REGGIE AT
CHILDERS STATE SCHOOL
2013
Hi, I’m Reggie Mungomery. I’m the mascot of Childers State School. I’m going to show you around your new school.

At Childers School you will find about 300 other students. Our school is well known for extra-curricular activities.

Music and sport are popular at Childers School, along with many other interests.
Let me tell you about myself....

I was named after Reginald W. Mungomery - a former Childers State School student. Reg Mungomery attended our school from 1906 and was a school dux in 1913 and 1914. He liked to help others, enjoyed running and high jump and played cricket, football and the violin. He later became an entomologist and researched ways to assist the sugar cane industry.

Reg was the uncle of Mr Joe Mungomery, who originally owned the land the school is situated on, and who still owns the land to the west of the school. Reg was also the uncle of Mr John Bunn who owns the land to the east and north of the school.

Childers School is on Mungomery Street which was named after Reg’s family.

As the school travel buddy I’ve been on lots of school camps, excursions and functions. There’s always something interesting happening at Childers State School.
I was very busy in 2012. I got to meet a TV star, went camping, I went to the Childers Show, Parliament House...and the list goes on.

Each year level at Childers State School has a camp or special excursion. They are certainly exciting adventures to go on.

There are three sporting teams at our school, Waratah, Wattle and Wistaria. I have a special shirt made with the colours of the three different teams and I cheer for everyone (and I’m always a winner, since I’m in every team!)

During the year we sometimes have dress up days. Last year I dressed up as Darth Vader.

Sometimes we get special visitors to the school. In 2012 I was really excited to meet the local fire brigade.
Our school principal is Mrs Philpott. Sometimes kids think that going to see the principal is scary. Well, it might be if you have made the wrong behaviour choice but Mrs Philpott can also be a really helpful person if you are having problems at school.

Our school also has a chaplain; his name is Shane. Shane has helped lots of new students make friends and settle in at our school.

There are lots of teachers and teacher aides in our school. Many of them are active in groups around town. You might run into some of them at sporting clubs, music groups or events throughout the year.
There are three major playground areas in the school. They are all built for different age groups so as you move up through the school you will encounter increasingly more challenging equipment.

The school oval is the scene of sports days, team training sessions and quite often, fun on Friday afternoon. There are also two tennis courts, a netball and basketball court.

Our school has a really cool forest area which has been used for orienteering activities in the past but is also the setting for the annual district cross country. Even the fittest of athletes are tested on the tough hill.

On Friday mornings, the weekly parade is held at the start of the day in the hall. The hall is also the venue for school music concerts, ceremonies and discos.

The air conditioned library is home to an awesome collection of books, multimedia projectors, an LCD tv and huge wifi network. It has everything you’ll need to get your research projects done.
At Childers State School we believe everyone can be happy and focussed on learning if we remember the key words of our behaviour code.

**Safety** - Accidents happen but if everyone tries to be safe, hopefully we won’t see injuries at school this year. We like to take care of ourselves and each other at Childers School.

**Effort** - Do your best, every day in every lesson. School is for learning - occasionally dressing up as Darth Vader - but mainly learning.

**Respect** - Everyone is important at Childers School. We treat each other well here.

**Self responsibility** - Always try to look after your belongings and take responsibility for what you do.
We have iPads in our school that are used for lots of different projects and lessons every day.

Sometimes classes use the iPads to help them learn their spellings or numbers facts. Last year, students created digital puppet shows on the iPads for German and S.O.S.E. classes.

Hands-on learning is very popular with students in our school too. A couple of years ago we had a huge veggie patch and each class grew some tasty vegetables. We had a huge barbeque of vegetable fritters.

Last year, some of the year six students entered the Maryborough Technology Challenge. They had to build a pushcart, which is like a billy cart and race it against other schools' carts.

A small group of students enjoyed a carpentry program run by two community members last year.

There's always something happening at Childers State School.
There are lots of ways to get involved in learning music in our school. Mrs Horner teaches classroom music lessons and she always has lots of fun ideas.

Our string ensemble and concert band are well known around the district for their excellent performances. Both groups regularly perform for important town functions. Mrs Haaksma and Mr Pagett are both accomplished musicians and enjoy developing skills with our students.

In 2012 the string ensemble won first prize in their section of the Maryborough Eisteddfod and the concert band gained second place in their section.

Our music groups also competed in the Fanfare competition with the band winning their way through to perform at the Sunshine Coast.

Learning an instrument takes a lot of time and effort but our students work hard and achieve great success. We are very proud of our musicians.