Dear Parents, Staff & Students,

Spelling Results (ICAS)

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved success in Spelling Competition

Credit
Ellie de Gunst
Blake Stott
Haylee Holdsworth
Isabella Sammut
Tom Beswick

Distinction
Adam Knight

Year 6/7 Students
Our Year 6/7 students have been enjoying their week in Canberra and Sydney, although very cold at -2.8 C. Our students enjoyed a day in the snow yesterday but were “frozen like blocks of ice” and “slid across the snow like penguins”.

While these students have been away from school, 20 of our Year 6/7 students have also been enjoying activities back here at school. Yesterday we studied the history of Mackay with a walk along the historical precinct in River Street. Mr Cheetham (who conducts History Walks for the Tourist Information Centre) talked to our students about the history of Paxton’s, the site of the old lockup in Mackay, the Leichhardt Tree and the history of the South Sea Islander people.

We enjoyed a tour of Byrnes Pie Factory which has been making pies in Mackay since 1938. Rhondelle had many photos to show us as well as copies of the original title issued when her grandfather purchased the land on which Byrnes Pies still stands. Thank you to Rhondelle for taking the time and also the delicious sausage rolls provided for our students.

After that it was off to Pioneer State High School for a science experience in the lab. Mr Hungerford introduced the students to using bunsen burners, which they then used to complete a fair test on boiling liquids.

Tomorrow it is off to look at the sugar industry with a trip to two farms to see planting and harvesting in action. Following that we will be taking a tour through Sarina Sugar Shed followed by a tour of the Harbour Bulk Loading Sugar Facility.

School Picnic Cancelled Thursday.
There will be no school picnic tomorrow as we will have fewer staff in the school, due to excursions and meeting happening.

Porters Donation to Sydney Canberra Excursion
We are very grateful for the donations provided by the staff of Porters towards our Sydney Canberra excursion. $550 was donated - $10 per student to be used on the trip.

Swimming in Years 3 – 7 Advance Notice
Just a quick reminder to let you know that letters and invoices will be issued for swimming next week for Years 3-7 to commence Term 4, 27 October, every Monday, followed by our annual swimming carnival on Friday 5 December.

Wendy Ross
Deputy Principal

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Tuckshop News– We would like to thank all of our families that have jumped on board Flexischools and created an account to order their child’s lunch. The feedback is extremely positive from both parents who use the service and from our tuckshop convenor Mel and her band of volunteers who have noticed a huge difference in the way the tuckshop is operating. For those of you who are not familiar with the service, it is a cashless online ordering system for your child’s tuckshop order. Simply visit www.flexischools.com.au to create an account. Add your child’s name and class. Top up your account with funds using 3 convenient payment methods - direct deposit, credit card or paypal. That’s it, now you’re ready to order. It’s fast, easy, and convenient. No more searching around for change at the last minute, no more tears with late orders at the tuckshop window because you child has forgotten to put their order in. If you have any questions or would like to see the system in action visit Mel at the tuckshop on a Wednesday or Friday, she is more than happy to help and will even help you create an account from her
**Tuckshop will be open with a full menu on the last day of Term 3 – Friday 19th September**

**Father’s Day Stall** – I hope all of our Northview dads had an enjoyable and relaxing Father’s Day! Our annual Father’s Day stall was held last Thursday, again another successful stall. Thank you to the parents and students for their wonderful contributions and to the mums who volunteered their time to help man the stall. Thankyou

Jacqui Morris

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**Active Towns**

Confident rider bicycle education

The whole family can learn bike safety, basic bike maintenance and road rules at a free two hour PCYC facilitated school holiday bike education class.

**Thursday, September 25 & Monday, September 29**

9am - 11am Victoria Park State School, Mackay

Numbers are limited - please call PCYC Mackay on 4942 3296 to reserve your spot. Bikes and helmets are provided or you can bring your own.

For details visit: mackay.qld.gov.au/activetowns

More cycling, more often, on safe, direct and connected routes

An Active Towns initiative of the Queensland Government and Mackay Regional Council.

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**BreastScreen Queensland**

Digital Mobile Unit

Will be located at

NORTHERN BEACHES BOWLS CLUB

Bucasia Rd, Rural View

2nd & 3rd October

7th & 8th October

Women 40 years and over are eligible to join the BreastScreen Queensland Program

Phone 13 20 50 for your FREE BreastScreen appointment

Queensland Government

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**School Holiday Fun Days**

For primary school aged boys and girls (5 to 12 years)

Held on: Wed 24/9, Friday 26/9

Wed 1/10, Fri 3/10

Times: from 9.30am to 11.00am

Cost: $16.50 per session/child

Bookings required – please phone on 49420032 or email admin@mackaygymnastics.org.au

Come and have fun inside, out of the sun!

Kind regards,

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Club Administrator

Phone: 07 49420032