it's such a fun place!

For our end of year break up activity Prep/1 had a Camp Out Day at Baxter Creek. We set up our tents in the hall and then broke into groups for our outdoor activities. We did netting, sailed our paddle pop rafts down the creek, went bird watching with binoculars, looked for bush tucker in our garden and made some bush craft. We had a great day in the rain! So much fun.



News Items

“PREP POST OFFICE”

The end of term has been a busy place in Prep as we learned all about writing letters. We have written letters to Santa, and walked to the Post Office to mail them in the big, red post box. We met Elizabeth who runs the Mapleton Post Office and read a picture book about the dog who lives there called “The Post Office Pup” (written by Margaret Gibbs). We are excitedly waiting for our replies from Santa.

In our classroom we set up our own Post Office and made our own mailboxes. The children have enjoyed buying envelopes and stamps from the post office. They have been writing letters and post cards to each other, and then mailing them in our post box. Each day the “postman and postlady” deliver them to people’s mail boxes.

We also wrote letters to our Year 6 Buddies. The Preps were so excited this week, when the Buddies came to our class to give us the letters they had written back!



DENTAL NEWS

The dental van will be moving to Mapleton Primary School on Mon 17/1/2022. Forms have been issued to all students.

If you wish to take advantage of the service please complete & return dental forms to school office by Friday 10/12/2021.

Free dental treatment is available to **all** students who have a medicare card, regardless of whether your child is eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme (CDBS) or not.

Once forms are returned dental staff will contact you to arrange an appt
If you have any queries please feel free to contact us.

Dental Van Staff

Ph. 0419 736942.

Email: SC-Nambour-OralHealth@health.qld.gov.au

With the subject “Mapleton Dental Appts”

News Items



Book Club

Thank you to all the families for supporting Book Club this year because of your support through out the year Sheila our Librarian has been able to order some wonderful books for our library with our reward points.



Garden Club

A big thank you to Keith Loughran for volunteering to do Garden Club of a Monday morning for our keen gardeners who wish to participate.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop had a great morning with moving out some of the second hand stock! Thank you to everyone who bought and donated items.

We will now not be open again until Tuesday 18th January (8:30am-11:00am) However you can still place an order throughout the holidays using the attached order form and making a direct deposit payment. Please email these to mapletonuniformshop@gmail.com with your receipt number. We can then pre-pack your order for pick up on 18th January or during the first week of school from the office if preferred.

Wishing you all a very safe and happy Christmas and much earned break!! See you in 2022!
Crystal & Carol

Notices



Come and join our Mapleton Netball Club in 2022.

All new players welcome, girls and boys from Year 3 and up. We will have a sign on day at the beginning of term 1 next year. If you know that you have a child that is interested in playing in our 2022 year comp please contact mapletonnetball@gmail.com



!!!LOST PROPERTY!!!

All of the lost property boxes will be emptied and placed out in the benches under the covered area. Please take a look and see if anything belongs to you. Any clothing items not collected will be washed and taken over to Range Care Opportunity Shop. Other items will be disposed of.

Notices

Art Workshops
presents

Ceramics for Kids
Saturday
November 27th
December 4th 11th
Art Workshops Studio
Montville
1-3 pm

Cost: \$110 per child x 3 sessions
Individual workshop \$40

Family concessions available.

Bookings online
www.artworkshops.com.au
or
1300 885 011



Art Workshops

School Holiday Workshops

'Studio Kids Mojo'

Art Workshops Studio, Montville
Ceramics Acrylics Charcoal Ink Collage
Watercolours Pastels

❖ Tuesday January 11th

❖ Wednesday January 12th

❖ Thursday January 13th

Time: 9-11 am

Cost: \$110 per child

Small classes with qualified Visual Art
teachers.

All materials supplied.

Bookings online www.artworkshops.com.au
or call 1300 885 011



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We pay cash, or customers can use their Scheme ID or the Schools Scheme ID to donate to the School.

Support your beautiful town! Mapleton State School is one of only 22 Waves of Change Schools in Qld, teaching our Children the importance of recycling. For them it will be second nature not to throw Drink Containers away.



Notices



Merry Christmas From:
Ian Cowan Tennis

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Club Professional
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Durham, UK.
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icowan888@gmail.com*

I have been coaching tennis for a number of years on the Sunshine Coast. I am currently teaching students ranging from 5-17 years old at Mapleton, Nambour and Montville courts. As a qualified school teacher, I am uniquely positioned to lead my coaching team to provide children with a fun, hands-on and safe tennis experience. I extend my thanks to Mapleton State School for the invitation to continue developing tennis programs and competition with their school students.

I am looking forward to continuing lessons at all three venues. Groups are limited to 8 students to ensure maximum participation and improvement. All equipment is provided.

PROGRAMS STARTING EARLY 2022!

• Lessons are \$18 per session. Groups are limited to 8 students to ensure maximum participation and improvement. All equipment is provided.

