



BLOOMSBURY STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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BE SAFE, BE RESPECTFUL, BE RESPONSIBLE, BE A LEARNER

FROM MRS DURNSFORD'S DESK,

Good afternoon

This week is Reconciliation Week, a time to learn about our shared history and how we can walk together with respect and understanding.

At our school, we show our commitment through our Acknowledgement of Country, which honours the Yuwi people, the Traditional Custodians of this land. We also proudly fly the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags, showing respect and unity.

This is a time for listening, learning and working together for a better future.



Capricornia Rugby League Competition

Congratulations Lachy on representing Mackay in the Capricornia Rugby League competition in Rockhampton. Lachy's commitment to training regularly with his team and his strong performances during the games are a true credit to his dedication and talent. It's fantastic to hear that both of Lachy's coaches passed on commendations to Lachy, recognising his efforts on the field. Well done – your hard work and sportsmanship have made us all proud!



Book Fair

Our recent Book Fair was a wonderful celebration of reading and it was fantastic to see so many students exploring the fair, carefully choosing books that sparked their imagination and curiosity. There's something truly magical about finding the right story and our library will now be filled with even more of those thanks to the success of the fair. A huge thank you to Mrs Quantock and our amazing staff for organising, setting up and running the event on behalf of the P&C. Thanks to your support, the proceeds will go towards new books for our school library and exciting prizes for our "You Can Do It" prize box, helping to keep the joy of reading and learning alive every day.

Book Donation

Thank you to the Hartley family for their donation of *No Drama Cane Farmer* to our school library. Nikki Townley is a local author who attended our cluster schools, Pindi Pindi and Calen, making this addition even more meaningful. We look forward to students enjoying this book and connecting with our region's rich agricultural history.



Deadly Sciences Lego

A big thank you to the Scott family for applying to receive an amazing amount of Lego kits from DeadlyScience Australia. The kits have arrived, are all organised and ready for our students to dive into hands on, creative and collaborative learning!



Under 8's Day

A big thank you to Pindi Pindi State School for hosting a fantastic Northern Highway Cluster Under 8's Day! Our students had a wonderful time taking part in a range of engaging activities – from creative crafts and baby animal fun to storytelling and music. The day was filled with smiles, laughter and plenty of learning through play. We proud of our students enthusiastic participation. Photos in this newsletter.

Top End Athletics Carnival at Bloomsbury

Our annual athletics carnival with Pindi Pindi is coming up soon and we're looking forward to a fun filled day full of energy, teamwork and school spirit! In the lead up to the event, students will be training at school and we encourage families to support some extra practice at home – whether it's running, jumping, stretching or simply staying active. We'd also love to see as many parents and families as possible on the day to cheer on our students, enjoy the fun and help create a positive and encouraging atmosphere for all. Below is a program of events for your information. Please note that times are approximate only.

BLOOMS V BERRIES ATHLETICS CARNIVAL		
FRIDAY 13th June 2025		
PROGRAM OF EVENTS		
(Times are approximately)		
9:00am	800m	(9 years to 12 years)
9:20am	SPRINTS (60m & 80m)	(5 years to 7 years)
9:45am	FIELD EVENTS	
	First Round Rotation	(all students)
10:30am	MORNING TEA	
11:00am	200m	(8 years to 12 yrs)
10:00am	FIELD EVENTS	
	Second Round Rotation	(all students)
11:30am	FIELD EVENTS	
	Third Round Rotation	(all students)
12:30pm	LUNCH	
1:00pm	SPRINTS 100m	(8 years to 12 yrs)
	Followed by under 5's race	
1:15pm	RELAYS including	(Year 6 & staff & parents)
2:00pm	CLEANUP followed by Presentations	

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance is holding steady at 94%. Congratulations to all parents and caregivers for your commitment to ensuring excellent school attendance! Your support and dedication play a crucial role in fostering a positive learning environment for your child and the entire school community.



Reasons for Absence from School

Just a reminder, if you are replying to an SMS or contacting the school about your child's absence can you please specify the reasons for their absence. For example, if it is an 'appointment' please specify if it is a 'medical appointment'. If you are signing your child out for an 'Early Department' please write the reason down or advise your child's teacher why they are leaving early. This ensures your child's absence records are accurate and the correct coding is applied.

Kind regards

Eliza

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program

It's not only children and teens who benefit from positive parenting. It also makes family life more enjoyable, easier and more rewarding for parents. More and more parents understand that it's okay to ask for help and, in Queensland, positive parenting support to suit every family is free for any parent or carer of a child up to 18 years old.

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program is used around the world and was developed right here in Queensland. It helps parents to raise children and teens who grow up to be happy and healthy. Thousands of Queensland parents have already done Triple P and recommend it.

