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For the past 7 weeks a group of 7 committed students have worked together on a Long Term Challenge without assistance from anyone outside the team. The team were encouraged to explore possibilities and experiment with ideas as they endeavoured to produce their best possible solution.

They developed creative and original ways to communicate this solution to others, working within predefined parameters such as limited materials, complex Challenge criteria and the deadlines of The Challenge Day (Riddles, Rebuses and Raconteurs).

Students presented their Challenge solution to a panel of judges and an audience on Challenge Day. They had 10 minutes in which to present and had to do so in a 3 x 3 metre performance area.

The team also participated in an unseen Spontaneous Challenge on Opti-MINDS Day. This Challenge requires rapid interchange of ideas, the ability to think effectively, creatively, and well-developed group cooperation skills.

Judges for both the Long Term and the Spontaneous Challenges are professionals chosen from all areas of education, the arts and industry. They are thoroughly trained to enable them to assess the creative performance and technical aspects of the presentation.

I would like to thank all parents/care givers for their support for their child during the 7 week preparation time and also for coming and sharing their efforts on the day at Caloundra Christian College.

It is with much pleasure that whilst they did not take out top position they received an “Honours” (first) award – in simple terms we call it second place. They also received a “Spirit of OptiMinds” award. This is given by the judges on the day and acknowledges how the team works together,
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co-operates together and their enthusiasm and commitment on the day. This is a very special award and is only given to a few teams on the day.

Congratulations to Bella, Aurora, Jayden, Lily, Maya, Luke and Bijou – I am very proud of the way you conducted yourselves during the term and on the day – all your efforts have paid off.

Leigh Carter (OptiMinds Coordinator)

Year 6 Excursion - Kids in Action Conference

The year 6 class recently discovered nature during the Sunshine Coast Kids in Action Conference 1 - 2 September 2016. Kids in Action brings schools together to explore local environmental issues. The conference is part of Target Kids Teaching Kids Week.

Kids in Action grows a culture that values caring for the natural world. They joined hundreds of students and teachers from across the region who came together to share experiences and learnings to help save the Coast's spectacular environment.

Year 4, 5, 6 Camp

Last week the 4, 5 & 6 students went to Maranatha Recreation Camp in Yandina. With a fully packed program, students were kept busy, had a ball and came out with some new and exciting leadership skills.

Thank you to all the staff for volunteering their time and ensuring camp ran smoothly.

State Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Felicity for recently being accepted to represent the region at the State Athletics Carnival on October 18 and 19. We wish you all the best.

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don’t intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

A message from your Student Welfare Worker

I would like to share some information about local Community/ Neighbourhood Centres that can offer support and opportunities for our school community.

♦ Nambour Community Centre – 2 Shearer St Nambour 5476 4933
♦ Cultural Connections Program – for people from Cultural and linguistically diverse backgrounds to connect and engage with others
♦ Thriving Families – supporting families through a variety of programs including parenting education, playgroups and community parenting programs
♦ The Maleny Neighbourhood Centre – 23 Maple Street Maleny 5429 6043
♦ Working to support the community and reducing hardship
♦ Animal Clinic – information, health and wellness guidance freely available to all animals

Website: www.montvilless.eq.edu.au
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♦ Restorative Circle Practice group – dealing with conflict where everybody can be heard and relationships restored
♦ Peer to Peer Parents of Teenagers group
♦ Building Connections – Mental health support group
♦ PEARL – non clinical Mental health recovery program
♦ Community Lunch – 12.30pm 2nd and 4th Thursday of the Month $5 donation
♦ Hinterland Family Support – Family support worker and volunteers provide a home visiting program for parents, parenting workshops and mothers group
♦ Suncoast Legal Service Inc – free fortnightly legal appointments available Mondays 6-7.30pm (appointments necessary)
♦ Financial/Material Support
♦ Drop in for a cuppa Mon-Fri 9am-3pm
♦ Referral to Counselling, parenting support, budgeting support and no interest loans

Please feel free to call me with any queries regarding resources and for assistance your family may be looking for.
Christina 0409 581 217

School Events….

P&C Meeting - Fri 09 Sept
The next P&C General Meeting is on Friday 09 September after parade.

Montville Saturday Markets – SATURDAY!
The Montville Market is held on the second Saturday of every month. Everyone is welcome from 7.30am-12pm! Enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast and support the young entrepreneurs’ stall and the school garden stall. Any produce to donate from your garden? Please leave on the hutch outside tuckshop or bring along to the markets. We are looking for volunteers to help man the stall. Parents and kids welcome!

Art Gallery - Wed 14 Sept
Art Gallery is on next Wednesday from 4.30pm. There will be a BBQ from 4.30pm and performances from 5.30pm. The line up of performances consist of:
- Instrumental Music band
- Marimbas
- Singers

We will also have all classrooms open and a few talented students playing instruments outside the classrooms. Please have a look around each classroom to see what is happening throughout the school.

Student’s artwork Calendars 2017
For sale
1 for $5
2 for $7.50
3 for $10

Re-orders available

School Holidays
School holidays are from Friday 16 September till Tuesday 04 October. Montville State School wishes everyone a safe and happy Spring Holiday break. School resumes at 8.40am on Tuesday 04 October.

Instrumental Music Fest rehearsals
The combined Montville/Maleny Band will have their rehearsals for Music Fest at Maleny State School from 3.15pm - 4.30pm every Tuesday for the first four weeks of next term.

School Plan Catch Up - Fri 07 Oct
Each term, our school offers sessions to parents to catch up, ask questions and see where we are currently working in our Annual
Plan. This is a very informative session for those wanting to know more about the workings of the school. The next session will be on Friday 07 October at 3.00pm (after parade).

Fundraising & Events – Term 3
Event: Art Gallery Evening BBQ
Date: Wednesday 14 September
The P&C is organising a fundraising BBQ for the evening. There will be sausages (veg option) in bread ($2.50), poppers/water ($1.50) and homebaking ($1).

This particular event has been allocated as a Grade 3 fundraising event. Grade 3 parents/carers, if you are able to donate either time or some of the items needed for the evening, please contact Saskia Peek on 0408 989 880.

Class Photos
We’ve had a sneak peek at the photos taken and put together by Simon. And they are just amazing! Order forms were sent out last Friday and final orders will be taken at the Art Gallery Evening where the group photos will be displayed. Note that there is a change to the small size photo. The two sizes available are: 60cm x 20cm for $25 and 46cm x 18cm for $15.

Homebaking - Grade: 6
Thanks again to all parents and carers for providing homebaking each week. This is a valuable fundraiser for us and a great opportunity for our school community to meet each Friday afternoon.