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Principal's Award: Middle Gold for their goal setting to achieve the Premiers Reading Challenge.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Term 3 week 9

- **Every Tuesday,**
  - Breakfast 8:00 – 9:00
  - **9/9/14**
    - P-2 Free after school sport
    - Soccer, 3:15 – 4:15 Last week
  - **10/9/14**
    - Yr 4 – 7 free after school sport
    - cricket 3:15 – 4:15 Last week
  - **11/9/14**
    - Speechmakers at Elanora State School
  - **12/9/14**
    - Footsteps
  - **16/9/14**
    - Year 4 Bike Safety
  - **19/9/14**
    - Footsteps lesson and Dance Presentations
  - **19/9/14**
    - Last Day of Term
  - **7/10/14**
    - School Resumes
  - **Prep – Year 2**
    - Swimming 17/10/14 – 28/11/14

Last week Middle Gold, Blue & Purple had a visit from our Adopt-A-Cop

For PE this week we have been doing Tenpin Bowling.

Middle Purple enjoying hands on maths activities.

### Value of the Week – HONESTY & TRUSTWORTHINESS

Being honest is being open, trustworthy and truthful. When people are honest they can be relied on not to cheat, lie, steal. Trustworthiness is being worthy of trust. People can count on you to keep your word, to do the right thing and follow through on your commitments.

**School Wide Positive Behaviour Learning Focus:** No Put Downs.

**Social & Emotional Learning:** The social skill focus is being a TEAM member. A team is a group of people who work together to achieve a common goal. As a family, school, class or sports team we pull together and support each other. There is no “I” in team.
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Child Protection Week: Children are the most precious gift we have. This week raises awareness of family and community issues. As adults it is our responsibility to keep children safe. This Wednesday there is the free, annual community Teddy Bears Picnic at Recreation Park, Tweed Heads from 10am – 12:30pm to provide information of local services supporting families.

PASS Program- Due to the generosity of the Smith Family, a 6 week program is being run after school on a Tuesday afternoon in term 4 for year 6, 7 students to help them transition from Primary to High School. Further information is being sent out to students and families.

PREP Enrolments 2015: Children who are turning 5 by the 30 June 2015, are eligible for Prep. If you know of young people this age, can you please invite their parents to enrol their child as soon as possible. A Parent Information Session will be held on Wednesday, 22 October at from 1:30pm and at 5:30pm.

Prep – Yr 2 / 3 Swimming: A reminder to please return forms so that numbers can be finalised. This year’s instruction for this age group is at Cools Swim School. The program teaches water survival skills as well as learning stroke development.

Life Education Lesson: Next term, week 4, we have signed up for the much loved and well known Life Education Van to come to school where students will meet Harold the Giraffe and his friends who give key messages about healthy life choices. Lessons are designed to cater for all year levels and delivered by a trained teacher at a cost of $6 a child. A booklet is provided that has follow up lessons on the various topics covered at age appropriate level which range from healthy eating, how the body works, bullying, safe use of medications, alcohol and tobacco use drugs.

School vege garden and shade house: After last semester’s successful vege growing and eating what was harvested, it was decided that each class have their own vege garden rather than share. Mr Chris has been busy setting up more garden beds along with a shade house. In health class, students are planting seeds to grow a variety of vegetable again with the aim of learning about them, watching them grow and looking forward to harvesting and cooking them!

Footsteps Dance: Next Friday, the last day of term, students will have a culminating activity in the middle session from to showcase their favourite dances and celebrate the end of another successful school dance program. They have been having a great time each week as they not only keep active and fit and learn dance steps, but it has them thinking and remembering sequences; doing cross body actions that stimulate whole brain development; and learning to be confident is social settings – even holding hands with the opposite sex! Parents are invited to attend.

Premier’s Reading Challenge: Well done to the many students who met the challenge of not only reading the number of books stipulated over the last 3 months or having books read to them, but who also faithfully recorded a log of what they read. Being readers who read every or most days, they are also powering ahead as learners as it is only through reading that we grow as readers, developing the skills of reading and gaining in the wisdom, knowledge and experiences that the book brings to us. Keep reading every night. Make it a must do. Research says even 10 minutes a day makes a big difference.

