Monday 30 May 2016 (15/2016)

Date Claimers
- Mon 16 May – Fri 26 August – Premier’s Reading Challenge
- Tuesday 31 May – Yr 6 Transition Day, Kepnock State High School, 11:30am – 2:00pm
- Tuesday 31 May – Subject Selection Info Session, Kepnock State High School, 5:30pm - 7:30pm
- Wednesday 1 June – State of Origin Coin Trail
- Tuesday 7 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.

Prep A
- Preston S

Prep C
- Elise V
- 1A Marcos R
- 1B Jackson G
- 1C Noah N
- 2A Noah M
- 2B Abbeigh D
- 2C Sofie A
- 3A Charisma M
- 3B Tylah W
- 3C Chloe F
- 4A Liarah T
- 4B Cyle S
- 4C Isaac J
- 5A Anna H
- 5B Robert B
- 6A Holly S
- 6B Nickolas D
- PE Archie D (1A)

Aussies Of The Month
Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as Aussies of the Month for May. They have continually set an example for others as the following comments indicate:

PREP B – ZAYNE S – Zayne is a confident student. He is always keen to have a go at new things. Zayne shows persistence by trying hard and not giving up when something is difficult. He is resilient and uses his words to deal with problems. Zayne is an organised student who looks after his belongings and helps other students to be organised. He gets along well with others. Zayne is a great example and model to other students. Well done, Zayne!

1A – OLIVIA A – Olivia is a kind and caring student who is always available to help her classmates and teacher. She is a responsible student who is persistent and tries her best. Olivia is continuing to grow in independence, and confidence in her abilities has also improved. She is a wonderful asset to our school. Well done, Olivia!

2C – KIARA C – Kiara is a quiet achiever who constantly strives to do her best. She is always organised and shows traits of a responsible learner. Kiara is a well-liked student who is always respectful of other learners and friendships. Well done Kiara.

3B – TALLEN C – Tallen is a highly motivated student who always strives to do his best and takes pride in his work. He always offers to help other class members and teachers alike. Tallen exhibits all the Walkervale ‘5 Keys to Success’ and is a great role model for the school.

4B – KANAN B – Kanan has earned the honour of being Aussie of the Month because he displays a responsible attitude towards his school work and treatment of others on a consistent basis. He is organised for lessons on time and gets along with others in class. Kanan persists to complete all school work and is resilient while working on difficult activities. He displays a friendly, helpful nature and willingness to do his best at school. Congratulations on becoming an Aussie of the Month, Kanan!

5B – NARIE M – Narie is a wonderful asset to our school. Narie is always organised and ready for learning with enthusiasm. She shows great pride in her work and strives for her best results. Narie is an incredibly compassionate student who genuinely cares about those around her. Narie is a happy, calming person who is respectful of her cultural heritage, family, school friends and teachers. Well done, Narie!
The children played very well and with great persistence to The wonderful Walkervale chess group after a successful day of chess.

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.
1A: Montanah F, Zach H, Angel L, Patrick R.
1C: Alessandra D, Tyler H, Lilly K, Noah N, Gemma S.
2A: Breana A.
2B: Zoey A, Decoda F, Tiani J, Lily S, Jarred T, Hayley W.
3A: Nicholas M, Ryan P, Mikayla S.
3B: Taylor-Maree C, Blake G, Lara L.
3C: Sky K, Lillian L.

AFL GALA DAY
On Wednesday May 18, a number of year 5 and 6 girls competed in the AFL QLD school cup final held at the Childers Show grounds. The year 6 girls played a fantastic game in the final, narrowly going down to Hervey Bay’s Yarribee State School in the final minutes of the game. The grade 5 team gained great experience for the competition next year. Well done to all the girls on their efforts and behaviour throughout the day. A big Thank You to Dayna Perrin-Smith for all of your help with the girls.

Simon Kelly, PE Teacher

Wide Bay North Chess Tournament at Walkervale -Walkervale 1 Comes 3rd
Jason, Cyle, Lachlan and Henery from Walkervale Team 1, and Jayden, Mitchell, Ashton, and William from Walkervale Team 2 represented Walkervale proudly in the second round of the Wide Bay North School Chess Championships held last Tuesday at Walkervale State School. It was well attended by 110 students. The children played very well and with great persistence to tackle every challenge faced. Congratulations Walkervale! Special mention goes to our Walkervale 1 team who came 3rd overall, only 1 point behind second place, and also to Jason, Lachlan and Cyle who won individual Merit Ribbons for winning at least 5 out of 8 games. All children enjoyed a competitive day of chess and learned new skills. Chess Club lessons with Mr Menham and Mr Bond continue every Wednesday at 1st Break in the Innovation Centre.

