At this stage we do not have any volunteers to help in the Tuckshop this Friday 17th May. Lunch will be 11 ish. If you can help out in the Tuckshop your help would be greatly appreciated. Without any volunteers we won’t be able to serve lunch till after 12. This year we won’t be working and selling food and drinks from the Hall Kitchen. We will have normal Tuckshop the same as every Friday.

Students in grades (PREP- 7) have been provided with an offer of oral health care pack to take home last week.

The pack includes:
- Child & Adolescent Oral Health Service Brochure
- Examination Card

If your child is enrolled in one of the grades listed above and did not receive an offer of care pack and you would like to arrange for your child to receive oral health care please contact the Oral Health Call Centre 1300 300 850. Monday to Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm Excluding Public Holidays.

If your child requires disability access please identify this requirement with the Call Centre Operator.

I hope all the mums had a lovely day on Sunday and received some well-deserved pampering! Thank you to everyone who donated gifts for the stall and to those who helped including: Sonia English, Justine Robinson, Renae Knowles, Sher Muir-Smith, Wendy & Carlia Blunt, Joy Carter, Alec Bennett, Sarah Browning, Byron Rooney and Sandra (Jack Small’s gran). We raised some valuable funds for our school and the children had fun choosing the gifts. Have a great week - Julie.

With the colder weather upon us winter uniforms are in stock. Please note black stocking or leggings are not a part of our uniform.
I do have a large selection of green tights selling out for $1.00 a pair.
Also multi coloured school jumpers are not allowed. If you are unable to afford a new uniform we have good quality second hand uniforms available for purchase also.

Thanks Janine
COMING EVENTS

May
14 May Naplan – Tue, Wed & Thu
Yr 3, 5 & 7 till 16 May
15 May No Senior Band 7:45am
17 May Interhouse Cross Country
22 May Carnival of Words 9:30am-12:00pm
24 May District Cross Country
25 May Senior Band 07:45am
29 May Senior Band 07:45am
30 May Combined Band Day Canungra

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

We understand that there will be times you may be unavailable. Please either swap your shift or contact the School. Thank you.

Wed 15 May Volunteer Needed
Fri 17 May Volunteers Needed (Cross Country)
Wed 22 May Vicki Bouwer
Fri 24 May Kikumi Bennett & Janine Van B
Wed 29 May Volunteer Needed
Fri 31 May Michelle Moyce

MOUNTAINS MATES MUTTERINGS

Outside School Hours Care Service
Ph. 55459124 or a/h 55333340
email-mountainmates@bigpond.com

Welcome to Term 2 Week 5
We hope all of our Mum’s enjoyed their day last Sunday and especially enjoyed the gifts the children made for them at Mountain Mates.

On Wednesdays as the children explore various cultures of the world, they are discovering some very interesting identities. Any information you may have at home that you would like to share with the children would be welcome.

We had another exciting round of Martial Arts on Thursday, with the children learning how to defend themselves if someone grabs them by the hair. Lots of squealing but also lots of fun. Tom (our instructor) is choosing a child each week who is showing particular enthusiasm and presents them with $125 voucher for Arakan Martial Arts. Last week Jack impressed Tom with his skills & focus and received a voucher. Well done Jack.

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU
Mountain Mates would like to send out a big thanks to Karen (White) who gave us a heap of art and craft books. We would also like to thank Justine (Robinson) and Masters for the beautiful plants.

SCOOTERS SCOOTERS SCOOTERS
We still have 2 scooters at Mountain Mates which were left here after Wheelie Day. Do they belong to you??

NEWS FROM ADMINISTRATION
Our new and improved Policies and Procedures Manual is available for your perusal at the Mountain Mates desk. We have adopted several new and relevant Policies to help run Mountain Mates to the highest possible standard.

Hoping you all have a fabulous week.
From Kim, Janine, Kerry, Clare, Kara & Christie. Your Mountain Mates Team.

