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Principals Report

On Tuesday last week we hosted the third term Junior Secondary academic awards parade. 63 students received awards for their effort, behaviour and academic excellence. Thanks to Mrs Morris for once again organising this ceremony and also to our many parents who attended the ceremony and morning tea with their students.

On Wednesday last week I had the pleasure of attending the annual Gala concert. This year the staff and students outdid themselves and put on a very professional show. The performances were outstanding and the variety of talent at our school continues to amaze me. Congratulations to all students, Ms McKaskell, Ms Franklin, Mrs Richardson, Ms Campbell and Ms Dauk, not forgetting the talented MC of the evening, our very own chaplain, Mark Bryant. Thanks also to Mr Murphy and Mr Hopper who recorded and photographed the great performances.

Last week we welcomed over 100 Year 5 students from primary schools to our Year 5 Enrichment Program. This is a two day program, held annually and is aimed at challenging and extending student’s creative and higher order thinking skills. Students participated in a Maestro chef competition, manual arts, where they utilised computer programs to draw and then make a money box, science where students investigated reactions and engaged in robotics. Art lessons were designed a new mural for the school and there was also mine craft, orienteering, music and drama lessons. Thanks to Mr Bates, Ms Morris, Mrs Benson, Mrs Myers and Mrs Ryan and to all our dedicated teachers for making this great program happen.

Our national teaching and learning review begins next week. This review, in addition to a range of other information collected from parents, teachers and students will inform the strategic direction our school will take in the next three years. I will be sending out a survey in the next few weeks, seeking input from our community.

I would like to acknowledge a few of our teachers who have been working at different projects across the community. Patricia Dale is a new teacher to our school and has been making connections within our community especially with Chelsea Retirement Village. She has further developed our partnership with Chelsea Retirement Village in a project that involves our students working alongside the groundsman at Chelsea on a project to revitalise some gardens in and around the high care facility.

Our Hair and Makeup certificate students are ready to start at Chelsea. A room has been refurbished at the centre where our students can work with the residents washing hair, doing facials and makeup. Our teachers, Trudy Parry and Sharon Brown have been making this happen with Donna Souvan, the manager of Chelsea Retirement Village.

Thank you to Ms Romba, Mrs Rosolyn, Mr Skenner, Mr Accutt and Mr McLeod for organising and implementing the “Dukes” camp on the weekend. Everyone had a great time, and many of our students ticked some boxes for their accreditation of their Dukes awards.

Congratulations to Tegan Hoyes who received the Principal’s Recommendation Scholarship for the University of Southern Queensland. Tegan has been awarded $12000, towards her university degree. Congratulations also go to Johanna Hess and James Tennant who also received a Principal’s recommendation, which entitles them to guaranteed entry into the university. Well done!

There are only a few weeks left for our senior students and I would like to wish them all the best for their final weeks and their final assessment.

Check out the latest ‘Chappy News’ at www.maryboroshs.eq.edu.au

Junior Secondary Update

On Tuesday October 21, our Junior Secondary Department once again celebrated the success of students on their report cards from Term 3 with our third Academic Excellence Awards Parade. Students who achieved at a high academic standard and those who showed excellence in effort received acknowledgement in front of their peers and parents during
the awards ceremony. We had a record number of students receiving awards, proving that students’ commitment to their studies is not slowing down as the year progresses. Once again, Mrs Esterhuizen and the hospitality team provided a lovely morning tea at the end of the parade for award winners, parents and staff to enjoy. We look forward to celebrating the success of Junior Secondary students at the upcoming Awards Night on Thursday November 6.


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**Excellence in Effort Year 8; 2. Excellence in Effort Year 9; 3. Bronze Award; 4. Silver Award; 5. Gold Award**

Many Junior Secondary students are talented in dance, drama or music. On Wednesday October 22, students were able to showcase their talents at the annual Maryborough State High School Gala Concert. It was exciting to see so many students actively involved in a successful night, and it was a credit to the exceptional Arts program that is offered by our school and talented Arts teachers. Well done students and staff!

