Maclean Public School



Newsletter

Issue No. 3 - 7th April, 2025







Autumn inspired Art Club



News from the Principals desk

Welcome to Week 11, and our final newsletter for term 1. Thank you to the wonderful staff, students and community for welcoming me to Maclean Public School. It has been so lovely getting to know and work with you all. I am looking forward to what term 2 has installed for us.

Anzac assembly

Thank you to Mrs Moloney who has organised a special Anzac Day assembly for students and our families to attend tomorrow at 12pm in the hall. A student from each class will lay a wreath as part of the commemoration. Thank you also to Mrs Moore and her music students who will provide music for the occasion.

Additionally students and families are invited to attend the Anzac Day March in Maclean leaving from the Boulevard at 10.40am marching to the cenotaph on the corner of Short, River and Wharf Streets Maclean on 25th April. Students are encouraged to wear full school uniform, bring a long a school hat and drink bottle. I hope to see you there.

Student Representation

Well done to both Ivy and Jemima who partook in the North Coast trials for girls Rugby 7's. A great achievement for both girls who switched codes to participate in this trial. Congratulations to Ivy who was selected in the North Coast team against some tough competition with Ivy set to compete later this year at the State Championships. We look forward to hearing how you go!

Aboriginal Education Group

Thank you to families who were able to attend our first Aboriginal Education Meeting for this year. It was a great opportunity to collaborate with our families to better support all students and Aboriginal Education at Maclean Public School. A date has been set for next term's meeting with an invitation to be sent to families.

High Performance Gifted Education

Members of our High Performance Gifted Education group attended Maclean High School on Tuesday 25th March to participate in the first of a series of opportunities available to public school students from across the Lower Clarence including Yamba, Palmers Is, Harwood Is, Chatsworth Is, Iluka and Gulmarrad. This workshop was aimed at encouraging our students in the areas of Writing and Mathematics/STEM. Students had the opportunity to hear from Byron Bay author PA Thomas. Students walked away with some great ideas on what it takes to become a successful writer. Later they partook in some creative thinking challenges that involved working collaboratively with their peers. Thank you to Maclean High School for facilitating these opportunities and Ms Delaney for her sessions and taking the students to this special day.

School photos catch up day

Tomorrow is school photo catch up day for those who were unable to attend our last photo day.

Easter Hat parade

All families are invited to join in the fun of the Easter Hat Parade this Friday at 9:30am. Thank you Mrs Roberts who is organising what will be a great way to end our term. Thank you also to our P&C who will provide yummy treats for those wishing to purchase home cooked morning tea.

Cane Harvest

We hope that all our students can attend the Cane Harvest March on Saturday. Our school banner is looking awesome. I know Miss Bec has a special surprise for students she has been working on for the parade. For those of us old enough, the Cane Harvest Festival was a wonderful community event remembered fondly by many. Please see the below flyer for more information. Thank you to the P&C for holding a stall. If you are able to volunteer for a small amount of time on the day it would be much appreciated, all fundraising goes towards supporting our school community.

Native Bees

Thank you to Mudyala for facilitating a wonderful opportunity for our stage 2 students to learn about Native Bees. Our school will have been gifted a colony of native bees to be situated in our vege garden area. See the great pics later in our newsletter.

Cross Country

Mr Spicer is working hard to organise our annual Cross Country event set to take place on Thursday 15th May This event is always lots of fun for both competitive and non-competitive students. It is a chance to cheer on our friends and enjoy a scenic run. Mr Spicer is looking at options for a new venue this year. Details and permission will be shared via School Bytes

Competitive race details are:

- Boys 12-13 Years 3km
- Girls 12-13 Years 3km
- Boys 11 Years 3km
- Girls 11 Years 3km
- Boys 10 Years 2km
- Girls 10 Years 2km
- Boys 8/9 Years 2km
- Girls 8/9 Years 2km



Breakfast Club

Families are invited to express their interest in supporting our Breakfast Club. Currently the Lions Club funds and mans the weekly Breakfast Club, they are looking to our school community to continue this great initiative. If you think you can help by volunteering your time serving and prepping a light breakfast please pop your name down at the office.