LIBRARY NEWS

In term one Miss Stanley encouraged students in year 6/7 to enter a competition with the Scholastic Book Club.

We received some very exciting news this week when we found out that Phoebe Burchell had won! She received a $20 Book Club voucher for herself and $50 worth of books for the library. Plus every student in Phoebe’s class (6/7) received a free book from Scholastic. Congratulations Phoebe!

May is National Family Reading Month
‘When you make reading a family affair and encourage everyone in your family to read for at least 10 minutes a day, you provide reading role models for your children. This positively impacts on your child’s literacy development and learning confidence, giving them a greater chance of success in school’.

Have a great week and keep reading.
Trish O’Connell pocon7@eq.edu.au

PREP NEWS

Hi there everyone hope you are enjoying your week and that the children all spoilt you rotten on Mother’s Day. They worked very hard to create your card, bookmark and make your coaster. Sorry I didn’t get the chance to seal the coasters so you may need to do this if you don’t want them wrecked. Instead they could be a hanging ornament.

Last week we learnt the sound w as in wind and ng as in ring. This week our new sounds will be v as in van and long and short oo. The children have completed writing and creating a postcard to someone and they all did a really great job of this. I am so proud of the way they are coming along with their writing, it is great to see.

In maths we made a patterned macaroni necklace which was great fun and we were able to use some new rollers to print patterns as well. We
also used the musical instruments to make patterns too.

This week on Friday is the cross country day. Let’s hope we have lovely weather as the children have been practising so hard with their running.

Congratulations to last week’s award winners Jaimie Bennett and Lochlan Douglas for a great effort with their writing. Also to the winners the previous week which were Jasper Harris, Jayden Clausen and Mia Taverna. Mia for great work on class activities and Jayden and Jasper for wonderful writing.

Hope you all have a great week, Warm regards, Tania Evans tevan27@eq.edu.au

YEAR 1/2 CLASS

This week I am hoping to complete quite a few assessments in order to have the latest data to include in the Semester One reports which we are beginning to write. Please try to avoid unnecessary absences from school this, and next, week to help with this data gathering.

It is great to have such lovely rain as the children have finished planting the butterfly habitat and vegetable garden. They got some hands on practice in combining materials when they helped Mrs Barrett construct and install the teepees for the climbing vegetables.

Congratulations to last week’s award winners: Miranda Cording for super-fast word sorting, Kobi Marshall for careful science observations and Jonah Bowen-Brown for the highest score on the Literacy Planet Leaderboard.

If there is anything you wish to discuss you are welcome to contact me on 55459100 or kpryo8@eq.edu.au

Wishing you all a good week,
Kerry Pryor kpryo8@eq.edu.au

YEAR 6/7 CLASS

Welcome to week 5. Of course you are probably aware that the NAPLAN tests are taking place this week. I have spoken to the class about having a positive attitude when sitting the tests and that they should try not to feel any more pressure than if they were doing any other class task.

In English we are finishing off a unit on persuasive writing. The children have been writing some really persuasive pieces of work, some of these have been published in the newsletter. The children will be completing a final piece of persuasive writing based on a school issue this week. You may find that some of these may also be published.

Congratulations to those children who earned an award this week: Spencer Wood, Bella Innis and Amy Cleworth for being respectful, responsible and mature class members.

Have a good week. Regards,
Elizabeth Perkins perk17@eq.edu.au &
Crichton Roberts crobe60@eq.edu.au

PERSUASIVE TEXTS – INTRODUCTION/ SIZZLING STARTS

SMOKING CAN KILL

Can you feel the toxic and poisonous chemicals sliding down your throat each time you smoke a cigarette? Smoking kills people everyday! Cigarettes contain hundreds of deadly chemicals which give you cancer and other horrible diseases. If you are a smoker think about the consequences before you smoke a cigarette.

By Lachlan Ayers

COUGH!! COUGH!! SPLUTTER!! SPLUTTER!!

