Canteen Roster

Friday 29 May
Lisa & Colleen

Friday Special
Chicken Burger & drink $4

Wednesday 3 June
Sarah & Keryn

Important Dates

Wed May 27—Wed Jun 3
Reconciliation Week

Friday May 29
Performance MHS Y5-6 Assembly

Wednesday 3 June
Sarah & Keryn

Recess: 11 - 11.30am
Lunch: 1.15- 2.00pm

Wednesday 27 May 2015

Principal’s Page

CROSS COUNTRY
Congratulations to our cross country runners who travelled to Corndale last Friday. It is always a huge effort to run such distances and in quite muddy conditions. The results of the cross country should be available for next week’s newsletter.

LOWER CLARENCE ART AND CRAFT FAIR
Once again the Lower Clarence Art and Craft Fair will be held at our school in the July holidays. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our school and the work that our students can do. All students are encouraged to enter art or craft work into the Fair. Entry forms are available from the office. The P&C are also heavily involved and are looking for helpers to work in the canteen over the weekend. This is a huge fundraiser for our P&C and all children benefit from any funds raised. Last year’s fundraising bought new computers for the technology room. Please consider giving some time to help with this event.

ASSEMBLY
Our assembly will be held this Friday 29 May at 2.15pm. The class to present an item will be 6M. Laura from the Commonwealth Bank will also be speaking at our assembly. Parents and community members are invited to come along and share the students’ successes.

RECONCILIATION WEEK
Reconciliation Week began today and continues until 3 June. Reconciliation Week is focusing on how Australians can better recognise each other and recognise the contributions, cultures and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. All classes will be looking at the significance of this week. Following class activities a display will be available for parents to see in the hall.

LUNCHTIME DRESS-UPS
We are looking at starting a dress up borrowing system for students to access during play at lunchtime break. If you have any dress-up clothes you are able to donate to the school please bring them in to the front office.

SCHOOL CAR-PARK
The school car-park and the drop off zone are extremely busy areas before and after school. Student safety is paramount. Parents are reminded to observe all road rules and enter and exit from the correct area. Please remember that the drop off zone is only for drop off and quick pick-ups, it is not for parking.
SCHOOL UNIFORMS
I am sure everyone has heard about the fire in the arcade in Maclean. Sea Eagles Fashion, our uniform shop, has been damaged in the fire and our school community certainly wish Tina and her staff all the best and our continued support. Tina is trying to find another location in Maclean to set up shop. She will be able to source jumpers and jackets shortly but embroidery would have to wait until new machines arrive from overseas. School shirts will not be available for at least 2 months. Tina will notify us as soon as she has a new location and the stock has arrived.

Robyn Urquhart
Principal

NSW PREMIER’S DEBATING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to the more than 30 students from Year 5M and 6Mc who tried out for the school debating teams. There was a high standard of debating from all students and it was extremely difficult to decide the final makeup of the teams.

The members of the 2015 School debating teams are Madison Howarth, Zali Bourke, Bailey Cameron, Madeline Hollis, Alyssa McGrath, Sarah Cassidy, Liam Odgers and Ella Jeffery. These two teams will now compete against other teams from South Grafton Public, Grafton Public School, Lawrence Public School and Maclean Public School in the NSW Premier’s Debating Challenge. The teams will be debating in Week 1 and 2 of Term 3. Well done to everyone who tried out and congratulations to those who made the team!

NSW MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVES PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION
Our school is participating in the NSW Multicultural Public Speaking Competition for the first time this year. All students from Year 3 to 6 have been involved in many activities over the past term in helping them develop their skills in public speaking. They were then required to prepare a speech which was presented in class this week. The topic for the speeches related to Multiculturalism. From this class competition 4 students from each class were selected to compete in the school final which will be held on Thursday, 4th June in the school hall. From the school final, two students from both Stage 2 and 3 will be selected to compete at Alstonville in the North Coast final 3 on Monday, 15th June 2015. This has been a wonderful activity for all the students who have really developed many skills needed for effective public speaking.

FOOTSTEPS
This term our school will be participating in a one week dance programme with Footsteps Dance Company Monday 15 - Friday 19 June. A permission note is attached with this newsletter.