Attendance Matters

As we get to the end of the term it is a great time to reflect on our child's attendance. It is important to consider what our students are missing when they don't attend school for reasons other than sickness, appointments or justified leave.

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun



Term 1 2025

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					Assembly 2.00pm
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Important Upcoming Events

Cane Harvest Festival

Students have the wonderful opportunity to represent Maclean Public School in the Float Parade on the first Saturday of the school holidays! If you haven't done so already, please check the School Bytes app and complete the Special Event - Indication of Attendance.

Students need to wear their full school uniform and hat, and please ensure they bring a drink bottle they can carry. We will meet from 11:35 - 11:45 am at O'Halloran Motors. After the parade, students will need to be collected from Centenary Drive. No child will be released without a parent or carer present.

The P&C are also holding a stall with student art work on display to purchase, along with DIY Easter craft kits, novelty gifts, Baked goods, sour worm guessing competition and a bean bag toss. Drop by and check out all that is on offer.

We're excited to see everyone there and show our school spirit!

Don't forget you can grab your Spot It entry forms from the front office.



Join in the fun of the original Cane Harvest game of SPOT IT!

All participating businesses within the Maclean shopping precinct will display this sign:



Spot the item that the store would not normally sell.

Write the odd items from each store in the form
provided and pop your entry into one of our
competition boxes at IGA Maclean for your chance to
win!









10.30am - late - Shuttle Bus Service Picks up from Townsend Shop, Maclean High School, Maclean Showground and Wherrett Park

MUSEUM (WED 9-SAT 12)

10AM-3PM - 100 YEARS MUSEUM

Old RSL Building Maclean - Take the chance to view 100 Years of Clarence Canegrowers history, past Cane Harvest Festival photos and memorabilia, as well as some photography and art designs from Maclean High School.

FLOAT PARADE

12PM-2PM - RIVER STREET, MACLEAN

- Local schools banner parade
- Local businesses & community organisations on small vehicle floats
- Local farmer displays including tractors, machinery and implements
- Cane planting & havesting equipment and trucks
- Emergency services

Float parade concludes at 2pm

Please proceed to Cameron Park where the fun and festivites continue.

CAMERON PARK

1PM-9PM - CAMERON PARK, MACLEAN

1.00pm Gates Open for Cameron Park site
House music, Food vendors and kids activities

2.00pm Performance: ADAM HOURIGAN (Solo Act)

4.00pm Performance: SONNY JAMES (Solo Act)

5.45pm Welcome & National Anthem MC: RICHIE WILLIAMSON

6.00pm Performance: TROY CASSAR-DALEY

7.00pm Performance: PISTOL WHIP

9.00pm Event close. Last shuttle bus leaves Stanley Steet

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE STAGE

2PM-5.30PM - MACLEAN BOWLING CLUB
(HOSTED BY CROFTON PRODUCTIONS)

Maclean Bowling Club Auditorium. Featuring local schools and dance companies with choir and dance performances.

Anzac Day 2025

Our Anzac Assembly is this Wednesday at 12pm in the school hall. If students have memorabilia they would like to display at the assembly they can drop it to the front office and collected from there at the end of the day. As Anzac Day falls during the holidays again this year, we have a Special Event - Indication of Attendance setup in School Bytes for parents and carers to lodge their child's attendance. If you haven't done so already please do. Staff will be there to greet and supervise those students who are marching at the Boulevard at 10:20am. Students are required to wear full school uniform and hat, please ensure they bring a drink bottle they can carry as it is often hot. After the service children will need to collect from the Cenotaph.





Yr6 Canteen Fundraiser

As this is the last week and the Fun Run has been postponed, it has been decided that Year 6 will have a Fundraiser for canteen this week. There will be an assortment of delicious Easter inspired items available at recess this week. This week's lunch order is for HOTDOG's ONLY and your choice of drink. Frozen treats will also be available after lunch.