Speechmakers Finals: Best wishes to Annie, Basia, Jessica and Rhys as they represent out school this Thursday at our cluster finals.

Warm regards and best wishes for a great week,
Sharyn Mahony

P&C NEWS: P&C President Sue Elliot

The P & C is looking for mums, dads, carers or friends to volunteer to help out with a working bee in the tuckshop and around other areas of the school. Wear your old clothes as there will be some paint splashed around! We want to make our tuckshop look clean and inviting for the kids and our volunteers. If you can help out on Saturday 20 September or Sunday, 21 September from 9.00am (that is the weekend that the kids break up for school holidays), please call Sue Elliott on 0418 565829. If anyone can help before that date with washing the ceiling and walls with sugar soap to prep for painting, please also let me know. We need your help!

Chappy Chat – Chappy Lisa

The new Active & Healthy citywide program is now online (gcparks.com.au/activities) with the booklets available from the 25 July at all City of Gold Coast customer service centres and libraries. The new program is jam packed with lots of new activities and programs designed to get you up, out and active in the beautiful Gold Coast. The new program kicked off on 21 July 2014 and runs through to 7 June 2015. Features include:*Over 170 free and low cost active & healthy activities per week.*Fitness activities including tai chi, yoga, group fitness, stroller groups, small sports, senior exercise classes and much more.*Sport and recreation activities such as walking and running groups, cycling workshops, parkruns and various sporting activities to try out.*Wellbeing and healthy cooking workshops and seminars.*Nature based activities including Naturally GC workshops, community planting programs, beach care and workshops and programs at the Botanical Gardens.*Lifestyle activities such as craft in the park, rainbow tie dye spiritual workshops, photography walks and pop up playgrounds.*New Yugambeh Mobo activities and events to connect residents to local Aboriginal stories, language, tastes and culture.

GOLD COAST MULTICULTURE FESTIVAL
* 50 STALLS - INTERNATIONAL FOOD, CRAFT & INFORMATION. * CHILDRENS RIDES, GOLD COST SUNS AFL KIDS FOOTBALL ACTIVITY
* MULTICULTURAL ENTERTAINMENT ON THREE FESTIVAL STAGES:
*International Music, Dance, Workshops, and Music Café.
‘EVANDALE PARKLANDS’, Cnr. Bundall Road & Crombie Avenue (near the Gold Coast Arts Centre)
SUNDAY 14TH SEPT 2014 - 10.00AM TO 4.00PM

Kirra SLSC Nippers 2014/2015 Sign On
Free rashie for all members Sunday 14/9/14 at Oasis Pool, Club Banora 9am-11am. Nippers seasons start Kirra SLSC Sunday 21/9/14, 8:45am – 11am. Further information at www.kirrasurfclub.com.au

TWEED HEADS & COOLANGATTA
SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB - GREENMOUNT BEACH
NIPPERS SIGN-ON DAY
FOR NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS
SUNDAY 14TH OF SEPTEMBER 9AM - 11AM OASIS POOLS, BANORA POINT
* Must be 5 years of age as at the 30th of September 2014 *
**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**Senior Green: Mrs Ireland**
On Monday, Senior Green enjoyed Gala day at the Mudgeeraba sport centre. Students were instructed to have a fun day with a particular focus on participation and team work. Organisers hoped participation would encourage further involvement in sport and boost local weekend sports club participation. Geography this week looked at the services and facilities in Coolangatta, next week students will identify a service or facility that may require improvement; our students would love their parents’ thoughts.

**Senior Purple: Mr Lang**
This week in Senior Purple, we are starting our English assessment on two Jackie French novels, ‘Grandma’s Shipwreck’ and ‘Somewhere Around the Corner’. Students will select one of the studied novels and prepare a speech that explains how Jackie French has represented characters, ideas and events. Within maths we are investigating translation, rotation and reflection on a Cartesian Plan. Our focus this week in History is to compare two Vietnamese migrant experiences on their journey to Australia.

