Out of this world!

Re-engineering Australia (REA) National Finals at Panthers Leagues Club in Penrith NSW showcased a level of competition never seen before. The best teams from all states demonstrated their ingenuity in an effort to win the opportunity to represent Australia at the world Finals.

Beyond the Circle, from Mirani State High School, presented themselves with pride and stood out as a potential winner as the competition progressed through the week. Strict scrutineering from judges and tough competition brought from the other teams made winning the F1 in Schools challenge something worth attaining.

Ieesha Gibson, Scarlett Penshorn, Lochlan Gelhaar and Stirling Frater teamed together with industry members from the Mackay region and finished seventh out of the thirteen teams in their division. Although they missed out on a place on the podium, they did spend a lot of time on stage. Beyond the Circle received four medals winning the Best Managed Enterprise, Best Verbal Presentation, Best Industry Collaboration and Best Innovation Awards.

Beyond the Circle and I would like to thank all parents, teachers and local industries for your support along the way. Special recognition goes to the sponsors Lady Locksmith, DGH Engineering, IGA, Coleman Agencies, Komatsu, Aurecon, North Jacklin, Field Engineers, M3D and Expert Laser Solutions. Without your contribution and confidence in the F1 School program, the opportunity to participate at such a high level would not be possible.

Congratulations Beyond the Circle! You strove for excellence and reaped the rewards!

Mitchell Aitken
REA / Industrial Technology
Principal Report

Parent and Citizenship Annual General Meeting

A school P&C supports the school in providing a full range of activities for students. At Mirani, the P&C has achieved a generational goal of a new hall for the school. The P&C contribution to the hall is the result of the vision and commitment of P&C committees over many years. To all past members, thank-you for your community spirit, far sightedness and unselfish actions. It is recognised that you had a vision, you chose to save the money and you did not spend the money when your child was still at school. The P & C is currently funding the fit-out of the hall and when completed, there will be an opening ceremony to celebrate this achievement.

Thank you to all attendees at the recent A.G.M. Our 2016 P&C office bearers are President: Kylie Leahy, Vice-President: Robyn Creese, Secretary: Caroline Stratford and Treasurer: Andrea Stroppiana.

To be the best you can be

Success is something you earn and is the product of hard work. As we move towards the assessment period, students who have followed their assessment planner are less stressed and positioned best to achieve to the best of their ability.

Carol Dweck explains that in order to improve, you need the right mindset. She says that brains and talent, alone, don’t bring success and that, in fact, sometimes that brains and talent can actually get in the way. She says the trap is called a fixed mindset. This is when you believe that intelligence and talent are fixed and that they cannot be developed.

In contrast, a growth mindset, believes that our most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work and that brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment.

A growth mindset means you are not fooling yourself into thinking that you will do well just because you are smart or pretending you can’t achieve just because you find school difficult. It is about being honest with yourself and getting on with the job.

Almost all successful people show the attributes of a growth mindset.

Scott Cage
### Email Addresses

If you do not have access to an email account, hard copies can be picked up by you or your student from the front office or the Mirani Post Office.

If you have not already given the school your email address and you would like to receive newsletters by email, please let the school know.

Alternatively, newsletters will be put on our website which we encourage you to visit. [http://www.miranishs.eq.edu.au/](http://www.miranishs.eq.edu.au/)

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- Tuesday; Wednesday; Thursday 3:10 – 4:00pm in D04

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Current information can also be found on the school’s Facebook page.

### Year 12s Senior DVD

Important Please Read

The Senior DVD is a video record of the seniors last year at school. Included in it are the following:

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- Last week activities; Cross Country; Graduation; Formal; Slave Auction.

If you would like to have a copy of the DVD, please bring your money ($15) to me before the Mocktail.

Michelle Keehn
G Block Staffroom

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### P&C Meetings

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### Student Messages:

Mirani State High School DOES NOT have a pager system for students. Please arrange with your child prior to school any changes or appointments to their day. Only emergent messages will be delivered to students.

