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Hampden Happenings
Addressing the needs of individual students in a safe and supportive learning environment.

General Messages
Melissa Mackenzie

Marian Markets — are on again at the Church Grounds in Marian on Sunday 22 May 2016, between 8:00am and 12 noon. There will be a huge variety of great stalls, along with a sausage sizzle and refreshments available.

Rock Pop Mime — it’s that time of the year again, Rock Pop Mime time! We have a group of 25 very eager year 3-6 students who cannot wait to show off their miming and dancing abilities on the stage in early Term 3. However, before then we have a lot of work to do. Our theme this year is “The Jungle Book”. Practices will be taking place in designated class time on Tuesdays so that all students can attend. Over the Term, we will be seeking assistance from parents and community members to make our performance a standout, so if you can help in any way at all, please let the school know or alternatively, email our music teacher Ms Walz at awalz5@eq.edu.au

Principal’s Message
Hi All,

NAPLAN
Today students in Years 3 and 5 completed their Language Conventions and Writing NAPLAN Assessments. While students in Years 2 and 4 completed a rest of a previous NAPLAN so we can use the data to help establish future teaching considerations for their learning.

All students worked positively and I am pleased with how they went.

We will again have breakfast club from 8:15am tomorrow morning for all students who wish to get some cereal, toast and a cup of milo.

I wanted to finish my comments about NAPLAN by printing some reported quotes from Rob Randall, Chief Executive of The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) which appeared in Saturday’s Courier Mail and reiterate succinctly what NAPLAN is and isn’t:

“it is up to the adults in children’s lives to help keep NAPLAN in context”

“There are no prizes or repercussions for doing well or not so well in the tests”

‘NAPLAN doesn’t test everything that happens in a classroom’

Congratulations and Good Luck to Mackay Sport Representatives
Next Monday Talitha will represent Mackay at the regional tennis trials. This is an amazing accomplishment and the start of a busy sporting week for Talitha. All the best Talitha!

We want to wish each of the competitors heading to Sarina next Tuesday for the Mackay Cross Country all the very best. All the students have been continuing their training with Miss D. Congratulations Hayden, Claire, Clare, Sienna, Luke, James, Talitha, Lacey, Harry, Remen and Charlie.

Camp Information Session
We will hold a brief camp information session next Monday 16th May from 3:00-3:30pm. The session will provide information about transport, accommodation, menu and dietary requirements, what to bring, activities, medical arrangements and health, safety and emergency procedures.

Please return the attached slip to school by Friday 13th May with an indication of your intentions to attend. If you are unable to attend but require information in relation to any of these matters, please contact the school.

Goodbye Mrs Mackenzie
Sadly, today will be Melissa’s last day working at Hampden State School. Due to some administration changes at Calen District College, Melissa has accepted an increased role which allows her to increase her skill set and further her career while maintaining her personal commitments.

Melissa has been an amazing asset to the school over the past 12 months. She works independently, using her skill set and further her career while maintaining her personal commitments.

Have a great week!

Shane Wilkie

School Happenings in Pictures!

Touch Football Trials

Girls Team

Boys Team

Upcoming Events
May 2016
- Tue 10 to Thu 12: NAPLAN
- Wed 11: Rock Pop Mime
- Wed 18: Sport Schools
- Mon 16: Education Week
- Mon 16: Camp Info
- Tue 17: Sarina Cross Country Trials
- Tue 17: P&C Meeting
- Wed 18: Sport Schools
- Wed 18: Home Ice Cream
- Tue 24: To Thu 26: School Camp
- Thu 26: Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
- Fri 27: Sport Schools
- Mon 1: Book Fair
- Fri 27–Whit Voice entries close
- Fri 27: P&C Set Up for Race Day
- Sat 28: P&C Race Day

June 2016
- Wed 1: Sport Schools
- Wed 1: Home Ice Cream
- Fri 20: Arts Link
- Sat 21: MECC 52 Storeyhouse
- Tue 24: AVA PetPEP School Visit
- Wed 15: Sport Schools
- Wed 15: Home Ice Cream
- Fri 17: Sports Day
- Mon 20: NAIDOC Week
- Activities: Thu 23: Movie Night
- Fri 24: Red Nose Day
- Fri 24: Term 3 Results
- Wed 29: Home Ice Cream

July 2016
- Mon 11: Term 3 Results
- Wed 13: School Photos
- Wed 13: Home Ice Cream
- Thu 14 to Fri 15: Whitsunday Voices Festival
- Thu 21 to Fri 22: District Sports
- Wed 27: Swimming Commences
- Wed 27: Home Ice Cream

For more information, please visit our school’s website:
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Because they are individuals
**FROM THE LOWER SCHOOL**

Prep/1/2: Olivia Gordon

This week will be the first week our class pet “Wilson” will be going home. Wilson has had a great holiday, but is looking forward to visiting everyone again. His roster will go out later this week. If his scheduled weekend with you is not suitable, it will be changed to the end of the year.

