Monday 24 October 2016 (30/2016)

Date Claimers
- Monday 24 October — P&C Meeting, Staffroom, 3:15pm
- Tuesday 25 October — Book Club orders & money due
- Tuesday 25 October — Chess Tournament, Avoca SS
- Thursday 27 October — Selected Choir students performing at Buss Park
- Friday 28 October — Group 1 & 2 Prep Enrolment Meetings, Prep Rooms
- Monday 31 October — Aussie of the Month
- Thursday 3 Nov — Music: Count Us In Performance, Hall, 11:35am
- Thursday 3 Nov — C&K Kindy – Yr 2 Disco, Yr 3-6 Disco
- Thursday 10 November — Swimming Carnival for students born 2004 – 2007, 9am – 1pm
- Monday 14 Nov — Prep 2017 Information Evening, 5:30pm
- Thursday 17 November — Cultural Concert, Hall, 6:30pm
- Monday 21 November — Bundaberg SHS Yr 5 Transition Day
- Monday 21 November — BOOK FAIR
- Tuesday 22 November — Prep Transition Day, 9am – 10am
- Wed 23 November — Prep Transition Day, 9am – 10am
- Thursday 24 November — Prep Transition Day, 2pm – 3pm
- Friday 9 Dec – Yr 6 Graduation Ceremony, Hall, 9:30am
- Friday 9 December – Last day of school/Term 4
- Monday 23 January 2017 – School Resumes, Term 1

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 – Week 2
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 Melanie B  Prep B San K
Prep C Mia H  1A Montanah F
1B Aidan E  1C Jayden-Thomas C
2A Krista S  2B Rune N
2C Paige T  3A Mikayla S
3B Codie B  3C Kyjuan T
4A Kodei-Ellen W  4B Ryan M
4C Nikayla M  5A Ebony E
5B Elii N  6A Nerry R
6B Ricky D  Music E kaylah M (1B)
PE Angel M (2A)

Student of the Week Awards – Week 3
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 Nikki H  Prep B Xavier J
Prep C Ammon L  1A Marcos R
1B Ekaylah M  1C Hannah L
2A Keilee P  2B Summer E
2C Aleyah B  3A Lollie-Renae T
3B Taylor-Maree C  3C Lachlan H
4A Kiara I  4B Amber R
4C Ryu E  5A Kate J
5B Sally H  6A Charley T
6B Samantha P  Music Klib K (4C)
PE Kaylee R (3C)

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.

Prep B: Ebony L, Elii v.
Prep C: Tayla D, Lucas D, Isaac N, Elise V.
1A: Azara G.
1C: Amber B, Lilly K, Hannah L, Aylah N, Noah N, Dominic R, Gemma S.
2A: Krista S
2B: Mia D, Azri T, Hayley W.
3A: Emily P.
3B: Codie B, Dulcie-Ann F, Aidan T.
4B: Tristan M, Luke M, Abby S.
5B: Elii A, Tyler H, Elii N, Jesse S, Mitchell W.
6A: Ryan B, Tegan F, Nerry R, Jason S.
6B: Quinlyn A, Bella B, Makayla D, Kristal F, Reegan T, Tiffany W.

Keep Your Contacts Up to Date
Please ensure you contact the school office to update your...
new telephone numbers, address, emergency contacts or to update any other information. It is important that this information is accurate at all times.

**Our Cool Rule**
This week, ROCKY says:

**RESPECT OTHERS’ PERSONAL SPACE**

**Leaving Walkervale?**
Planning for classes in 2017 will begin shortly. Please contact the school office if you know your child will be leaving Walkervale at the end of this year to assist with this forward planning.

**Prep Information Evening 14 November 5:30pm**
Prep teachers are very excited about handing out the Prep sample bags. A BIG thank you to the following for supporting our future Prep students and donating vouchers, brochures and merchandise:

- Walkervale Tuckshop
- Maddy Lloyd
- Mrs Logan
- Walkervale PBL Team
- Chipmunks
- McDonalds
- C&K
- Qld Cancer Council
- Bush Children’s

Remember it’s not too late to enrol your child at Walkervale. Once we have your details we will let you know of some important events at Walkervale that your child may be able to attend. Being involved in these occasions will help prepare your child and make a successful start to school.

