**4 Learner**

Pre-Prep Program (84 Learner)

This highly successful program is designed to help prepare your child for school. 84 Learners will commence on Wednesday 10th February, from 9.00am.—11.00 am. Please phone the school office for more information on 49 125 333.

**Sports News**

Interschool Sport (Y4-6)

Friday sports has commenced for 2016. The cost will continue to be $3 per week which can be paid Friday morning at the school office. Team sport forms part of the school Health and Physical Education program and as a result, will be compulsory for students in these year levels. We are a uniform school and as such, it is expected that when students go to represent our school, they will be in full school uniform. Students who are not in school shirt will be loaned a school shirt for the afternoon. Students will need:

- Red school shirt
- Black shorts or bike pants
- Shoes suitable for running
- A hat
- $3 bus fare every Friday
- Individual water bottle

**Otag**

On Friday the Otag team played The Hall State School, we defeated them 15 - 1. All the girls played a terrific game.

**Soccer**

Last Friday the Junior Soccer team played Crescent Lagoon State School. The team scored in the first minute and never looked back, winning 10-7. Player of the match was Liam scoring 2 great goals.

The Senior Soccer team had a solid win over Crescent Lagoon State School on Friday. The whole team played well with Daniel Dans scoring the only goal of the match to give us a 1 - 0 victory. Daniel was also named our man of the match.

**Hippy**

Hippy is an exciting early childhood program aimed at giving parents the skills to get children ready for school. A HIPPY tutor will visit you to deliver Free Fortnightly activity packs and resources. The HIPPY office is located at the primary school and operates Tuesday - Thursday from 9.00 am - 3.00 pm. For more information call or text 07 4912 5333.

**Principal’s Report:**

School Leaders 2016

The school leader elections were held earlier this week, with all candidates doing an outstanding job in delivering their message to the school. Congratulations to Jesse Tyne and Amy Hansson on being elected as the school captains for 2016 and to Shiann Hixon, Ruby Royes and Alkira Oram for being elected as school councillors. I am sure these five elected representatives will promote and lead the school to the highest standards and I look forward to working with them throughout the year.

House captain elections have also been conducted and congratulations goes to Alkira and Delta from Gold House, Django and La’Karna from Green House and Alex and Shiann from Blue House on their election to these positions.

Attendance

I would like to congratulate the students, parents and families for the outstanding effort over the first four weeks of school. Attendance is up across the entire school, with every class achieving above the school target of 90%. Currently the student population is attending at 95% which is an incredible achievement. The school will continue to work closely with families that are having difficulty with regular attendance, through positive means, to ensure the best outcomes for all students.

Reading

Last week, each student received a reading record sheet to promote the enjoyment of reading. The new homework reading process is designed to foster an enjoyment of reading in each child and reward them for making their own positive choices around reading. Several students have already achieved their first reward level and will receive recognition for this next week on parade. A huge thank you also to the Mount Morgan newsagency for their support in promoting reading at the school, through their donation of prizes.

Dogs in the school ground

Dogs can easily become upset by the hustle and bustle of a busy school. We would not like to see a student bitten or an animal hurt. Even small dogs can become overwhelmed. Please avoid bringing dogs into the grounds whether on a lead, in your arms or running loose. Thanks.

Robotics

The school has recently purchased ten education robotics kits, in an effort to improve the digital literacies and technologies the students engage with throughout their education. Currently Mrs Hammermeister’s class is developing their knowledge of the construction and programming of the Lego© based kits through engaging hands on activities that are directly linked to everyday technology use. It is hoped in the near future, we will be able to extend and build on the number of students involved with this engaging learning tool.

Until next time

Brad Carlson
School Captains

The 2016 School captains and councillors have been announced, congratulations to:

- School captain: Jesse Tyne
- School captain: Amy Hansson
- Councillors: Shiani Hixon, Ruby Royes, Alkira Oram, Django Camm

Students will be presented with their badges on parade, Tuesday 8.50 am at the undercover area.

GRIP Leadership Conference

The GRIP Leadership Conference for our school leaders will be held on Thursday 25th February, at the Rockhampton Leagues Club. Further information on this events will be given to students.

Book Club News

Due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a delay in submitting orders to Scholastic. As there were a large number of orders, I do not expect the items to arrive here at school until end of next week, earlier if we are lucky. Thank you to all families who ordered items on this issue giving the school just over $200 in bonus points to purchase resources for the classes.

Regards

Chris Schluter
Book Club Organiser

School Dentist

The Oral Health Service Mobile Dental Van will be visiting in the near future. The dental van will be located at the Mount Morgan High School for a limited time. Oral Health services provide a free service for children from 4 years to the end of grade 10. A Parental Consent and Medical History Form has been sent home with students, please complete these and return to the school office ASAP so your child can be examined.

For emergency appointments please call 0407022750.

Parade

Parade will be held each Tuesday morning at the undercover area commencing at 8.50am. All parents or carers are welcome to attend.

Classroom Assistance

If you are able to assist classes with reading, home reading or any other task, please let your child’s class teacher know. Parent assistance is welcomed here at school and provides wonderful benefits to the delivery of school programs and student learning. Many thanks to those parents who have already indicated their willingness to assist.

Student of the Week

Mrs Hammermeister’s class:
- Week 2: Ketelyn Schneider
- Week 3: Alula Camm

Mrs Reid’s class:
- Week 1: Axle Royes
- Week 2: Ailsa Williams
- Week 3: Jacob Dawes

Every Day Counts

Please ensure your child is here at school every day. Our goal is to have all students attending 95% of the time! Even occasional days off will have a negative impact upon learning and achievement. Education Queensland’s Every Day Counts policy promotes four key points:
- All children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day.
- Schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular attendance.
- Truancy can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices.
- Attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

We are very glad that our school community understands the importance of these messages.

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Home Access to Reading Eggs and Mathletics

All students at MMCSS have now been given access to these great learning opportunities. Students may have school time to access these programs but this access also extends to home use. (Providing you have internet connection). Letters are currently being mailed home that contain your child/ren’s login in details. So please keep an eye out for this. This letter was mailed to the address that is currently in our system, so if you have not received this information, please confirm your contact details with the school. If this information has been misplaced or has gone astray, your child/ren’s login details are available from the school on request.

Please note that a Reading Eggs session counts as a reading episode for home-reading homework.

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WANTED: Books (Good Quality)

Good quality books are required for our book stall at the Mount Morgan Central State School Fete.

Books required:
- Children---- Special Interest---- Novels---Toddler --- Art and Craft---Easy Reads

It would be amazing if you could help us. Remember all profits from our stall will go towards the school. If you are able to help, please drop off your books to Ms Peacock in the office or Mrs Knight in the smARTS room (Monday and Tuesday). This might be the time to clear out cluttered bookcases!

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Knight and Ms Peacock

Amusement rides will be operating and unlimited ride armbands are available for a pre-purchase price of $25 at the school office, or $28 on the night or $5-$7 per ride. Rides suitable for all age groups.

Hi to everyone that services the Mount Morgan Community!

We are calling for registrations for a stall/activity at the Mt Morgan Twilight Family Fair. Held in conjunction with Mt Morgan Primary P&C and Communities for Children Capricorn this is a great community event for the whole family.

It would be great to have you involved, as a fun way to get that important information out to families.

If you are interested in being a part of this day or need further information refer to our facebook page https://www.facebook.com/CCFPCapricorn/

Or phone Kirsten Hardy on 0428 292486.

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