Monday 23 May 2016 (14/2016)

Date Claimers
- Mon 16 May – Fri 26 August – Premier’s Reading Challenge
- Thursday 26 May – SHOW HOLIDAY, NO SCHOOL!
- Friday 27 May – Under 8’s Day Activities, C&K Kindy – Yr 2
- Friday 27 May – Book Club orders and money due
- Monday 30 May – Aussie of the Month
- Tuesday 31 May – Yr 6 Transition Information Session, Kepnock State High School
- Wednesday 1 June – State of Origin Coin Trail
- Thursday 2 June – School Photos
- Wednesday 8 June – SSP Information Session, 2:00pm
- Tuesday 21 June – Jumps Day
- Wednesday 22 June – NAIDOC Celebrations
- Wednesday 22 June – State of Origin Free Dress Day
- Thursday 23 June – Interhouse Sports Day
- Saturday 2 July – Election Day BBQ
- Wednesday 13 July – Footy Pass Competition

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Our Improvement Agenda
Our school improvement agenda remains focused upon:

- **Attendance**
  - Students will attend school 94% of the time or greater

- **Reading**
  - 85% of students will attain a ‘C’ Level or better using regional benchmarks; and an
  - Increased number of students will achieve in the Upper 2 Bands in NAPLAN Reading

- **Numeracy**
  - 20% of students will achieve in the Upper 2 Bands of NAPLAN Numeracy

Student of the Week Awards
Congratulations go to the following children who were selected as Students of the Week. Their efforts also set an example for others to follow.

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6B | Makayla D | Music | Ethan P (4C) | PE | Izak D (6B) | 

**Reading Awards**
Reading continues to be our whole school focus. The following students were presented with a reading award on parade today for continuing to read for enjoyment and education.

4B: Ashton A, Katrina K, Tristan M, Amber S, Abbie Z.
4C: Tehya H, Isaac J, Nikayla M.
5A: Paige H, Ryan K.
6A: Kaydence C, Ella H, Hailey N, Charley T, Montana T.
6B: Bella B, Ajay W.

**German News**
The following students have been selected for the month of April for being on task and demonstrating an above understanding of the German language. They are: Talitha C, Tyler H, Skye D and Reegan T.

**Gut gemacht! = Well done!**

**Sport Congratulations**
Congratulations to Holly S, who gained selection in the Bundaberg Primary Zone Cross Country Team to compete in the Wide Bay Trials in Maryborough next week. All the best, Holly!

**No Smoking**
Parents/carers and community members are reminded that NO SMOKING is permitted:
- within our school buildings or grounds, or
- within 5 metres of a school entrance.

**Back Gate Closed**
The gate at the back entrance to the school will be locked in the afternoons to prevent unauthorised vehicles entering our school grounds. Parents and Carers are not permitted to drive onto the school grounds for pickup or drop-off or parking.

**Show Holiday – Thursday 26 May**
Thursday 26 May is our Bundaberg Show Holiday. All classes continue as usual on Friday. Please ensure that your son/daughter attends school on Friday as Interschool Sport (Yrs 4-6) and Under 8’s Day (Prep-Yr3?) activities continue as usual on this school day.

**Under 8’s Day at Walkervale – Friday 27 May**
This year, all C&K Kindy to Year 2 children will participate in Under 8’s day at Prep. Children will have the opportunity to have fun and learn through play. Some activities that will be
offered are: Art/Craft, playdough, face painting, treasure hunts, paper planes and parachutes. This is always a huge success and adds to one of the wonderful events that happen at Walkervale every year.

**C&K Car Park**
The C&K car park is for the use of parents/carers of children attending the C&K Kindergarten on days that their children are attending. Please do not use this car park unless you are collecting a student from the C&K.

**Disabled Car Park (C&K Kindy)**
The Disabled Car Park in the C&K Kindergarten car park is for the use of Disability Parking Permit holders only. Do not use this parking space unless you have a Disability Parking Permit displayed.

**School Photos**
Payment Envelopes were sent home previously with the News & Views.

All photos are taken on a pre-paid basis, with the preference being to hand photo payment envelopes directly to the photographer on the day. However, payment envelopes can be handed in at the office prior to photo day if you wish.

