Student of the Week

Congratulations to Katelyn Edgerton who received the Student of the Week Award for Term 1, Week 3. Katelyn received her award for her great work with addition on number lines. Well done, Katelyn!

P&C Annual General Meeting

The 2016 P&C AGM will be held before the next general P&C meeting on Tuesday, 1st March. Parents and carers are asked to attend. At this meeting all executive positions will be declared vacant before election of 2016 office bearers.

Class Movie

We commenced taking video and photos for our Class Movie project today. We hope that the completed video will be available for distribution early in Term 2. Thank you to the families who so promptly returned the permission note.

2016 School Resources

We are asking parents and caregivers to provide the following items with their children for this year at school: a set of headphones (for use with the school computers), a box of tissues and a glue stick each term. Thank you to the families who have already sent in these items to school.

School Books

Many items and texts are supplied each year by the school to help families. We do ask, however, that parents make a $40.00 contribution to help cover the cost of textbooks. We much appreciate the prompt payment of these books. Thank you.

The following outlines what the school has paid per child:

Kindergarten: School paid $46.38 (ex GST) per student
Year 2: School has paid $68.56 (ex GST) per student
Years 3-4: School paid $64.98 (ex GST) per student
Years 5-6: School has paid $51.39 (ex GST per student

Thank you to the familieis who have already paid the textbook contribution.

General School Contribution

School fees are now due and have been set at $50.00 per child with a maximum of $100 per family. These fees assist the school in providing students with general school supplies, access to online computer programs etc. If parents are writing a cheque for these fees they are kindly asked to make the cheque out to Maimuru Public School. You can make payments at the school office. Thank you.

Primary Principals’ Conference

Mrs Pippard will be attending the Riverina Primary Principals Conference this Thursday and Friday. In her absence, Mrs Parkman will be taking the students on Thursday and Mrs Carroll will be in on Friday.

P&C Insurance Fee

Each year the P&C needs to insure students and this is a compulsory fee of $5.00 per student. Parents are asked to send this payment to school to be given to the P&C.

Swimming for Sport TOMORROW

Thank you to the parents who assisted with swimming for sport last Tuesday week. Swimming for sport will continue tomorrow - Tuesday, 16th February. Both Mrs Carroll and Mrs Pippard will be in attendance, but we ask if parents are able to assist again, their help would be appreciated. Swimming practice will be between 11.30-12.30.

Please be sure to send your child/children in full school uniform and send in their swimmers, towel, etc. If you haven't already done so, please send pool entry $2.50 also with your children.

Young Small Schools Swimming Carnival

We would like to remind parents that this carnival is being held on TUESDAY, 23rd February at the Young Pool for all students K-6. Maimuru School will be organising the carnival again this year. All parents are encouraged to attend to support their children and assist with supervision. Teachers will be involved in judging, recording, etc.

A program for the day will be forwarded home on when it is finalised.

YSS Swimming Carnival BBQ

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to assist with the YSS Swimming Carnival Maimuru P&C BBQ. Please find attached a list of names we have so far.

Canteen

Thanks to Karen Steenbergen who volunteered to run canteen last week.

This week, Michelle Dodge will be organising canteen. Michelle will be serving up pizza with ice cream for dessert. Please return your orders TOMORROW.

Next week Kelley King will be organising canteen.

Homework

Homework continues this week. Thank you to the students (and parents/carers) who returned their homework to school last Friday for marking. Please return homework each Friday morning.

Infants homework: As outlined in the students’ homework books. Please remember to continue home reading!
**Primary Homework:** This week primary students will be completing Unit 3.
**Times Tables Drill:**
- Year 3 x3
- Year 4 x4
- Year 5 and Year 6 x6

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**Whole School Excursion**

So far nine (9) families have indicated that they would like to attend the whole school excursion to Canberra.

Our whole school excursion will be to see a performance of the 52-Storey Treehouse at the Canberra Theatre Centre on Friday, 29th April. We would like to gauge how many people will be attending this excursion so that we can finalise bookings.

If we have not received your note, please find another attached to this newsletter. Please return this tomorrow. Thanks!

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**Student Music Lessons**

Music lessons continued last Wednesday and we had two new students sign up for individual music lessons which was great! There is strong research about the positive link between music and academic performance. There is still time should parents wish to sign up their children. Please contact the Young Regional School of Music on 6382 5735 to enrol.

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**ICAS Competitions**

Each year, students from Years 3-6 are given the opportunity to enter the University of NSW International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) competitions in Computer Skills, Science, Writing, Spelling, English and Mathematics. These competitions are extended to children from all over Australia, New Zealand and South East Asia and are very useful for parents to gauge their child’s strengths and weaknesses.

A letter was sent home to parents asking if they would like to enter their primary children into one or more of the competitions. Please return the completed letter with payment to the school before Friday 4th March, 2016. Thank you.

If you are interested and you have misplaced the letter, please let Angie know. Thanks.

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**Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Parent/Teacher interviews for students in Years 2-6 will be held after school on 8th and 9th March. A note is attached for parents to nominate three times for their interviews. Please number these 1 to 3 with 1 being your 1st preference.

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**Maimuru Bus Timetable Change**

Please find attached a special note about changes to the bus timetable for children who travel to and from school by Mullers bus.

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**Term 1 School Assembly**

The first student-run assembly for 2016 will be held on Friday, 8th April along with the first Enrichment Day.

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**SchoolStream App for Mobile Telephones**

Maimuru Public School has an app that can be downloaded onto mobile telephones. The app has the weekly newsletter uploaded each week and parents/carers can submit students absence details through the ‘Forms’ sections. We also use the app to send ‘Alerts’ as necessary. Details of how to download the app onto your mobile phone were forwarded home. For those parents who have not returned their note, another is attached. Please return tomorrow. Thank you.

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**Reminders**

Please note/return the following to school as soon as possible:
- Canteen Order
- Assistance with BBQ at YSS Swimming Carnival
- Sausage sizzle order (YSS Swim.Carnival)
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Schoolstream note
- Whole School Excursion note
- Permission to film….note

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**Next P&C Meeting**

**Tuesday 1st March 2016**

Commencing 3.20pm
To finish by 4.30pm

At the next P&C meeting we hope to develop a plan to promote Maimuru Public throughout our community. Ideas and volunteers would be appreciated at the next P&C meeting which is being held on Tuesday 1st March, at 3:20 pm, in the school’s library (Admin. Building). We aim for this meeting to be over by 4.30pm.

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

You are invited to join us for Young’s Family Fun Duck Day
Sunday 21st February 2016 10.00am

Face Painting
Jeringy castle
Signable
BBQ Donuts/Cakes
Novelties
Duck Race
Entry by gold coin
Lucky gate prize

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