Transition of primary students to the high school environment is once again picking up pace at Maryborough High for Term 4. Thursday and Friday saw the Year 5s arriving to enjoy two days of the Enrichment Program. Students were able to immerse themselves into full day activities in different curriculum areas including Science, Art, I.T, Hospitality and Manual Arts. Many thanks to our amazing staff for the organisation and running of these events to allow students to gain an insight into secondary education. We now look forward to our Orientation Days for 2015 Year 7 and Year 8 students in Week 9.

Fostering leadership amongst students is a priority at Maryborough State High School. We often are involved in leadership activities with our local primary schools too. On Thursday October 16, Maryborough High hosted Year 5 Granville students for a morning leadership program where students were able to experience three different activities which were designed to push them to their limits, communicate and show leadership qualities in preparation for their leadership team selections for next year. The students behaved exceptionally well and were a credit to Granville State School. Thanks to staff involved in the program and to Granville teachers who accompanied their students. This week we will join Tinana State School in their Year 5 leadership program, with our school captains, Mr Yates and Ms Morris running activities for the future leaders of Tinana in 2015.

Goal setting is an important aspect of an adolescent’s learning. It allows students to develop skills necessary to plan for their future, looking beyond the end of the day or week. It helps to develop maturity and reflection qualities which impact on the quality of student learning. In the Junior Secondary Department we use Individual Student Plans throughout Year 8 and 9 to assist students in developing these qualities. Students are asked to set goals on what grades they wish to achieve and then reflect on their progress regularly at reporting junctures. Interviews this term are in place for students and parents to assist with the development of these plans and student progress. For Year 9 it will take place on Tuesday October 28, and for Year 8 on Tuesday November 4. Please take the time to book an appointment, following the instructions provided with your student’s report card, or call the front office for assistance. We look forward to seeing you there.

Other important events occurring within the next couple of weeks for Junior Secondary are Day for Daniel Walk and the Sports Awards Night. Both of these events are on Friday October 31. Students are asked to wear red and bring a donation to raise funds for the foundation. Many students will be also involved in the Sports Awards Night. Please confirm your attendance with the PE department ASAP. Friday 31, also marks World Teacher’s Day – don’t forget to thank your teachers for their commitment to your studies.

Adolescence marks a significant change in the way a child will relate to themselves and others. It can be a trying and complicated time in the family home. Engaging Adolescents is a three week course designed to assist parents with their child’s transition from childhood to adolescence. Engaging Adolescents is a research-based course designed by a qualified psychologist and facilitated by trained professionals. It offers effective, simple solutions to manage difficult behaviour in children and resolve teenage behaviour issues with practical and easy-to-use strategies designed to make parenting easier. Maryborough State High is offering this program free of charge for families of Year 8 and 9, as well as those who have students already enrolled for Year 7 or 8 in 2015. The program will run over three weeks: Tuesday 18 November, Tuesday 25 November and Tuesday 2 December. Sessions will run from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in the school library. Please contact the school directly on 4120 9333 by Friday November 7. Engaging Adolescents - start your journey towards enjoying healthy relationships with your child!

**Sharyn Morris**

**Dean – Junior Secondary**

**State Champions at BMX**

Over the September school holidays four Maryborough High students from the Maryborough BMX Club competed at the BMX Queensland State Championships at the Sleeman Sporting Complex in Brisbane.

The four students were; Taylah Browning, Josh Sengstock, Jessica Baker and Lachlan Zeptner. They competed in their respective age groups for male and female riders against some of the very best riders in Queensland. All four represented themselves well and gave all they had on the day. Taylah was the only one of the four able to proceed to the finals. The top eight in each age group were awarded Queensland state plates and trophies. Taylah is now ranked 5th in Queensland for the 15 girls age group. Well done to these students, a great accomplishment.
LEC and Dukes Camp at Craignish

Last weekend Maryborough State High School held a combined LEC and Duke of Edinburgh Award camp at Craignish Scout Camp. Everyone learnt plenty of new skills and had a great time. Once camp was set up Saturday and some basic knots mastered, students headed to the beach for some serious bait gathering, pumping for yabbies. Once a good assortment of yabbies had been collected students went looking for the mouth of O’Reagans Creek, which is actually quite an extensive estuary. Everyone was enjoying themselves so much students had to be talked into going back for lunch!

