Thank you to all members of the community for their kind welcome backs. I had a fantastic time in New Zealand and am back ready to complete a brilliant school year. The last two weeks of term always rush by and we are working hard to ensure that all of the year festivities are prepared and organised. The following information is just to keep everyone aware of what’s happening in the coming weeks.

Volunteers Morning Tea
Tomorrow we would like to extend a big thank you to all those wonderful volunteers who have spent time in our classes helping students learn and develop skills in all curriculum areas. Over the course of the year we have had parents and family members attend classes to help students with spelling strategies, reading comprehension, fundamental math concepts and fun art activities. Our school community has worked hard this year to help classroom teachers and students. To say thank you we would like to invite these volunteers to the school hall tomorrow at 9:00am to celebrate your hard work with a well-deserved morning tea. If you have volunteered your time in any of our classes please come along so we can show our appreciation for your wonderful work.

Year 6 Graduation
Year 6 graduation is to be held this Friday at 11:50am. We will begin the process under the covered area with our official graduation ceremony. Parents and students in grade 6 will then be invited to the hall to enjoy a special graduation lunch. Could all students please wear their senior shirts.

Class Lists
A reminder to all parents that class lists for 2017 will be handed out next Wednesday. Report cards will also be given to students on Wednesday.

Book list
Please be aware that you are now able to purchase “My Home Reader” books from the office for $6.

We are also accepting early payment of the $70 prep levy.

EFPTOS is available for both these

Student Leader Speeches

Eleven Year 5 students completed the final stage of the Leadership process for 2017. A number of weeks ago the students submitted a written application. They then were interviewed by some staff. Yesterday they all spoke very passionately about our school and qualities that would make them a great leader. All students have voted and those elected will be announced at the End of Year Concert.

END OF YEAR CONCERT
The Concert starts at 6:30pm with gold coin entry. Students may arrive from 6pm to the back door of the Theatre. The door will not be opened until that time.

All students will be seated in the Federation Room for the entire performance with a live video feed. The designated time to collect younger students if you wish to leave will be at the interval. You may collect your child from the Federation Room and we ask that you do not return to the theatre with your child.
We are unable to give exact times as the performance durations can vary.

Also please be aware that we are planning on recording this year’s concert. If you have any issue with your child being recorded let the office staff know as soon as possible. DVD’s will be on sale from the office early next year.

School Banking
This week is the last school banking for the year.

Strings and Choir Kindy Visit
Last Friday our Strings and Senior Choir students preformed at the EC Junior Education Centre. All students did us proud and all the kindy kids had a wonderful time listening to the very talented musicians and singers.

Library News

Library books

All library books are now due back to the library. Please encourage your child to return all library books to school as soon as possible. If a book has been lost please notify the school.

Best Library class this term

Congratulations 3N for being the class with the least number of overdue books this term. They will receive a reward session and prizes later in the week.

The 2017 Book List is available from the office.

Candle Melt Activity

Today Year 3N had Hudson’s mum visit the class and teach them about the art of candle melt making. Students learned how to calculate the amount of wax and fragrance needed for each individual melt, as well as reading thermometers to ensure the wax was at a safe temperature for pouring. Students were able to pour their own candle melt, as well as create a label for its packaging. The scents gracing our classroom (for the entire day) were Black Raspberry, Spearmint, Fresh Cotton and Vanilla/Caramel. Thanks again to Kylie Nitz for giving up your time and resources for such a fun activity!

Tandora

On Tuesday 22nd November, our Upper Novel Studies students attended an excursion to Tandora. Under the guidance of Lindsay Tilmarsh and Glen Miller, we explored the history of the local Butchulla People. We had a fantastic time learning about survival skills in the bush, such as how to identify and make stone tools and the importance of staying near an abundant supply of food and water where possible.
We visited a midden and the nest of a water mouse, as well as building a ‘lean-to’ shelter and making a bark dish used for carrying items. We appreciate the time and effort that Mr Titmarsh and Mr Miller gave to our students to create some wonderful learning about Indigenous survival skills.

