Montville News

From the Principal ....

**Clean Up Australia Day**

Last Friday, several classes spent up to half an hour before parade cleaning up our school and local environment. We collected 4 large bags full of rubbish. Although there were several larger pieces of rubbish, most of it was small.

A reminder to students and parents that Montville State School has an expectation that all rubbish that is brought to school in the student lunch boxes, will go home in the lunch boxes. This helps to reduce rubbish and increase nude foods in our school.

**Keep a watch on our school these holidays**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please call School Watch on 13 17 88.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education, Training and Employment, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter. Keep the number handy - 13 17 88 - and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

**Resource Allowance**

At Montville the students are given the option of paying a resource fee and the school is responsible for purchasing and issuing the various items. The fee is:

- $105 for Prep and Years 1, 2 and 3
- $65 for Years 4, 5 and 6

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These fees are now over due and it would be appreciated if payments are made prior to the end of term 1. With the changes to the Education Act 2006, students will not usually be eligible for excursions etc. unless their resource allowance is finalised or an arrangement with the principal has been made for payment by instalments.

Parent 123 Magic
Thank you all those parents who participated in our Parent 123 Magic course. A special thanks also to Deb Price for holding the sessions. If you were unable to make it and would like more information about the course. Please make contact with Deb Price on dpric19@eq.edu.au

Canberra Fundraising Meeting
The 2017 Canberra Trip is approaching fast. To help gather ideas reduce the cost, Mrs Carter and Mr Habel will be holding a meeting on Thursday afternoon To find out how you can support our year 5’s and 6’s going to Canberra in 2017, please come along our first meeting on Thursday 17 March at 3.00pm (in the year 5/6 classroom).

Volley Ball Carnival - Fri 18 Mar
The annual 3 – 6 Small Schools Volley Ball Carnival will be on Friday 18 March on the oval. All parents are welcome to attend and support our school. Our P&C will be holding a BBQ lunch. There will be a BBQ available to the whole school at morning tea. More details are to come regarding the menu.

3 Way meetings - Mon/Tue 21/22 Mar
Montville State School has changed the way we manage our 3 way meetings in 2016 This year we are requesting parents log onto the “Schools Online Booking System” (SOBS) and book in a convenient time with the teacher. Parent access to the site will be open from Friday 11 March 6am and will close 18 March at 6pm. If you are unable to access the site from home, please see Judy in office and she will book a time for you.

A letter providing more details and our schools access code will be sent home next week.

Easter RI Events - Wed 23 Mar
A performance by The Parable People will present the Easter story in an engaging way at a special Easter event to be held at Montville Uniting Church on Wednesday 23 March 2016. Participating children will then be offered a snack and make a small craft item before returning to school. A permission note with more details of the event will be sent home in week 7.

Easter Hat Parade - Thu 24 Mar
It’s quite a tradition here at Montville that the P-3 students make special ‘Easter Hats’ and parade around Montville giving some small eggs to the business owners. The walk will take place on the last day of term – Thursday 24 March in the morning. Students will be making their hats in class. Parents are welcome to join in the parade from 9.30am in the Covered Games Area.

School Holidays
School holidays are from Friday 25 March til Monday 11 April. School resumes at 8.40am on Monday 11 April. Have a safe and happy Easter Holiday.

Life Education Van
Harold and the van will be visiting Montville on the first three days of term 2. The permission notes will be sent home next week. Please return these by the end of term, as we will need final numbers before the holiday break.
P&C News....

Notice of P&C Annual General Meeting
This year our AGM is on Friday 18 March at 3pm in the Undercover Area after parade. We'd love to have some new faces join the Executive Committee or assist with one of the many coordinator roles. The agenda was sent out with the last newsletter. Copies of the agenda and nomination forms are in the office. Please call Kate on 0439 735 585 for more information.

Volunteer Raffle – Prizes needed
For the past 18 months we have run a Volunteer Raffle to encourage and reward the time and effort that our volunteers put into their roles working for Montville State School.

Prizes are donated by local businesses, and the winners are drawn at the end of each term. If you are able to donate a prize towards this worthwhile raffle, please contact the office or Kate on 0439 735 585.

