Dear Parents, Caregivers and Staff,

**State University of New York (SUNY) Visitors:** Next term our school will welcome three assistant teachers from the Southern University of New York (United States). Working at our school will be Beth-Ann Kinney (2M with Ms McKay), Abigail Cornier (Yr 6 with Jodie Allen) and Hayley Kosiner (Kanjini with Lynne Coupar).

It is a fantastic opportunity to grow our global links and extend caring, sharing and learning together across the world. I know our students will enjoy working with our visitors and regular class teachers.

**Parent – Teacher Interviews and Reports:** Please remember Semester 1 report cards will be emailed to parents and distributed on paper during the final day of term (Friday, 24 June 2016).

Semester One Interviews can be booked online. Interviews will be mostly conducted in Week 1 and 2 of Term Three from Wednesday, 13 July 2016 to Friday, 22 July 2016.

Parents can go to the link: [http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/) and use the code 9tq7h. Bookings will open at **3pm Friday, 24th June 2016** and close at 3pm Monday, 11th July 2016.

**Fun Run Update:** We are pleased to announce that the School Fun Run raised $13,484.30. The P and C Association will allocate these funds for the future Playground project.

Special mention goes to the PT Class who was the highest class fundraiser with $1009. Kayden M from 3B was our highest school fundraiser with a total of $509.16. Well done everyone and thanks for supporting our students.

A special thanks also goes to those students who received a certificate for Raising over $100 Online. These students were Evie T, Madeline A, Eli M, Noah P, Sarah C, Joshua C, Jayden H, Jagger P, Athalia K, Troy G, Jake G, Tylah S, Maya D, Seth T, Billie B and Summer S.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

**Well done Kayden Our highest fundraiser!**

Kayden from 3B was our individual highest fundraiser for our recent School Fun Run P and C fundraiser. He raised $509.16. Kayden was awarded an electric scooter for his efforts.

When Kayden was asked how he raised so much money he said he rang all his relatives. He said some of them didn’t answer the phone first time, so he would ring back again. That’s persistence Kayden - great work.

Our P and C Association have chosen the new School Playground as their major fundraising initiative. With the amazing effort and support of all of our students and families they are well on their way to reaching the target.
Athletics: The first week of Term 3 will be used for our Athletics Carnivals. Dates for these events are:

- Year 2 and 3 (Tuesday, 12 July 2016) [Click here for Program]
- Prep and Year 1 (Wednesday, 13 July 2016) [Click here for Program]
- Year 4 to 6 (Thursday 14 and Friday 15 July 2016) [Click here for Program]

Holiday Message: As this is our final newsletter for the term, I’ll take the opportunity to congratulate everyone on a successful term and wish you an enjoyable and restful vacation. Enjoy time with your family and we look forward to Term 3 beginning on Monday, 11 July 2016.

Rob Van den Heuvel
Principal

Every Face has a Place

As part of our Whole School Assembly theme last week every student’s photo was placed around the hall. They look fantastic and will stay on the wall until the end of the year. Please contact the office if you do not want your child’s photo to be on display as we are fortunate that our school hall is being hired as a polling booth for the upcoming election and the general public will be able to view all the photos. You can email us on admin@mtncreekss.eq.edu.au

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ITEMS AROUND THE SCHOOL

Pictured is Mackenzie with proud mum Gayle Wells after receiving her ‘Being Respectful’ award at assembly on Tuesday. Well done Mackenzie!

Mackenzie is one of our many amazing award recipients acknowledged at assembly each fortnight.

SCARLETT’S ART AWARDS

Scarlett was one of 75 students who entered into the 36th Immanual Arts Festival, which is the largest event of its kind on the Sunshine Coast. Scarlett’s charcoal picture of ‘Toothless’ was given an Encouragement Award and Scarlett was presented with her prize by Immanual Arts Festival Committee Member Mel at Assembly last week. To add to the excitement of winning, Scarlett’s art work was sold on the day making it her first art sale.

Scarlett also recently won a 2nd prize ribbon for her art in the Grade 3 art category at the Sunshine Coast Show. The theme was ‘On the Farm’ and Scarlett drew a farmer on a horse. Congratulations Scarlett and keep up the great work!

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Our school celebrated the end of Term 2 with a wonderful assembly. The focus was on acknowledging our positive school community and ensuring every face has a place. The walls of the hall were decorated with the beautiful faces of the children of our school. It was a spectacular display. During the assembly we heard reports from the many events that happened at school. Many students performed various musical numbers and sporting achievements were acknowledged. Well done everybody for an amazing end of term celebration.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AND KIDSMATTER UPDATE - ACTS OF KINDNESS

There is an old song called “Try a Little Kindness” which I remember from my childhood. The lyrics of this song sprang to mind thanks to the kindness shown by a wonderful organisation called Sunshine Linus Inc. Sunshine Linus Inc. is a non-profit group of volunteers who provide quilts and other comforts to those in need, living in the community of the Sunshine Coast. The group endeavours to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children and adults who are seriously ill, traumatised or otherwise in need, through the gift of new homemade comforts such as quilts and blankets, and other handmade items, lovingly created by volunteers. They also provide
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As students develop with their spelling, they also understand that words originated from somewhere other than Australia and this develops students etymological knowledge. The activities we give students after explicit teaching, helps to develop these 4 knowledges. The activities also reinforce student understanding about the order of letters and why words are spelt the way they are. Not to mention, the students have a lot of fun.

