Dear Parents, Staff & Students,

**Parent Information Evening**
Just a reminder that tomorrow evening, Thursday 12th February, we will be holding our Parent Information Evening. The evening is divided into four timeslots to allow parents to visit each of the children’s classrooms. Times are as follows:

- Yr P-1 classes 5.00pm
- Yr 2-3 classes including 3/4S 5.30pm
- Yr 4-5 classes 6.00pm
- Yr 6 classes including 5/6H 6.30pm

This is a great opportunity to meet your child’s teacher, and find out more about the units of work and assessment tasks students will be completing this term. Teachers will also discuss communication and how they can keep you informed and actively involved in supporting your child’s development. The sessions will take place in your child’s classroom.

Mr Manttan and Mrs Ross will be available to supervise children in the library if parents are unable to make arrangements to have their child(ren) supervised at home. Look forward to seeing everyone there!

**Student Resource Scheme and Year Level Activities Scheme**
Yesterday every student should have received a letter regarding our Student Resource Scheme and Year Level Activities Scheme. A participation agreement form (1 for each student) for the Student Resource Scheme was also attached. We ask that this agreement and payment be made by March 6th.

**School Consent Form**
Each year, we are required to send home a school consent form to parents to sign to give our school permission to publish their child’s photo, name and school work in our newsletter, website, facebook, newspapers etc.

The school consent form has been sent home with this edition of the mini-news. It would be appreciated if parents could complete and sign the form and return to the office by February 20th so our records can be updated.

**Touch Football Season**
Mackay Touch Association will again be holding a Junior Mixed Competition commencing Wednesday 4th March – 24th June. Total of 15 games.

**AGE GROUPS:**
- U6/U8 born 2007-2009 or U10 new to touch football
- U10 born 2005/2006
- U12 born 2003/2004

**REGISTRATION FEES:**
All age groups - $70.00 per player/Family
Concession (3 or more children playing) $180.00 per family.

A permission/medical form has been distributed to interested students. This form is also available from the office. How many teams we enter will be dependent on how many students complete the permission form and enclose $70 registration fee.

This season we are unable to provide coaches/managers as Mr Clarendon, Miss Agnew and Mr Manttan all have prior sporting commitments on a Wednesday afternoon. We will only be able to nominate teams if we can get parents to put their hand up to manage teams each Wednesday. Teachers are more than happy to run training sessions during lunchtimes here at school. Please indicate on the permission/medical form if you are able to assist with coaching/managing, or email admin@northviess.eq.edu.au.

**Working Bee**
Sunday 22nd February we are holding a working bee from 7.00am - 10.00am to complete a few jobs around our school. The main tasks will include:

- Dismantling the pergola area outside year 1 Block.
- Weeding and mulching gardens around classrooms. *(require trailers, wheelbarrows, shovels etc.)*
- Removing low tree branches around playground – Mr Meineke will cut these down prior to the working bee. *(require trailers from*
parents happy to take branches to green waste dump)
If you are able to assist we would be most grateful. Our P&C will put on a sausage sizzle and can of drink for morning tea when we’re finished.

P&C News

New Faces at Morning Tea
It was great to see so many new faces at our welcome morning tea, followed by our first P and C meeting for 2015. The Principal shared information updating parents regarding the start of the school year and general priorities we will be working towards. School and P and C Events for this year were also discussed along with new and interesting ideas, including school banking – more on this later!

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Katrina O’Hara from Mika Accounting Services for her generous sponsorship for our Prep students to appear in the ‘My First Year’ lift out in the Daily Mercury in March. We can’t wait to see their smiling faces in the newspaper!

Tuckshop News
We would like to thank each person putting their hand up for Tuckshop this year and we are grateful for the new parents starting in the Tuckshop this term – we are sure you are going to enjoy it. So far we have managed to replace the valued parents who are no longer able to help out, however we are still looking for a few more parents. This will ensure everybody has a definite 4 week rotation.