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you all for supporting the canteen this term and i am always open to suggestions for future lunch order ideas. Also if you can spare an hour or two on a Friday morning, the canteen door is always open.

P&C Colour Fun Run

Due to the recent weather conditions and our top priority being the safety and well-being of our students, staff, and volunteers, we have made the difficult decision to postpone the Colour Fun Run. We understand how much everyone was looking forward to this event, the new date for the event will be Friday May 9.

We appreciate your understanding and support, and we look forward to seeing you there for a fun and safe experience!
Stay tuned for further updates.

Students can continue to register and fundraise over the coming weeks to go in the draw to be the lucky student to slime the teacher. This will kick off again week one next term.



Easter Events

Our Easter Hat Parade is this Friday under the bottom COLA near Kiss and Drop starting at 9:30am. Families are welcome to come along and watch the parade. Don't forget to bring your money for the P&C bake stall to purchase some tasty treats to enjoy while you watch the parade or to take home to start the holidays. Our easter Raffle will be drawn on Friday. Make sure you return your raffle tickets to the front office before school Friday.



EASTER HAT PARADE

FRIDAY 11TH APRIL
PLEASE JOIN US AT THE
BASKETBALL COURT FOR THE
GRAND PARADE

EASTER HAT PARADE STARTS FROM 9.30AM.
THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE 3 PRIZES AWARDED

TO EACH CLASS.

SECTIONS INCLUDE:

-MOST CREATIVE

-MOST COST FRIENDLY/RECYCLED

-BEST PARADER

SO START CREATING THOSE MASTERPIECES.



EASTER HAT PARADE BAKE SALE

FRIDAY - APRIL 11TH FROM 9:30AM

Let's get egg-cited for some sweet treats!

It's time to raise some dough!

Hop on over to our bake sale during the Easter Hat Parade on Friday, April 11th and support the P&C raise vital funds for our students!







MACLEAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

EASTER RAFFLE \$2-TICKET

RAFFLE DRAWN APRIL 11,2025

WORKSHOPS FOR HIGH POTENTIAL AND GIFTED STUDENTS (HPGF)

PEAC

Ten students from MPS participated in the very first PEAC (Promoting Excellence in Achievement in the Clarence) workshop at Maclean High School on Tuesday 25th March. Joining students from primary schools across the Clarence Valley, our nominated students participated in hands-on activities focusing on English and Mathematics. The first workshop was titled "Unleash Your Inner Storyteller" presented by author P.A.Thomas. Our aspiring writers explored ideas to start them on their journey of becoming a published author. The second workshop was titled "Join Us for an Exciting STEM Math Challenge". Students collaborated with peers from other schools and engaged in critical thinking activities to design and build a structure using everyday materials. We are looking forward to the next PEAC workshop later this year focusing on Visual Arts and Drama. Congratulations to the students involved on representing our school with engagement and enthusiasm!





Meet the Teacher

Year 2 is the best!



What I love most about Maclean Public School is the Kids!

Ms Jo Chorley

About Me

Welcome to 2C! I am Ms Chorley and I am looking forward to another year of teaching year 2. I have been the year 2 teacher for the past three years. making this my fourth year.



Fun Facts



I love dogs!



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I love sport! I have played basketball, touch football, cricket, volleyball, tennis, soccer and swimming.

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My favourite child hood books are anything Enid Blyton wrote. if I had to pick one it would have to be 'The Magic Faraway Tree'. What I love most about Maclean Public School is the Kids!



Italian Food is my favourite.

Who doesn't love when the sauce
drips down their shirt.



Meet the Teacher

CRAYNDLER



Giinagay! My name is Lee Grayndler, but most people know me by my school nickname, Ms G. I am teaching 3/4 L on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this year. I love playing my Djembe drum and the guitar. When I was younger, I played cricket and netball and my favourite team is the Sydney Sixes (women's cricket WBBL). My favourite food is anything cooked on the barbeque and hot chips. I have two dogs named Stanley and Tilly and they are cute little Maltese-cross fluffballs.