Triple P offers practical skills and tools to help parents:

- develop strong, positive relationships with their children
- set limits and establish family routines that work
- encourage and teach prosocial skills
- confidently respond to challenges
- balance work and family with less stress

create a happy, safe, and supportive family

What support is available for parents?

No matter what stage of life your child is at—or what challenges you're facing - Triple P can help you learn simple but proven ways to give them the best opportunity to reach their full potential. It offers a range of seminars, group workshops and one-on-one consultations delivered as either:

- one-off sessions
- part of a series over several weeks or months

self-paced online courses including Teen Triple P.

You can choose as much or as little help as you like - depending on your individual preferences and situation—and you choose which strategies you'd like to try at home.

How can I do Triple P for free?

Start doing [Teen Triple P Online](#) at any time.

Visit the [Triple P Queensland website](#) to learn more about the program and search for a free Triple P provider in your local area (note that providers manage their own listings on the website).

[Find out when free Triple P sessions are being delivered](#), either in person or via video conference (note that providers manage their own listings).

<https://www.qld.gov.au/community/caring-child/positive-parenting>

Electoral Division

Have your say on electoral divisions in the Mackay region

Mackay Regional Council is seeking community input on the idea of reverting to electoral divisions.

Council currently has an undivided council, 10 councillors and a Mayor, representing the entire local government area.

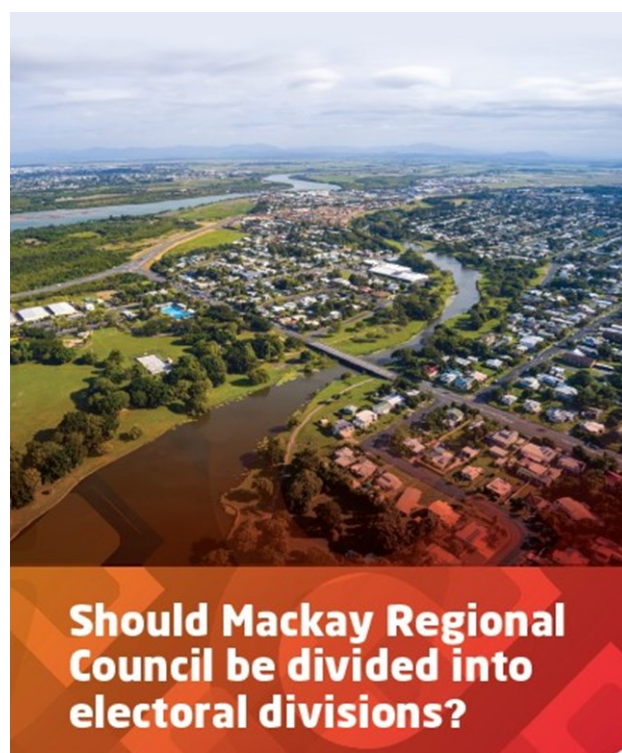
At the March ordinary meeting of council, a resolution was carried to undertake a preliminary, low-cost consultation process to assess community sentiment on the idea of having a divided council.

In a divided council, Councillors are elected to represent divisions.

You can have a say via council's Connecting Mackay website [Have your say on electoral divisions | Connecting Mackay](#) (<https://www.connectingmackay.com.au/have-your-say-on-electoral-divisions>) or pop into anyone of council's Customer Service Centres or Libraries and request a hard-copy survey.

The survey closes at 11.59PM on Sunday, June 1, 2025.

Should you have any questions about this consultation, please contact council's Community Engagement Team on 1300 MACKAY (622 529) or email engagement@mackay.qld.gov.au



Yes or No

Scan the QR code to have your say and/or to learn more.

This survey is open to Mackay Regional Council residents only.

The survey will be live on council's Connecting Mackay website from 9am, Sunday, May 4, 2025 until 11.59pm Sunday, June 1, 2025.



**Under 8's
Day
At
Pindi Pindi
Look at these
smiling faces**





**Under 8's
Day
At
Pindi Pindi
And a good time
was had by all.**



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WONDERFUL STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Sam, George, Brodie & Rose
WELL DONE!





**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

**Happy Birthday
Rose, Brayth and
Matilda**

**Hoping you all
have had an
amazing birthday!**



**Our fabulous Cowboys Award
goes to Rivah.**

**Well done Rivah.
And a very happy girl she is!**



SUPER READERS
Clifford, Mary, Sam, Kirati & Ben

Keep going!



