



# Kindy race day raised vital funds

ON Tuesday, November 3, 150 students and staff from Mareeba Childcare and Kindergarten held a Golden Circle Race Day to raise vital funds for their centre.

Students pounded the pavements seeking sponsorship from family, friends and members of the local community to raise money for Mareeba Childcare and Kindergarten.

Thanks to their enthusiasm, Race Day organiser Cathy Sloane said she was extremely proud of the way the students rallied behind the fundraiser.

Chloe Brearley from Golden Circle School Fun Runs said: "The students at Mareeba Childcare and Kindergarten have made a tremendous effort to support their centre."

In a major effort to support local communities and families across Australia, Mareeba Childcare and Kindergarten is now in with a chance to share in \$16,000 cash courtesy of CUA (Credit Union Australia).

CUA acting chief executive officer Chris Whitehead said: "Our sponsorship of the Fun Run program is an opportunity to not only support our schools and groups financially but to encourage kids to get outdoors and have a bit of fun through this sporting activity."

The Golden Circle School Fun Run Program provides an avenue for schools and community groups to raise money and at the same time encourages students to participate in healthy outdoor activities. Mareeba Childcare and Kindergarten benefits from the fundraising event by retaining 80 per cent of all funds raised in 50 per cent cash and an additional 30 per cent in incentive prizes for the students.

Each student raising \$10 or more received a prize of their choice. In addition, on the day every student received a refreshing Juicy Ice Stick and certificate of participation from Golden Circle for their fantastic efforts.