What a fantastic start to the 2015 school year! The students have been busily completing standardised tests and surveys so that their classroom teachers can learn about each child’s strengths and weaknesses across the curriculum areas and target students who require intervention or extension work.

Mrs Carrie Moore will be the Support Teacher Literacy and Numeracy teacher in 2015 and she has taken on the role of Curriculum Leader in the school. Mrs Moore will be working across the whole school focusing on Reading and assisting students who require support.

Welcome to Mrs Naomi Shield. Mrs Shield is the school’s Master Teacher. Mrs Shield will be working with the classroom teachers on action research based on Mathematics and English. Mrs Shield will be working in the classrooms with the students on Thursdays and Fridays.

CLASSES
Enrolments over the holidays have increased especially in the lower school. Mrs. Michelle Hickey will be team teaching in the Prep classroom for the first few weeks of school until final numbers are known and class structures can be finalized. I appreciate parents’ patience with this Departmental process and assure you that your child’s education will be foremost in planning and that you will be notified of any changes as soon as possible.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS
Our School has a school dress code as per the School Information Handbook. Coloured shorts and shirts, denim shorts, tights, bike shorts are not acceptable to wear to school. Students must wear a bucket hat or broad brimmed hat if they wish to play outside. NO HAT, NO PLAY. Foot wear must be enclosed. Students are permitted to wear a watch and pierced earrings (small plain sleepers or small studs only); or a medical alert bracelet only. No sleepers or studs in noses is permitted. Make-up is unacceptable except for a lip chap stick. Students with collar length hair needs to be plaited, braided or tied back with appropriate accessories (blue or black). Nail polish is not to be worn to school.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS
Have you changed your phone number or moved house or new emergency contacts? Please remember we need up-to-date details so we can contact you if necessary.

PARADE
Parade is on Mondays in the School Hall at 8.45am. Our School Leaders run the parade. Parents/carers are very welcome to attend. Weekly awards and the school’s Cool Rule are presented to students during parade.

DROP OFF/PICK UP STUDENTS
A reminder that there is limited parking in Walla Street however parking is available in George and Boundary Streets. Drop off and pickup times at school can be very busy, so please be patient and keep our children safe. A reminder that the Staff Carpark is not to be used for parking or dropping/collecting children. Children or bikes are not permitted in Carpark, this is a safety issue.

SCHOOL WIDE RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOUR
Bundaberg South State School has, as its Behaviour Management Plan, School Wide Positive Behaviour Support. Our three main rules are: Be Responsible, Show Respect and Stay Safe. Each week a specific rule will be presented on parade and followed up in the classroom. Students who fail to comply with these school rules will receive an RTC. After 3 visits to the RTC students will receive an after school detention. If student’s behaviour does not improve, then an internal or external suspension will occur. Please note that if behaviour is extreme then some of these steps may be missed. Please discuss this with your child and remind them that school is a place to learn and achieve their academic potential.

RULE OF THE WEEK
Move in a safe and orderly manner. WALK on the cement. Keep to the Left.
VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION LEVY

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK 02 February 2015

Congratulations to all students on receiving their Awards this week on Parade.

Prep  D’Artagnan D
Yr 1  Jake R
Yr 2  Phoenix G
Yr 3  Abby B
Yr 4  Brody N
Yr 5  Aise O
Yr 6  Charles M

Class Music - Year 1
Music - Dhanica Bayang

CITIES HOCKEY CLUB

Cities Hockey Club is running two Come & Try Training sessions to encourage new players to participate in the great game of hockey.

"Come and Try" afternoons are on 10th and 17th February, 2015.

For more information please contact Peter McLennan 0428 576 238, Ron Rach 4151 6337 or Roxanne Munt 0458588418.

P & C NEWS

Congratulations to Pearl Kuorikoski who was the lucky winner of our Election Day Raffle on Saturday. Pearl won a plant & $100 of Scratchies. Thank you to everyone for your support.

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to assist with Tuckshop however WE STILL NEED MORE HELPERS.

If you can assist in anyway, please contact the School Office on 41 308333.

P & C MEETING

This year will commence with a General Meeting on Monday 23 February @ 4pm. The AGM will be held on Monday 30 March. We need your support this year with the 125 Celebrations in 2016.

Please come along & have your say on the pathway of the P & C Association at South in 2015.

STUDENT BANKING

TUESDAY will be Banking Day at South

Banking will commence next Tuesday 10 February

Packages for new banking students will be sent home today to Prep. If you would like to start student banking, spare packages are available from Administration.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Year 3 students commenced their Instrumental Music class with Mrs Christensen yesterday.

Continuing music students from Year 4, 5, 6 will be having lessons on Thursdays. Please return Enrolment forms to the School Office this week.

Library Fee $20 will be invoiced in Term 1.

Please see Mrs Christensen on Thursday at the end of the lunch (1.50 pm) in the Staffroom if you are interested in continuing strings.

SCHOOL CROSSING RULES

Always hop off your bicycle, skateboard or scooter and walk across the Crossing.

SCHOOL DENTAL VAN

The Mobile Dental Clinic will be arriving in the next 3 weeks and will be offering treatment to all consenting students at Bundaberg South State School. All Dental Forms must be completed in ink. If your child/children are eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme (CDBS), parents need to complete and return the Dental Medical History/Consent form as well at the Child Dental Benefit Scheme Form and stapled to the medical form. CONSENT FORMS WILL BE SENT HOME NEXT WEEK.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

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are now sold at Shawline Embroidery/Bundaberg Clothing Factory, 17 Walker St, Bundaberg. Royal blue shorts/skirts are available from Big W, Best & Less, Kmart and Target. Senior Shirts only ($35 each) are sold at the School Office before and after school. We also have a limited amount of Library Bags (PVC) and drawstring Swim bags on sale for $5 each. Please bring correct change.

Clearly label all uniforms, hats and bags with child’s name.

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HOMEWORK CLUB

with Mrs Gahan

(SEP Room, Block E)

PREP NEWS

- The Newsmail will publish their annual Prep Feature on Wednesday 25 March. Photographer Max will be here on Thursday 12 February 2015 to photograph our Prep children. Please make sure you child is wearing correct school uniform and a smile! If you do not wish your child to be photographed, advise the School Office, name and photo of child will be published.

- A REMINDER that the Prep Classroom door opens at 8.30 am each morning, no earlier.

- There will be NO SWIMMING for Prep until Term 4 2015.

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