I love working at
Maclean Public School
because I am able to
see kindness in action
every day!

Contact

If you would like to touch contact me, please contact the front office and they will arrange a meeting/ phone call for you.









In 3/4L we are encouraged to appreciate our differences and similarities, promote inclusiveness, and show mutual respect for everyone, regardless of race, colour, religion, or background. To celebrate Harmony week we made friendship bracelets for one of our class mates.



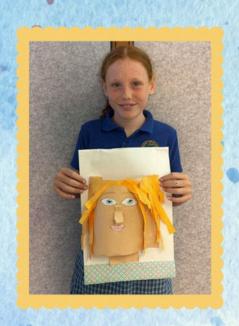


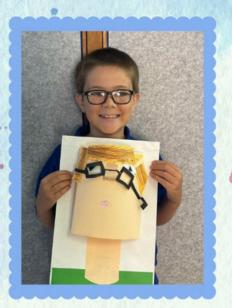




Maths games make learning mathematics more engaging and help students develop a deeper understanding of concepts.







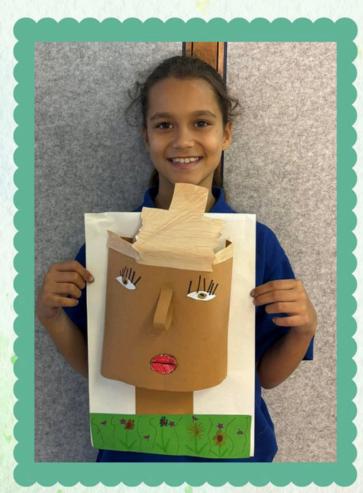












Meet The Teacher



Fun Facts

- Growing up, I played nearly every sport to ever exist, primarily Hockey, Squash and Soccer. However, currently I run of a morning and walk my dog each afternoon.
- My favourite book is the Harry Potter series.
- I have a brown and white border collie called Ollie.
- My favourite food is anything
 Mexican, wrap it in a tortilla.

Mr Cameron Spicer

About Me

This year I am teaching Year 3 and Year 4. However, only Year 4 for maths.

My favourite thing about
Maclean Public School is the
wonderful sense of community
we have and how many exciting
experiences we put in place for
our students each and every
day.

Contact

If you would like to contact me you can email me or contact the office to arrange a meeting.

cameron.spicer6@det.nsw.edu.au























During sport this term we have been working hard to develop our teambuilding and sportsmanship skills through a variety of games including soccer, touch football and hockey. Students were successful in passing the ball and creating space to score goals.

During art, students have been methodical when choosing the appropriate size and consistently applying proportions to create a variety of Australian animals, both above and below the water.



MEETHE. TEACHER Jade Albert



Jade Albert

I am lucky to teach the amazing 5/6A class this

year. It has been a pleasure getting to know the students and discovering all the unique qualities they bring to our classroom. I look forward to every day of learning with them!

Travel and Adventure
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Homegrown Goodness

I have veggie patches at home where I grow fresh produce, and I love using the homegrown fruits and vegetables when I cook.
There's nothing better than cooking with ingredients straight from the garden!

My Furry and Feathered Friends
At home, I have a very energetic
Kelpie and a mischievous Burmese cat.
I also have a flock of chickens, and I
enjoy collecting fresh eggs each
morning – it's one of my favourite
parts of the day!

Something Fun You May Not Know

In my spare time, I enjoy reading autobiographies and challenging myself with a good game of Sudoku. I also love collecting fridge magnets from the places I've visited – it's a fun little hobby that reminds me of the places I've been!

Sports Enthusiast

Sport is a huge part of my life! I've played many sports over the years, including netball, basketball, touch football, Nippers, and physical culture – just to name a few! I also love watching the NRL and get involved in tipping comps each season. Go St George!! I love being active and encouraging students to get involved in sports too, especially through our school's touch football competition.

