**Important Dates**

**Thur April 2**
- Easter Hat Parade

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- Last day Term 1

**Fri April 3**
- Public Holiday (Easter)

**Mon April 6**
- Public Holiday (Easter)

**April 7—17**
- Term Holidays

**Mon April 20**
- Staff Development Day

**Tue April 21**
- Students’ First Day T2

**Wed April 22**
- Maclean Show
- School closes 12noon

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**EASTER HAT PARADE**

Our annual Easter hat parade will be held tomorrow. Students are asked to bring in recycled materials from home to make their hat during our middle session starting at 11.30. Once hats are made a parade will be held in the school hall starting at 12.30pm. Parents are very welcome to come along and help in the classrooms as children create their hats and then watch the parade.

**AUTISM AWARENESS DAY**

Tomorrow is Autism Awareness Day. Students are invited to wear rainbow coloured sun-safe clothing and bring along a gold coin. All funds raised support research and awareness of autism. Your support is appreciated.

**ASSEMBLY EMERALD RECIPIENTS**

Special congratulations to our first group of Emerald Award recipients for 2015. These students have reached the Emerald level by demonstrating their school citizenship and working towards achieving their best at school in all areas.

**STAFFING TERM 2**

Staffing for Term 2 will remain the same as this term. Mr Munro will continue on the Year 5 class as Mr Speirs is remaining as Relieving Principal at Chatsworth Island PS. Mr Oehlmann will continue teaching the 3/4M class for all of term 2 while Mr Miani is on leave. If any parents have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

**MACLEAN SHOW**

All classes art and craft work entries have been delivered ready for the Maclean show. Our scarecrow once again looks terrific thanks to the hard work of Mrs Munro and her band of helpers. A note with information regarding the half day holiday for the show on Wednesday 22 April was sent home last week and is also available at the school.

**2015 NAPLAN**

The NAPLAN assessments for Years 3 and 5 will be held on 13, 14 and 15 May. Further advice for parents has been sent home with the students in Years 3 and 5 today.

**SCHOOL ANZAC SERVICE**

Our school ANZAC service will be held on Friday 24 April at 11.30am. Special guest will be Peter Leslie from Maclean RSL. All parents are invited to attend.
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Monday 20 April will be a staff development day. Staff will be joining with other Clarence Valley schools for a positive behaviour workshop with Ian Luscombe and Dr Alison Knight.

ASSEMBLY
The next assembly will be held on Friday 1 May at 2.15pm. The class to present an item will be 1/2W. Laura from the Commonwealth Bank will be making a special visit to our assembly. All parents and community members are invited to come along and share the students’ successes.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
The final day of term is tomorrow Thursday 2 April. Students return to school on Tuesday 21 April. On behalf of staff I would like to wish all families a safe and relaxing break.

P&C INFORMATION
The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 20 May at 7pm. This is held in the school staffroom. The P&C meetings are an opportunity to become an active member of the parent school community and to support your child’s school so please come along.

Robyn Urquhart
Principal

ASSEMBLY AWARDS T1 W9
Citizenship: Maya Crowley, Abbigail Hind, Oslo Harradine, Corey Salmon, Charlee Power, Bailey Cameron, Aimee Jeffrey, Finlay Edwards-Ryan
Merit: Lachlan Moloney, Noah Moore, Joshua Szekely, Finn Dobbin, Telleah Neylon, Nathan Bell, Reece Ireland, Jack Inmon, Kaiden Stewart, Brock Fitzpatrick, Hayden Fuller, Mackenzie Howell, Oscar Oehlmann, Joshua Cootes, Carina Quick, Holly George, Molly Dobbin, Khyann Henderson, Enya Britten, Tahlia Causley, Maddison Howarth, Emma Inmon, Alyssa Loy, Joshua Fernance

ANZAC DAY – SATURDAY, 25TH APRIL 2015
Gulmarrad Public School will again be participating in the Anzac Day March in Maclean this year on Saturday, 25th April. Students will be marching from the Boulevard area, through the main street to Cenotaph to participate in the Anzac Day ceremony. All Gulmarrad students are invited to participate in the march. The students are asked to meet at the Boulevard at no later than 10.15am; both Ms Wallace and Ms McGrath will be there to meet the students. All students must wear their full school uniform including their school hat. They are also asked to bring their drink bottle.