Leadership Recognition
The following students were awarded certificates on parade today for their role as School Captains at Walkervale: Ella H, Eric H, Jakob M, Samantha P, Holly S and Reegan T.

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.

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. Please do not use this parking space unless you have a Disability Parking Permit displayed.

3rd Place Bundaberg Show – Schools Section
Walkervale State School’s entry into the School’s Section of the Bundaberg Show was awarded 3rd place. Thank you to Miss Cook and Ms Sajko who worked last weekend to combine the work submitted by classes for our school display, as well as the teachers and students who supported this school activity.

Walkervale Supports Fatality Free Friday
Our Welfare Leaders, Skye D, Jorja H, Kelly P and Montana T joined with representatives from other schools and community leaders to launch Fatality Free Friday last week.

School Photos
Included with today’s newsletter is a flyer from Qld School Photography and our timetable for Tuesday 7 June. The timetable is approximate only and may run ahead of schedule, depending on numbers present on the day. School Captains and School Leaders will also have a separate photo taken at 8:45am. Group envelopes for these photos will be given to students later this week. Family photos will be taken at 8:00am in Room 13/14. Parents are asked to take their children directly to Room 13/14 for these 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.campaustralia.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.

Inter-School Sport
Students in Year 4, 5 & 6 will continue to participate in Friday Afternoon Inter-School sport. Children have been able to select from Hockey, Tennis, Oz Tag, Rugby League, Soccer, Table Tennis or Netball. It is anticipated all students will participate in Inter-School sport as it develops co-operation, team work, sportsmanship and skills. Thank you to Mr Kelly who spent a large amount of time maximising participation, organising transportation and developing our students’ skills. It is an expectation that
children are on their best behaviour at sport. Poor behaviour displayed will result in students being unable to attend sport. Please remember to pay $3 each week if you haven’t paid in full.

**Year 6 Transition Day – Kepnock State High School**

As part of a transition program into high school, all Year 6 students have been invited to take part in a visit to Kepnock State High School. This visit will include a tour as well as an opportunity to experience life at high school and take part in a variety of cross-curricular activities. The visit is scheduled for Tuesday, 31 May between 11:50am and 1:40pm. The students will travel to and from Kepnock via bus. Mrs Anderson and Mr Gehrke will be accompanying the students to Kepnock SHS.

All students are asked to bring a pen/pencil with them.

Bus transportation from Walkervale SS to Kepnock SHS and return is being provided free of charge to the students. ALL students are encouraged to attend, regardless of which high school students will attend in 2017.

Students will depart Walkervale at 11:35am to arrive at Kepnock by 11:50am. They will depart Kepnock at 1:40pm and return to Walkervale at approximately 2:00pm.

**State of Origin Coin Trail!!**

THIS 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 from 8:15am. 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.

**P&C News**

**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.

**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.

Charise Sell, P&C President

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WIDE BAY 10 – 12 YEARS EMERGING RUGBY LEAGUE TALENT CAMP FOR GIRLS – 2016

DATE: Wednesday 29th June – Saturday 2nd July 2016

VENUE: Pialba State School

TIMES: Meet at Pialba State School – 1.00pm Wednesday 29th June.

LEVY: PLEASE NO CASH PAYMENTS - $100 per player (Electronic Funds Transfer payable to Wide Bay School Sport) this will cover all costs and includes accommodation, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday night dinner, Thursday, Friday, Saturday breakfast / lunch. No other money is required. All players will also receive a training hat.

Wide Bay School Sport Banking Details:
BSB: 064 421
Acc #: 00090671

ACCOMMODATION:
All players will be accommodated at Pialba State School. Full toilet and shower facilities will be available, however players are requested to bring a sleeping bag, airbed/small mattress (if available) and pillow (players will be sleeping on the floor). Players will be fully supervised at all times. All players are strongly encouraged to stay overnight at camp (including the Hervey Bay players), to help promote and develop team spirit and co-operation. If these arrangements cause concern, please contact Rob Messer as soon as possible.

TRANSPORT:
Private transport will be required. A list of other invited players from your District may be included to enable carpooling to be organised. A number of extra players will be invited at a later date.

The aim of this camp is to not only improve and develop your daughter’s rugby league skills under the guidance of a number of Wide Bay’s leading schoolboy/schoolgirls and club coaches, but also enable various District and WB coaches to identify potential District, WB and Queensland representative players and give guidance to these players while still at an early period in their rugby league development.

Please contact Rob Messer (Mob – 0408 757 941 or email – rmess5@eq.edu.au) for more information.