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**Enrol now for Prep 2017**
Walkervale State School is presently accepting Prep enrolments for 2017. Parents/carers are encouraged to make contact with the school office or via the school website (walkervaless.eq.edu.au). We are excited to welcome the Prep students who have already enrolled.

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**Word of the Week**

**interpret**

**Definition** – To understand and explain something in a particular way

**Sentence** - The class looked at the graph and had to interpret what it was telling us about how students came to school.

- The students had a hard time trying to interpret what the visitor from Japan was trying to say.

**Synonyms** – describe, translate, understand, clarify

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**Wonderful Walkervale Staff**
Last weekend, several of our wonderful and dedicated staff gave up a great deal of their weekend to learn about how to teach our children to read, write and spell using the SSP approach. SSP’s creator, Miss Emma helped us to gain a better understanding of the approach and inspired us to continue the good work we do at Walkervale in teaching children these vital life skills. If you want to know more about SSP, please see Mrs Lloyd mloy16@eq.edu.au

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**Music Moment**
A selected number of choir students will be participating in a mass choir performance to celebrate Music: Count Us In. This is being held on Thursday 27 October at Buss Park, at 11:30am.

Students will perform with schools from the surrounding district and sing Music: Count Us In songs from the past two years, and conclude with the song for 2016.

This performance will be videoed and sent to the Music: Count Us In website to highlight and showcase the talent from the Bundaberg Region, for the celebration day on Thursday 3 November.

Parents/carers, friends and family are encouraged to attend this event and show your support for music education. If your child has not yet returned their permission note, it is now overdue!

*Mrs Sauer, Music Teacher*

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**Chess Club**
Term 4 weekly Chess Club lessons with Mr Menham and Mr Bond resume on Wednesday this week in the Innovation Centre at First Break.

**Good luck tomorrow:**
12 of Walkervale’s best chess players will represent the school at the end of year school chess tournament being held at Avoca SS hall. Our school won the primary school section last year but are in a rebuilding phase in 2016. So it will be interesting to see how close they can go to defending the title. Good luck team!

**ICY CUPS THIS FRIDAY**
Don’t forget that icy cups are back! Our famous Friday afternoon Icy cups are back this term. The P&C are selling from a new location at the tuckshop, every Friday afternoon at 3pm for only 50 cents each.

If you are able to donate cordial or cups, can you please bring them to the office, all money raised to support our students at Walkervale. SEE YOU THERE.

**Telephone Messages – Friday**
A reminder to families of Year 4-6 students involved in sport to phone any messages through prior to 12pm so these can be delivered.
Some easy to follow tips on how to get along with almost anybody in almost any situation.

13. No One Is More Important Than Anyone Else
This seems to be a hard concept for many people. We've all known someone who thought they were the most important person in the room, and we've all known someone who thought someone else (often a celebrity) was more important than anyone else in the room. The truth is, no one is more important than anyone else. Each person is unique and has something to contribute. Don't get carried away with your sense of importance or with the perceived importance of anyone else. This does not mean that some people are not more important in your life than others, only that, as people, no one is intrinsically more important than anyone else.

14. Take An Interest
Ask people questions. Find out how they are doing. Find out what they are doing. Find out where their interests lie. Express an interest in them. Once you've learned something new, refer back to previous discussions.

15. Don't Gossip
Don't listen to gossip about others. Don't gossip about others. Don't worry about what is being said about you – let your actions speak for themselves.

16. Criticism Is Opportunity
Listen to and think about criticism that is given to you. Even in the rare circumstance when criticism is given with the intention of hurting, it is worth considering. Is there truth to what is said? Is it something you can change? Is it something you want to change? Look at criticism as an opportunity to grow and learn about yourself.

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This week Watson has been awarded the most points. Congratulations Watson!
Success Means Accomplishing
What You Set Out to Do