Kirwan High is proud to congratulate Dave Ackers, Head of Rugby League, on his recent Pride of Workmanship Award.

The award was made by the Rotary Club of Townsville Sunrise in recognition of his outstanding work leading and coaching the Rugby League program at Kirwan High.

Dave was a player in Kirwan’s 1998 Bears team which took out the state championship.

He now devotes himself passionately to developing the character and skills of young rugby league players in North Queensland.

Dave also coordinates the homestay program for players who have joined us from as far afield as St George, Katherine, Darwin, Mackay, Cairns and New Zealand.
Remember your Mum on Mother’s day!

Sunday 12th May
The Hospitality Department is hosting the Mother’s Day Sweet Stall

| When: First Break  between 8-10 May (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday or until sold out) | What: Truffles in a wine glass $6
Rocky road $3
White Chocolate fudge $3
Peanut Brittle $2
Hedgehog slice $3 |

Pre-orders will be taken in the Outback Café on Monday and Tuesday or email raust47@eq.edu.au. Items may be stored in kitchens for Friday afternoon collection.

All proceeds will go towards the SeaWorld Hotel School Tour.

ATTENTION
YEAR 10, 11 AND 12 STUDENTS

WHITE CARD COURSE

7th May 2013
Cost: $70
(Must be paid before 7th May)

Collect an Enrolment form from the VET Office in the Administration Block.
Anzac Biscuits

The Hospitality and Home Economics Department would like to sincerely thank all students who contributed to ANZAC biscuit drive. Kirwan High School has successfully made and baked over 3000 ANZAC biscuits and donated them to Red Cross, Meals on Wheels, the RSL and Loretta and Good Sheppard nursing homes. We have also handed out biscuits to our past and present service men and women at the Thuringowa ANZAC service on ANZAC day. The school community came together with the donation of over 30kg of flour, 20kg of butter, 20 packets of coconut and rolled oats as well as financial donations.

Many Home Economics and Hospitality classes took part in testing, making, baking and packaging the biscuits and it was a huge success.

Cupcake Decorating

We would also like to thank Janine from Janine’s Cake Art for hosting the Cupcake Decorating sessions in Term 1 and the first week of Term 2. It was great to see our Townsville community come together in our School Café to learn new skills and make new friends. All funds raised went to the Music Support Group and the Beijing Music tour. A special thank you also goes to Danielle Chappel for being our resident barista.

SeaWorld Hotel Tour

Year 11 and 12 Hospitality students are ramping up fundraising efforts this term. Twenty-five students are attending the SeaWorld Hotel School on the Gold Coast in September. Students will work, eat and sleep in the Hotel over four days gaining real world experience in a world class resort from highly trained staff. They will experience a variety of areas within the Hospitality industry from room attendants to reception. Please assist our students in their goal to attend this fantastic opportunity.

Outback Café

The Outback Café is continuing to open first break and now second break from Tuesday-Thursday this term, selling hot and cold beverages and also introducing foods to the menu. The Café is utilised to assist with the practical training of all Hospitality students and gives them real world skills. We invite all students in all grades to come and enjoy the air-conditioning and support our students.

Renee Perkins
Hospitality and Home Economics Coordinator
Are you inspired by an excellent Queensland school teacher?

Nominate them in the QCT Excellence in Teaching Awards.

Registered teachers from Queensland State, Catholic and independent schools are eligible for nomination in four award categories.

Download a nomination form at: www.qct.edu.au/awards

REWARDING GREAT ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to students in Louisa house as they have the highest number of students with attendance above 90%. These students will be rewarded with a sausage sizzle lunch on Tuesday April 30 to reward their achievements. Eligible students have been issued with a ticket and must have this with them on the day to collect their lunch. Well done Louisa, we hope to see the number of students with attendance above 90% continue to rise in Term 2.

LANGUAGES AT KIRWAN

A Taste of University French

At the end of Term 1, Kirwan High French students were given the opportunity to attend an information evening at James Cook University about the requirements and benefits of studying languages at the university. James Cook University professors gave a presentation on the requirements for travelling overseas to the university’s corresponding colleges as an exchange student. After the presentation, students were able to participate in a French lesson with other university students at James Cook University. The class used computer software to communicate with students at the university campus in Cairns. Kirwan students left with the experience of having partaken in a university class, feeling encouraged to continue in their LOTE studies.

Josie Cargnoni –Year 12 Student

Japanese news

In Week Four, 11 students studying Japanese from Kirwan High joined with students who study Japanese from schools across Townsville for a movie and cultural evening. There were 25 students from Years 10 to 12 involved, including some exchange students. The group had the opportunity to eat Japanese food, speak Japanese with peers from other schools and watch the newest Studio Ghibli movie, Arrietty.