Thankyou for your assistance in this matter.
Nominate now for the 2016 Queensland Training Awards

The search is on for Queensland’s best and brightest in vocational education and training as nominations open for the 2016 Queensland Training Awards (www.qta.qld.gov.au). Recently completed and completing school-based apprentices and trainees are encouraged to nominate — in recognition of their outstanding achievements and hard work. Vocational students and VET teachers can also apply, along with schools operating as registered training organisations. For more information and to nominate, visit www.training.qld.gov.au. Nominations close Thursday 31 March 2016.

Art Donations Required

If you have any of the following items listed or other items you are able to donate to the ART department please contact us.

☐ Old pots / items
☐ Wrapping tissue
☐ Magazines / old books or music sheets
☐ Some new papers
☐ Wire etc

Regards
Sharon Anderson
Teacher - smand4@eq.edu.au
Mirani SHS

Attention Parents/Caregivers

Students who are unwell

We have recently had a number of incidents where parents have arrived at the school office looking for their student who has messaged them that they are sick and want to go home. The office staff has had no knowledge of the student being sick and the student is not in sick bay under the care of a staff member.

When this situation arises, admin staff will NOT go and find the student. We remind you: Please instruct your student that if they are sick they MUST come to the school office and the office staff will phone and make arrangements with you for your child to be collected.

This reflects the Education Department Duty of Care Policy for all students.
Sports Report

Our sporting year has started off swimmingly, and the events so far have showcased just a splash of what is to come from our students this year. Already we have had a carnival, students picked for representative teams as well as a sign-on for numerous inter-school sport teams. The participation, enthusiasm and commitment shown by all students involved has brought the notion of Valley Pride back to Mirani SHS. Before we get onto the main event for the term, the swimming carnival, take a look at the outstanding achievements of some our athletes so far.

On the 20\textsuperscript{th} and 21\textsuperscript{st} February, Neil and Ruby attended the State Swimming Championships in Brisbane. Both students swam well and represented Mirani well. An extra achievement for Neil was becoming the first Mirani student in over 10 years to be selected for the Capricornia School Swim team. Congratulations and good luck!

Ashton, Amy and Madison are currently competing in the National BMX Championships being held in Bathurst. An outstanding achievement to make it this far. Good luck to these students!

Kepler Bourke scored 150 runs for the Pioneer Valley 2\textsuperscript{nd} Grade team during the Mackay District Cricket Competition last month. Not a bad effort for a 14-year-old playing in an Open Men’s competition. Well done, Kepler!

A massive congratulations to the 2016 House Captains on their appointment for their respective houses. These students have worked tirelessly over the first 6 weeks to produce a fantastic swim carnival. Their enthusiasm and fresh ideas will bring an extremely positive feeling to Mirani SHS sport this year, so stay tuned to see the awesome results of this. Keep up the good work, guys!

Brianna Clancy
HPE Teacher

L-R: Brittany Wedemeyer, Courtney Perna, Abbey Medway, Matt Townsend, Chloe Baulch, Hayley Liddle, Zali Garioch and Sam Fortescue
The swimming carnival was a huge success on Friday 26th February, and thankfully this year, it was cyclone free. Although the weather held out, we had some super human forces wreak havoc in the pool, with a total of 14 records being either set or broken throughout the day. Congratulations to the following record breakers:

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The level of racing this year was outstanding and the following students were rewarded with runner-up and age champion:

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The house captains worked tirelessly to encourage participation within their houses and it proved to be very positive in terms of results. The rubber ducky trophy for the best cheer on the day was won by Taurus. The main event was a very close race, with just a few point separating each house. The overall results were as follows:

1st – Aquila – 2515
2nd – Taurus – 2502
3rd – Pegasus – 2217
4th – Orion – 2113

Congratulations to everyone involved in events and well done to Aquila for reclaiming the trophy for the first time since 2012!
House Shirts

Students will be coming home with a slip regarding house shirts. Our 2016 house captains have designed these shirts and proposed for them to be worn once a week (Wednesday) as well as at sports carnivals if students wish. The shirts will be $44 each and must be paid for before an order is placed.