Meet the Teacher

NICOLE SANDERS



ABOUT ME

2025 is a year of new for Ms Sanders. She has moved herself out of her well loved Kindergarten classroom and made the move to the "big kids" end of the school in 5/6S. In 5/6S this year, there will be a "well rounded" education, with all sorts of creative activities. We started the year strong with some sewing and moved quickly on to weaving and there is definitely the smell of paper mâché in the future!

The best thing about working at MPS is the sense of school pride, the opportunities all students have and the big spaces 5/6S have to work in this year.

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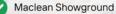
Community Announcements

EVENT BUS SHUTTLES



Forget the hassle of finding a park in town! Hop on one of our courtesy shuttle services running from 10:30 AM ready for the float parade to kick off at 12 PM. Our shuttles will continue running throughout the day and evening to ensure you get home safely.

Wherrett Park





Townsend Shop

Shuttles will be at each stop at least every 30 minutes.

First in - best dressed



GOLD COIN DONATION

with proceeds going to our local community groups who are volunterring to get you on and off the shuttles safely.



APRIL HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CAMP

APRIL 14 - 15 - 16 YAMBA

INTERSTATE GUEST COACH ATTENDING!

MINI BALLERS

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT 10 - 16 YEARS

9AM - 12PM

5 - 9 YEARS 1PM - 4PM

\$50 PER DAY **USE CODE "CFA2025" FOR DISCOUNT****

**UNTIL MARCH 29





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ALL YOUTH WEEK EVENTS ARE DRUG. VAPE AND ALCOHOL FREE, UNDER 12S TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. CONTACT ALLIRA ON 0428 420 908 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Free dental for all children aged under 18

Northern NSW Local Health District provides services in the Richmond, Clarence and Tweed/Byron regions.



Call 1800 679 336 to book a visit for your child (Monday to Friday between 8:30am to 4:30pm)

Easy steps for a healthier mouth

- Brush teeth and gums twice a day with fluoride toothpaste
- · Eat healthy foods and drink water instead of sugary drinks
- · Visit a dental professional at least once a year

How to brush:

Move soft toothbrush in circles over teeth and gums



Outsides



Gentle back and forth scrubbing



Top teeth on the inside



Bottom teeth on the inside

nnswlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/services/oralhealth









SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

LASER SKIRMISH

Tuesday 22rd April, 3pm to 5pm Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing

WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP

Tuesday 22rd April, 2pm to 4pm Rocky Mouth Pavilion, Maclean Showground Bookings essential - text 0414 284 150

MACRAME WORKSHOP

Wednesday 23rd April, 10:30am to 12:30pm Grafton Regional Gallery, Grafton Bookings essential -

https://events.humanitix.com/make-a-macramecrystal-pendant-workshop-for-youth

OUT OF THE BOX YOUTH SESSION Mini Olympics & Snacks

Wednesday 23rd April, 3:30pm to 5pm Out of the Box, Wherrett Park, Maclean Just turn up!

SKATE & CREATE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 23rd April, 3pm to 5pm Iluka Skate Park, Iluka

SURF LESSONS

Thursday 24th April, 12noon to 3pm Turners Beach, Yamba Bookings essential text - 0447 693 863

WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP

Thursday 24th April, 2pm to 4pm Copmanhurst Community Hall, Copmanhurst Bookings essential - text 0414 284 150

and updates, check out our Facebook page Clarence Valley Youth







YOUTH-WEEK 2025 COLOURFUN Free fun day for the whole community FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE BULGARR NGARU YOUTH TEAM ON 0459 632 523 All Children under the age of 13 years need to be accompanied by a responsible adult







