FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

Congratulations to our REA Team of Rylea Davis, Cameron Myers, Abbey Martin and Robert Lindsay. They were successful in coming second in the Mackay competition behind the Mirani SHS team and so are headed to Brisbane in October. Our school bands entered the Band and Orchestra Competition last Sunday and came away with a silver award for the juniors and a bronze award for our seniors. Well done to all of these students who have represented our school so well lately.

We have had many more opportunities for our students to excel with the Optiminds competition last weekend with Mr Van Beek, Miss Streeter and Miss Hawkins. They came away with two Honours Awards and a ‘Spirit of Optiminds Award’. We have a public speaking competition tonight where 2 of our students will represent our school in the Pioneer Valley Public Speaking Competition at Walkerston SS. These two students are Lois Beckingham and Rylea Davis. We also have the Pioneer Valley Senior Megaband Day being held in Walkerston tomorrow.

Students in 3M will be having Bike Education on Monday, August 26 and Tuesday, August 27. 3P will have theirs on Thursday August 29 and Friday August 30. Students in 3F and 3K will have their Bike Education on September 16 and 17.

As well all students will be attending ‘Fun With Maths’ from Thursday, August 20 to Tuesday, September 3. This activity has been to our school before. Students will attend a 90 minute lesson over the four days (2 classes per session). There is no cost to the parents as the cost has been covered by the school budget.

To add to the many activities we will have School Photos on September 4 and 5. At this stage all classes from Prep up to Year 4 are scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, EXCEPT for 1D and 1G. Sibling photos will also be taken on Wednesday. On the Thursday 1D, 1G and classes from Year 5 to Year 7 as well as School Captains, Sports Captains, School Bands, Drum Beat Group and Whole of Year 7 are scheduled. If there is a change of plan closer to the day we will let you know. Please do not send in envelopes with money as they need to be handed to the photographers on the day of the photos. If there are any questions please contact the photographers;

MSP Photography
Phone 0749213355
Fax 0749213322
Email schoolphotos.cq@msp.com.au

While we can estimate what time the photos will be taken there can be no guarantee that we will be able to stay on the schedule so please be ready at the beginning of the day.

It has come to my attention that some students are bringing medications to school to take during the day. This is a safety issue and is not permitted. We will administer prescribed medication if the Administration of Medication form is submitted. Medication of any description should not be left in school bags or pockets as this presents a danger as it is accessible to other students.
Parents please do not park in the bus zone at any time. This area is very dangerous as we have many students catching buses and a car in the middle of the buses, sitting waiting for a child, is extremely unsafe. I am aware that there are not a lot of parking spaces so some parents may need to park on the other side of Kenny’s Road and then walk back to pick up students.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- P-3

- 4-7

FANTASTICKETS: 16/08: Mia L (4V), Charli M (PY) 23/08: Trinity R (2H), Connor P (1G)

BLOCK CHAMPIONS: 16/08: A 23/08: PG, PR, PY & P1/B

Thank-you,
Melody Hughes Mel Benjamin
A/Principal A/Deputy Principal

Australian Government assistance for National Capital excursion

Students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the National Capital. While in this tour they participated in a variety of educational programmes focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist the parents in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $120 per eligible student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon the completion of the excursion.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

YEAR 7 GRADUATION MEETING

Date: Thursday, 29th August
Time: 3:10pm
Place: 7O classroom
Thanks
Laura O’Hare

OPTI-Minds

Marian State School had three teams in the OPTI-Minds challenge this year. OPTI-Minds offers three different challenges for teams to choose from. This year we had two teams choose the Science and Engineering challenge and one team completed the Language and Literature challenge. The teams worked extremely hard over the past five weeks creating props, writing scripts and practicing their drama and acting skills. Over the weekend, the teams competed against numerous other schools and teams at Whitsunday Anglican School with fantastic results!

Team One: Honours (Runners up) in Science and Engineering: Abbey Martin, Harry Fordyce, Sarah Agius, Abigale Cannan, Lois Beckingham, Emmerson Holmes

Team Two: Spirit of OPTI-Minds award in Science and Engineering: Daimen Kielbach, Suzanna Miller, Andrew Murray, Pratyush Bharadwaj, Chloe Findlay

Team Three: Honours (Runners up) in Language and Literature: Aimee Kersey, Jasmine Boyd, Quinn Mackenzie, Hannah Hill, Emily Dodd, Pravagyan Bharadwaj.

We congratulate all of the students who participated and gave up so much of their time and effort, as well as the parents who supported the outside school hours practices and for all of their encouragement. We also thank Miss Brett for all of her help with voice projection and drama skills, these skills contributed greatly to our success!