The shirts unite students in house colours, reinstate House Pride, and also alleviate costume/free dress pressures and costs on sports carnival days. The shirts will be in the individual colour of their house, have the logo on the back of the shirt, and Valley Pride around either the cuffs on the arms or on the collar.

Please return the slip and indicate whether your child would be interested so that more information can be sent home regarding sizes and payments. Please see below for designs. Obviously, they are on a smaller scale due to space availability in the newsletter.
‘Deadly’ News

What’s been happening!

- **The Buddy System** has been set up to assist Year 7 students requiring academic help either by their teacher or a year 12 student. The students have also been introduced to other year level students for other types of assistance. The students will then take them to Mr Clarke (Yr 7 Junior Deputy Principal), Lanie Contor (ATSI Support Officer) or Deb Francis (Youth Support Officer).

- **Vision and hearing checks** have been conducted by Mackay Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service where 30 out of 49 Indigenous students took advantage of this in school checkup.

- **The Student Assessment Planner** has been handed out. Take the time to peruse it with your son/daughter. Get a working plan onto a calendar where your child can see it every day and ask them are they up to that stage.

- **MID-SEMESTER EXAMS AND ASSESSMENTS** are presently happening.

- **Knukela Binbi Beerkou** program offered to Year 10 students starts on Wednesday 16th March. Transport to and from the venue is provided by KBB program providers. At present, only 4 out of 11 students have taken this opportunity to gain Certificate 2 in Skills for Work and Training. **It is not too late to get those forms back to the school.** If students are going into Years 11 & 12 to gain a Senior Certificate where they need 20 points, this certificate is worth 4 points.

- **Deadly Choices** participation letters are being mailed out. Deadly Choices is a healthy lifestyle choice program which all year 7 students and students that are new to Mirani SHS will be participating in starting Wednesday 13th April during Wellbeing in period 7 & 8.

- **Student Absences:** Letters will be arriving home soon. Both Lanie and I encourage you to support your child’s regular attendance. A student’s attendance and their commitment to gaining and expanding on their knowledge go hand in hand. Any day missed = a day of falling behind in knowledge.

Deb Francis
Youth Support Officer
Braiden’s Uni Experience

Every single day, people are faced with a different array of choices and opportunities; this became clearly evident to me one regular day at school when I was offered the chance to take time from my holidays to travel to the University of Queensland in Brisbane for a 6 day engineering experience. At first, I was scared by the decision to have to hand in an application as my grades weren’t the best nor were they impressive on their own. However, I was pushed not only by my mother, but by my friends and peers and Mr Cage, our Principal, even wrote a recommendation for me.

Having had my application accepted, I quickly prepared to leave to Brisbane for 6 days. A day after my arrival and unpacking, I had already been introduced to a large group of my amazing peers. Every day after, we would travel over to the university complex and visit, study and work in every single discipline of engineering, expanding from the simple touch and program design of dancing robots, the design and use of a small two staged rocket to the complex uses of gases and fire in the fire lab tour.

After barely scraping the surface of each engineering discipline and having been shown the stresses and payoffs of University in all its light, I have already learnt so much that not only benefitted me in the ways of knowledge but also gave me more desire, drive and direction to my future. I will always remember and hold onto this memory forever.

On the short plane ride back home, after saying goodbye to my amazing new friends I made during my journey, I stopped to think of what I would be doing in the scenario where I didn’t try to get in the application, or turned down the opportunity to even get the application in the first place, probably sitting at home in front of my computer screen, or captivated by my television. Looking just a few inches up from the screen opened up a whole new world, where I went and explored what my passion was, and learnt new amazing things every day. If I took anything home with me, something in particular would be to never stay down even if you aren’t the best, because no matter what, you’ve always got opportunities, and you should take every opportunity that you can.