**Dinner Table Topics**

**Prep Possums & Wombats** – Don’t forget to wear long pants for our excursion on Thursday! We can’t wait to see some KOALAS!

**Year 1A** – Just a reminder the children need to wear a white t-shirt and black short/skirts or pants and black shoes for the concert on Monday night.

**Year 1B** – *Reminder*: Last swimming lesson this Friday 2/12/16. Last week of homework! I hope we have every student working hard this week on their camera words and reading. Thank you.

**Year 2B** - Students can come home yesterday with an orange note regarding the end of year concert. If you have not received this note please ask your child to get another one off me. I look forward to seeing you next Monday night.

**Year 2C** – Thank you to all of our families for sending in white t-shirts. The tie dying has taken place and the shirts will be given to the children on Monday 5th to take home. They will wear this shirt and whatever pants or skirt they want on the bottom. I will send another note home to remind you, but please do not wash the tie-dyed shirts with any other clothes for the first few washes. A cold hand wash is recommended as even though instructions were followed, I cannot guarantee that the colour will not continue to wash out.

**Year 2/3R** – Please keep an eye out for our last class newsletter regarding all the last week activities.

**Year 3F** – I wish all the children and families of 3F a very safe and happy holiday season. Thank-you for a wonderful year! I look forward to seeing you again next year.

**Year 3N** – Congratulations to Year 3N students who have all shown growth in their spelling this term. Your efforts in learning your spelling words each week have paid off! Thanks also to parents for your continued support in homework this year. Enjoy a well-earned week off next week!

**Year 4M** – The students have finished all assessment pieces this week and should be very proud of their efforts. We are all getting really excited for the End of Year Concert on Monday!

**Year 4S** – Most students are aware that my last day is next Wednesday. Students are now allowed to bring some board games to play in class for free time activities.

**Year 5H** – Our Fraser Island excursion is this Thursday! Please remember to be at school by no later than 7:15am for a 7:30am departure. Come to school dressed in school uniform and have a backpack for fruit break, clothes that can get wet, water bottle and towel.

**Year 6P** – This week year 6 is busy preparing for their graduation and performance at the Brolga. We may find we have some budding dancers in our group. Keep on practising year 6.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**WANTED TO BUY**
Dolls Prams and Strollers, Dolls, including Baby Born and Cabbage Patch dolls, dolls clothes etc in good condition.

Please call Helen after 4pm on 4123 4171

**Uniforms For Sale**

| Size 12 dress | $15 | Size 12 jacket | $15 |
| Size 8 dress | $10 | Size 19 jacket | $15 |
| Size 10 shirt | $5  | Size 8 shirt   | $7  |
| Size 6 shirt  | $10 |

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Maryborough Brothers
Christmas Party
SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER
2016
1pm TO LATE
Live Music
3pm-7pm
RAFFLES
FREE KIDS ACTIVITIES
INCLUDE JUMPING CASTLE
FOOTBALL GAMES AND
WATERSLIDE - BRING TOWELS.
BYO CHAIRS & RUGS
BROTHERS CLUB HOUSE:
CNR ANN & GUAVA STREETS
MARYBOROUGH
BURGERS and SAUSAGE SIZZLE
CAI T E N  W I L L  P R O V I D E  S M A L L
SNACKS, DRINKS AND WATER
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Thanks for all your support this season.
Bring on 2017.
Back Em All!
Bar Open
NO EFTPOS FACILITIES
## Star of the Week

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<td>Immeakah Hibbert</td>
<td>For a great effort towards her numeracy assessment. Well done!</td>
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<td>Sybella Arthur</td>
<td>For being a friendly and hardworking student.</td>
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<td>For being a Super Star Student this term and working your hardest. Well done Emily!</td>
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<td>For always giving 100% in class, being a polite classmate and a role model for others.</td>
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<td>For getting up in front of the class and presenting an outstanding speech.</td>
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