Date Claimers

- 13 August — Chess Competition
- 21 August — Mirani State High School visit to Yr 7’s
- 24 August — Book Week Parade

Spotlight

Pauls Collect a Caps
Collect your caps and drop them into your classroom.

Woolworths Earn & Learn for our school
Points to Date — 96,890

Coles Sports for Schools
Keep collecting your Coles Vouchers.
Points to Date — 12,630

General Information

Office Hours 8am—4pm
Parade Every Friday morn. 8.50am
Newsletter every 2nd Thurs.
PCYC After School Care
4942 3296
Absence Line: 4959 4366

Principal’s Report

THANK YOU BARBEQUE. Many people help Walkerston State School by volunteering their time, donations, vouchers, sponsorship or money. The Parents and Citizens Association and the school would like to thank those people by holding a free BBQ on Thursday 16th August at 3p.m. following our P&C meeting. We will put a movie on for the children while you enjoy a beautifully cooked sausage and a drink.

COLLECTIONS. Wow what a big effort in our three collection areas. Thanks to all those people who are contributing. Over 3,500 caps have been collected and that money goes into supporting the Breakfast Club. We have over 96,800 Earn and Learn Woolworths docket points which is a magnificent effort and our Coles for Sport contributions are 12,630. All these donations go directly to the children in the way of sporting goods, books and resources. Coles and Woolworths promotions cease in mid August.

ATHLETICS. Congratulations to Alexandria Gall, Rebecca Kucks, Angus McGregor and Sean Baker for making the Mackay and District Athletics Team.

School Opinion Surveys

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEYS. Next week we are conducting the state wide school opinion surveys. Staff and computer generated community members are invited to complete the survey on how they view the school. This information is then used to inform our administration on what we are doing well and what areas we need to work on. The surveys are done anonymously and the results are used to plan our future direction. We thank you in advance for your participation.

School Improvement

Many students are now reviewing their personal targets and goals. One of the most significant factors in student improvement is the setting of student’s goals whether it be in reading, numeracy or personal.
BOOK WEEK PARADE—24th August 2012

Australian Children’s Book Week Celebrations will be starting next week in Walkerston. We begin with class/group visits to the local public library – Walkerston Library – next Monday 13 August going through till Thursday 23 August.

On Friday 24 August, for approximately one hour, the streets of Walkerston come alive with all kinds of book characters. Students are invited to dress-up as their favourite book character and participate in the parade. Parents are also encouraged to attend.

This year the parade will leave Walkerston State School, into Dutton Street toward the Walkerston Library, down to the park and back up High Street to Bridge Street and back to Walkerston State School.

After the parade, students must change back into their school uniform.

This wonderful parade and the Library visits would not happen without teacher and parent support.

HAIRSPRAY FUNDRAISER

Many of our families have been or know someone affected by cancer. Next Tuesday the 14th August, we are raising money for this cause. Your child can get their hair colour sprayed for a $2 donation. A permission note will be sent home with more information and a slip to be returned on the day.

NB Donations can be made without the use of hairspray.

Mirani State School P & C Fair

Mirani State School P & C Fair will be held on Sunday 19th August commencing at 10am. There will be food stalls, entertainment, lolly drop, drinks, raffles and much more. All proceeds to the ICT dept. for purchase of interactive whiteboards.

Kungurri Hill Climb

Sat. 18th and Sun. 19th August

Juniors on Saturday and Seniors on Sunday

Great spectating event.

Sunday Adults $6 and school age $3

Saturday Gold Coin entry

Riding from 1.00pm Saturday and 9.00am Sunday

Follow signs from Mt Ossa; Mirani and Gargett

Full catering on grounds, no glass or dogs.

Ph: 0417 728 117 for more info

Funds to local groups incl. Ambulance and CQ Rescue

A NOTE FROM YOUR SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

On photo day we took the following special group photographs:-

- School Captains
- House Captains
- Capricornia Representation Age Champions
- Instrumental Band Recorder Band
- Chess Club

These special group photos are available for purchase for only $27 each.

Order envelopes are at your school’s front office from next Monday and you will then need to return your order by posting direct to:

MSP Photography, PO Box 4167, Rockhampton 4700.

You have until Friday, 31 August 2012 to purchase at this price (orders placed after this date will incur a $20 search fee as the images will be archived with our printing lab).

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of your photo day experience with us, we would love to hear your feedback on 4921 3355 or at schoolphotos@tropicalmsp.com

Keep smiling!!!

Kids Kitchen is a 5 week cooking program for children and their parents/carers.

Each week children and their parents/carers learn how to cook new and exciting recipes as well as gain nutrition knowledge in a fun and welcoming environment.

Come and join Mel and Laura (Nutritionist’s) in the Kitchen for the opportunity to cook tasty recipes, develop new skills and make new friends!

Venue: Country Women’s Association Hall
4 Palmer Street, North Mackay

Time: 3:45pm – 5:45pm

Dates: Kids Kitchen will run every Monday night for a total of 5 weeks commencing on the 20th of August.

Parents are expected to attend all 5 sessions with their children.

Contact Melanie Bouras (Public Health Nutritionist from the Mackay Public Health Unit) on 49110426 to register to participate in the Kids Kitchen program. Please register before the 13th of August.

Don’t wait as spaces are LIMITED!!