RIVER OF LEARNING ART COMPETITION
Students in Year 6 were invited to enter the Maclean High School “River of Learning” art competition. Using the theme “What the river means to me” they were encouraged to use any materials, free hand or digital print. The outstanding artwork will be exhibited at the Maclean Regional Library on Tuesday 2nd June starting at 6pm. Winners announced at 6.30pm. If you would like to attend the exhibition please contact Maclean High School on 6645 2244.
RECONCILIATION WEEK IS FROM THE 27TH MAY TO THE 3RD JUNE

National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and other Australians.

Our school will be acknowledging Reconciliation Week this week. Today all students were involved in a “Yarn Up” Circle, where all students sat around in circles with each student having a turn with a talking stick for a few minutes to talk about themselves, their family or their interests. Once they had their turn the talking stick was passed to the next person to speak. The aim of this activity was for students to gain greater knowledge of and respect for each other.

Throughout the week the students will be involved in learning about the significant events that have occurred from the 27th May to the 3rd June throughout Australian history. The students in each class will be painting handprints which will form a “Sea of Hands”. This will be displayed in the school hall.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

It was lovely to see students and their families walking to school safely last Friday morning. A big thank you to all who participated. Students who did participate will receive a participation card this Friday in their classrooms. In appreciation, Ms Wallace and Mr Munro
What’s happening in 3/4S

In Science this Term we are looking at Force and Motion. Exploring the changes to objects when various forces are applied. Why do apples fall from trees?

We have been busily preparing our speeches for the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition for all of Stage 2!

Although the assigned topics have been tricky, we have produced some fantastic speeches.

SIZZLING STARTS – Jack Cassidy

Supermarket Food Brawl

SPLAT!! “Take cover!” Yelled Sam, as a raw steak lunged towards his head. He couldn’t believe he opened the supermarket doors and walked into a food fight!

Sam thought that he was going to have to join the fight, so he got a tube of toothpaste and tossed it directly into Tom’s head. “OUCH!” screamed Tom. “I’ll get you for that!” Sam giggled, turned around, and walked right into a frozen meat pie. Tom watched and laughed as Sam got an ice-cream cone and hurtled it towards a man’s face. It was a mess!

On Tuesday the 2\textsuperscript{nd} of June, students in Years 3 and 4 will entertain the Mareeba Nursing Home residents in Maclean. They will perform songs they have been rehearsing with choirmaster Ryan and will also spend some time to converse with the residents before returning.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

You can get the weekly newsletter emailed to you, just email your details to: gulmarrad-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or view it on the school website: http://www.gulmarrad-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/
Community News

Lower Clarence Arts and Craft Association
(a not-for-profit community volunteer organisation)
50th Annual Open Competitive Original Arts Crafts & Quilts Exhibition at
Gulmarrad Public School Hall 3-5 July 2015
Friday & Saturday 9.00-4.30pm
Sunday 9.30—2.00pm

Entry Forms are available from Ferry Park Gallery Maclean or go to www.ferrypark.org
Junior Art entry forms are also available from the school
Send entry forms and fees to PO Box 194, Maclean NSW 2463 or by hand to Ferry Park Gallery, Maclean
Monday 22 June closing date for entries
Tuesday 30 June delivery of works 9.30-2pm to

YAMBA MUSEUM
PO Box 100 Yamba NSW 2464
Phone: 02 6646 1399

The Beneath Gallipoli Exhibition is
a collection of photographs of the silent ruins of the underwater battlefield that has remained hidden since the first troop landing at
Gallipoli, almost 100 years ago on April 25, 1915. This exhibition has been extended until 20 May 2015, so there may still be an opportunity for your pupils to visit and glimpse the poignant aftermath of the Gallipoli landing.

Other special exhibitions planned for 2015 include:

Rugby Exhibition - exhibition of rare & private collection of Rugby photos and memorabilia - 9 June to 17 July,
Robyn Tyschen Art Exhibition - 18 September to 1 October
Graham Mackie Photography Exhibition - 17 October to 14 November

For program details go to:
http://issuu.com/clarencevalleycouncil/docs/