

# Maryborough West State School

# West Weekly

Messages from the Principal

#### Musical

What a magical ride the audience was taken on by the cast of "Aladdin," last Thursday night. It was a truly wonderful performance that really showcased what talented students we have here at West. Congratulations to those students who participated in the show and it was clear your efforts and commitment paid off by the quality of the performance. Most importantly everyone had a smile on their face and genuinely seemed to enjoy the experience. Special thanks to Miss Treloar and her team for making this great event happen.

Congratulations must also go to our instrumental music students who set the scene for "Aladdin," by performing in the Quad prior to the musical. These students can be very proud of their performance. The focus and additional time they put into practice was on show for all in the crowd to appreciate. Thanks to Mrs Young and Mr Sue-Yek for the work they have done with these students.

#### Year 5 Excursion

Our Year 5 students went to a career expo at Hervey Bay yesterday organised by the University of Sunshine Coast. It gave the students a very early taste of possible career options available to them down the track. Teachers and students alike reported it was a great day where everyone was engaged and really well behaved.

#### **Playtime**

I spoke with the students on parade last week about playtime. Playtime offers a great opportunity to be with friends, become involved in an activity of your choice and should be filled with fun and enjoyment. In fact, when I ask students what their favourite thing at school is many respond with "lunchtime," for the very reasons listed above. While most of our students embrace play like this, unfortunately for some students we see the exact opposite. A few seem very angry, aggressive, overly competitive and argumentative every time they go out to play. These few students can really have a negative impact on all of those around them. As a school we work closely with these students and try to get them to embrace play as it should be, an enjoyable time for all.

#### **Behaviour**

Incredibly, we only have two weeks of the school year remaining. A key message to all is to finish the year off strong. We can all do this by keeping our commitment to and enacting the Faithful Four- Safety, Effort, Respect and Self Responsibility.

## **Asbestos Removal**

During the Christmas Holidays, we will be having Asbestos removed from outside B Block and the Bridge. There will be no access allowed in the school grounds from Saturday 9 December 2023 to Monday 15 January 2024.

Leon McKay, Principal

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#### **Dates to Remember**

Year 6 Graduation - 6 December

#### **Important Messages**

### **Updating of Records**

If you have moved house, changed phone numbers or changed emergency contacts please let the school office know as soon as possible.

## Reminders

Reminder that our 2 Minute Zones are for dropping off and picking up only – DRIVER MUST NOT EXIT THE VEHICLE.

**Bus Zones** – Police will be patrolling regularly to ensure that these Zones are free at the stated times

### LOST PROPERTY



There is some lost property (jumpers, lunchboxes) under A Block

Please call in and claim your

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## **Positive Behaviour for Learning News**

Nominations are being submitted from classroom teachers over the coming fortnight, of students considered to be eligible recipients of the Golden HOOT badge. These badges were first presented in 2022, with 41 students presented with the 2022 badge at the final whole school assembly of that year. This year's presentation will take place on the whole school assembly of Friday 1 December.

Recipients of the Golden HOOT exemplify the "Faithful FOUR" Behaviour Code of our school, Safety, Effort, Respect and Self-Responsibility. Each student is in the top five of their class in terms of total number of HOOTs awarded to them over the year, and have received a rating of Excellent or Very Good for their Effort in every subject area on their Semester One and Semester Two report cards. Further to this, each recipient has fewer than three negative behaviour entries on their OneSchool record for 2023 and their nomination has been ratified by the Principal.

At the whole school assembly of Friday 10 November students were shown a clip which highlighted an aspect of human behaviour. The aspect being studied was a person's willingness to offer help to another person. The study shown offered the theory that the greater the number of people present, the longer it took for one individual to offer help to another. The idea being that people in a group often think that "someone else" will assist so they do not offer as readily. Students were encouraged throughout week 7 to look for opportunities to say to someone else, "How can I help you?"

**Greg Finn, Deputy Principal** 

## **Year 1 News**

Week 8 has arrived and it's so hard to believe another year is winding down... or up!!.. we've been so so busy.. it's hard to tell.

In our last Newsletter share time, we spoke of putting our LOST PROPERTY stores on display between our classrooms, lower B block, by the stairs, leading to Mrs K's space. We apologise time hasn't allowed us to do this yet, however, our intention is to rectify this by the close of this week. Please watch for a photo on DOJO (both classes) which will show you our LOST PROPERTY and where to come to have a little look (just in case an item belonging to your child has been misplaced or long forgotten).

We have continued to give our best towards completing assessment across this fortnight and are in the process of working on and towards little 'end of the year projects' in our respective spaces.

We look forward to giving you notice about our BREAK-UP Party Day plans in the coming week and THANK ALL OF OUR WEST families for your continued support over this last term of the year. **Ms Sollars and Mrs Kostiuk** 

### **P&C News**



# **Cupcake of Kindness**





# Happygrams/Star Readers

Happygrams 10/11/23 **Star Reader 10/11/23** Daisie Birkett PME **Bryson Stewart PME** Zoe Bright PME Logan P/1E Dene Woodward P/1E Anshuva Dahal 1S Mira-Jane 1/2K Riley Holm 1S Brody Johnson 1/2K Iris Rowland 1/2K Zendaya Ortlipp 1/2K Riley Gallagher 2/3J Xanthe Broquesa 2/3J Evie Zemek 2/3R Sadie Sheppard 2/3J Lilly Burch 4H Mia White 2/3J **Emily** Marley 5B Levton 2/3R Braxton Jensen 4H Alex Shaw 6B Tyler Burch 6T Charley Neaves 4H Erica Jensen Eliza O'Driscoll 6T James Manitzky Parsa 5B Eli Mason 5B Caiohme Solly 6B Layla Sheppard 6T **Happygrams 17/11/23 Star Reader 17/11/23** Sebastian Burton PME Xavier PME Nathan Liddell PME Evie 2/3J Mva Schultz PME Bella Franks 2/3M Aria Dowsett 1S Chase Ashwood 2/3R Braxton 1S Scarlett 4H Ashleigh 2/3J Camden Broquesa 5T Wyatt Geddes 2/3J Bailey Worboys 6T Phoebe Wixon 2/3J Nate Hodder 2/3M Nicholas Johnson 2/3M Wyatt Ridgley 2/3M Aria Fuchs-Salmon 2/3R Siena 2/3R Jaydha-Rose Allwood 4H Ewan Cobban 5T Jaxen Hey 5T Kaiah Maas 5T Nathan Page 6B Alicia Berrigan 6T Jayson Kumar 6T

# **Community News**