By Braiden Wilson
Parents of Years 12, 11, 10 students

✓ Unique Student Identifier

There are still outstanding USI (Unique Student Identifier) numbers. If you have applied for one but have not forwarded on to our school please do so. If you have not applied for one it is very important that your student has one. This number is linked to systems that print certificates and point systems towards their Queensland Certificate of Education at the end of Year 12.

Any student undertaking study is required to register for a Unique Student Identifier (USI). This USI is also for study undertaken at TAFE, Distance Education, private training organisations, completing an apprenticeship or skill set, certificate or diploma course.

A USI gives you access to your online USI account which is made up of ten numbers and letters. It will look something like this: 3AW88YH9U5.

When applying for a job or enrolling in further study, you will often need to provide your training records and results. One of the main benefits of the USI is that you will have easy access to your training records and results throughout your life.

How to get a USI

Step 1 Have at least one and preferably two forms of ID ready from the list below:
- Driver’s Licence
- Medicare Card
- Australian Passport
- Visa (with Non-Australian Passport) for international students
- Birth Certificate (Australian)
- Certificate Of Registration By Descent
- Citizenship Certificate
- Immi Card

IMPORTANT: To make sure we keep all of your training records together, the USI will be linked to your name as it appears on the form of ID you used to create the USI. The personal details entered when you create a USI must match exactly with those on your form of ID.

If you do not have proof of ID from the list above, you can contact your training organisation about the other forms of ID they can accept to help you get a USI.

Step 2 Have your personal contact details ready (e.g. email address, or mobile number, or address).

Step 3 Visit the USI website at: usi.gov.au.

Step 4 Select the ‘Create a USI’ link and follow the steps.

Step 5 Agree to the Terms and Conditions.

Step 6 Follow the instructions to create a USI – it should only take a few minutes. Upon completion, the USI will be displayed on the screen. It will also be sent to your preferred method of contact.

Step 7 You should then write down the USI and keep it somewhere handy and safe. Email the school (dfran38@eq.edu.au) with your USI number.

For more information please visit: usi.gov.au or see Deb in A Block
What can we do as parents?

There is no “one-size fits all” approach to supporting your child across their schooling. Know your child’s personality and what they respond to. Guys and girls tend to value very different things, highlighting the importance of tailoring and adapting your support strategies. Parents, family and friends play an important role in a teenager’s learning.

Establishing good foundations and study habits benefits your teenager.

☑ Talk to your teenager about their school work. Help them plan their workload.
☑ Priorities school, work and social events in their workload.
☑ Be available to talk to your teenager when they want to talk.
☑ Be ready to talk about tough issues with no blame or judgement.
☑ Be aware of the issues in your teenager’s life, school or circle of friends.
☑ Keep an eye out for some of the issues teenagers face:
  - Body image and self-esteem
  - Bullying
  - Drug and alcohol abuse

☑ Encourage your teenager to keep trying when school work is difficult.
☑ Make sure your teenager gets enough sleep, exercise, fresh air and good food.
☑ Talk about social media and how it affects them.
☑ Encourage reasonable usage of social media.
☑ Talk with your teenager about their dreams after compulsory schooling and help them to plan their future.

Research shows that young people who feel engaged and who have the opportunities to participate in education have better life outcomes.
On the 19th and 20th of February there was a MUN convention (MUN is abbreviated for Modern United Nations), held at Whitsunday Anglican College for all schools from the Mackay area to attend, including Mirani State High School, Pioneer State High School, Mercy State High School and Proserpine State High School. The convention was held over two days and was an outstanding experience to be a part of.

On the first day students were introduced to each other, the organisers of the event and the young host, Brent Matthews. We then undertook several activities focusing on Human Rights and creating different scenarios revolving around what the United Nations would do in different circumstances.

