COMMUNITY NOTICES

The MCGW (Marian Community Working Group) will be having a meeting at the Town Hall Daly Street on the 31st of May at 7:30 pm. All welcome. They desperately need more volunteers. Their next working Bee will be held on the 6th of June at the river front approx. half way between the school and Melba House. They had a wonderful response at the last working bee with 20 people turning up so thank you. If you would like more information please contact Andrew Jensen on ph. 0409343055.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the students who are celebrating a birthday this week: Jaien A, Elle-Louise E, Liam F, Hayden F, Zach F, Xadrian J, Mia L


Fantasticats: Congratulations to Michelle T & La Nallah H

Block Champions : PY, P / 1 , E

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Students & Staff prepare for NAPLAN 2012

This week our schools will be administering the annual National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests to students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Over three days from 15 to 17 May students will be assessed on their skills and understanding in the core learning areas of reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy. I thank staff for their work in encouraging students to meet this activity in a calm and prepared manner. Our thanks to parents who have assisted with student work targets.

Students must not miss these assessments. Friday is the only day set aside as a catch up day if earlier assessments are missed.

All available staff including administration will be involved in NAPLAN support. If you would like any information around NAPLAN please don’t hesitate to ask us at school, or use the website: http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.

Please ensure your child/children participating in NAPLAN have a nutritious breakfast and a substantial lunch, as these days are very draining and we need to help the students in any way we can.

The NAPLAN timetable is on the following page.

Prime Minister’s Olympic and Paralympic Challenge open for registrations

Registrations are now open for the Prime Minister’s Olympic and Paralympic Challenges commencing 28 May 2012. Children aged four to fourteen can win prizes for their school or after-school care centre by completing any of the 93 activities across the Olympic and Paralympic sports. For more information and how to register, visit the websites: www.olympicchallenge.gov.au and www.paralympicchallenge.gov.au.

Mother’s Day

We hope all mums had a happy Mother’s Day. Thank you to Conne & Elaine and our fundraising committee helpers, who conducted the excellent Mothers’ Day stalls last week. Congratulations to our raffle winners – some very happy students........and their mothers/ grandmothers.

Next week in our Principals Report we will be sharing our NAPLAN results.

Dated May 15th

Until next week,

Principal

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‘Developing lifelong learning skills in a supportive environment, enabling all to reach their future potential’

The Rotary Club of Mackay is proud to announce the recipients of the 2012 Rotary Club Bursary Awards.

Congratulations to Michelle T & Lauren F for winning the 2012 Rotary Club Bursary Awards.

Mackay Show 2012

The 2012 Mackay Show will be held from Thursday 21st to Saturday 23rd June.

www.mackayshow Queensland.com.au
The profit from our Mothers Day stall and raffle was $1720.40. Thank-you to the school community for your wonderful support of this fundraiser.

Woolworth’s Earn and Learn has started again please support our school by collecting your stamps when you purchase your groceries. Walkerston Woolies now has a box with our school name on it so put the word out to family and friends to drop theirs into our box! Or return the FULL card to the school once completed.

To all parents and students who sold our Rotary Raffle tickets a big thank you for returning them so promptly and for helping make that fundraiser a success. Unfortunately we can no longer accept any un sold Raffle tickets.

Porters have a promotion going at the moment that we are participating in, every time a family member, friend or supporter of our school shops at Porters Hardwares and Lifestyle – Mackay City, Northern Beaches or Whitunday stores, they can earn points for our school.

Shoppers must place their receipt in our school’s designated entry box located near the main registers in each store. (Duplicate receipts can be made if shopper requires one at the time of transaction)

Please put the word out to family, friends, work mates about this promotion and help support our school!

We currently still have our Paul’s Milk Lids Promotion still going from last year, we have a special box in the office where you can place your Paul’s Milk lids, please make sure that the lids have been rinsed out so the office staff don’t get overpowered with your milk smell.

Thank you for your continued support!

Correnne Jonas and Elaina Walton

Walk Safely to School Day—Friday 18 May

Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual, national event when all Primary School children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a Community Event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment. We are encouraging as many students, parents and staff to walk and commute safely to school every day, but in particular this Friday 18 May.