**And our very lucky You Can
Do It winners for this fortnight
are.....
Halo, Jhai & Rose**

P&C & School News & Reminders

TUCKSHOP DATES

Friday 30 May

Friday 6 June

Friday 13 June (Athletics Day)

Friday 27 June

**WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR
VOLUNTEERS FOR TUCKSHOP
EACH WEEK**

**IF YOU HAVE SOME SPARE TIME
ON FRIDAYS FROM 8.30AM TO
APPROX 11.00AM, PLEASE
CONTACT THE SCHOOL.**

PARADE DATES - TERM 2

Wed 11 June - Parade

Wed 25 June - Parade

NEXT P&C MEETING PROPOSED

June 16 at 3.00pm

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS -

TERM 2

* TOP END ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Friday 13 June

* SHOW HOLIDAY Friday 20 June

* CLUSTER ATHLETICS SEAFORTH SS

Monday 23 June

**P&C number
C10182572**



Recycle

What notes do I have to complete and return?

**MUST BE IN AND PAID FOR BY FRIDAY JUNE
6TH - TOP END CLUSTER ATHLETICS DAY
TUCKSHOP**

No late orders accepted

**MUST BE IN AND PAID FOR BY WEDNESDAY
25TH JUNE - DELICIOUS PIE ORDERS**

No late orders accepted

**MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY 6TH JUNE -
WHITSUNDAY VOICES CONSENT FORMS**

**MUST BE IN AND PAID FOR - WEEKLY
TUCKSHOP**

**No late orders will be accepted and must be
paid for by closing time 12noon every Tuesday.**

**THE OFFICE THANKS YOU FOR ENSURING
THAT NOTES, ORDERS AND PAYMENTS ARE
SUBMITTED ON TIME.**

BLOOMSBURY SCHOOL CALENDAR

MAY 2025

			THURS 1	FRI 2 Tuckshop
MON 5 Public Holiday	TUES 6 Tuckshop Orders in Mothers Day Stall Soccer after school	WED 7 Mothers Day Stall	THURS 8 Mothers Day Stall	FR 9 Tuckshop Mothers Day Stall
MON 12	TUES 13 Tuckshop Orders In Soccer after school Proserpine State High School Enrolment night	WED 14 PARADE Book Fair	THURS 15 Book Fair	FRI 16 Tuckshop Book Fair
MON 19 Possible P&C Meeting Book Fair	TUES 20 Tuckshop Orders In Soccer after school Book Fair	WED 21	THURS 22	FRI 23 Tuckshop Under 8's at Pindi Pindi SS
MON 26	TUES 27 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 28 PARADE	THURS 29	FRI 30 Tuckshop

Weekend dates: Bloomsbury Country Markets - Sat 31 May 8am-12

BLOOMSBURY SCHOOL CALENDAR

JUNE 2025

MON 2	TUES 3 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 4	THURS 5	FRI 6 Tuckshop
MON 9	TUES 10 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 11 PARADE	THURS 12	FRI 13 Athletics Day at Bloomsbury Tuckshop
MON 16 Possible P&C Meeting 3pm	TUES 17	WED 18	THURS 19	FRI 20 SHOW PUBLIC HOLIDAY
MON 23 Cluster Athletics at Seaforth SS	TUES 24 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 25 PARADE	THURS 26	FRI 27 Tuckshop CountryFest
MON 30 Holidays				

Weekend dates: Bloomsbury Country Markets - Sat 28 June 8am-12

BLOOMSBURY SCHOOL CALENDAR

JULY 2025

	TUES 1 HOLIDAYS	WED 2 HOLIDAYS	THURS 3 HOLIDAYS	FRI 4 HOLIDAYS
MON 7 HOLIDAYS	TUES 8 HOLIDAYS	WED 9 HOLIDAYS	THURS 10 HOLIDAYS	FRI 11 HOLIDAYS
MON 14 Term 3 commences	TUES 15	WED 16	THURS 17 Whitsunday Voices	FRI 18
MON 21 Proposed P&C Meeting	TUES 22 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 23 Parade	THURS 24	FRI 25 Tuckshop
MON 28	TUES 29 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 30	THURS 31	

Weekend dates: Bloomsbury Country Markets - Sat 26 July 8am-12

BLOOMSBURY SCHOOL CALENDAR

AUGUST 2025

				FRI 1 Tuckshop
MON 4	TUES 5 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 6 Parade High School Enrolment Evening Proserpine SHS	THURS 7	FRI 8 Tuckshop
MON 11	TUES 12 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 13	THURS 14	FRI 15 Tuckshop
MON 18 Proposed P&C Meeting	TUES 19 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 20 Parade Tentative Book Week Disco	THURS 21 School Photos	FRI 22 Tuckshop
MON 25	TUES 26 Tuckshop Orders In	WED 27	THURS 28	FRI 29 Tuckshop

Weekend dates: Bloomsbury Country Markets - Sat 30 Aug 8am-12 noon