The team at Sunshine Linus Inc. are happy to receive donations of clean quilting fabric or fabric for other sensory projects. Other items like wool and lace are also useful. For more information please visit this website http://sunshinelinusgroup.blogspot.com.au/

When I walk around our school, I see so many acts of kindness. This week, I would like to acknowledge our wonderful senior students who are Playground Pals. These students kindly give up some of their playtimes to support our younger students. This is a great example of Caring, Sharing and Learning Together. Have a wonderful week.

Louise Blanch
Guidance Officer

**SPELLING AND WRITING**

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Some year 2 boys very proud of their writing skills

Sunshine Linus Inc. very kindly donated a beautiful weighted toy to the MYCP program at Mountain Creek State School. Two weighted toys were also donated to Kanjini. We are very thankful for the beautiful toys we received.
Term 3 Playdate Program - Prep 2017

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Under 8’s Day Success
It’s been an awesome term with so much happening in the Chaplaincy Service. It has finally come to an end and I must admit, I am looking forward to having a break.

Our mentors have done an amazing job this term in supporting our students. They have built up positive relationships with them and are such wonderful role models for these students. They also do some exciting things together each week. One of our mentors Nikita is pictured working with her mentee Latoya to replicate an aboriginal painting that her grandfather had painted many years ago.

It is a privilege to assist Mrs McCann and Miss Scott in the running of the Student Council this year. We have such a great bunch of leaders who are always willing to serve the school and students. This last week they have all been very helpful in selling ice-creams to raise money for their school project.

It was special to see the Shine girls get up on stage at final assembly and perform “What I am?” by Will I Am. They were fantastic and very brave. Many of these young ladies would never have done something like that before they had started the Shine program. They have all grown so much in confidence and self-worth and it is wonderful to see how far they have come.

Sunshine Coast Marathon: Lisa came to speak last week about helping the Chaplaincy Service raise some much needed funds. Chaplaincy is only covered by the Government for two days a week. The other days need require fundraising. You don’t have to be a runner to enter any of these events. Please support our service by just getting involved. It is an opportunity to get away from all that technology at home for one morning, get out into the community, spend some quality time with your family, get some exercise and raise money for Mountain Creek State School Chaplaincy. Besides the walking/running events (2km, 5km, 10km, 21km, 42km), there will also be a lots of organised activities such as free jumping castles, music, bands, sausage sizzles, movie characters and our very own Mountain Creek Tent where you can hang out. If you would like be part of my team and raise money for the Chaplaincy Service you need to pick up an information page on how to register from the school office.

Here’s wishing you all a wonderful, relaxing break with your children over the holiday period.

Take care
Chappy
Hello Everyone,

Term 2 has just flown past and the P and C have been busy settling into our new roles.

- Talia is already preparing for our next ‘fun’ event on **Friday 2nd September, 2016** (it will be more than just a movie night!)
- Sarah is busy ordering chocolate boxes for Term 4 fundraising - just in time for Halloween ............... 
- Katrina is busy ordering new stock for our Father’s Day stall - great for the kids!

If you are interested in joining us, don’t be shy. Come along to our next P and C Meeting on **Thursday 21st July at 6.30pm** in the staffroom - Administration block. Everyone welcome!

2016 P and C Executives: Matt, Lindsay, Nakita, Sharon and Naomi

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**School Banking:**

**Competition and Prizes**

Entry into the draw for a tour at Australia Zoo is the big news if you make 15 deposits by the end of term 3 - School banking just became even more enticing. Also students who make three or more deposits during Term 3 will have a chance to win one of the Star Saver prizes including 50 camping kits, 90 instant cameras and 200 magazine packs.

Happy banking from Amanda and the banking team, have a fabulous holiday!

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**Café Connect**

Café Connect will be closed early at **1.30pm on Friday 24th June 2016**

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**P AND C AND COMMUNITY NEWS**

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**1st week of school holidays**

**Magic Workshop**  
Monday 27th – 2pm – 4pm, and,  
Wednesday 29th June – 2pm – 4pm  

**Rhee Taekwondo** – training all year  
Monday 27th – 5.30pm – 6.30pm, and,  
Wednesday 29th June – 5.30 – 6.30pm  
Come along - Free 1st trial class during holidays

**Women’s Adult Roller Derby** – training all year  
Training – Wednesday 29th June 7.15 – 9.15  
Training – Thursday 30th June 5.30pm – 9.30pm  

**Little Kickers - Soccer skills** – training all year  
Thursday 30th June - 4.10pm – 5pm (aged 5-7 yrs) - oval  
Saturday 2nd July – no classes  

**Federal Election - Saturday 2nd July**  
Vote at school and support “Chaplains sausage sizzle”

**Metro Church**  
Sunday 3rd July – 10am service all year.

**2nd week of school holidays - Hall closed for floor renovations**

**Makin’ Music – ipad classes**  
Saturday 9th July – 12.30pm – 2.30pm  
Saturday 9th July – 3pm – 5pm  

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**All programs are open to the General Public**