There will be both a Class Group photo and a Composite photo taken of all classes for the super low price of $24 (except ECDP which will be a portrait photo only). Other packages are also available as well as individual items (E – I).

Photos will be taken on Tuesday 7 June. Family Photos will also be taken and separate payment envelopes are available from the office for these. This year, families have the option of ordering family photos only if you wish without ordering class photos.

**Camp Australia providing Before and After School Care and Vacation Care**
Camp Australia have started their before /after school care service and student numbers are increasing. We will continue to work closely with Camp Australia to develop and enhance the before/after school care services for our students and their parents and carers.

Information and links have been included on our facebook page. For bookings: www.campaaustralia.com.au or 1300 105 343.

**Inter-School Sport – Yrs 4-6**
Parents of Year 4-6’s, if you need to get messages to your children on Fridays, please phone them through before 12noon. The office ladies can then pass these on before students go to sport.

**Chess Club**
All the best to our school team competing in the Wide Bay North school chess tournament being held at our school hall tomorrow, 24 May.

Regular Chess Club will take place on Wednesday at first break.

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**Tape Chappy to the Wall Success!**
Last week students had the opportunity to TAPE CHAPPY TO THE WALL! Over $220 was raised! Thank you to all students who participated and thank you Chappy Steve!

**Our display at the Bundaberg Show!**

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Make sure when you visit the Bundaberg Show, you visit the Education displays and see Walkervale's entry celebrating 50 years of decimal currency.

Congratulations to all students who submitted work for the display.

*Miss Cook & Ms Sajko*
Thank you to Kate Cook and Deb Sajko who spent much of their Sunday putting together the Walkervale State School Bundaberg Show Display. Thank you also to teachers and classes who supported this school/community activity by providing artwork etc.

**SSP (Speech Sound Pics) is a new and exciting approach to the teaching of reading, writing and spelling.**

**Parents and Carers**
You are invited to an information session about SSP on Wednesday 8th June at 2.00pm in the Innovation Centre.
Please come along, have a coffee and hear all about SSP so you can help your children at home.

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**Year 6 to Year 7 Transition – Kepnock State High School**
This year we have moved all of the key dates for your transitioning students forward. **The first key date to be aware of is the ACE and Bursary Information Session, Tuesday 31 May, 2016.** This session will coincide with our Subject Expo allowing parents to view the future options for their students should they come to Kepnock. More details regarding times and location to come shortly.

Alongside the ACE and Bursary evening are our annual Year 6 School Visits. This is where all Year 6 students from our Cluster Schools come along to Kepnock and spend part of the day experiencing a high school classroom and having a tour of our facilities. A note has been sent home regarding the Year 6 school visits.

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**Word of the Week**

**ridiculous**

*Definition* - something that is so silly that it makes you laugh

*Sentence* - It is a ridiculous idea to wear your pyjamas to school.

- That is a ridiculous face that you are pulling.

*Synonyms* - laughable, silly, absurd

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**Tuckshop News**
Please do not write iceblocks on first break lunch orders, they are only available second break. There are only a few *Funny Finger* iceblocks left, and *Caramel TNT* are unavailable from the supplier.

This week’s helpers are –
Wednesday 25 May – Dorothy Christensen.
Thursday 26 May – Show Holiday.
Friday 27 May – Tash Sherratt and Karen Balcombe.
Thanks, Michelle Eyre (Convenor)

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**Book Club News**
Issue 4 Book Club order forms have been sent home this week. Children are asked to show their parents the book catalogues and to have their orders returned to the school office by Friday 27 May for ordering." If you decide to order, please return completed “Student Order Form” placed in an envelope with your child’s name and class written on the front.

**Payment Options:** If you are paying by cash, the correct money is to be placed in the envelope with the order form. If paying by Credit Card, this may be done either by Free call 1800 557 908 or online to [www.scholastic.com.au/payment](http://www.scholastic.com.au/payment). A receipt number will be provided, which should be recorded on the Credit Card Receipt Details coupon on the Order Form. Thank you for your support.

