Dear Hayman Families and Friends,

At Hayman Island State School we:

- WE ARE LEARNING IN PARADISE
- WE ARE SAFE, RESPONSIBLE and RESPECTFUL
- WE FOCUS ON READING, WRITING & ATTENDANCE

Butterflies, Butterflies and more Butterflies.
We had a most amazing walk through the resort and the butterfly trail this week and, as the planets have aligned for the most favourable conditions for the Blue Tigers, we were swarmed by them as they hovered and fluttered around.

Some Facts about Blue Tigers
- Traditionally their activity heralds Autumn
- They are also found through India, South East Asia in great numbers
- Able to live for 5 months
- Birds get sick if they try & eat them as they are poisonous to them
- Predominately feeding on the Milk Weed Flowers on island
**School Performance Indicators**

Headline performance data using ‘traffic light’ colour indicators are published for all schools in Queensland based on data such as attendance, NAPLAN results, staff/parent/student satisfaction, behaviour and academic results. The latest indicators based on data gained in 2014 reflect Hayman Island State School as one of the highest performing schools in the region. Based on this data we sit atop the schools in the region consisting of over 100 schools. This is something to be proud of and we work towards maintaining this and furthering improvement.

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**Our Vision!**

In partnership with our island community, our children are empowered to fulfil their ambitions and fully realise their potential. As great people, Hayman Island State School staff consistently provide a safe and supportive learning environment, engendering genuine belonging whilst ensuring that all students, every school day, have equitable access to contemporary, challenging and positive learning experiences. High standards of effort and achievement is aspired, rewarded and
celebrated and creativity and clever thinking is stimulated. 'Hayman Kids' are successful learners, happy classmates, highly numerate and great readers and writers.

Our vision is adopted by all our staff and we are thrilled to welcome Bess Ponnampalam back to the school on a regular basis as Di Fleetwood returns to her business commitments on the mainland. Whilst Di will be less regular and her energies, fun and wealth of knowledge will be missed she will be returning from time to time. Bess was a teacher at the school in 2010 and returns with many talents and skills in the teaching of reading and literacy.

Mother's Day

The school hosted the Mums on Friday May 5 for a very special Mother's Day celebration. Thanks to the resort for assisting with the catering and a special thanks to Pacific and Cameron for helping out. Going back to February, we also thank Libby Ryan for her help in the classroom with the students in making Valentine's Day cards for all the Mums️️️️️️️️️️️️️️️️️️
ANZAC Day and Challenge

The island commemorated 100 years since the ANZACs arrived on the shores of Gallipoli in 1915. The sense of occasion and connection for our island colleagues and guests from all nations was almost physically present.

Thank you again to One and Only Hayman Island Resort for their support and catering.

A big thank you to Rikki and the team and also to Rick and his team from AV Partners for their support.

I was extremely proud of the students who attended and contributed to the commemorations. Their behaviour and efforts were acknowledged by many.

Gabe, Maya, Kirk, Roche, Chris, Basti, Audrey and Noah following the ANZAC Dawn Service.
In the ANZAC spirit, a group of 6 kayakers and their support crew set out following the dawn service for the challenge to circumnavigate Hook Island over 2 days. The party deviated into Nara Inlet to visit the significant aboriginal site and caves. It was a wonderful adventure raising funds for the Volunteer Marine Rescue.

With the forecast for day 2 of the challenge not looking favourable, the decision was made to complete the mammoth journey in just one day!! The tired crew paddled into the marina at Hayman in the dark around 8pm after completing an epic voyage!!!

Much thanks for the drive by the Salty Sea Dogs, assistance from Joanne and her team in HR and Staff Facilities and John and the crew from the diner for assistance with catering.

Congratulations to the kayakers Bushie, Aldo, Maddy, John, Sam and Luke on their epic circumnavigation of Hook Island in one day!!!
In and Around the School

The Preps perform their “Senses Song”

Roche demonstrating his balloon trick

Painting a portrait of our mums :)

Monopoly … the game of life.

A picnic lunch
School Captain Roche playing ‘big brother’ to the Preps.

Jesse loves catching bugs 😊

Jesse and Lewis

Audrey and Noah

Emily and Riley

A game of “Austag”
**Pink Stumps Day**
At our recent Pink Stumps Day $590 was raised for the McGrath Foundation for research into breast cancer. It was a great day out with the help of Danny, Bushie, and Rikki and the hard work of some of our students.

**Technology**
Reading
Our key focus is READING with programs in place to ensure that all students are given the right amount of support to become great readers. Parents are provided with support to assist their children in reading. We have implemented the “Read It Again” program for our beginning and emerging readers. Our focus at this level is oral language, text structure, context, setting, print knowledge, story sequence etc.

Parks and Wildlife Visitor
We thank Alan who came to speak with the students and present us with some amazing pictures and information about wombats.
Easter Creations
Thank you to the resort shop for their kind donation of ginger bread houses and trees.
The fun was in the making with help from Gabe’s sister Olivia 😊
More around the school:

Big Business ... Dominos Trading Day

Pro Bros
Our new classroom furniture
A visit from a guest family travelling the world
Normal day at school with seaplanes in the front yard:)  Cooking with Mrs Robbo, Mrs Fleetie and Viv

Science

Roche - Solids/Liquids/Gases  Maya learning about the sun and the earth. Basti designing with materials.

Our Bodies
Fishing
Thanks again to the Salty Sea Dogs for our fishing rods and gear. We gave them a go but they didn’t work like the brochure said … NO FISH!! 😂 Ha!!!!
“Give a kid a fish and they will eat for a day …. Teach a kid to fish and they will eat for a lifetime.”

Maths
Mystery Plane Engine

In November last year the Robertson family were relaxing and ‘low tide’ exploring on Langford Island spit (called One Foot Island) on the far end near Bali Hai. Noah drew my attention to something sticking up out of the reef that we soon worked out to be an aircraft engine … MH370??? … Not likely as the engine was identified as being of WW2 vintage.

Long story short … Following much discussion with Billy and Merrills and speculation surrounding a crashed American fighter bomber, a missing RAAF plane (both of which used the similar Pratt and Whitley engine) an article in the local “rag” uncovered the story behind the mystery engine.

Guests often travelled to the island in the early days via seaplanes. The photo below depicts such a plane in 1951 where passangers were ferried to the island’s jetty.

One such plane was the island’s Catalina called Golden Islander. The plane serviced the island for some years until 1960 when, thought to be as a result of a particularly heavy landing, she sank overnight at her “safe moorings” at Stonehaven on Hook Island just opposite from Hayman.

Written off by her owners, the plane was purchased by a visionary cane farmer from Proserpine, refloated and towed to the mainland to be eventually converted into the “boat on wheels” Henrietta Holl (pictured below)

Whilst under tow, the plane started to sink again and was beached on Langford, her wings and engines cut off and left to be uncovered some 55 years later.

Not as romantic or exciting as discovering a missing plane from the war but a great story nonetheless😊
Golden Islander .... Operational

Golden Islander ... sunk on her mooring at Stonehaven

Langford can be seen in the background.

Some more old photos of paradise:

Guests arriving on island in 1932

The Palm Wing pool where the spa is now

The Hayman jetty built 1951

The “Hayman Rock-it” train (c1975)