SOLID MOB
Last Wednesday, Gulmarrad Public School had the privilege of hosting ‘Solid Mob for our Health’. The team from Solid Mob organised fun and interactive games whilst delivering important health messages to young people. Students were placed into groups and they had to collect clues, complete interactive checkpoint challenges and accrue bonus points in an enjoyable learning experience which was based on the TV program the ‘Amazing Race’. Emphasis was placed on sharing and teamwork, time management and problem solving. The students thoroughly enjoyed participating in these wonderful interactive games which delivered important health messages without them even realizing. Activities integrated learning topics such as Leadership, Nutrition, Physical Activity, Chronic Diseases, Smoking Cessation, Harmful Substances, Mindfulness and Happiness. Winning teams received some great prizes courtesy of Solid Mob. All involved agreed that it was a unique and fantastic learning experience which every student enjoyed and we can’t wait to welcome back Jody and her team from Solid Mob next year. Pictures from the day on page 5.
EMERALD AWARDS TERM 1 2015


P&C EASTER RAFFLE
The P&C Easter Raffle will be drawn tomorrow at the Easter Hat Parade. Thank you to all the families who have sold tickets and donated Easter Bunnies.
Please return all outstanding tickets tomorrow morning. Your help with this fundraising event is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL
The P&C Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 7 May. Donations of bracelets, earrings, scarves, notepads, chocolates, etc. would be greatly appreciated, anything that you as a Mum would love to receive. Gifts will be priced between $1 and $5.

SCHOOL BANKING
As Friday is a holiday, school banking will be tomorrow, Thursday.
The Commonwealth Bank will be holding an account opening session at our school on Friday, 1st May at our school assembly.
If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child please come along to this session and bring along your driver’s licence or another form of photo identification. Alternatively, you can open an account at any branch; by calling 13 22 21 or online if you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer.
School Banking Day at Gulmarrad Public School is Friday. Thank you for supporting our school and helping teach your child the benefits of saving regularly.

THANK YOU
Thank you to the following people for helping out at the P&C stall at the school disco: Ding, Sarah & Jack Cassidy, Bel, Scott, Colbie & Bailey Cameron, Melissa James, Torben Mikkelsen, Leanne Taylor Baker, Sarah Robinson, Wendy Bell, Maria Fernance, Linda Power, Jenn Chisholm.
Thank you to the following people for helping out at the P&C Election Day BBQ: Alison Kelly, Craig & Will Moran, Andrea Lowe, Amber Rutkowski, Ravana McPherson, Linda Power, Jenn & Alyssa Chisholm, Leesa Marshall. Sorry if anyone was missed, thank you for your help too.
Solid Mob

Holiday Ideas

PRINCESS & PIRATE
KIDS DISCO
Cambodian Fundraiser

Creative Arts Holiday Workshop for Kids
CIRCUS

Learn a dance, create a costume, make circus-themed craft, and design and build a set!
Perform and show off your creative skills in a concert on the last day!

If you like the Circus, Hip-Hop Dance, Art and Craft, and if you’re in Primary School – Then this is for you!!

When: 14th - 17th April 2015
(Tuesday – Friday) 9:30-12:30
Cost: $120 for the full workshop
Where: At Maclean Scottish Town Dance Centre, Carney’s Arcade, River St, Maclean (above the shoe shop)
Contact: Janet 0400193028
All enquiries welcome. Bookings essential.

Coutts Crossing Hall
Sat 18 April 2015, 6pm - 8pm
Ages: 4 - 14
$10 per head
Free light Refreshments
Free return bus from Nymboida

Bookings Essential
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To ensure your place, a deposit of $50 is required - non refundable.