Are you available for 2 hours in the morning on a Wednesday or Friday to volunteer in the tuckshop? The busiest time of the day is from 9 – 11am so we require a couple of volunteers per shift to prepare our student’s lunches. We are exploring the possibility of having our tuckshop service available on a Monday and require a few more people. When you volunteer in the Tuckshop we provide you with a free lunch on the day that you work and a $5 tuckshop voucher to use towards your child’s tuckshop order.

If you are interested in volunteering please pop into the tuckshop to see Mel Gibbs or call her on 0437 083 324.

Treasurer Position Vacant
Unfortunately our current P and C Treasurer Mrs Sue Nipperess no longer has kids at Northview and will not be nominating for Treasurer at the AGM. We are currently looking for a new Treasurer, preferably with financial experience but not essential. Please call Tania Morgan on 0435 490 155 for further details. As our AGM is next month we are hoping that the new person is able to continue in this role for the rest of this year.

AGM has been scheduled to be held on Monday 9th March, following parade, in the hall conference room. All current office bearers will step down and then nominations will be accepted for all positions. We really hope you can make it and consider taking on a role on the executive committee.

Let’s WIN a $5000 Classroom Makeover
Simply collect as many tokens as you can from the Daily Mercury and drop them into the box in the school office. Competition starts this Saturday.
BOOKCLUB

Welcome to Bookclub for 2015. Our first issue for the year has now been distributed to the oldest sibling at the school. If you require further copies, there will be spares available in the library for each issue as well. Orders for this current issue close on Thursday 19th February, 2015 so please no late orders and ensure your orders are clearly marked Bookclub and placed in the payments slot in Administration. Please do not hesitate to contact Pauline Thompson on 0407 165 438 if you have any questions or would like to know further information. From your wonderful support of Bookclub over 2014, we were able to purchase approx. $730 in additional books and resources for our fantastic library at Northview. Thank you and Happy Reading!!!

Mackay Junior Oztag

Season Information

When: Our season starts Wednesday the 11th of Feb. We will play 10 rounds over 10 weeks on Wednesdays.

Time: Games will be played from 4pm – 6pm. They are 30 min games. We play the younger kids first and the older kids later

Who: Girls & boys aged 5 – 15. We generally separate the teams into girls and boys, however some teams do nominate as a mixed team.

Cost: $85 registration, $25 oztag shorts. No game fees.

Where: Quarry Hill

Sign On: Online via website – www.mackayoztag.com

JUNIOR BASKETBALL SIGN-ON DAY

Where: Mackay Multi Sports Stadium, Juliette Street
When: Saturday 14th of February, 9am - 12noon
Cost: $75 per season (12 weeks from January til June)

5 Clubs to choose from: Magpies, Midgets, North Mackay Magic, Renegades and Souths

Game Days:
- Wednesday 5 - 9pm: Under 14 and 16 Boys Under 14 Girls
- Friday 5 - 9pm: Under 16 Girls
- Saturday 8am - 3pm: Under 8 Boys and Girls Under 10 Boys and Girls Under 12 Boys and Girls

Club competition offers 1 training and 1 game per week.

REFEREE’S ALSO WANTED!

- Sign-up for free
- Earn extra pocket money
- Flexible hours / game times
- Keep Fit
- Meet new people
- Increase your basketball knowledge and understanding

ATHLETICS COACHING

Coaching sessions will cover a variety of events including sprints, jumps and hurdles. All sessions are conducted by a qualified Track & Field coach.

CHERYL DIXON
National Accredited Coach
AA Level 4 Jumps
Long, High, Triple & Pole Vault
AA Level 4 Sprints, Hurdles & Relay
ASCA Level 1 CAD
Coaching Athletes with a Disability
Sports Medicine Level 1

TRAINING DAYS

Monday to Thursday
Time: 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Age: 10 years to adults

SATURDAY CLUB DAYS
Time: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Years: 4 years to adults

Cheryl mobile: 0432 283 882
Training fees are not included in registration. Please contact Cheryl for further information.