The second day was when the 2016 Evatt QLD Competition began. Prior to the day, the attendees created teams of two and were randomly assigned a country to represent. Six students from Mirani State High School attended the event on both the Friday and the Saturday. Louis Costelloe and Hayden Cox represented Israel. Keflen Peter Elias and Alana McNaulnty represented China and Raoul Makenzie and Leonie Litschauer represented Argentina. Students were asked to research as much information about the country as they could, such as who their alliances are, how the country makes its income, is it currently at war etc?? Students voted on a number of resolutions after amendments were considered. Although Mirani students did not win the competition, they all thoroughly enjoyed the experience as it gave them an outstanding insight into the world around us.

We would like to thank Mrs Clark for informing us of this opportunity, helping to register the students and attending on the days and we also thank Miss Adams for her attendance and support. It was greatly appreciated. We would also like to encourage all students to attempt to attend the next convention next year as it is an outstanding experience which all of the students from this year said was phenomenal.

Hayden Cox and Louis Costelloe
Mirani Pride - BMX Champions - MSHS Riders

The Australian BMX Championships were held at the new $1.5M supercross BMX track in Bathurst NSW over the week from 29th February to the 6th March. The track, while being very fast, was longer than usual and very demanding. The area also had burrs that played havoc with tires and tubes, with riders having to carry their bikes when not riding and still managing to get multiple flats. There was a total of 1500 riders and 3422 entries in all. Riders that finish 8 and above are awarded “A” plates for their efforts and are allowed to ride that plate for the next 12 months. Mirani High School had 3 students at these Championships, with two of the riders gaining success in getting Australian “A” Plates.

Madison Scriha A5 in 17-24 Ladies Cruiser  

Ashton’s and Madison’s successes are on the back of last year’s Queensland State titles where they very successfully brought home 5 Queensland plates between them. Amy Liddle also took part in the Championships competing in the 15yr Girls challenge. Ex-Mirani student Tristyn Kronk gained A5 in Junior Men, Tristyn also came 2nd in the national series competition, and 3rd in the Grand's challenge. Serena Twomey also competed in 17-24 Ladies challenge.

Mirani Pride – Queensland Athletics Junior State Championship

Last month Year 9 student Jessica Grech travelled to Brisbane to compete in the Queensland Athletics Junior State Championships. She competed in the Under 16 3000 metre Race Walk and placed 3rd. She also achieved a 31 second PB.

Congratulations Jessica
The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

The **National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence** is Friday 18 March and serves as a reminder that Bullying is never okay. It can have a serious impact on mental health.

Bullying is ongoing and repeated, it is not a one off argument or fight. It involves a use of power in a relationship and involves behaviours that can cause mental or physical harm.

A person takes part in bullying because:

- They find it fun
- They like to feel tough, strong and in control
- They think it will make them popular
- They don’t like the person.

Bullying can be overt (direct) and can involve physical actions such as punching or name calling. Bullying can be covert or more subtle where it is not so easily seen by others such as whispering, spreading rumours, excluding, threatening looks or criticising. The final type of bullying is cyberbullying which is conducted using media. This can involve sending abusive texts or emails, excluding others from online chats, or assuming the identity of the victim online and representing them in a negative way.

Individuals respond or act in different ways to bullying. Signs that a parent may notice include: a student suddenly not wanting to attend school, changes in sleep or eating patterns, frequent tears, student refusing to catch the bus or wanting to take a different route to school, having damaged clothes, unexplained bruises or cuts, school grades beginning to fall, or exclusion from friendship groups.

Bullying does not just occur at school, it can occur in families, at work, in sport, on public transport or at public venues such as skate bowls and parks. The following website is a useful tool for parents in preventing their child bullying others and for those who have a child who may be being bullied:  

www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

Trixie Mills (School Based Youth Health Nurse)

Staff and students of Mirani SHS will recognise the National Day of Bullying by wearing orange on 18th March. Also Headspace will host a ‘Chill & Grill’ barbecue at first break as part of the anti-bullying campaign.