Fishing and crabbing on the last half of the high tide that afternoon proved to be even more fun than yabbying. Grand bag total for the afternoon was three fish and two crabs, all of which were returned to the water once photographed. However, students (and staff) had a ball watching the tide come in watching the creek change from a small gutter to a big expanse of water with only a couple of sandbars showing. A “journey to the stars “down on the beach at night looking for Orion the Hunter and Scorpius and a campfire finished off an excellent day.

Sunday morning the early risers were treated to a glorious sunrise on the beach and a short walk before a superb breakfast of bacon and eggs. Navigation was an important part of the morning with students learning to follow a GPS waypoint to a destination and locating the campsite on a 1:25 000 map visually and by applying the GPS co-ordinates for the camp to the map grid. Last activity before leaving was creating a dot painting based on an Aboriginal story.

All up, we had a great time. Students worked and played hard, and a big vote of thanks to staff who gave up their weekends to make it all happen.

David McLeod
Duke’s Organiser

Maryborough High Students have joined Rural Fire Fighting Brigade

Several students from Maryborough High have completed a Certificate II in Public Safety (Firefighting). Part of the requirements to meet the course is they have to join a rural fire fighting brigade, which they have all done. All students attained the certificate and are now working for the community in their local brigades.

Josh Sengstock; Taylah Browning; Lachlan Zeptner and Jessica Baker

Oktoberfest

45 very excited Maryborough High students set off at 6am for the long bus ride to Brisbane for a day of fun and German culture at the Oktoberfest.

Students enjoyed many types of German food, sausages, giant pretzels, delicious cakes and large gingerbread hearts. They also participated in many of the organised activities such as the hat dance where Chantel learnt the importance of knowing her left from her right, lemonade drinking contests with Joel showing everyone how quickly lemonade can be drunk and also pretzel eating competitions.

The chicken dance and the Fliegerlied were enjoyed by many students as well. Much interest was shown in the traditional German slapping dance and the bell ringing.

“It was fabulous and such an enjoyable day and I would love to go again” Jemma Tennant

“I really enjoyed myself at Oktoberfest, I was great to learn about a new culture and I can’t wait till I can to the Oktoberfest in Germany” Corynne Berry

“It was a great experience and I learnt a lot about German culture and traditions, I was very impressed with the yodelling and the food was amazing” Kye Brye

A big thank you to Mr Hopper for helping out on the day and also to the students who made the day enjoyable for themselves. As a teacher it was great to see them embracing the German culture and they are also to be commended on their behaviour. I look forward to going again next year.

Gabriele Werner
German Teacher
Hi-Ho Breakfast Club

The Maryborough High Breakfast Club program recently received $1000 in financial assistance through RSL Care, and a donation of a new conveyor toaster oven courtesy of the Maryborough RSL branch. On Wednesday October 15, certificates of appreciation were given to Donna Souvan (RSL Care) and Bob Evans (Maryborough RSL). We thank them for their support.

The toaster was put to use straight away, with the first piece of bread ceremonially burnt to spread the aroma throughout the school grounds.

Again, thank you to Donna Souvan (RSL Care) and Bob Evans (Maryborough RSL) for the assistance given to our Breakfast Club program.

The Breakfast Club program runs each Wednesday morning from 8am in the library courtyard. Food and drink kindly supplied by The FoodBasket.

Year 11 Update

Term 4 is a busy time of the year for Year 11 students. Some of the major events for Year 11s include:

- School Captain and Prefect applications due in Week 3
- USQ Experience Day – 31 October. Students get to experience and gain information on the courses offered at Hervey Bay campus
- Exam Block in Week 7
- Senior jersey and shirt orders to be submitted by Week 7 – anticipated half cost deposit to be made with student orders. Cost to be determined on total numbers of those who indicate they are getting a jersey.
- Year 11 camp in Week 8 - letters will go home about this in Week 3 - the final cost is still to be determined. It is an expectation that all students in Year 11 attend this camp. It is not a leadership camp but a camp for all Year 11 students to be a part of.

Palma News

This year Maryborough High’s yearbook ‘Palma’ Magazine will be based on pre-orders.

Don’t miss out on ordering your magazine!

Orders will be collected up to week 5 of term 4.

For all families wanting to order a Palma for this year please order and pay $26 to the school as soon as possible. No orders will be taken without payment as we are only ordering what is required.