YAMBA BREAKERS NETBALL CLUB

SEASON 2025 REGISTRATION OPEN

SEASON STARTS SAT MAY 3RD 2025

-Divisions-

SET.GO

For players whose date of birth is within the range: 31 Dec 2012 - 31 Dec 2020

JUNIOR & SENIOR

For players born before: 31 Dec 2016

TO REGISTER GO TO WWW.PLAYHQ/NETBALL.AUSTRALIA.COM



JUNIOR/ SENIOR







YAMBA OVAL



Art - Jewelry Making

Spray painting - Jenga

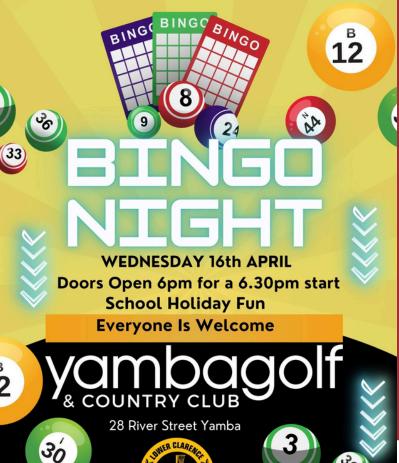
Tie dye - Mini games -

Games on the oval

SET-GO

16TH APRIL

11AM-3PM



Money raised to assist Rep Netball Players attend Netball **NSW State Titles**

FREE FNC SCHOOL HOLIDAY **CRICKET CLINICS**



CRICKET NSW

Perfect for those looking to continue to build skills for

winter academies or for off season training



WHERE: HARWOOD OVAL, HARWOOD WHEN: 9AM TO 1PM THURSDAY 24TH APRIL 2025 WHO: BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 7-14

COST: FREE

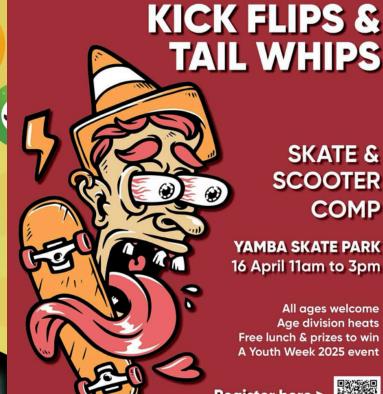
REGISTER HERE: WWW.TINYURL.COM/CNSWHARWOOD

GIRLS ONLY CLINIC





REGISTER HERE: WWW.TINYURL.COM/GIRLSLENNOX



SKATE & SCOOTER

COMP

YAMBA SKATE PARK 16 April 11am to 3pm

All ages welcome Age division heats Free lunch & prizes to win A Youth Week 2025 event

Register here >















HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

BASKETBALL COMPETITION

Partnering with NSOA to provide a fun Basket Ball competition for Youth. Teams must register. See Clarence Valley Youth page 10am till 2:30pm at JJ Lawrence Park, SOUTH GRAFTON

COLOUR FUN RUN

Partnering with Bulgarr Ngaru and more to make a fun obstacle course for kids to run and get splashed with colour 9am till 12pm at Wherrett Park, MACLEAN



OUT OF THE BOX ACTIVITIES

Come have fun with Clarence Valley Council's Out of the box session, fun and games, weaving, plus free pizza for youth from Regional Youth. 3:30pm till 5pm at Wherrett Park, MACLEAN

SENSORY PLAY WITH EASTER COOKING, CRAFTS & HUNT

Here is one for the family! Come and enjoy Easter themed sensory play, make some Easter crafts and snacks, and join in for a hunt 10am till 1pm at Rocky Mouth Pavilion, MACLEAN SHOWGROUND

Contacts

YOUTH GOLF DAY

Encouraging all youth to participate in a one day Golf Day with a bit of friendly competition.

9am till 2pm at Maclean Golf Course, WOODFORD ISLAND

SURFING, PADDLE BOARDS & FISHING; OUT OF THE BOX

Enjoy day at the beach with various water based activities for youth.

10am till 2pm at Turners Beach, YAMBA Clarence Valley Council Out of the box session. Get in on the fun games

3:30pm till 5:30pm at Yamba Skate Park, YAMBA

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FREE.

Any children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Limited transport is supplied - Contact John for details on 0402 425 117 Meals are free with all events.

Website: http://mudyala.org.au

