



Mutchilba State School

— *Every Day Counts* —

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Special points of interest:

District Cross

Country @ DSS

Friday 5th May

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Next Mutchilba

Community Night

7th May

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NAPLAN Testing

9th, 10th & 11th
MAY

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P&C Meeting

18th May 3:30pm

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School Holidays

WINTER

24/06/17 - 9/07/17

SPRING

16/09/17 -
02/10/17

SUMMER

9/12/17 - 21/01/18

Curriculum Corner

NAPLAN is here next week. As parents received in week one this term, we are not doing NAPLAN online this year. Because of this, students have been participating in traditional NAPLAN style testing to prepare them. The students have found this very easy and have remembered the testing schedule and are looking forward to the test next week. Please ensure that all students get a good nights rest every school day to help

with their attention and reasoning skills.

Attendance has dropped considerably since last term which has put our school average at 92%. Our target is 95% which can only be attained if every student is at school every day. It is extremely difficult in today's climate for a child to catch up, so EVERY DAY COUNTS. We do have some students with less than 80% attendance.



We have many things happening this term, these include NAPLAN, Lions Festival, State of Origin nights and two sports days. On top of this we also have reporting this term, so please keep an eye out for report cards and letters for the different activities happening. The P&C will need a lot of hands helping for the Lions festival and the State of Origin nights, so if you could please help out in any way, it would be much appreciated. If you can help, please email the P&C directly on PandC@mutchilbss.eq.edu.au or ring Jo Dixon.

Thank you all for your continued support of our school.

Till next newsletter,

Luke Morris

Principal

P-6 Improve your child's retell and comprehension skills by asking questions when they have finished reading a book

- Q Did you enjoy the book/ebook? Why?
- Q How did you choose it?
- Q Who were the characters in this book? Who was the character you liked the most? How could you describe this character?
- Q Was there anything about it you did not like?
- Q Could you read the part of the book you enjoyed the most?
- Q Could you think of another ending?
- Q Did you come across any unusual words? Can you find them?
- Q Are there any words you did not know the meaning of?
- Q Can you retell what happened in the book from the beginning middle and end?

P-6 Ideas to improve Numeracy Skills

- Make a shopping list with your child before going shopping.
- Discuss specials in shopping catalogues.
- Which brand is the best buy for quantity? How do we know?
- Check your docket for goods and correct prices.
- Practise counting in your home language as well as in English.
- Estimate the weight and then use the scales to weigh fruit and vegetables. Ask questions like-- How many apples make 1 kg?
- Give your child little problems to solve. For example you are having seven people to a barbeque. You want to cook three sausages each for them. How many sausages will you buy? What would you do if sausages only come in packs of eight?
- Imagine that you have a budget of \$30 and you want to have a three course dinner for four people. What could you buy and cook? What games or stories from your culture can you bring into the evening?
- Read a recipe at home and write a list of the ingredients to buy. Measure the ingredients when at home.
- What is the total number of cups and tablespoons that the ingredients add up to?
- Follow a street directory as you travel to the shops and find the best way to avoid traffic lights. Talk about the route you are taking when walking to school or to the park.
- Talk about events in terms of time.

Miss Tonello

Student Awards



Congratulations Mrs Adams

Mrs Adams recently returned from Auckland where she competed in the World Masters Games for Basketball. Congratulations to Mrs Adams and her team who placed 3rd in the competition.



Community News

WE DEMAND SERVICES BE RESTORED

WE DEMAND SERVICES BE INCREASED

PUBLIC MEETING

SAVE OUR MAREEBA HOSPITAL

2nd MAY 2017

7PM

Mareeba International Club

THIS IS OUR LAST CHANCE

24 HOUR ED AT RISK

Maintenance Staff GONE

Sterilising Department GONE

Beds Cut From 90 to 50

Security Staff GONE

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Wednesday 24th May 2017

North Queensland Aero Club Hangar, Mareeba Airport

6:00 pm

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Mareeba Girl Guides meet Tuesdays (during the school term) at the Girl Guide Hut on Egan Street Mareeba from 5pm to 7pm.



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Julie Henderson
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Guide Leader:
Georgina Metzger
Phone: 4093 3464

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