Term 4 Awards

Our parade this week provided us with our first opportunity to celebrate the positive behaviour of our students at Maroondan. Congratulations to those pictured below who have all managed to get to Marvellous Maximiser status (20 bands collected) in the first three weeks of term. Congratulations also to Bombers house who took the most bands collectively in the first three weeks.

Camp Quality To Visit Maroondan

The majority of you will be aware that Brett Jones, one of our Prep students, spent the first half of this year receiving treatment at the Royal Brisbane Children’s Hospital, having being diagnosed with cancer. We are pleased to report that Brett is recovering well and has coped well with his move back to Maroondan. Our students will learn more about Brett’s condition when the Camp Quality Puppets visit school on the 29th of November. Details of the Camp Quality program are shown on the reverse of this newsletter.

Message from the Principal

The term marches on and we find ourselves nearing the half way point already!
The remaining weeks will be extremely busy finishing required units of work, completing assessment activities and rehearsing for our school concert amongst everything else. I remain confident that amidst this flurry of activity our students will stay positive. Behaviour has been generally good so far this term and I urge all of our students to keep it this way through to the end, ensuring a happy finish to the year for everyone.
Keep up the good work.
Regards,
Robert Lawton, Principal

P&C News

The next P&C meeting will be on Wednesday, November 13th at 3.15pm.
Thank you to all those who participated in the Day for Daniel sausage sizzle, kindly organised for us by our P&C President, Mrs Williams. Over $100 was raised on the day.

P&C Christmas Disco

CALLING ALL ELVES, FAIRIES, REINDEER AND SANTAS!!
PLEASE COME TO OUR CHRISTMAS DISCO ON FRIDAY, 6th DECEMBER 6.30pm-8.30pm
Prizes for the best ‘Christmas’ Fancy Dress Sausage sizzle and refreshments on sale $2 entry for students

Year 7 Students High School Preparations

The two Gin Gin High School transition days have now been completed. Mrs Gabbert, Head of Middle Schooling, will be visiting Maroondan on the morning of November 20th for a quick meeting with the Year 7s regarding high school enrolment—this is when enrolment packages will be issued to the students. An orientation day for Year 7 students and parents will be held at the high school on Thursday, December 5th - details to follow.

DIARY

Next two weeks
Monday, November 4th - Parade at 9.00am, Parents welcome
Tuesday, November 5th - Afternoon Swimming Lesson - Students to be collected from Gin Gin pool at 3.00pm
Thursday, November 7th - Tuckshop, first break (please place orders by Wednesday)
Monday, November 11th - Parade at 9.00am, Parents welcome
Tuesday, November 12th - Afternoon Swimming Lesson - Students to be collected from Gin Gin pool at 3.00pm
Wednesday, November 13th - P&C Meeting - 3.15pm
Thursday, November 14th - Tuckshop, first break (please place orders by Wednesday)

Other key dates
Tuesday, November 26th—Camp Quality visit
Thursday, December 5th - Gin Gin High School Year 7 High School Orientation Day for Year 7 students and parents
Thursday, December 5th - Maroondan Orientation Day for 2014 Prep students
Friday, December 6th - P&C Christmas Disco - 6.30pm
Tuesday, December 10th- School Concert and Year 7 Graduation—6.30pm
Introducing the McDonald's Camp Quality Puppets!

What is the McDonald's Camp Quality Primary School Program?
An educational program using ‘muppet’ style puppets to deliver a fun and positive message about supporting children living with cancer and other serious illnesses. In a fun way the puppets increase children’s awareness of the need to be compassionate, tolerant and empathetic.

Who gets to see it?
The puppet program is available to all primary schools and it’s completely FREE.

Why was the Primary School Program established?
Experience has taught us that one of the major challenges facing children living with cancer is returning to school after treatment. It became obvious that a lack of knowledge and understanding caused other children to be less sympathetic. We created this program to provide children with that knowledge. We have found that once children are informed, they are very supportive and much more aware of the need to care and support others.

What does the Primary School Program cost?
Thanks to the continued sponsorship from McDonald's Australia, the puppet program is offered to schools absolutely FREE of charge. Puppet shows run between 20 - 45 minutes and can include a question and answer session. Different shows are performed depending on the student’s ages, and there are three versions, all of which can be performed on the same day.

Who is Camp Quality?
Camp Quality is one of Australia’s top five most trusted charities and we have over 24 years experience educating children with the McDonald's Camp Quality Puppets. Camp Quality’s purpose is to create a better life for every child living with cancer in Australia.