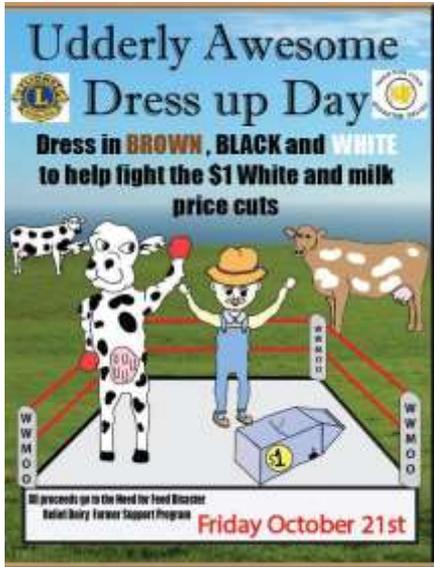


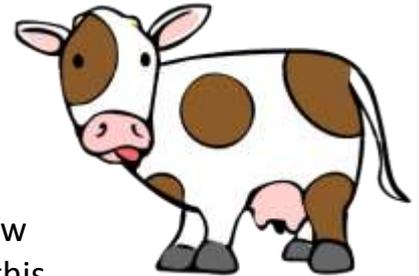


PARENT NEWS *Term 4, Week 3*



UDDERLY AWESOME DRESS UP DAY

On Friday 21 October we will be showing our support to the plight of Dairy Farming families who are doing it tough because of the milk price crisis. Students are invited to dress in brown, black and white (cow colours) and donate a gold coin to this cause. This day should be lots of fun and we hope to have some amoozing cows roaming the school grounds.



More information is available on the Udderly Awesome

Dress Up Day Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1794904770793243/>

WALK & TALK WITH THE PRINCIPAL



As part of our transition plan for students who will come to year 7 next year we will be holding two more opportunities for parents and carers to “Walk & Talk” with the Principal.

This is your perfect opportunity to come to the high school, have an informal tour of the school facilities and grounds with Mr Toshach followed by morning tea and chat. You will be given the opportunity to ask all the questions you like in a relaxed manner. We look forward to seeing lots of new parents along at these 2 events.

When: Tuesday 18 October 4.00 to 5.00pm - TODAY

Wednesday 19 October 9.30 to 10.30 am - TOMORROW

Please phone the school office to let us know you will be attending on Ph: 40967111



ATTENDANCE AWARDS

2016 – TERM 4 – WEEK 2

YEAR 7 96.23%



FROM THE P&C

P&C Monster Raffle

We were sad to have a book of unsold tickets handed into us which was found in a rubbish bin. Please, if you are unable to sell your book of tickets, just return them to us unsold at the tuckshop on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday before school.

Thanks to everyone who has already returned their tickets stubs and money. It's good to see some students aiming to win the Lenovo tablet for the most tickets sold.

All the raffle prizes have been donated, so 100% of the money raised from the raffle will go to the school to the benefit all of our kids. The P&C is aiming to raise funds towards a new sound system for the hall which can be incorporated into the classroom and learning as well as being used for events and performances.

Don't forget – please return your ticket stubs and money (or unsold tickets) to the P&C representative at the tuckshop on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday before school starts. If you are unable to sell your tickets, they can be passed on to another student so it would be good to get them back as soon as possible. Thank you.

Can you help?

We are getting ready for our last fundraisers of the year:

- The P&C will be managing gate entry at the **Malanda Bull Ride** on **Saturday 5th November** from 3pm to 7pm, with the gate opening at 4 pm (the Malanda Bull Ride has offered a generous donation to the P&C in return for our help);
- Then on **Saturday 12th November** we have undertaken to provide the catering at the **Small Farms Field Day** from 8 am till 4 pm. This is a huge fundraiser for us and only comes around every second year – we will need **LOTS** of helpers for food preparation, cooking and serving. We would love some help from students too.

There are two ways to let us know you would like to volunteer:

1. Click on [P&CFundraiser](#) (or type www.schoolinterviews.com.au in your browser) and use the specified code below to log in and then follow the instructions on the screen.

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2. Email to pandcpresident@malandashs.eq.edu.au to advise when you could help.

P&C Meeting

A reminder that our next P&C meeting will be held tonight (Tuesday 18th October) at 7.15pm in the Ag Building – all welcome.

