Thank you to all of the parents and care givers who contacted the school last Friday in regards to the uncertainty of the severe weather warning. The safety and well being of students, staff and the community were at the forefront of the day and luckily the Bundaberg community were spared the devastation felt up North.

LEADERS INDUCTION CEREMONY:
The School Leaders Induction Ceremony will be held on Monday 02nd March at 9am. This ceremony will coincide with the school weekly parade.

GRIP LEADERSHIP:
The School Leaders attended the GRIP Leadership Conference at the Brothers Club last week. The students enthusiastically participated with other leaders from other schools in the Bundaberg Region and even had the opportunity to show off some of their dance moves! The School Leadership team have had their first meeting and are looking forward to beginning their school project for 2015 - beautifying the school grounds.

READING:
This week students will be focusing on “Main Idea” in reading. Main Idea is recognising what a text or paragraph is about. Main Ideas are the most important ideas. The Main Idea of a paragraph is usually written at the beginning or the end of a paragraph (topic sentence.) The Main Idea of the whole text is usually found in the first or last sentence of a text.

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 in the event of an emergency. Student Confidential Cards will be sent home this week. All forms to be returned to the Office by Friday 06 March 2015.

RELIGION:
Religion lessons will commence this Friday 27/02/15. Information regarding Religion lessons will be sent home today with the newsletter. Please ensure you fill out the form regarding your child’s participation in Religious Instruction lessons and return by Friday 27/02/15 to your child’s classroom teacher.

SCHOOL DENTAL VAN
The School Dental Service has arrived at South School. All students enrolled are eligible for a free dental examination and any treatment required at no cost. If you would like to use the $1000 Medicare voucher with the school dental service, please complete the form attached on the medical consent. However children can still be seen free of charge, if you do not qualify for the Medicare voucher. All enquires please phone direct to the Dental van on 0412516084 or the School dental office on 41502243. If you have not received a consent form and wish for your child to have an examination please collect a form at the School Office or Dental van. Usual van hours will be 8.15am to 4.15pm Monday to Friday.

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.
STUDENT OF THE WEEK  23 February 2015  

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

Prep  Cameron Bloom  
Ph/1 Harmony F  
Yr 1/2 Kari G  
Yr 2 Emir S  
Yr 3 Skye S  
Yr 4 Stephen S  
Yr 5 Samantha G  
Yr 6 Jazmine N

Class Music - Year 4  
Music - Torah K  
Blue ticket draw - Hailey M

P & C NEWS  P & C Report

We had a very small attendance of parents at the P & C Meeting yesterday. All executive positions are now VACANT and will be filled at the AGM to be held on Monday 23 March 2015. The P & C Association are looking at a variety of fundraising ideas for 2015, further information on this will be sent home in a flyer with next week’s Newsletter.

With the school celebrating 125 years of educational excellence, tradition and community in 2016, the P & C and the 125 Subcommittee of the P & C will play an integral part in promoting Bundaberg South State School in the community.

We desperately encourage all parents of students at our School to attend P & C Meetings.

Without parent support, programs and subsidies currently supported by the P & C will cease to be funded which will impact on your child’s learning and broader life experiences.

AFL BUNDABERG JUNIORS  Sign On Day

will be held on Friday 27 February 5pm - 7pm at Across the Waves, 22 Clayton Road, Thababen AND Brothers Bulldogs, Faircloth Crescent, Bundaberg. We would love to see you and your family join one of our AFL clubs this season. Make some new friends and learn new skills. Registration for Auskick to Under 13’s. For more information, please contact Junior Secretary Sonia on 0439 746 683 or email aflbjinc@gmail.com

Yoga for Children classes start on Tuesday February 10 for a 7 week series (3.30-4.30pm at Dharma Connection above Target Arcade, $80). This term’s focus will be on helping children deal with their emotions, particularly perfectionism, worry, feeling ‘not good enough’ and anger. Lots of fun yoga practices to help with posture, breathing, sleep, concentration, balance and co-ordination, not to mention peace of mind. Contact Leanne on 0434 619 872 or www.bundabergyoga.com.au.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION HOURS

The School Office will be open from 8.00 am - 3.30 pm. We will close at 3.00 pm on Wednesday afternoons for Staff Meeting each week.

Please ensure all children are collected on time from classrooms.

Parents/Students - Please use back verandah window at Office for enquiries, payments, medication.

125 ANNIVERSARY Facts

Did you know ??

1891 South-East Bundaberg State School opened.
1928 Bert Hinkler visited South School.
1970’s Classrooms at South School were used in making the film ‘The Mango Tree’.
1980 557 children were enrolled at South School.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

COLLECTING STUDENTS DURING SCHOOL HOURS

When picking up students during school hours parents must sign the Student Arrival/Departure Register at the Office.

Notify the classroom teacher of appointments/early collections or contact School Office beforehand. Students may not be in their classrooms due to Maths/Spelling groups.
Parents are not to collect students from classrooms.

HOMEWORK CLUB with Mrs Gahan  (SEP Room, Block E)

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SCHOOL CROSsing RULES

Always walk safely when crossing the road. NO running, skipping, hopping or walking backwards.

$5000 CLASSROOM MAKEOVER

The Newsmail & Staples are giving Bundaberg schools the opportunity to win a $5000 classroom makeover, fuelled by products from the Staples Education essential range.

South SS has registered, so we now need you to start collecting those tokens. Tokens will appear in the Newsmail each day so ask your parents, grandparents, uncles, aunties, friends to start collecting!!

All schools stand an equal chance of winning, as the organisers will pro-rata no of tokens across the enrolment number of the school to determine the winner.

START COLLECTING & DROP YOUR TOKENS INTO THE ENTRY BOX AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.