Again, congratulations to all three teams on a fantastic effort!
Team facilitators
Mr Van Beek, Miss Hawkins and Miss Streeter
REA NEWS
The F1 in Schools Technology Challenge is the world’s largest secondary school technology program. It involves over nine million students from 17,000 schools in 31 nations. Marian State School has a team that goes to Mirani High every week to participate in this subject. It involves designing their own F1 car on the computer, using software that companies use to design planes, machining the car and working as a team to promote their race team. Last Friday our team - Ardreneline Rush, competed at the Regional competition at St Patricks School winning 5 awards in the Development Class. Well Done Cameron Myers, Abbey Martin, Rylea Davis and Robert Lindsay.

MOB
Mackay Orchestra Band Competition – our bands excelled receiving a Silver (Junior band) and Bronze (Senior Band).

P&C NEWS
2 and ½ weeks to the Fair!
Please take a few minutes to find out what is happening at this busy time with Father’s Day and the Fair approaching fast.

Father’s Day Stall: Grab a gift for Dad, WHILE STOCKS LAST, undercover area Wed 28th and Thurs 29th 8:15am – 9:00am & 2:45pm – 3:15pm. Gifts range from $1-$10.

Free Dress Day: Friday 6th September
To boost our cent sale prizes for the fair we are asking for a grocery item instead of a gold coin. Each year level is asked to bring an item from a certain range, as follows. Please have your child bring the item to parade and leave at the kitchen.
Prep/1 – Baking
YR 2 - Confectionary/chips/treats
YR 3- Grocery
YR 4- Cleaning
YR 5- Cleaning
YR 6- Grocery
YR 7- Toiletries

Please, we still need: Books for book stall and bottle & stall prizes. Please have everything in by 6th of September so we can pack at our working bee.

Working Bee: Saturday 7th September
Bring along a drink and some nibbles and join the fun as we wrap prizes, make signs and get organised for the fair! From 3pm in the hall. We will be there till 8pm so drop in when you can.

Don’t forget – unlimited ride passes available now! $30 presale. To purchase place the money in an envelope in the red box child’s full name, class number and contact number.

Nikki Glossop,
0439 77 22 17
danandnik@bigpond.com
P&C President

CHAPPY TALK
A young girl asked her pregnant mum, "Will you have enough love for me when the twins arrive?” The Mum thought long and hard about this and replied, ‘My love is like a balloon, at the moment it’s not fully inflated and about the size of an apple, when the twins arrive it’ll get blown up into soccer ball size so there will be enough love for you all.” Satisfied her daughter knew she wouldn’t have to share her mum’s love with her siblings; her mum’s love could stretch!

Today I wonder if we can apply that principle, you may believe that your capacity to love others is a fixed quantity. Like the balloon example, perhaps we can inflate our ‘love balloon’ to have more to go around.

Chappy games are on during first break, so far we’ve played games like the Ball Chin Relay, Pictionary and Keep the Balloon UP. In the coming weeks we’re playing games called Bull’s Eye and Islands. Should you want to volunteer your time to help out with these games please contact the office?

Have a great day.
Chappy Liz
COMMUNITY NEWS

MARIAN MARKETS
Church Grounds Marian

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Remember Meal Deals:
- Large Meal  drink & fruit salad - $8 Small—$7
- Large Meal & fruit salad - $6 Small—$5
- Large Meal & drink - $6 Small—$5
- Large Meal - $4 Small—$3

Wed 28/08       BACON AND EGG BURGER
Thurs 29/08     POTATO WEDGES/SOUR CREAM/BACON
Tues 3/09       MACARONI CHICKEN
Wed 4/09        BACON AND EGG BURGER
Thurs 5/09      POTATO WEDGES/SOUR CREAM/BACON
Tues 10/09      MACARONI CHICKEN

Sunday 15th September 8.00am – 12 noon
A huge variety of great stalls.
Sausage sizzle & refreshments available

HOLY ROSARY PARISH
MONSTER CENT SALE
CHURCH HALL MARIAN
Sunday 8 September at 1.30pm
100’s of Prizes, 20’s Jackpot Table,
Snap Raffle, Afternoon Tea
Major Raffle $250 fuel voucher

GYMNASTICS
School holiday fun for primary school aged children at Mackay Gymnastics:

Wednesday 25th September & 2nd October, 2013 at Swayne St, North Mackay 9.30 – 11 a.m. Cost only $15 per child. A great way to get children active and out of the house. Numbers are limited so please book. Gymnastics – it’s FANTASTIC

Contact Mackay Gymnastics 49 53 1425 or email admin@mackaygymnastics.org.au

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AVAILABLE 7 DAYS - NO JOB TOO SMALL!