*Mrs Hegarty, Book Club Organiser.*

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**STATE OF ORIGIN COIN TRAIL!!**
Wednesday 1 June, we will be holding a State Of Origin Coin Trail on our newly painted map of Queensland in the courtyard in front of the Tuckshop. Bring your gold coin donation along for your chance to win some fabulous prizes. Let’s see how far we can make it around Queensland. All money raised will go to help the P&C continue the hard work they do within our school for our students.

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**Family Contribution**
Family contribution letters have gone home to all families, to help raise funds to support all the students with valuable resources at our school by the P&C. The envelopes can be returned to the office with cash or cheque or payments can be made at the tuckshop with Cash & EFTPOS or online by direct deposit. Payments due 24th June 2016. Thank you for your support.

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**Tracksuit PANT sale**
This is your last chance to get Walkervale State School Tracksuit pants. **LIMITED STOCK no size 6. Dropped down to $25 a pair. First in first served.** In our Tuckshop, open Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays. No holding of stock. EFTPOS available.

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**Kepnock SHS Subject Selection Expo**
Kepnock State High School will be hosting its annual Subject Selection Expo on Tuesday 31 May from 5:30pm – 7:30pm in our library.

The purpose of the evening is to showcase the vast array of subjects on offer at Kepnock from year 7 though to year 12. Staff will be on hand to answer questions about the Academic Challenge and Excellence (ACE) Program, the subject selection process and general Junior Secondary Schooling at Kepnock. You will be able to view videos about our ACE program and the subject selection process, obtain flyers and information about subjects and programs on offer and of course talk to our staff about enrolling your child attending Kepnock in 2017.

If you have any questions please phone Jess O’Neill Junior Secondary Deputy Principal on 41311805.
This week Walker has been awarded the most points, followed by Watson, Walsh and Watkin. Congratulations Walker! Gotchas! are awarded to students who demonstrate our “Keys to Success”.

**Student Banking**
Now is a great time to be involved in student banking! And an even better reason to open a student banking account – **those savers who bank 5 times or more from 22 April until 10 June will go in the draw to win a PRIZE PACK!!**

- **STUDENT ABSENCE LINE** 4155 5660
- **24HRS DAY / 7 DAYS WEEK**

**WEBSITE:** www.walkervaless.eq.edu.au
**EMAIL:** absence@walkervaless.eq.edu.au
**SCHOOL PHONE:** 07 4155 5666

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**What’s On**

Fresh creamy waffles! Fresh creamy waffles! Holler if you want em!
Yes it is nearly show time again! The Bundaberg Show will be held on Wednesday 25, Thursday 26 and Friday 27 May at the Bundaberg Precinct Childers Road.

To celebrate 50 years of decimal currency, the Royal Australian Mint will have a display at the show in the pavilion. New show cases have been built to adequately display entries.

On Wednesday, all judging will be complete by 9am and the pavilion will be open for viewing. Wednesday evening will see fireworks as well as on Thursday evening. Woodchop will have its own arena near the food court on Thursday. This year will see a Young Farmers Challenge on Thursday evening prior to the fireworks. Teams of four will compete in events featuring farming activities from quad bikes to shifting sheep.

Friday will continue as the traditional country day finishing with a rodeo in the arena. The Society acknowledges Seniors by allowing anyone over 75 entry to the show free of charge.
GET INTO TENNIS!

DEVELOPMENT DAY: An invitation is extended to children for a "HEAD" Yellow & Green Ball continuous Play Singles & Doubles Day Tournament - Sunday 5th June 2016 at Rotary Park Tennis Complex, 69B George Street, South Bundaberg from 8am to 4.30pm. If 40 players enter, there is a Brand new Family Tennis racket to be given away, as well as novelty prizes. To Register, please contact Kevin Banner: 4152 0753 or 0409 520 753.

RED & ORANGE COLOURED BALL CHALLENGE: An invitation is extended to children to play in a Red & Orange ball challenge morning, 12th June 2016 at Rotary Park Tennis Complex, 69B George Street, South Bundaberg. For further info. and to Register please contact Kevin & Suzie Banner: 4152 0753 or 0409 520 753.