Contact Details

Have you moved? Have you changed your phone number?

It has come to our attention that some contact details we have are incorrect. If you have changed any contact details please contact the office as soon as possible.

Signing In

If your child is late to school please remind them to call into student services to sign in before going to class.

Payment Options

Bpay is no longer an option for paying invoices. You are able to pay by EFT, bank transfer or cash.

Lost and Found

Student Services have a number of lost and found items (usb sticks, jumpers, watches, jewellery, keys). If you have misplaced or lost an item please see Student Services. If these items are not collected by the end of term they will be donated or thrown out.
Year 12 News and Information

Formal and Graduation

Formal is fast approaching. It will be held on Saturday 15 November and Graduation Ceremony on Friday 21 November at the Brolga Theatre.

The cost for the formal will be $95 per student or partner which needs to be paid to the office by the end of week 5. Students must have paid this money in order to attend the Formal evening, which starts at 7:00pm. Students will start arriving on the red carpet at 5:00pm.

Graduation proceedings will begin at 9:30am on Friday 21 November and will finish around 11:30am, followed by Graduation Cake in the courtyard outside the Brolga Theatre. There will be a buffet lunch held at the Tavern for all those students and family members interested at $24.50 each, which will need to be paid to the school by Tuesday 18 November.

Students also need to pay their $16.00 to the office along with their medical form for Rainbow Beach, which is Wednesday 19 November.

Students will receive a letter in Week 3, in regards to their last week of school of 2014.

Year 12 Students will be having their Chronicle photos taken on Thursday 30 October after parade.

Students must have their reference sheets into the office by Friday 10 November.

October Fundraisers

On Friday 31 October it is Daniel Morcombe Day. Students will be allowed to wear red to school for a free dress day to promote keeping kids safe. We will also be holding Walk for Daniel event at Lunch 2 on Kings Oval for all those students who are interested. There will be a gold coin donation for the free dress day and the walk. Students will only be allowed to wear a red shirt, shorts or socks. The rest of the uniform must be according to the school policy.

October is Pink Ribbon month for Breast Cancer. Year 12 students sold Pink merchandise to help raise money, in which they sold within 3 days. They are now walking around the school, collecting donations until the end of the month.

Diploma of Football

FC11 is now pleased to announce their partnership with Football Federation Victoria. This partnership sees FC 11 – The Diploma of Football becomes an official education partner of FFV and also the official education partner of National Premier Leagues Victoria. This is a full-time applied based curriculum model currently conducted in Melbourne at the Melbourne University, where students train and study at the same time. This is aimed at individuals that have completed Year 12 and are looking at becoming a professional or semi-professional player, sports coach, sports trainer, sports administrator or looking to work in sports management, sports tourism, facility management and more. For more information please visit www.fc11.com.au, email info@fc11.com.au or call 1300 412 990.

Important Dates to Remember

- Head Start CIS1000 (Information Systems Concepts) Intensive Semester 3 – opportunity for high school students to undertake a University subject (2014/2015 summer holidays period) For more information visit – Close October www.usq.edu.au/headstart
- Head Start Information Meeting 12 November (Hervey Bay) and 13 November (Maryborough)
- NSW University information on scholarships is available from year coordinator or go to www.whatson.unsw.edu.au
- ADF Gap Year. The Army has Gap Year jobs opportunities for Rifleman, Driver Transport, Administration Clerk, Supply Coordinator and Unit Quartermaster. The Air Force has Gap Year job opportunities in Airbase Security Roles. For more information please visit defencejobs.gov.au/gap year.
- Commences in January/February 2015
- University of Queensland has scholarships for academic excellence and encourage students to apply. For more information go to the website www.uq.edu.au/scholarships
- MONASH University – offers a number of scholarships to support access to university and reward academic achievement – For more information visit – www.monash.edu/study/apply/special-admissions
- Fraser Coast Australia Day Awards Nominations for 2015 are open. For more information visit www.frasercost.qld.gov.au
- TJ Ryan Memorial Medal and Scholarships – awarded to Queensland secondary students who demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities within their school and community and academic excellence
- Aspiring Teachers Grants – Year 12 Graduates who intend to commence an initial teacher education program higher education institution in 2105. Need to achieve an OP of 1-5 and have a high motivation and commitment to tertiary study and career in teaching.
- Pearl Duncan Teaching Scholarships – available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders who aspire to become teachers in state schools.
- Step into Teaching Scholarships – support eligible individuals to complete an undergraduate or commence a post graduate secondary teaching qualification in one or more of the following high priority curriculum areas; Maths B and C, Chemistry, Physics or Industrial Technology and Design.
- Further information: http://education.qld.gov.au/hr/recruitment/teaching/scholarships.html