Do you hear that? It’s the sound of you dying. When you smoke your lungs go mouldy, your brain goes bad and worst of all others around you slowly die as well. If you smoke you are guaranteed to die early. That is a fact, I know it, you know it and scientists know it. I strongly believe that if you smoke you need to try and quit now. Stop, before the suffering begins!

By Billy Connelly

PARENTS & GUARDIANS,

On Tuesday, the 21st May, Nerang SHS will be holding their annual Parent Information Evening. It will be an opportunity for you to learn more about the exciting and unique programs that Nerang State High School can offer your child as they progress to the next phase of their educational journey.

Programs such as:
- The COMETS Academic Excellence Program
- Our specialty Signature Programs offered in Culinary, Dance/Drama, Music and Industrial Design.
- Scholarship Opportunities
- Support Services & so much more.

It will be conducted in Nerang State High School’s hall and commence at 5:30pm for a 7:00pm finish. If you require further information, you can visit us on our website www.nerangshs.eq.edu.au or please feel free to email me at avool42@eq.edu.au.

Thank you and I hope to see you there,
Aaron Woolnough
HOD Of Jnr Secondary
Nerang State High School
COMMUNITY NEWS

**Beechmont Netball Club News**

Congratulations to the Tigers who were superb with a 6 to 2 win which was very pleasing for coach Kim. The Bandicoots and Eagles continue to amaze us with stunning wins. The Bandicoots won 21 to 3 and Eagles 11 to 2. The Saints not so lucky in a rainy start but played hard enjoying a good work out on a Saturday morning.

Coming events are the Scenic Rim Carnival at Boonah on Sunday 21st July.

The SCNA Annual Carnival on Sunday 18th August.

The Hinterland Carnival on 16th June.

Please let your coaches know if you are available so we can register to play.

Don’t forget our club merchandise, Bags, Jackets and Caps all in our club colours with our Logo.

Next weeks games are Eagles and Bandicoots at 9am, Tigers at 10am and Saints at 11am.

Greg 0405206076

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**Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services**

Did you know that Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services in both the community and school dental clinics accept Teen Dental Vouchers?

Good oral health care is important for young people. The government has provided Teen Dental Vouchers to help enable and maintain good oral health and preventative care. These vouchers can be presented to private dentists or Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services, including a community or school dental clinic.

Children attending schools up to the end of Year 10 who present a Teen Dental Voucher with Gold Coast Oral Health Services will receive a comprehensive examination, x-rays, scale, clean and a full course of care. Children in Years 11 and 12 in receipt of a voucher can only be seen by Gold Coast Oral Health Services if the eligibility criteria is met. They will then be placed on a waiting list to receive a comprehensive examination, x-rays, scale, clean and a full course of care.

If the Teen Dental Voucher has been used at a private dental practice, completion of the private dentist’s treatment plan will need to be undertaken privately at own cost. Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services will only be able to provide Emergency Care for these children, not a full course of care as prescribed by the private dentist.

Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services have qualified and experienced dentists, oral health therapists, dental therapists and dental assistants who work together to provide a range of oral healthcare services to meet your child’s specific oral health needs in a caring environment.

As the Teen Dental Voucher expires by 31.12.13, it is important that you arrange your appointment as soon as possible by telephoning the Gold Coast Oral Health Services Call Centre on 1300 300 850. Oral health services are also provided during all school holiday periods.

For more information on the nearest community or school dental clinic, the Oral Health Call Centre will be able to assist you with your enquiry.

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**Soccer News**

Home games this Saturday.

8.30am for 11’s, 9’s and 6’s and 9.10am for the under 7’s.

For further information contact Rich 55331227 or Anita at info@manakithomes.com.au

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**Beechmont Social Club**

Soccer is on again this Friday the 17th at the Hall on Graceleigh at 6.30pm. All Welcome.

For any information contact Greg on 0405 206 076