



Term 4 Week 9

8 December 2020

Principal's Message...

Welcome to week 9. Thank you to everyone who came along to our Christmas Concert. The students and staff did a great job preparing for the event. Congratulations to everyone for all the wonderful performances.

This Friday morning at 9:30 we will be having our final assembly for the year. We will be presenting a number of students with awards and farewelling our year six students and some of our staff. Those staff leaving this year are Hailey Stollard, Meg Taylor, Catriona Stoeckl, Scott Bertus and Dina Fernandez. We wish them all the best for the future.

Does your child need to visit the dentist? This week the dentist is available at MacFarlane Primary School. Please phone Katherine Dental Clinic on 89738573 or come to school and visit them.

Friday 18th December is the last day of school. The canteen will not be open during recess and lunch but will be taking recess and lunch orders. There will be no hot food available.

Have you purchased a raffle ticket from the school office? Tickets are \$1.00 each. Thank you to those families who have donated a gift for our Christmas hamper raffle. The prize is amazing. You've gotta be in it to win it!

Is your child returning to MacFarlane Primary School in 2021?

Please contact staff in the front office if your child will not be returning to MacFarlane Primary School next year.

Do you have a child who will be attending preschool next year? An orientation day will be held on Monday 14th of December at 3:00pm at the preschool. Natasha will be presenting to parents. Next year Natasha will be moving to transition with the preschool students. Allyson Billot will be teaching at the preschool in 2021. She is a very experienced preschool teacher currently teaching at Jabiru Area School. Please contact staff in the front office if you would like to enrol your child or you would like further information.

Last week we started our parent/teacher meetings. They will be continuing in week 10. Student progress will be discussed and student reports given to parents/carers at the meeting. This is a wonderful opportunity to talk to your child's teacher about their progress and find out about what will be happening in 2021. If you are unable to keep your appointment please contact your child's teacher to organise another meeting. We will also be launching the new School Stream mobile app to keep you up to date with what is happening at school. This will be discussed with you at the parent/carers meetings.

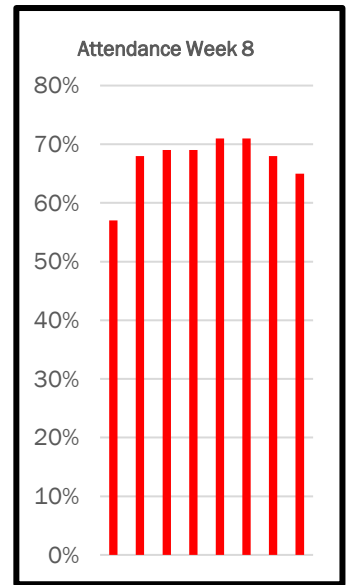
We will be running a competition to launch our brand new School Stream mobile app. The first 10 parents to download the app will get a special Christmas gift!! ☺ The School Stream app is completely free to download and will truly transform the way we communicate. You'll need the School Stream app to be able to stay up to date with the latest news and events and you will even be able to return forms and reasons for absences with the click of a finger. No more crumpled paper notes to get lost at the bottom of school bags!

TO DOWNLOAD YOUR SCHOOL STREAM APP:

Enter 'School Stream' into your app store > Search 'MacFarlane Primary School' > Verify your account using your mobile number > Enter the 6 digit code delivered > Enjoy having the latest information at your fingertips.

COVID UPDATES

- For the latest information for to the Australian Government Department of Health website: <https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>



Have you considered being on the school council? If you would like more information about this please contact staff in the front office. Our next School Council Meeting will be Tuesday 15th December at 5:30pm in the staffroom. This will be the final meeting/celebration for the year.

I hope you all have a lovely week.