To celebrate the Townsville Arts and Culture Festival from the 14th – 23rd of June, students and families have the opportunity to gather with like-minded Japanese culture enthusiasts for a Japanese movie night at James Cook University. On the 19th June, there are two movies showing at 6pm, “Departures” and “Mutant Girls Squad”. Admission to the showings are free, however if you intend to go, you need to book in with Miss Dowrick to confirm your attendance. We look forward to seeing many of the Kirwan community there.
INVITATION TO YEAR 10 PARENTS

Kirwan High School has joined the Beacon Foundation and we want to tell you all about it!

Critical to the success of the Beacon program is the support of local and national businesses and the wider community, working together with Beacon and the school to provide resources for the program activities such as site tours, work experience, mentoring and classroom based visits that help bring relevance to life beyond the school gate, and embed the Beacon philosophy into the school curriculum.

As a sign of their commitment to their future pathway, every Year 10 student will be signing the Kirwan High Beacon Charter board. If you have time please join us in celebrating our students commitment to the Beacon program and taking ownership and control of their future pathway. We believe that ‘It takes a village to raise a child’ and invite you to join us in supporting our young people.

This will take place on Wednesday 1st May at 9.00am in the Performing Arts Centre.

Special Education Teams
Life Skills course gives a special thank you to Parents

At the end of last term the Special Education Team concluded their Life Skills Term 1 course by arranging a thank you lunch for parents, teachers and community members that had played an integral role in the student’s life. As part of their unit of work in Term 1 the students were learning to cook basic, affordable recipes that they could prepare for the whole family. At the end of the term the students in Years 8, 10, 11 and 12 invited those they most wanted to thank to lunch at the Special Education Building. The students set the room, choose the menu, prepared the meal and cleaned up afterwards. Those attending were very impressed by the level of service and the lunch they received. This was a great learning experience for the students and wonderful opportunity to give back to those who do so much for them.

2013 QCS TEST

Chief Community Representatives & Community Representatives

Call for Expressions of Interest for Chief Community Representatives and Community Representatives for the 2013 Core Skills Test

Expressions of interest are now invited from members of the community who are interested in being selected for the positions of Chief Community Representatives and/or Community Representatives for the 2013 Queensland Core Skills Test. The test is to be held on Tuesday 3 September and Wednesday 4 September, 2013. Persons nominated by this school will not necessarily be located at Kirwan High, but may be required to supervise the QCS test at another school in the Townsville area.

An information package regarding these paid positions is available for personal collection from the Administration Office, Hudson Street. The package contains details such as position descriptions, forms for completion, and rate of pay. Details and forms are also available on the QSA website at https://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/qsa_secure/memos.act.

All completed expressions of interest must be returned to the school office by close of business (4.00 p.m.) on Friday 10 May, 2013.

Andrew Carter
Head of Department
SPORTS EXCELLENCE PROGRAM
FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Congratulations to the following winners of our Sports Excellence Raffle:

1st Prize : Brad Thaggard
(Trip for two to State of Origin II in Brisbane including airfares, accommodation and tickets to the game)

2nd Prize : Gary Nielsen
(Framed & Signed 2013 Toyota NQ Cowboys Jersey)

3rd Prize : Helen Rainy
(Qld State of Origin Supporters Pack)

Thank you to everyone who supported our Sports Excellence Program by purchasing tickets in this raffle.

RECIPES!!!

Kirwan High boasts a wonderful and ever-growing, multi-cultural community. There are many reasons to celebrate this and one is ‘great food’. This year I am putting together a recipe book that reflects our wonderful community.

What can you do? You can send me a special family recipe. If you have a story that connects to your recipe, send me that too. You may even like to do a drawing of the food or celebration….and you can send me that too. For example, one side of my family are Sicilian. Every year around July, we would pick the vine ripened tomatoes from my Nonno’s (Grandfather) garden. It was a very large garden. My Nonna (Grandmother), Mum, Dad, Auntie, Uncle and all extended family would spend an entire day, pushing the tomatoes through this machine and we kids used to take turns turning the handle that churned the fruit. The tomato pulp was cooked in large pots and then bottled. Pasta was cooked for lunch and Braciola. This was so delicious and I remember those days with much love in my heart. I will be including these recipes and story in our cookbook.

On the other hand, you don’t have to have a story, just send me a yummy recipe as simple as toasties, or pancakes. I am really looking forward to what our Kirwan High community brings to our multicultural table. There will be art competitions surrounding recipes and much more.

Watch this space.

You can either email me on aher3@eq.edu.au or drop your recipe into school. I am based in the Performing Arts department. My direct number is 47738161. Just make sure that your full name is on the word document itself and home contact details should I need to ask you any questions.