You can call Ian or drop him a message to introduce yourself and arrange for a no obligation, **FIRST LESSON FREE!** Ring or Text 0405 839079 or email icowan888@gmail.com



MAPLETON HALL COUNTRY MARKETS
cordially invites you to our

TWILIGHT MARKETS

Friday 17th December
4pm to 8pm featuring

- Festive Stalls inside & outside the hall for those last minute Gifts
- Mapleton Rural Fire Brigade with Santa
- Kids Craft table with Mary Gibbs - decorate pine cones to look like best made judged Christmas Hat, Guess the Santa hat, create a Christmas Book and Goals Manager to win and game.
- Dining is served with German sausages, ice-creams, hot and cold drinks, sausage sizzle and Bar available
- Face Painting, Free Haircuts for the children, Music
- Easy onsite parking behind the Mapleton Hall @ 714th St. Rd.

SEE YOU THERE!

DEC 15TH
9am - 12pm
Tween Talk: A Girls' Guide to Making Good Decisions
This workshop for girls aged 9-12 yrs, teaches skills around making good, well thought out decisions. Your daughter will gain confidence in making decisions that feel right for her!

JAN 13TH
9:30am - 12pm
Just Be YOU!
A workshop for our 8 and 9 year old girls, introducing the topic of self-esteem. We'll cover the importance of self-confidence, liking yourself and not comparing yourself to others.

JAN 18TH
9am - 2pm
Beauty - The Real Picture
A workshop for our 10-12yr olds, focused on boosting self-esteem and improving body image. Girls will gain confidence in themselves and learn that they are amazing just the way they are.

**DECEMBER/JANUARY
HOLIDAY
WORKSHOPS**

Educate | Inspire | Empower

To Register or for more information visit: www.headstartpsychology.com.au

Notices



**Sunshine Coast
FAMILIES**

Looking a little extra help
over Christmas and getting
ready to go back to school?
We've got you covered.



Supporting Sunny Coast families

WE ARE HERE TO HELP sunshinecoastfamilies.com.au



This year we are all feeling the strain of end of year celebrations, Christmas, and getting ready for back to school in 2022. Here are a few services that can help.

family and child connect **13-FAMILY 13-32-64**

Family and Child Connect can help you find the right support for your family. They have information about where to find support for your family, housing, financial support and worries of domestic violence. The Sunshine Coast Team is available Monday to Friday 8:30 - 5:30 and will be open over the school holidays (closed public holidays).

if you know of other families that are in need of support, let them know that there is help out there, where to find it, and that it is ok to ask for help.



REFOCUS support our First Nations families through lots of their programs. They can be contacted on 1800 REFOCUS (1800 733 628)

local community and neighbourhood centres

Your local community and Neighbourhood Centres are the hub of your community. They are a great place to find support, find out what is happening in your community and connect with other families.

Your local Centres are:

Caloundra Community Centre 5491 4000
Nambour Community Centre 5441 4724
Maroochy Neighbourhood Centre 5443 6696
North Shore Community Centre 5450 9700
Maleny Community Centre 5429 6043
Pomona and District Community House 5485 2427



follow your local
centre on Facebook

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

P & C:

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

SCHOOL BANKING DETAILS:

BSB - 064424 Acct - 00090669

P&C BANKING DETAILS:

BSB - 064424 Acct - 00900107



Mapleton State School 2022 Uniform Price List / Order Form

Name:		Phone:	
Child's Year Level:			

Item	Unit Price	Available Sizes							Abs. of Items	Cost \$
Polo Shirt	\$20	4	5	6	10	12	14	16		
Dress	\$42	4	5	6	10	12				
Skirt/Skort	\$18	4	5	6	10	12	14	16		
Shorts	\$13	4	5	6	10	12	14	16		
Soft Hat	\$11	Small	Med	Large						
Flaree Jumper	\$30	4	5	6	10	12	14			
Homework Folder (Years Prep to 3)	\$15	Red	Blue	Orange	Pink	Purple				
Mapleton School Book Pack	\$80									
									Total:	\$

The uniform shop is open every Tuesday from 8.30 - 9am during school terms and is located in the old school office building (A Block), to the right of the carpark.
 Payment can be made via - (NO EFTPOS available)
 * cash
 * cheques - Please make cheques payable to Mapleton State School P & C.
 * internet banking - To avoid delays, please bring along a printed copy of the receipt or email through a copy prior to coming in.
 Banking details -
 Account name: Mapleton State School P & C Association BSB: 064 424 Account number: 00900107
 Reference: Student's name and department, for example Jane Smith, Uniforms
mapletonuniformshop@gmail.com
 * Prices accurate at time of printing. Prices subject to change.

December 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Swimming Carnival Yr 4-6	8	9	10 Term 4 Ends	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

January 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
31					1 New Years Day	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Uniform Shop Open 8:30am-11am	19	20	21	22	23
24 Term 1 Starts	25	26 Aust Day	27	28	29	30

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