For all our volunteers, please remember to sign-in at the office and fill in a raffle ticket as you sign out. Not only will there be some great prizes to be won, but it also ensures you are covered by insurance and your presence at school is known to the office in case of emergency procedures.

Prize for Term 1 (so far)
1hr Relaxation Massage with Kylie’s Mobile Massage (valued $70)

Please remember that volunteers are welcome to enjoy a tea or coffee (milk is in the fridge) in the Razorback House kitchen before or after your shift.

Tuckshop (Thursdays wk2-wk8)
Only one more week of tuckshop left this term. Week 8 will see the old favourite – Lasagne! - served by Maddy and Agarta.

We are still looking for some regulars (1-2/term) to help with tuckshop. If you are able to help next term on a Thursday, please email me (msspandcpresident@gmail.com) or Treena (montvillepandc@gmail.com).

Uniform Shop (Friday fortnightly)
The Uniform Shop will be open this Friday, 8:30am to 9:30am. With our Inter-house Cross Country Run in week 2 of term 2, please ensure you have a house shirt that fits. We currently have sizes available for all the houses. Don’t leave this until the next term, in case we run out of your size.

If you have any questions please contact our wonderful Uniform Shop Coordinator, Vikki, on 0438 251 971.

Friday Afternoon Tea
A huge thank you to all the classes who have fully supported the Friday Afternoon tea homebaking the last few weeks. This reduces the pressure on Treena and her team, who would otherwise have to frantically make up for any short fall in donations, by cooking popcorn or purchasing and preparing items.

This week is Prep’s turn to shine. Then in week 8 – year 1, and finally week 9 – year 2. Term 2 will kick of with year 3, and so on.

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser
Wow! What a great response to the Cadbury Fundraiser for fans for our undercover area! I have enough orders to make another minimum order of boxes (16). These will be ready for collection Friday 11 March at parade, similar to last week.

If you didn’t add your name last Friday, I did get a few extra boxes so please contact me asap so I can allocate them for you.

Cadbury Fun Box, (50 x 35g mixed Freddo frogs & Koalas, $1ea)
The Natural Confectionary (20 x 180-200gm mixed bags, $3ea)
Easter Egg Mix Box (20 x 125g bags, $4ea)

Please remember to put all collected money in the white enclosed envelope and return to the office by Monday 21 March.

Inter School Volleyball BBQ Fundraiser
The P&C has been offered the opportunity to run a BBQ at the upcoming Inter School Volleyball Carnival held at Montville on Friday 18 March, for years 3-6.

This is a simple BBQ supplying sausages in bread ($2.50), 100% juice poppers ($1), large icy poles ($1) and Cadbury Fun box chocolates ($1) for sale.

We need volunteers to help prepare, cook, serve

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and cleanup on the day. Please contact me on 0439 735 585 if you are available to fill any of the following shifts: 9:30-11:30 (4 people), 11:00-1:00 (4 people).

**Caloundra Bunnings BBQ Date**
We have just received an offer from Caloundra Bunnings to host a BBQ on Saturday 16 July. This is wonderful news, as there are more and more community groups applying for them, which can reduce our chance of such an offer. Please keep this date free to help out for a 3hr shift.

**Montville Saturday Markets**
The Montville Market is on this Saturday. 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 or home baking would be very much appreciated. 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!
If you are able to help, even for one market, please call Veronica on 0411 184 755.

**Enrolments for 2017**
Thinking about where to enrol your child for Year 7 next year? Would you like to know what Nambour State College has to offer?
Come along to our information evening Thursday 17 March at 6.00 pm in the Auditorium to hear more. Contact 5450 4105 for more details or if you can’t attend for a package to be sent to you.”

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**Small Schools Volleyball Carnival**

**Canteen Available from 10:30am**
- Sausage Sizzle: $2.50
- Poppers: $1.00
- Icy Poles & Lollies also available

**Montville State School Oval**
Friday 18 March 2016
10:00am - 2:00pm
Year 3&4, 5&6

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