**Middle Gold: Ms Cronin**
Middle Gold has been concentrating on Fractions in Maths, learning about vulgar fractions and decimal fractions, as well as equivalent fractions. We also are using Graphmaker to create Graphs in the ICT Lab. In Geography we have discussed field sketches and how to annotate sketches and maps. Students are to be congratulated on the quality and variety of the Humorous Poems they wrote for their Poetry assessment, where they had to consider rhyme, rhythm and poetic language devices, as well as creating multiple verses. Students also enjoyed a visit from Emma our Adopt-A-Cop.

**Middle Purple: Miss Scales and Mrs Duffy**
Our literacy rotations have challenged many students with new and technical goals! Students have been working with our literacy coach, Mrs White to develop and extend their vocabulary by using a range of activities using the I-Pads. Congratulations to those students who managed to successfully email me their work. Students have enjoyed the Maths unit this term learning about angles, symmetry and transformations. Stop by and see some of the artwork that has accompanied this unit displayed on our classroom wall. This Wednesday, we share some work from a previous English unit in the school assembly. We hope you can join us.

**Junior Blue: Mrs Calder**
In Visual Arts, students are creating sculptures. Excitement is building as each of these takes on a form of its own. Students enjoyed posing for the initial inspiration and development phases. Maths assessment this week will centre around number facts and patterning.

**Junior Green: Ms O’Callaghan**
Wow it’s week 9 already! This week in English students will be writing their own event to add to a familiar story book. We have been working on making sure that we have capital letters and full stops in the correct position in simple sentences, and also using conjunctions to create compound sentences. In Mathematics we are representing 3-digit numbers using numerals, words and materials.

**Junior Purple: Mrs Waldon and Mrs Winder**
Last week Junior Purple started their science assessments for term 3 by creating their own diorama landscape featuring either a day sky or night sky. With little assistance other than another pair of hands for sticky taping or tying the year 1 students impressed with creative, imaginative and detailed scenes using this 3D medium. This week they will describe the features of the landscape and activities of depicted people and animals. They will continue the assessment by drawing and describing differences that may be seen in the same landscape and the effect it has on everyday life.

**Junior Orange: Ms Schmida**
Our students engaged with mathematics and the concept of data collection through a porridge investigation last week. We made oats with water and asked a closed question that could only be answered ‘yes’ or ‘no’. We then tried oats with milk, and found out that 18 students like porridge and 2 did not. We represented our findings in a picture graph. The students thoroughly enjoyed the practical hands on learning experience.

**Middle Blue: Ms Levenson**
A big congratulation to Middle Blue for their outstanding teamwork skills, and the delivery of a fantastic performance, at the school assembly last week. The end of term is approaching fast, and Middle Blue have been working extremely hard to prepare for the upcoming assessments. Geography:

- Creation of a brochure of a significant place
  (Remember to visit/research/observe your place of significance).

**Library/ICT News**
Congratulations to all the students who have completed the Premier Readers challenge. It is wonderful to see all our students engaged in reading. Well done!!! Certificates will be presented in term 4.

**Mixed Media Art Classes**
Ms.Cindy’s art classes starting week 2 Term 4. There will be 2 separate groups one on Monday the other on Wednesday. 3:15pm – 4:30pm Cost: $70.00 for 7 weeks.

**TEDDY BEARS PICNIC**
Recruitment Park Tweed Heads at 10am-12:30pm Wednesday 10/9/14. Bring along your picnic basket and share in all the activities. For more information go to www.thefamilycentre.org.au

**REMINDER**
If you have recently changed your phone numbers could you please let the office know in case of an emergency. Also your address details if they have changed. It is important to keep our data base up to date.

**LOST PROPERTY**
Please take the time to go through the lost property bin outside the Admin for your child’s lost property. There are a lot of
WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
TEDDY BEARS PICNIC
RECREATION PARK, TWEED HEADS
10am–12.30pm
FREE

BRING ALONG YOUR PICNIC BASKET
Music, sports & fun activities
Free arts & crafts
Fire Brigade, Ambulance & more...
Local services supporting families

For more information go to www.thefamilycentre.org.au

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