THINGS TO REMEMBER:

**NOVEMBER**
- Wednesday 13th Kids Kitchen
- Thursday 14th AFL Auskick
- Friday 15th Swimming - Mirani Pool
- Thursday 21st P-7 Excursion Cape Hillsborough
  **DECEMBER**
- Thursday 12th Break Up Memorial Pool
- Friday 13th Last Day of 2013 School Year
  **JANUARY 2014**
- Monday 27th Australia Day Holiday
- Tuesday 28th School commences for 2014

From the Principal

Good afternoon everyone!

This week starts the second part of the Term and students are already saying that the Term is flying by. Students continue to work on their C2C units and continue to gain a greater understanding of each concept.

2014 School Numbers- District Office has been in touch with me to confirm student numbers for 2014. Unfortunately our present prediction leaves us short for having 2 teachers in 2014. To hold 2 teachers, we need to have 26 students and our prediction leaves us short of this number. It is expected that Irena will be transferred leaving us another student short.

I have informed the department that having taught in a one teacher school in the 90’s and going for promotion to the next step school, I would be unwilling to go back to a one teacher school. So at this point in time, I would foresee both Irena and myself not being here in 2014. This is extremely disappointing as I know both of us would love to be here at least until the end of next year. I will certainly keep you all informed of any developments or changes to this issue as they appear.

School Activities- Swimming going well with all students participating. Christmas Play also going well with student learning their parts. Excursion to Cape Hillsborough will be Thursday 21st November. This excursion fits well with the upper class C2C.

Principal Meeting 7th Nov- Last week, Principals from small schools meet to discuss the Implementation of Explicit Instruction, development of our school’s AIP, Pedagogical Framework and any other documents needed by the end of the year. Pinnacle is well on the way to have EI fully implemented and most of our documents for our region are well on their way to completion.

From the Upper class- Students in 4 to 7 are looking at Mungo Man and Woman. Part of this activity is looking at how man identifies materials; date them, what questions to ask and where to look for information that will assist their research. These students continue to work on persuasive text and the features of this text. Reading continues to be a main focus with daily reading and reading activities that help with comprehension, fluency and text appreciation. Maths is about gaining and interpreting data and representing data through graphs.

***Students of the Week***

Congratulations to the following students...

Prep, 1, 2 & 3 Paige Francis for an informative recount.

Jayda Wagstaff for great work on her writing.

Years 4 - 7 Luke Mackenzie for working consistently well on class activities.

Jessica Lewer for always trying her best in all class activities.

MIOOW MAGIC WORDS

Congratulations to Jazz Provera for mastering the next Magic 100 Words.

FRY’S 1000 WORDS

Congratulations to Jarvis Muller for completing Fry’s 1000 Words.
Happy Birthday to
Jack W for 16th November

KIDS KITCHEN – THIS WEDNESDAY
Kids Kitchen will be this Wednesday. It is for Lunch only and children need to bring their own snack and morning tea. Children need to fill out an order form (attached to the newsletter) and return it on Tuesday morning.

Cape Hillsborough Trip
The P – Year 7 Students will be travelling to Cape Hillsborough on Thursday 21st November. The children will be traveling by bus departing Pinnacle at 8.45am sharp. Children are to wear their sports uniform, shoes and socks, hat and bring their own morning tea, lunch and water bottle. Permission form will be sent home later this week.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
The proof album for our school photos is available at the school office. It will be available for another week for you to view and order your school photos. Order Forms advising prices have been supplied by Five Star Studios with the album.

SCHOOL DENTAL NOTICE
School Dental Service will be treating students over the Christmas school holidays in the grounds of the Finch Hatton State Primary School. Parents who have returned their children’s consent/medical form will be telephoned by school dental staff to arrange an appointment in the next few weeks.

SWIMMING - Term 4
Swimming will continue until Friday 6th December. The children will be travelling to swimming by bus. Children are to wear Sports Uniform to School and change into togs at lunchtime. Children will need to bring:
- Swimsuit / Swim Shirt / Sun Shirt
- Towel
- Brush / Comb
- Sunscreen
- Bag
Sharon McFaul is the parent helper for this week.

P & C School Social BBQ
There will be a School Social BBQ on Saturday 16th November at 4.00pm. All welcome.

Community News
Mackay Northern Beaches State High School has 2 permanent positions commencing in 2014:
- Schools Officer (Grounds & Facilities) – 38 hours/week
- School Science Operations Officer – 36.25 hrs/week
All details on how to apply for the above positions are available on the school’s website www.macknorthbeachesshs.eq.edu.au or contact the school on 4842 1333. Applications close COB on Friday 15 November 2013.

Melba House Gift Shop.
SHOP LOCALLY FOR CHRISTMAS! Locally handcrafted gifts starting as low as $1.50! Key rings, jewellery, books by local authors, wood turned and embroidered items, fridge magnets, ornaments, crystals, fabric handbags, items featuring platypus and the Valley and lots more!! Perfect for Secret Santa gifts! Come and have a look – you’ll be surprised at the range! Melba House is open Monday, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays 9am-3pm. Ph 49544299 for more info.

CSI: NEVERLAND
The Valley Theatrical Players present their annual pantomime at the Pinnacle Playhouse. This year is the Valley Player’s 40th birthday and they will be performing CSI: Neverland by Wade Bradford (Special Fairies Unit) on 15th-16th Nov and 22nd-23rd November. Tickets available at www.cqu.edu.au/cqcm (Central Qld Conservatorium of Music) or phone 4940 7800. Adults - $25, students (12+) $15, occupying a seat (under 12) - $10. Enquiries: Cheryl Mitchell (A/H): 4958 5261 or Pinnacle Playhouse: 4958 5337. Doors open 6.30pm, show starts 7.30pm. Food by Coffee Divine!

TUCKSHOP CONVENOR – MIRANI STATE SCHOOL
Mirani State School have a position available for a paid Tuckshop convenor. Duties will include, but not limited to, running of the school Tuckshop, supervising volunteers, recruiting volunteers and ordering stock. The candidate will be required to work 3 days (13 hours) per week and must have, or be able to apply for, a Working with Children Blue Card. Applications close on 18th November 2013. Please hand in your resume to the school office or post to Mirani State School, PO Box 30, Mirani, 4754. Applications to be...