**FROM THE MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL**

Year 2/3/4: Kharla Wright

As you are all aware NAPLAN testing is happening this week.

I would like to wish all our students well, especially my year 3 students. I’m sure you will all try your best. With this testing our years 4 and 6 students will be doing a resit with myself and Mrs Gee. This means that for the duration of testing, my year 2 students will be joining Mrs Gordon’s class for the next few mornings.

Year 4/5/6: Katrina Munchow & Shane Wilkie

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**SPORTING NEWS**

Congratulations to Hayden, Claire, Clare, Sienna, Luke, James, Talitha, Lacey, Harry, Remen and Charlie who have qualified to represent the Calen and North Coast District at the Mackay District Cross Country Trials. These trials will be on Tuesday 17th May at the Sarina Golf Course. Competitors are reminded that they need to be at the venue by 8:45am to organise shirts, with the walk around the course commencing at 9:00am. The levy of $3 per student, needs to be paid on the day to the District Co-ordinator Lisa Neilsen. Students need to arrange their own transport.

**SPELLING NEWS**

**THRASS Basics**

The English language has 26 letters which we refer to as graphemes (a visual representation).

The English language has 44 sounds which we refer to as phonemes (the sounds which letters and letter combinations make in words).

A key piece of understanding here is that letters can ONLY make a sound when they are in a word.

For example the letters ‘ch’ (which we call a digraph—two letters making 1 sound) can make a different sound in different words:

- School—think about the sound the letters ‘ch’ make in this word. This is 1 of the 44 phonemes in English.

There are other letters which make this sound when placed in words, such as cat, kitten, duck, queen.

- Chair—think about the sound the letters ‘ch’ make in this word. This is another of the 44 phonemes in English.

There are other letters which make this sound when placed in words, such as watch

**NEWS FROM EDUCATION QUEENSLAND**

**NAPLAN Testing—10 to 12 May 2016**

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will take part in NAPLAN testing from 10 to 12 May. NAPLAN testing provides schools with an opportunity to identify any areas where students may need assistance and covers the learning areas of reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation and numeracy. If you have any queries regarding NAPLAN testing, please contact the office. NAPLAN test results will be released later this year. Visit [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au) for more information.

**AWARDS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**Principal’s Award Winner: Keira**

Keira was the inaugural winner of the first gold Mathletics certificate for 2016. The achievement of a gold certificate is an impressive achievement. A student must receive a number of bronze and silver awards in order to receive a gold certificate. Keira’s award will be the first to go up on our new Mathletics achievement wall. Congratulations Keira!

**FRIDAY 29th April 2016**

**Year PY/1/2 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

Rusty ..............For always doing his best and helping others.

**Year 3/4 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

Tahli ............For always trying her best.

**Year 4/5/6 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

James ............For his great use of spelling strategies

**FRIDAY 6th May 2016**

**Year PY/1/2 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

No Award Presented

**Year 3/4 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

Keira ............For her consistent self-motivation in both school and home learning.

**Year 4/5/6 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

Clancy ..........For always working diligently and with a positive attitude.

**Birthday Celebrations for May 2016:**

Callan — Year Prep: 28th May—5 years old

Jorja — Year 1: 15th May—6 years old

Yar — Year 4: 22nd May—9 years old

Wyatt — Year 6: 24th May—11 years old

Happy Birthday! We hope you have a great day.

**P&C NEWS**

Hi All,

Another successful Race Day was held over last weekend, with more much needed funds raised for our school. Although crowd numbers were down, Hampden’s skill and commitment again shone through. A big thank you to all those who assisted on the set-up day and also during the event. Our next Race Day will be on 28th May 2016, so if you are able to assist on the Saturday or during the set-up on Friday please contact Julie or Rex.

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th May. All are welcome, so feel free to come along and share your ideas.

Lastly good luck to all the year 3 and 5 students during NAPLAN this week.

Cheers,

Scott McLean
Hampden State School P&C President

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“The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice” Brian Herbert