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FINAL WEEKS. This really is a very busy time for everyone. You would be well aware of the many activities that are occurring around the school at this very moment. Disco’s, reporting, Graduation Night, Awards Night, Liturgy Event, Incentive Days, 2013 Leadership Group, Christmas Carols are just a few of the many events happening. I would encourage you to be involved where ever you can. Every day counts so we encourage all students to attend school to the end of the school term.

CONGRATULATIONS. Amber Bausch from year 7 received a ‘SPOTY’ sports medal at a ceremony last week. The night at Magpies brought together all the primary school’s top athletes to celebrate their achievements. Well done Amber.

QFRS WALKERSTON. Two of our students participated in a project to paint a mural on the local fire station. Catherine Thompson and Jasmine Anderson were our representatives and we were presented with a trophy for ‘Joint Winners’ by the local QFRS. Well done to all concerned.

LEADERSHIP TEAM. Our 2013 Leadership Team will be announced on Awards Night. I’d like to give recognition to all students who applied for School and Sport Captain positions. It was a very difficult task to shortlist from such quality applicants.

VINNIES SAY THANKS. St Vincent de Paul Society has sent a letter of appreciation for the many donations our families made to the Christmas Hamper Drive. It was a wonderful gesture by many of our families. Thanks also to Mrs Trish Harding and all involved.

REPORTS. Reports will be issued next week. As mentioned last semester the new Australian Curriculum has different standards in some of the subject areas. As a result there may be variations to normal patterns of achievement.

AWARDS NIGHT. Tonight is awards night. Students who have received an award have been notified with an invitation. We would encourage those attending to bring a plate for supper and stay for a while after the awards. Students are to wear school uniform if they are receiving an award. (with the exception of performing students) Students who have achieved a ‘high’ for Maths or English will be receiving a ribbon on parade next week. The parade is scheduled for 2:15 p.m. on Thursday afternoon.

INCENTIVE DAY. Notes have already gone out but just a reminder that Incentive Day is on Monday and permissions are due tomorrow (Friday). Please note students won’t be able to use the Bluewater Lagoon kiosk and they should have a school shirt to swim in. A sausage sizzle will be available for all students after 1p.m. at the school.

On a personal note, I am delighted to have been appointed principal at Walkerston State School and I look forward to 2013 and working with such a great community. On behalf of the staff I’d like to wish you all a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

FAREWELL to Mrs Evitt and Ms Schultz who will be leaving the school. Thank you for you wonderful contributions to the children and to the school.
Mathletics & Photocopying Contributions will be $20 per student and payable by 1st March 2013.

GOOD LUCK
GRADUATING YEAR 7’S FOR 2012

The Paul’s Collect-a-Cap program finishes at the end of 2012, so please continue to bring your caps in to the office until the very last day of school. I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has helped our school raise over $1,000 for the Breakfast Club in 2012. That means over 10,000 caps have been collected, what a fantastic effort! Well done to 2A who collected the most caps in Term 4 with nearly 700. Thank you also to Woolworths across the road for their generous donations of milk, bread, fruit and juice in Term 4, let’s hope this partnership continues in 2013.

Walkerston Rotary Club

Carols by Candlelight in the Country
at Walkerston School Grounds
Walkerston
Saturday 15 December
Starting at 7.00pm

Sausage Sizzle from 6.30pm

FREE Photos with Santa

On Stage... Niki Power & friends

Merry Christmas

Mackay Regional Council’s
Lighting of the Christmas tree
7.00pm at Anzac Park

Supported by: Advertiser & Mackay Mail
We are looking for a motivated person to run the St John’s School Tuckshop in 2013. Our Tuckshop runs 3 days a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) with a set menu. Lunch is from 10:55 to 11:30am. The position is a paid one (currently 4 hours/week however more hours for 2013 may be negotiable) and involves: ordering/maintaining stock levels and co-ordinating menus, organizing volunteers/rostering, working on tuckshop days, keeping up with health & hygiene standards and the healthy eating guidelines for School Canteens and overall, ensuring the smooth day-to-day running of the Tuckshop.

If you are interested in the position of Tuckshop Convener at St John’s please contact Maree Sturdy (msturdy@treadwell.net.au)