Buon ricetta scrittura! (Happy recipe writing)

Adriana Hering—Art Coordinator
SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term 2
07/05/13 White card course
7-8/05/13 Parent Teacher Interviews
09/05/12 SF4NQ Careers Expo—8.30am—2.30pm—Year 10’s to participate. Year 11, 12 Tourism and Year 11 Events students to assist at the expo.
14-17/05/13 NAPLAN testing
15-17/05/13 Immunizations—Year 8 HPV 2nd dose and chickenpox—Year 10 HPV 2nd dose (boys only) and Boostrix (all students)
21/05/13 ICAS Computer Skills competition
21/05/13 Interschool Cross Country
24/05/13 End of Term 2 Music Concert
27/05/13 Townsville Trials—U15 Football, U15 Basketball, U15 Rugby Union
29/05/13 Australian History Competition—Year 8 and 10 To Scholar classes
31/05/13 U15 Boys and Girls State Championships (Boys Mt Isa) (Girls Roma)
03/06/13 Mabo Day
04/06/13 North Queensland Trials—U15 Rugby Union, U15 Basketball (10—2), U15 Football
05/06/13 ICAS Competition—Science
09-15/06/13 School Musical
10/06/13 Queen’s Birthday holiday
17/06/13 ICAS Writing competition
17-21/06/13 Industry Placement Year 11 and 12 Childcare
17-21/06/13 Year 11 and 12 Work Experience
19-21/06/13 Junior Secondary Camp
19-21/06/13 Year 8 and 9 Camps
24/06-05/07/13 School Holidays

Term 3
08/07/13 Term 3 commences
05-13/07/13 Proposed Senior Instrumental Music Tour—Beijing
18/07/13 Year 12 James Cook University visit
19/07/13 Interhouse Athletics Carnival
22-24/07/13 NAIDOC Week activities
30/07/13 White card course
30-31/07/13 Parent Teacher Interviews
31/07/13 ICAS English competition
01/08/13 Australian Mathematics Competition
09/08/13 Secondary Japanese Speech Competition
12/08/13 Townsville Career Expo—RSL Stadium—10.00am to 1.30pm and 4.00pm to 7.00pm
13/08/13 ICAS Competition—Mathematics Interschool Athletics—Gold
14/08/13 Interschool Athletics—Blue
15/08/13 Interschool Athletics—Both
16/08/13 National Schoolboy Rugby League Cup Queensland Final
17/08/13 Arts Department Cabaret
23/08/13 Daffodil Day
23-24/08/13 North Queensland All Schools Touch Football
03-04/09/13 QCS test
06/09/13 North Queensland Athletics Carnival
11-29/09/13 Townsville Eisteddfod
16-20/09/13 Industry Placement Year 11 and 12 Childcare
16-20/09/13 Year 10, 11 and 12 Work Experience
18-20/09/13 Year 11 Girls/Boys Camps
18-21/09/13 National Youth Championships Touch Football (Boys and Girls) Sunshine Coast
23/09-04/10/13 School Holidays
07/10/13 Labour Day Holidays

Term 4
10-13/10/13 Queensland All Schools Touch Football
17-18/10/13 Year 8 3rd dose HPV, 2nd dose HEP B—Year 10 HPV 3rd dose (boys only)
21/10/13 Ministerial Pupil Free Day
21/10/13 Sports Awards Night
21-25/10/13 National School Sport Touch Championships U15s (Boys and Girls)
23/10/13 Vocational Education Awards Night
29/10/13 White card course
30/10/13 Graduation and Awards Night
14/11/13 Arts Expo
15/11/13 Year 12 Formal
25-29/11/13 Industry Placement Year 11 Childcare
26-29/11/12 QCS workshops and practice for Year 11
03/12/13 Musicians’ Farewell
09-13/12/13 Year 10 Work Experience
12/12/13 Year 8 and 9 Awards morning

YEAR 12 COMPLETION DATE
For 2013 - 15 November
YEARS 10/11 COMPLETION DATE
For 2013 - 29 November
YEARS 8 and 9 COMPLETION DATE
For 2013 - 13 December

PARENTS AND CITIZENS’ ASSOCIATION

The Parents and Citizens’ Association meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month commencing at 7.30pm in the school Library. Meetings for 2013 are:

Tuesday 14th May
Tuesday 11th June
Tuesday 9th July
Tuesday 13th August
Tuesday 10th September
Tuesday 8th October
Tuesday 12th November

Hospitality Pie Cart

From Monday Week 3, Hospitality students will be serving Hot Pies, Sausage Rolls, Flavoured Milk and Cold Water between Communications and LOTE buildings.

Every afternoon 3-3.20pm
Students are raising money for the SeaWorld Hotel School Tour.