Sincere thanks to the students, families and staff, who participated in last Friday’s Lantern Parade in Mirani. There was a wonderful turnout and organisers were very appreciative of the support, for what is one of River, Rock to Mountain Top’s main events. Thank you to classes who made lanterns. Mrs Heal set the tone for this year’s theme of Mackay’s 150th Anniversary by wearing period costume and our lantern cart was well received. Congratulations to all schools involved and the organising committee. We missed last year’s parade due to our focus on our own 125th preparations.

School News

- Lighthouse – Kickstart to Literacy – will be held on Thursdays 1:50 – 3:00pm at Mirani SHS. We will need a parent transport roster to take students each week. Parents should contact TransNorth re students catching the bus back to school or home.
- Next week we welcome three Mirani High Yr 10 Work Experience students who are placed with our early years classes.
- Excitement is mounting as our Marian School Production is only one month away.
- Welcome back to Mrs Cage and thank-you to Mrs Heal

Sports Update

Congratulations to:
- Rachael Cave, our only football (soccer) Mackay rep this year.
- Chloe Finlay 2nd 10y girls’ cross country Mackay trials.
- Our Rugby League team who defeated West Mackay 12-10.

Regards,

Daryl Argue
Principal

P&C News

Hello again and welcome to another week. Our P&C meeting will be held tomorrow night, Tuesday, from 7pm in the library. These meetings are a fantastic opportunity to learn what is happening with the school and P&C, interact with other parents and have an active role in your child’s school. It would be fantastic to see some new faces (as well as the old), so see you there!

Thank you so much to the parent helpers who made our Mother’s Day Stall a success, I know I absolutely loved my little gifts so I am sure you all did too!

Please don’t forget our P&C Meeting tomorrow night, 7pm and to all the Mum’s of the school, I hope you had a lovely day yesterday!

Have a great week!

Nikki Glossop

An update from the Fundraising Committee

Well what an unbelievable success our Mother’s Day Stall was and what a wonderful surprise it was opening our special gifts handpicked by our children! Once again it exceeded our expectations. By Thursday afternoon session we had only one small box of gifts left which the kids made short work of! We would also like to thank our dedicated (but very small) team of helpers for without them we simply could not have made this fundraising event the huge success it was so a big big thank you to Julie Tancor, Railana Burgess, Rana Suluvate, Nikki Glossop, Stacie Montgomery, Kelli Head, Cheryl Whitmore and Liz Akins.

The Tuckshop Roster - 9am start

Tuesday 15/05/2012
- B. Rewald, B. Leeds, L. Oxenbridge, K. Swif

Wednesday 16/05/2012
- B. Rewald, L. Oxenbridge, K. Blair

Thursday 17/05/2012
- B. Rewald, AM. Lambert, L. Ruocco, K. Swift, S. Armbruster

FRIDAY 18/05/2012
- B. Rewald, L. Hoban, B. Leeds, L. Fisher, L. Oxenbridge, K. Swift

Tuesday Meal Deal
- Fried Rice, drink & fruit salad - $8
- Fried Rice & fruit salad - $6
- Fried Rice & drink - $6
- Fried Rice Large- $4 Small $3

Thursday Meal Deal
- Cottage Pie, drink & fruit salad - $8
- Cottage Pie & fruit salad - $6
- Cottage Pie & drink - $6
- Cottage Pie Large- $4 Small $3

UNIFORM SHOP

Sports Day is coming up fast. Please ensure your child is ready with their house shirt and a hat to avoid the rush.

Uniforms should be here by next week, preorderers are very welcome. Please get your orders in this week to avoid the rush. Order forms and prices are on the website. They will be available Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week (21st to 23rd May) in G block. Then uniform shop times will go back to normal on Thursday, as listed below.

The uniform shop will be open every day each week from 8:30 – 9:00am.

Congratulations to the children who layed in the Gordon Tallis Under 10’s Football Cup in Townsville last weekend.

All the boys put in a tremendous effort playing at least 9 games over 2 very long days. Special congratulations to Angus Turner whose team Walkerston Wanders Gold team won 10 from 11 games and won the Reggie Matthews Runner up shield. The standard of football was amazing and it is wonderful to see so many children representing our region.

Football

Thank-you to all families and friends for your support and for doing it for the fun of it!