Malanda SHS P&C Monster Raffle

\$1 per Ticket Drawn: Saturday 12 November 2016

1. Eacham Hardware – Kelso Wheelbarrow (value \$280)
2. Tess Peachey – Quilting & Sewing pack (approximate value \$200)
3. Kuranda Scenic Railway – return family pass (value \$190)
4. Skyrail – return pass for two adults (value \$150)
5. Paronella Park – family pass (value \$124)
6. Cairns Zoom & Wildlife Dome – entry & two "Zoom" activities for 2 adults (value \$110)
7. Mamu Tropical Skywalk – family pass (value \$64)
8. Hartley's Crocodile Adventures – entry pass for 1 adult & 1 child (value \$55.50)
9. The Crystal Caves, Atherton – family pass (value \$55)
10. The Crystal Caves, Atherton – family pass (value \$55)
11. Artistree Gallery, Yungaburra – \$30 voucher
12. Global Freestyle, Yungaburra – \$30 voucher
13. Malanda Dairy Centre – \$25 voucher
14. Gallo Dairyland – \$25 voucher
15. Petals & Pinecones, Atherton – 2 x "Creation Jar" vouchers (value \$20)

A BIG THANK YOU to all businesses and individuals for kindly donating our prizes!
Please support these businesses as they support our community.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The students are thoroughly settled into to the work of term 4 and all systems travelling well. Very important the staff and student keep each other focussed through what is always the busiest part of the year. Right now there are many possible distractions to learning if we allow students to side step their main purpose. We have transition events, presentation evenings, graduations, leadership elections - all of which are very important but inconsequential to the outcomes of the students’ academic courses. I ask parents to support students by keeping their home life as simple as possible and allowing them time and quiet space to complete their work at home where necessary.



Of course I look forward to all the upcoming events and celebrations which are indicated on the calendar of events at the end of this newsletter. This will be an opportunity to meet parents and community supporters of the school and share our wonderful achievements. Please be in touch with the school for any information or bookings needed to be part of our end of year activities.

Regards

Gary Toshach

Principal



TRANSITION INFORMATION YEAR 6 INTO YEAR 7 FOR 2017

STUDENT ORIENTATION		
Wed 30 November	Transition Dance	Year 6, 7, 8 and 9 student dance (further details will be provided to Yr 6 students and their families closer to the date)
14 to 25 Nov	Enrolment Interviews	Two weeks set aside to finalise enrolments for 2016. See below for information on how to book an enrolment interview.
30 November	Transition Day	Year 6 students visit Malanda SHS and participate in a day at high school.
2 December	Transition Dance	Yr 6 students who will attend for year 7 in 2017 are invited along with students from year 7, 8 and 9



TRANSITION INFORMATION – please note – NEW DATE FOR THE TRANSITION DANCE IS Friday 2 December at the school hall. More information closer to the date.



Malanda State High School



*Parents & Carers
You are cordially invited to attend*

Presentation Night

Wednesday 26 October 2016

7.00 pm

Please help us celebrate the successes of our students.



JAPAN TRIP REFLECTIONS

Our visit to the city of Hiroshima had a big impact on all the students on the Japan Trip. It was a very different day to the days previous which had been action packed with visits to temples, shrines and plenty of shopping. Hiroshima had a very different feel to it, but one that seemed to have a positive air, and the students really liked being there from the minute we got off the Shinkansen bullet train. After we delivered the paper cranes, folded by students from all year levels at Malanda SHS, to the Children's Peace Memorial, students took turns to ring the bell for a peaceful future. It was fantastic to see how respectful and engaged the students were as they walked around and explored the Peace Memorial Park, including the A-bomb Dome. The group then entered the Museum, where they all came out saying they had not had nearly enough time. We spent our last hour at the Peace Museum listening to a presentation given by Atomic Bomb Survivor, Keiko Ogura, who had been 8 years old at the time of the bombing. Her story left an impression on everyone, and her message of spreading peace in the world was one that all the students took to heart.



A place on the trip that impacted me was the Hiroshima Peace Memorial as it showed how horrific and devastating war can be. Before visiting the memorial, I only had some basic background information on what had happened but visiting Hiroshima made me realise how catastrophic the atomic bomb was and how it affected and still affects people today. Listening to a survivor also gave me a deeper understanding and an emotional connection to the people affected. The park was definitely the place that impacted my perception the most and was a memorable experience. *Gemma Dowse*



While experiencing a different culture was definitely highly rewarding and a very eye opening part of visiting a foreign country, the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park was by far the location which had the heaviest emotional impact in my eyes. It was life changing to see just how significant the damage was after the A-bomb was dropped and how the city people were so resilient in rebuilding Hiroshima in such little time, taking almost no time to recover the shock of what had happened. Sitting with the A-bomb survivor and hearing her story was such a memorable, once in a life time opportunity that will forever be something I am thankful for being told.