Mrs Carrie Taylor
Year 12 Co-ordinator
**Sport News**

**Sports Presentation Night**

Our annual Sports Night will be held on Friday 31 October at the Brolga Theatre. Any student, who won an age champion in any of the three carnivals, represented Wide Bay for their sport through school or played a sport outside of school in which they represented Wide Bay or State will be presented with an award on the night. The sporting teams that will be recognised on the night are: Open Boys and Girls Hockey; Year 8, U15 and Open Boys Rugby League; U13, U14, U15 and Open Boys Futsal; U16 and Open Girls Futsal; Boys Bowling; Dragons HPV Open Boys; and Equestrian. Our Junior and Senior Male and Female Sports Person of the Year will be announced along with other highly rewarded presentations.

We are very fortunate to have Belinda Kitching, a former Australian Matildas Goal Keeper as guest speaker at our Sports Night.

We will also be farewelling some of our former HPE/Marine staff on the evening.

Table bookings can be made by contacting the PE staffroom on 4120 9349.

**Sports Captains for 2015**

Students who would like to nominate for Sports Captain for 2015, can get a nomination form from outside the PE staffroom or see Mrs Taylor. Nominations are due Friday 24 October by 3:30 to student services. A reminder that all students from Years 8-11 can nominate to become a house captain! In 2015, there will be a Junior Vice-Captain (Year 7 or 8), Junior Captain (Year 9), Senior Vice-Captain (Year 10 or 11) and Senior Captain (Year 12). Year 7’s who come to Maryborough High will be able to nominate in the first week of school in 2015, therefore House Captains will not be announced until Week 2 of Term 1 in 2015. These students will be recognised at the Investiture in Term 1 of 2015.

**Excellence Sporting Program 2015**

Maryborough State High School will be extending the Sporting Excellence Program to include Hockey and Soccer in 2015. Students will be able to choose either a Soccer or Hockey HPE class Years 7, 8 and 9. This is an excellent opportunity for students to have a specialised teacher in these areas coach them in the sport, skill and game play.

Students will be given more information to them on school parade over the next few weeks. There will also be visits to the primary schools to promote this program. If you require any more information please feel free to contact Mrs Carrie Taylor at the school.

**Wide Bay Region 2014 Triathlon Trials**

Students wanting to nominate for the 2015 Secondary Schools Triathlon State Championships that will be held in Hervey Bay on 19-21 February 2015 must register for this event online at this link:
https://regonline.activeglobal.com/2014hundykids

The Hervey Bay Triathlon Club “Hundy Kids” Triathlon will be held at Scarness, Hervey Bay, on Saturday 22 November and this will be used as the Regional Trial. Nominations close on November 2. Nomination fee is $30.00 and payable online or at registration. All event information can be found on the event webpage at:

**Mrs C Taylor**
Sports Co-ordinator

**SWPBS Focus of the Week**

The focus of the week for the remainder of this term will be based on ASOT classroom routines and procedures - before class, during class and end of class.

**Focus of the Week – Week 4**

Classroom routines and procedures - before class: lining up quietly, having the correct equipment, entering the room orderly, sitting in the seating plan.

**THANK YOU FOR**

- Lining up quietly
- Bringing the correct equipment
- Entering the room quietly
- Sitting in the seating plan

**Hair Models Needed!**

Certificate II Hairdressing students are looking for volunteer male and female models.

WHERE: Maryborough State High School’s Hair and Make-up room (D Block)
HOW: Phone 41209317 to discuss an appointment time
WHEN: Tuesdays 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm OR Thursdays 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm
WHAT: Semi and permanent colour (some foiling available).
COST: Students $15. All other clients $25.

