

During the last week we welcomed Darren Marsh and Naomi Meerwald for our school review which occurs every four years.

As we reflected on the school from different aspects, it gave us a good opportunity to consider the future direction of our school.

It also gave us an opportunity to be thankful for our school community who support the school staff in so many ways.

It is our desire to continue to maintain high academic achievement and at the same time enhance our sporting, cultural and community endeavours.



It was great to see grand parents, younger siblings, past and present school captains and community members supporting us in our fund raising efforts.

Queensland Day

We had a lot of fun celebrating our great sunshine state last Friday. It was great to see parents join us for the morning of activities.

Gum Boot Throw Results

	First	Second	Third
Mens	Brad Butler	Andrew Lauchlan	Raymon Costas
Ladies	Susan O'Shea	Karrah Krauss	Kristen Murphy
Senior Boys	Blake	Joshua	Brett
Senoir Girls	Rynece	Marli	Jenna

Winner of Rubbish Bin Cricket Parents vs 5/6 class—Parents and Students - Tied, (18 points)

Queensland Quiz—Our younger students had fun running around the school grounds in teams looking for quiz questions. After a relay race, where a banana was passed to team mates, the answers were revealed.

Trivia Night

Winning Team : Dominoes (St Rita's, Babinda)

Haylee Cross, Judy Billiau, Debbie Kurucz, Donna Lauridsen, Molly Harbour, Julie Cross

Amount Raised: Approx \$10,000

Combined Track & Field at Babinda

This Friday June 15

Parents are responsible for the transport of their children to and from Babinda. They are expected to be at Babinda by 8.30am in readiness for the commencement of the program. (unless competing in discus—8.00am start). Aloomba students need to wear their green and white school shirt with appropriate shorts/ skorts for competing

Please bring your own lunch, a water bottle and a hat and apply sunscreen before the event starts..

We wish our team of eager athletes all the best as they represent our school on Friday.

Japanese Speaking Competition

August 15

Our school has registered for the 2018 Cairns Languages Speaking Competition being held on Wednesday 15 August. The objectives of the competition are to promote and encourage the study of foreign language and cultures in the Cairns region. As our region continues to develop cross-country links in trade, business and education and as communication between countries, including our Asian neighbours, increases, the need to be able to share information in languages and have a cultural understanding of the people with whom they are dealing provides an added advantage to young people.

This year we will send eleven students to represent our school.

Year 4: Louisa, Jemma, Ella

Year 5: Max, Ebony, Grace, Sophie

Year 6 : Jaimee, Isabella, Rynece, Kate

Students are not encouraged to read their speech. They can refer to palm cards however excessive consultation will result in marks being deducted.

Thank you to Michelle Smith for encouraging and preparing our students so well.

Premier's Reading Challenge

With our homework expectations for reading being in line with the Premier's Reading Challenge, we expect all students to qualify for a certificate at the end of the challenge.

Keep on reading and take every opportunity to make it an enjoyable time together.

Student Action Plan

Ronald McDonald House Townsville

Thank you to the many families who supported our students in providing items for our Ronald McDonald Action Plan. We were able to provide a lovely parcel of goods to help families of the Far North. Thank you also to the Porta family for transporting the goods to Townsville.

School Speaking Competition

This year our Year 4, 5 and 6 students will once again be taking part in the school speaking competition. Finalists from the school will go on to take part in the **Calanna Speaking Competition** being held during August.

Topics:

Year 4 & 5 : My five favourite words are...?

Year 6 : If I were in charge I would...?

As these speeches will be written at school you may like to discuss as a family ideas to be included in the speech and ways you could make it more interesting.

The speech length is 3 minutes in duration.

Reader's Cup

We wish our team Ruby, Marlo, Joshua and Steveigh all the best in the Reader's Cup being held this Thursday.

Innisfail Eisteddfod

Last week Sophie, Daniel, Max & Poppy competed in the Innisfail Eisteddfod. We congratulate Max (second place) and Poppy (third place) in the under Year 6 violin.

Sophie received a third and highly commended in two piano solos. We congratulate Daniel for competing in the duet and individual piano competition for the first time.



School Photos

26 July

Please avoid making appointments on this day as we would like all students in attendance.

Mulgrave Track & Field

27 July

If your child qualifies to represent the district at the next level of competition, they will be required to be transported to Gordonvale for the Mulgrave Track & Field on this day. Further information and permission forms will be given to the students involved.

School Holidays

We are only two and a half weeks off another two week holiday period. On the last day of term 2 we will be having School Performance Tours visit for their second presentation of the year.

School Holiday Period

Saturday 30 June — Sunday 15 July

School resumes on Monday 16 July

Watch Out! Cane trains about

With the cane crushing season here, cane trains are moving around the district. Please remind your children to stay away from the trains and stay off the tracks.



Tuckshop Roster

Date	Tuckshop	Home Bake
15 June	Taylor / St George	Shawcross/ Schweitzer

Key Dates

15 June	Fri	Combined Track & Field Babinda
29 June	Fri	School Performance Tour