Overall, the trip was absolutely amazing and such a wonderful success especially considering it was the first Japan Trip to take place at Malanda State High School. I think it is important that the trip stays as a highly educational experience as well as being fun for the future students. *Nikkita Scutter*

During the trip the experience that had the most impact on me was the Hiroshima peace park. Being able to walk in small groups around the atomic bomb dome and listened to the a-bomb survivor allowed me to have a greater respect for those not only in the Hiroshima bombing but all families that have been pulled into war. The memorial was a respectful area that were all learnt and noticed how fortunate we are to be in a school that is untouched by war and surrounded by loving families. Being able to talk to the a-bomb survivor and spread her story will stay with everyone for a long time. *Amy Webb*





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SAFETY - LEARNING - RESPECT



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If your student is absent please use one of the following options: Phone the school office on 40967111 on the morning of the absence OR Email to absentees@malandashs.eq.edu.au



MALANDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL – AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL
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Last Thursday an U15 girls Netball Team competed in the annual Mossman 7s Carnival. For many of these players it was their first netball competition and they all worked exceptionally hard, eventually winning their playoff (doubling the score of the opposition). In typical Malanda style their behaviour and conduct was exceptional, on and off the court. Well done girls. A special thank you to Tracey Coutts who was a wonderful support for both myself and the girls on the day. *Selena Harding*



FROM THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council conducted its last scheduled meeting for the year on 11th October. The purpose of this meeting was to review the governance and effectiveness of the Council so far, as well as initiate the strategic direction process which will guide much of 2017 and beyond.

2016 has seen a whole school revamp of policies and plans, most of which required Council endorsement. This was a time consuming and thought provoking task seeking feedback from our stakeholder groups. The result though was not only that the school continues to move forward with clear policies and plans, but furthermore the Council now has a very clear foundation for considering the future strategic direction of Malanda State High.

Such is the enthusiasm and dedication of this group though that they have decided not to wait until next year, but rather get a foothold on the strategic thinking this year so we can hit the ground running in 2017.

Thank you to all Council members for their dedication and commitment in 2016, not only to the Council but our great school.

The student representative positions are only held on a yearly basis, congratulations to Maddy Parise and Jardine Irwin who were re-elected for 2017 by their peers.

School Council members for 2017

Selena Harding (Chair)

Gary Toshach (Principal)

Lizette Webb (P&C President)

David Kilpatrick and Kevin Mallyon (Staff representatives)

Lisa Nation, Tess Peachey and Catriona Arnold-Nott (Parent representatives)

Madeleine Parise and Jardine Irwin (Student representatives)

THE GREAT 2016 MALANDA FALLS DUCK RACE

Sunday 6 November 2016 from 11am. Racing starts at 1.45pm

A community picnic day with food stalls, merry go round, train rides, safe swimming, competitions, displays, live music, market stalls



Sponsor a numbered duck through the Malanda SHS School Year Level Leaders or at the office. \$5 per duck or corporate ducks available for \$20

\$\$\$ CASH PRIZES \$\$\$

Help us Help our local Lions Club.



IMPORTANT DATES

18 October	Walk & Talk with the Principal 4.30pm
19 October	Walk & Talk with the Principal 9.30am
19 October	Ag. Connect – K Block
20 October	Defence Force Presentation Yrs 10,11,12
21 October	Junior Respect Me Program
21 October	Udderly Awesme Dress Up Day
26 October	Presentation Evening
27 October	Yr 12 Choices Presentation
28 October	Indig. Youth Leadership Sharing Success Workshop
28 October	Junior Respect Me Program
1 November	Authority English Exc to Cairns – to be confirmed
2 November	Election Parade
3 November	Sport House Captains Election
11 November	Remembrance Day
12 November	Small Farms Field Day – P&C would like your help
16 November	NDIS Community Meeting – School Hall - 5pm
17 November	Final Parade for Year 12
18 November	Year 12 Graduation
25 November	Year 10 & 11 Finish for the year
30 November	Transition Day for all 2017 Year 7 students
2 December	Transition Dance
9 December	Last day of school for 2016
23 Jan 2017	School commences for 2017

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