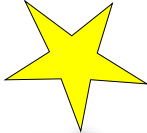
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Principal

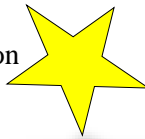
Student of the Week

Letasha Raymond
 Quineesha Farrell
 Jackie Young
 Swaiide Runyu
 Daisy Arnold
 Mason Lines
 Evan Nish
 Zemisha Ryan
 Bryson Pedwell
 Damien Gillett



Merit Awards

Lennox Avalon
 Shanequa Manager
 Holly George
 Coral Adidi
 Aiden Brown
 Oliver Wing
 Lynara Martin
 Annalita Huddleston
 Lydia James
 Danielle Rossack



Mahoney



2083

MacFarlane House Points

Nixon



2126

Pedersen



1794

Dates to Remember

Year 6 Graduation Wednesday December 9th at Knott's Crossing Resort 6 pm for parents to take photos the dinner for the Year 6 students and staff at 6:30

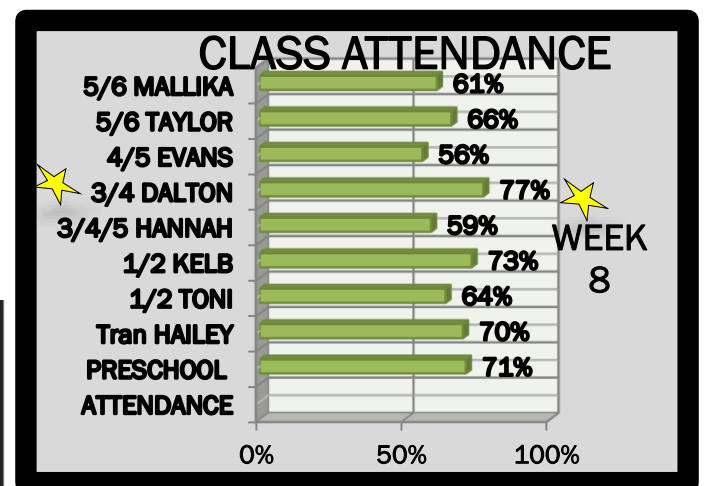
End of Year Awards Assembly- Friday 11th December 9:30am

Don't forget Carols by Candlelight at the Katherine Show Grounds from 6 pm onwards, Saturday December 12th MacFarlane Dancers will be on at 6:40. Come and see our children shine.

Last day of school for 2020 Friday December 18th



Gorgeous Christmas Trees from 5/6 Mallika & Transition Hailey more to see next week.



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- Easily register absentees and excursions.
- Keep up to date with events and set reminders.

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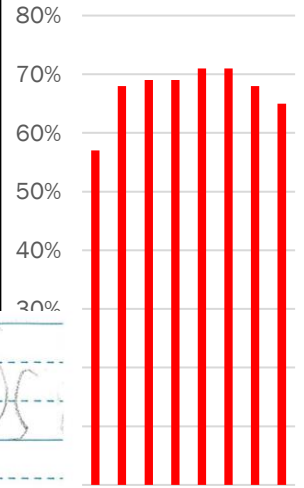


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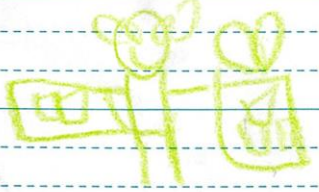
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Attendance Week 8



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 steal my presents
 He came down chimney.
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 and I growl at him he ran away
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 Christmas presents
 me and my baby sister
 we open the presents
 we be happy



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 Tyquade Waterloo
 8 1/2 years

TYQUADE V (1-2-2020)

Once upon a time on Christmas night I video clipped Santa eating my cookies with my big brother. We went outside we saw the sleigh so we jumped on it but Santa went into the sky so I fell out of the sleigh. My big brother told Santa to help so they caught me but Santa went too fast so we crashed. When we crashed we woke up in the snow. The sleigh was broken but we helped Santa save Christmas by going to the North Pole and getting the elves and Mrs Claus to look for the reindeers. So we saw the reindeers we rode the reindeers I was kidding on Comet the leader of the reindeers. Santa wasn't saving Christmas it was me my big brother the elves and Mrs Claus. The elves was on there little gliders giving the kids presents Mrs Claus was giving the kids presents by using her magic and my big brother was driving the sleigh and I was chilling at the back of the sleigh eating candy canes.

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Declan Alum
8 $\frac{3}{4}$ years

