Principals Report

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT. As you would be aware the NAPLAN results were released this week. I am pleased to announce that Walkerston S.S. made good progress in reaching our stated goals. We wanted to attain 90% of our students reaching or bettering National Minimum Standards and in numeracy we achieved 91.6%. We wanted to improve the percentage of students in the top two bands in reading/numeracy and while we achieved a 5.3% improvement we fell short of our 30% goal. In our main emphasis on reading our students are in line with National Standards which is a pleasing result. We still have plenty of work to do and our results show we need to put a focus on numeracy (number facts) and spelling. One of the highlights of our results was the performance of Year 5 where the students have made impressive improvements in all testing areas.

INCENTIVE DAY. Tomorrow is Incentive Day and the students will be doing rotations of sport (continuous cricket), movie, disco and for the first time a spelling bee. Each class will nominate a champion who will battle it out with the other classes with each class being quizzed on their own spelling lists. Students who did not reach the Responsible Behaviour Plan targets or were suspended will do regular class work but will be able to participate in the spelling bee.

FREE DRESS DAY. The Student Council has asked for a Free Dress Day tomorrow to fund their gardens and to provide some pot plants to the year 3/prep veranda. It is a gold coin donation. The usual sun smart and closed in shoes conditions apply.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS MEETING TONIGHT AT 7 p.m. in the Hall. Light refreshments provided.

STEVE JACKSON U/11 RUGBY LEAGUE. This Friday we will field a team in the end of the term competition. Players will need to get themselves to and from the grounds at Casey Avenue. Our first game is at 10a.m. so players should be at the grounds by 9:30. The carnival will end at 2:10p.m.

PRINCIPAL APPOINTED. I’m proud to announce that I have been appointed to Walkerston State School. I feel privileged to be appointed and I look forward to working with the community to make this an even greater school.
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