Julie Vanderveen (Guidance Officer)

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**Experience Agricultural College.**

A fantastic opportunity to find out if you would like to do further study at an Agricultural College

TASTE DATES ARE CONFIRMED!!

TASTE program at Emerald Agricultural College.

We have three dates available:

- 3-7 July 2016
- 24-28 September 2016
- 20-25 November 2016 (School leavers TASTE)

We have enrolment packs available for all three dates and we would love to see you and be part of this awesome hands on experience! Please confirm your attendance as soon as possible.

Call or email if you have any questions. You can also discuss this further with your Guidance Officer

Thank you

Julie Vanderveen (Guidance Officer)
PARENTS

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Welcome & Induction of Z Club Executives

The Mirani Z Club has hit the ground running with a range of events taking place in the past few weeks. On Wednesday the 24th of February, the Z Club welcomed Gail Clark, our Zonta Mackay representative, to conduct our annual induction of executive positions.

Congratulations to our President – Coby Vonthien, Vice-President – Keflen Peter, Secretary – Madison Scriha and Treasurer – Anna Emms.

Our Z Club continues to grow, with students from a range of year levels attending meetings and participating in fundraising and service events.

The Big Shave

Monday the 29th of February was the big event for Mr Ian Dadswell’s Big Shave. Mr Dadswell approached the Z Club late last year after hearing of our support for Rafiki Mwema, an Australian run organisation in Nakuru, Kenya which provides vital support and rehabilitation for girls who have been sexually abused.

Mr Dadswell offered to shave his dreadlocks (of 5 years) and his beard to raise money for Rafiki Mwema. An online fundraising page was set up, and the Z Club girls spent numerous lunch hours collecting money and raising awareness. After weeks of promotions and fundraising efforts, the day finally arrived. Bella Ruthus won the opportunity to do the final shave of Mr Dadwell’s beard and head, after a number of students made donations to cut off a dreadlock.

The shave resulted in a transformed Mr Dadswell and both students and staff need to look twice to identify the new teacher walking around the school! An amazing $2,372 was raised and donated to Rafiki Mwema. The organisation is so grateful for the amazing donation, and sends a big thank you to everyone who donated and to Ian for his gracious sacrifice.
**International Women’s Day – Morning Tea**

The Z Club girls celebrated International Women’s Day by providing a beautiful morning tea for the staff of Mirani State High School on Friday the 4th of March. This is an annual event held by the students as a fundraising event and this year did not disappoint! Thank you to the Z Club girls for your beautiful food and for coordinating the event.

**International Women’s Day Brunch**

Three senior students represented Mirani State High School’s Z Club at the International Women’s Day brunch on Sunday the 6th March at the Mackay Entertainment Convention Centre. Prior to the event, the Z Club packed jelly babies which are sold on the day to raise funds for birthing kits. It was an enjoyable morning, acknowledging the achievements of many young women in our region, and a time to reflect and be grateful for the endless opportunities women have in Australia. Thank you Zonta Mackay for providing the tickets for the students and to Keflen Peter, Kaitlyn Douglas and Anna Emms for your attendance at the event.

As first term comes to an end, the Z Club is busy brainstorming and planning fundraising and service events for Term 2. We are always looking for new members and hold weekly meetings in G01 on Friday’s at Lunch 1.

Jennifer Pel – Z Club Coordinator.
POSITIONS VACANT
MIRANI STATE HIGH SCHOOL

CLEANER

Casual Cleaner – 33 hours per week

Anyone interested in the above position is encouraged to obtain an Application Package from the school office or by phoning the school on 49667111. These packages include a detailed position description and selection criteria which must be addressed in order to be considered for the position. For further information please contact the Business Services Manager, Jodie Battese, at the school.

Applications close at 5 pm, Monday 21 March 2016 to:

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