

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ♦ Friday April 7 , 12:30  
Easter Hat Parade  
Easter Raffle  
Last Day of Term 1

### Term 2

- ♦ Students Return  
Wednesday April 26
- ♦ Friday April 28  
Anzac Assembly  
2:00pm
- ♦ Wednesday May 3  
Maclean Show
- ♦ Friday May 5  
Small Schools Cross  
Country Iluka
- ♦ May 9,10,11 NAPLAN  
Years 3&5

# Important

**Thursday  
Cross Country**

**Friday  
Easter Hat Parade  
& Family Afternoon  
Easter Raffle**

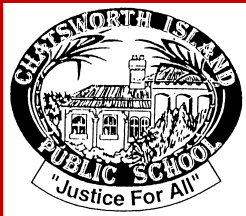
## Canteen Roster

**Wed: Help Needed  
Fri: Michelle & Rachelle B**

## WEBSITE

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### WELCOME TO WEEK 11

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING MERIT AWARD STUDENTS:

**Chatty Champion:** Molly Bennett. **Awesome Awards:** Luke Lambert, Kali Swift, Lily Moresby, Joseph Young, Hendrix Mahoney, Mattea Swift, Lily Palmer, Mia Mutton, Monique McPherson, Luna Philip, Stanley Strange.

**SCHOOL DISRUPTIONS:** Once again the weather has impacted on the day to day running of our school. It was pleasing to see the communication, understanding and appreciation of the situation from our school community. Student safety and supervision remain our number one priority. Thank you.

**CROSS COUNTRY:** We are going ahead with the school cross country carnival this Thursday both in and around the school grounds. Students will walk the course at 9:15am. The 8/9 Years will run at 10am, 10 Years -10:20am, 11 Years- 10:40am and Seniors at 11:00am. Parents are most welcome to come along to cheer the students and assist with course marshalling. Presentations will now take place at the end of the carnival. (11:30am)



**EASTER HAT PARADE THIS FRIDAY APRIL 7:** Not long to go now until our Easter Hat Parade and family afternoon. Parents, relatives and friends are invited to come in and assist students with the construction of Easter Hats and then stay for the parade, BBQ and Easter raffle draw. The day begins at 12:30 pm.



Each student needs to supply a hat and some decorations which will be put together at school by the students, families and teachers. There is no need to go out and buy expensive hats and decorations, this is all about the school community coming together and enjoying the day.

**RAFFLE TICKETS RETURNED:** Year 5/6 parents please note that all raffle tickets need to be returned sold or not by this Thursday. Tickets are still on sale for Friday's Easter raffle at the school office.



**MERIT AWARDS:** Just a reminder to keep your child's Merit Award certificates. Four Awesome Awards means your child receives a Chatty Champion Award and two Chatty Champion Awards within a two year period entitles your child to a School Medal at a Friday Assembly. Merit Awards should be handed to Mr Speirs for recognition.



**HOME READING:** This week we had several students achieve 25 nights home reading. This is great to see. Please remember to send in the Home Reading Journals to your child's teacher. Keep it going boys and girls, and mums and dads!

**ANZAC DAY:** Anzac Day falls on the last day of the school holidays, ( Tuesday April 25 ). Students return to school on Wednesday April 26. We will be holding a special service at the Cenotaph on Friday April 28. The students will march up to the Cenotaph at 2:00pm for the service. I would like to invite all school and community members to join us for this special commemoration.



**DAWN SERVICE:** A Dawn Service will be held at the Cenotaph on Tuesday April 25 beginning at 5:30am. This is being conducted by the Chatsworth Island/Iluka Sub Branch and all school and community members are invited to attend.

### WHERE HAS THE TERM GONE?

As we come to the end of a busy first term I would like to congratulate all the students on their settled approach and progress right across the school. Each class has been working very hard in all subjects and the work and results have been extremely pleasing. The transition to Literacy and Numeracy groups across stages 2 and 3 has been very encouraging.

I quite often visit the other classes and observe the discussions and learning taking place. I always walk out knowing that our students are receiving the highest quality educational experience from a team of dedicated, professional and caring staff.

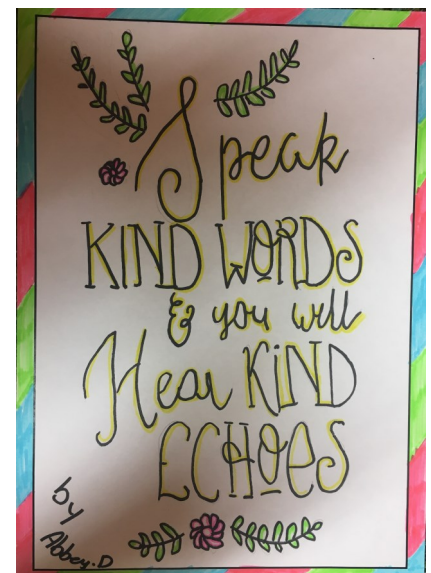
With this in mind please feel free to make an appointment or take a minute to chat to your child's teacher about their progress. Student reports are sent home at the end of Term 2 and there is an opportunity for parent teacher interviews at that time however all teachers are happy to make themselves available if you wish to discuss your child's progress.

