



# Pinnacle Post



## From the Principal

### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their parent teacher interview forms. I feel it is important to complete an interview with every family. It is a time we can catch up about what has been happening at school and go over your child's progress. It is also a great time to ask any questions that you may have. If you are unable to meet any of the times on the sheet, please call to see if we can arrange a time to meet.

### **School Opinion Survey**

Please take the time to fill out the school opinion survey. We appreciate all feedback for the school. This data will then become a part of this year's school annual report. If you are having any trouble getting this completed please let us know.

### **Show Winners**

Congratulations to all our winners from the Pioneer Valley Show last term. Everyone handed in some beautiful artwork.

### **After School Sport**

Last week we found out that we received a grant from Sporting Schools. This means we will be running an after school sport program this term. I will provide further details when they are confirmed.

### **Sports Day**

Sports day was a great success. Congratulations to all the students who placed, and also to all the students who did their best. It was great to see so many family members down at Mirani on the day. Good luck to all our students at Marian this week!

### **Fun Run**

Notes for the fun run will go out this week. Students are asked to try raise some money for the event. Depending on the amount they raise, students will receive prizes of their choosing.

### **Earn'n' Learn**

It's that time of year again when Earn'n'Learn is on at Woolworths. Please collect any stickers you receive while shopping. If you do not have a sticker sheet we have some spares at the school. Collecting these

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will allow us to gain resources for the school.

### **Playgroup**

This week we are starting our playgroup! All children under school age are welcome. We are charging a \$2 cover for art and craft materials. We are holding the playgroup every Friday from 9.30-10.30 in the school library. If you have any friends who are interested in attending, please bring them along. All are welcome.

### **School Camp**

A school camp update letter will be going out this week with finalised prices. We have arranged a number of excited and educational activities for the trip. Please remember that money will be due for school camp on Friday August 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Attendance**

Last term we finished with an overall attendance rate of 94.2% I am hoping that this term we can finish above 96% attendance. We have started off the term well as we are currently sitting at 98.3% attendance. Great job so far, let's keep it up!

## Important Dates

### **21 August**

Fun Run

### **25 August**

Life Education Van

### **31 August**

RSPCA Van

### **12-15 September**

Brisbane Camp (Yrs 3—6)

### **Words of the Week**

Below are our vocabulary words for the week. If possible use these words while in discussion with your children.

Week 2

*Vivid* – very bright and strong

*Vast* – very great in size, number or amount

*Versatile* – usable in many different ways

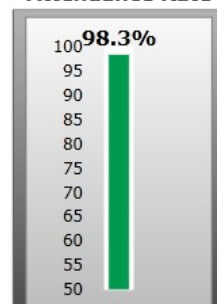
Week 3

*Uninhabited* – Not live in by people

*Uneventful* – not marked by exciting or interesting events

*Unkempt* – messy; not cared for

### **Attendance Rate**



## BIRTHDAYS

*Happy Birthday to*



*Ellie for 10<sup>th</sup> July*

*Jazz for 13<sup>th</sup> JULY*

## Community News

### GET YOUR FAMILY ACTIVE AND EATING WELL

Local families can sign up the free healthy lifestyle program called PEACH™ - Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health. Registrations are now open for a new group to commence in Mackay at in term 3, 2015.

The program is fun for kids and helps parents and carers make healthy eating and activity a part of every-day life. It is available to families with a child aged between 5-11 years who is above a healthy weight their age.

It consists of 10 group sessions that run for 90 minutes each. The first 9 sessions are held weekly within the school term. Ongoing individualised family support is offered through the second half of the program ending with one final group session.

Some of the topics covered include nutrition, relationships with food and eating, changing family lifestyle behaviours and making healthy eating affordable. While the parent sessions are taking place, children enjoy active play with a trained child physical activity facilitator.

The program is funded by the Queensland government and being delivered by the Queensland University of Technology. If you would like more information about the PEACH™ program or to register please contact free call 1800 263 519 or visit

[www.peachqld.com.au](http://www.peachqld.com.au)

### Pioneer Valley Chaplaincy

Pioneer Valley Chaplaincy Committee is having a produce stall at the Walkerston State School Fair on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July and we need your help. We would love donations of produce – fruit, vegetables, herbs, eggs and honey to sell at the stall. Also if you have made some pickles, jams, sauces and preserves you would like to donate we would be most grateful. Please make sure these home made goods are labelled with all of the ingredients listed. Please have any donations at school by Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July.

If anybody has time to spare and would like to help on the stall, please phone me on 0427593384.

Thankyou for supporting your local School Chaplains.

Cheers and Blessings

Andrea - School Chaplain, Walkerston State School

Pioneer Valley Sporting Association Gargett Ladies Thursday morning tennis fixtures start 8.30 16th July...for more information contact Carmen Dalton on 0488759562.

**Parents who wish their child to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) are invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July at the Marian Catholic Church Hall at 7.30pm. For further information please contact:**

**Charlotte Tomlin 49543863 Nola Agius 49585664**



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