**Free** shampoo and blow dry. **Free** hair and scalp treatments
Facial and Make Up Services Available

Year 12 Graduating Make up Students would like to offer staff and students the opportunity to have a Facial or Make up service on Mondays between 9am and 3pm. Make up services are $10 for a 30min service. Facial cleanse and Mask/exfolient $10. Look and feel wonderful.

Bookings can be made by phone ext. 317 or come in to Locks and Lashes Salon Mondays between 8.30am and 3.30pm.

2014 Christmas Hamper Challenge

Help provide a special Christmas for local needy families. Take part in the 2014 Christmas Hamper Challenge.

Ask your family if they can purchase some extra non-perishable items to go in your Form Class’ hamper:

- Tins or cans of ham, salmon/fish/tuna, vegetables, fruit…
- Plum pudding, Christmas cake, jelly crystals, custard powder…
- Soft drink, biscuits, tea/coffee…
- Christmas goodies and decorations…
  - (nuts, lollies, pretzels, chocolates, bon-bons, etc.)…
- New toys, clothing, CD’s, books…
- Kitchen and toiletry items…
  - paper towel, serviettes, cling wrap, toothpaste, etc.)…

Each hamper will be judged according to weight, volume, and variety. The top 3 Form Classes will receive a McDonalds certificate & voucher. The overall winning Form class will receive a SUBWAY rewards lunch.

**RATeP**

**What is RATeP?**

RATeP is a community based Indigenous teacher education program. It is a partnership between Education Queensland, TAFE Queensland North and James Cook University (Townsville).

**What does RATeP provide?**

RATeP provides access to tertiary education where people live and work. It has been successful in increasing the number of qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander teachers eligible to teach in Queensland schools. RATeP has 15 centres throughout Queensland, with a Teacher Co-ordinator at each site to assist students throughout their course.

**Who can access RATeP?**

Courses are only available to people who identify as indigenous. The direct clients of RATeP are Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and South Sea Islander people living in regional, rural and remote communities who wish to obtain a recognised teaching qualification from a tertiary institution.

**What courses are available for 2015?**

**Certificate III in Education (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)** will be available to students studying Year 11 in 2015. Certificate III takes place on one of the subject lines for successful applicants. Successful completion of the qualification earns 8 points towards the QCE, and can directly lead on to further study to become either a Teacher Aide or Teacher.

**Certificate IV in Education (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) and Diploma of Education (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)** are available to students who have completed their QCE and adults who wish to gain these qualifications.

A **Bachelor of Education** is available to people who have gained an OP through their Year 12 study, direct access after the Diploma course successfully completed, or other direct entry pathways.

**For more information:**

Phone or visit Jan Sterling, RATeP Teacher Co-ordinator, on (07) 4120 9359 or visit Q103 at MSHS

Visit the MSHS website on https://maryboroshs.eq.edu.au > Curriculum > Tertiary Programs > Related links

Visit the RATeP link under the Parents and Community menu option at http://indigenous.education.qld.gov.au

Visit TAFE Queensland North and enter Education ATSI in Search courses at http://tafencourthouse.edu.au for the top 3 links about the RATeP courses

Visit James Cook University on www-public.jcu.edu.au/education/ratep for information about their Bachelor of Education course

**Community Notices**

Maryborough Gysmports Monster Christmas Tombola.

Saturday 8th November, St Mary’s Parish Hall, Bazaar St. Doors open 12 noon, first call 1pm. 300 prizes, lucky dip for kids, raffles, lucky door prize, ham wheel. Afternoon tea provided. All welcome.

**Migaloo Starlight Swing**

Music and moonlight will provide the perfect backdrop for the all-white Migaloo Starlight Swing at Urangan’s Pier Park on Friday 31 October. The free event is the final celebration in the season-long Hervey Bay Whale Festival. The theme is white in honour of Migaloo, the famous white whale who visits Hervey Bay waters, and people are asked to wear white and dress formally.

BYO picnic or grab dinner from local cafes and takeaways and use the table seating provided. There will be food platters for sale and a licensed bar. Music by Soul City, an eight piece cover band. Entry by gold coin donation to conservation partners IFAW, the International Federation for Animal Welfare Australia. The Migaloo Starlight Swing starts at 6.30pm and finishes at 10pm. www.whalesherveybay.com.au