Students return Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Monday April 24<sup>th</sup> is a Staff Development Day and all staff will be attending a professional development day at Maclean High-School. The school office will not be open until 1pm on this day. Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup> is Anzac Day and students return on Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup>

On behalf of all the staff I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.  
**GREG SPEIRS**

**WORK OF THE WEEK**  
**ABBIEY DOLAN**



## CLASS NEWS

### KINDER/YEAR 1

What a term! I am extremely pleased with the progress of all students' and have seen lots of positive personal and educational growth over the past 10 weeks. I would like to thank all families for their continued support – together we are building a strong platform for continued learning and success. Over the past couple of weeks we have been finalising our literacy and science units and students will complete some formal (but quite informal!) assessments this week in all areas of learning to assist in future planning of learning experiences.

Students have been working hard to complete art works for the Maclean Show recently – keep an eye out if you have the chance to attend as all K/1 students will have at least one sample entered.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of those students who consistently return their home reading log and continue to borrow books daily. Combined with our sight word practice sessions with Year 4/5/6, their efforts are clearly helping to improve their reading skills, which I am sure you have noticed!

Just a reminder that long hair needs to be neatly tied back to reduce the chances of head lice contamination. A simple weekly conditioner comb through is a great method of keeping on top of this problem.

To end this busy term, Kinder/1 and 2/3/4 will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt on Friday and I look forward to seeing the students' Easter hat creations on Friday! If you are able to assist the children in their hat making, please let me know.

Thanks again for a great start to our learning journey and I wish all families a safe and relaxed holiday break – enjoy the chocolate treats and extra family time.

### YEAR 2/3/4

A big thankyou to all the parents who have consistently persevered with their child's homework, spelling and nightly readers. I have completed Term 1 assessments and results always reveal commitment.

Multiplication facts have improved significantly as well as children recalling on spelling rules and blends when attempting 'new words'!

Children have completed various art works and I have chosen many to be entered into the Maclean Show.

During the holidays, I have asked 2/3/4 to borrow a book (from the library, reading tub, town library or home) and read for enjoyment. During early weeks of Term 2 we will complete a thorough book review on their chosen book. Several children have requested work for the holidays. I will compile an activity booklet and children can return it on Week 1 for marking. Happy holidays and stay safe. Mrs Shannon.

### YEAR 4/5/6

Well it certainly has been a busy term! We have just finished our class novel "Call me King" and completed a cool unit of work on the story. It sure was a good choice to study Antarctica and Weather this semester as we are really becoming quite confident and knowledgeable weather forecasters. The weather has not helped our weekly golf lessons but there is always next term. Our artworks are ready for the Maclean Show and we have been doing some really cool Science experiments with Mrs West. Dance with Miss Lauren continues to be lots of fun and our class is also writing a song for assembly next term. Bring on the Easter Bunny!

**CANTEEN NEWS:** There is no lunch order this week as the school is providing a free sausage sizzle. Canteen will provide onions, coleslaw, tea and coffee for parents and a cool drink for the kids. This is part of our end of term Easter celebrations.

**CANTEEN REPORT:** Due to flooding last week there were absences from school and thus lunch orders not fulfilled. So we will have Subs next term and credit given to all those that ordered and paid last week. There will be a suggestions and feedback box on the serving bench at canteen this week...so I am asking for your children's suggestions for what they like to eat in their lunch box that is not pre packaged and healthy. I also want to know what you think so far of the last 3 weeks choices and variety. Over the school holidays I will be putting together the menu plan for Term 2 so if you would like to contribute I would greatly appreciate your ideas, recipes and feedback. Thanks Michelle and the canteen team.



Nutrition Snippet

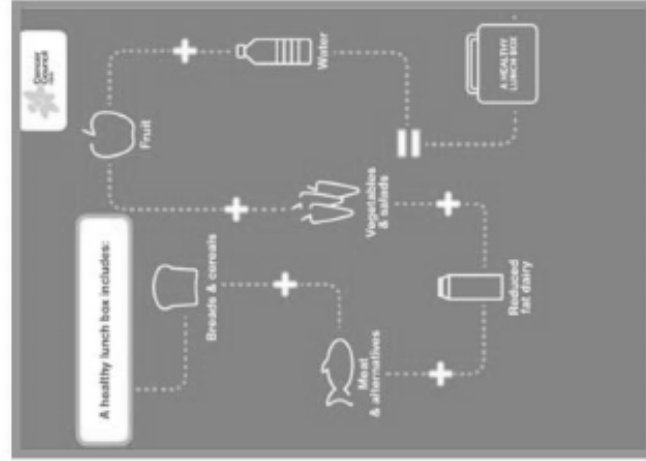
# The simplest way

...to pack a healthy lunch box.

Packing a healthy lunch box is as simple as including each of these food groups. And you can combine several in a single item.

Try a pita pocket (bread) with lamb kofta (meat) and tabbouleh (salad).

Or go for a tub of whole or *puréed* berries with natural yoghurt for a fruit and dairy combo.



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**Eat It To  
Beat It**



**ENROL  
NOW**

**10 Children  
Minimum  
Per Day**

## Vacation Care 2017 Easter Holidays

Week 1: Monday 10th April — Thursday 13th April  
Week 2: Tuesday 18th April — Thursday 20th April

\*8:30am-3:30pm  
\*\$38 per child.

\* Ages 5-12 years  
\* BYO Lunch / Snacks



Activities include: Tee ball, Basketball, Indoor Hockey, Futsal, Roller skating, Touch Football, Table tennis, Handball, Netball, Arts and Craft, Mobility and agility games.

Minimum number of 10 Children for each daily session is needed to run program.

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