Principal News

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the third Queensland Principal’s Conference in Brisbane. This event has been held biennially since 2011. The focus of the conference was “a great school has a great school down the road.” The Conference provided an opportunity to share experience and enthusiasm through collaboration with colleagues and reinforced ways of improving outcomes for our students. Learnings from the Conference will be shared with the staff and will have a direct impact on the educational agenda at Bundaberg South State School.

Leaders Induction:

Congratulations to the 2015 Student Leaders who were inducted yesterday morning on Parade. See your School Leader photos attached to this newsletter.

School Captains: Taya K and Jessica B
Boundary House Captains: Tommy N and Jason L
Walla House Captains: Skye W and Hiedi R
George House Captains: Renae S and Jordyn O

I look forward to working with the 2015 School Leadership team on various projects throughout the year.

School Annual Improvement Plan:

The focus for the School Annual Improvement Plan for 2015 is “Every Student Achieving focusing on Reading and Numeracy.” School priorities are: attendance; knowing your learners; meeting your learners needs; developing professional knowledge; developing professional practice and engagement; knowing your students and data as well as developing consistency across the school. The school AIP is on the school website available for download.

Reading:

This week students will be focusing on “Sequencing” in reading. Sequencing is arranging actions, events or instructions in order. A sequence is usually introduced by signal words—first, second etc. Sequences are not always written in the order in which they occur. Teachers will be teaching the students to focus on signal words such as before or earlier to alert them to this. Students will be focusing on procedural texts and sequences in narratives this week during reading lessons.

Great Results Guarantee:

In 2015 the school is estimated to receive $68,908. This money will be spent on human resources to enhance programs and differentiation at school. The human resources will mean additional teacher aide time across the school and the introduction of Reading Coach/Curriculum Coordinator (Mrs Moore), as well as purchasing additional resources.

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 have been sent home, check your child’s school bag. All forms must be returned to the Office by Friday 06 March 2015.

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.

NB. If your child has received an RTC this term, they will not be eligible to attend the School Disco.

Rule of the Week

Sit and eat during lunch breaks
The event will be at Alexandra Park in Bundaberg on Thursday the 19th of March from 10:00am to 2:00pm. At this event there will be plenty of information about Closing the Gap and lots of fun activities. We would be very grateful if we could get Indigenous students from the local schools to attend so that we may spread the message of Closing The Gap and showcase the community's various services and support. If you would be able to RSVP as soon as possible that would be great.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

2 March 2015

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

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**Class Music** - Prep / 1

**Music** - Fono T

**P & C NEWS**

All executive positions are now VACANT and will be filled at the AGM to be held on Monday 23 March 2015. We encourage all parents to read the P & C News flyer sent home today.

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 education.

**Tuckshop Roster**

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If you are unable to attend tuckshop please contact Gordon Schloss (Convenor) so a replacement can be organized.

**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.

**SCHOOL CROSSING RULES**

NO bouncing balls when using the crossings.

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

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ACROSS THE WAVES**

**AFL SIGN ON**

When: Friday 27 February 2015, 5pm –7pm
Where: ATW Clubhouse - Frank Coulthard Oval, Claytons Road, Thabeban

Do you love your AFL? Are you looking for an affordable, fun and friendly club for your family to join? If YES Across the Waves AFL Club may be for you! Come along to the Club Sign on day where club representatives will be available to answer your questions.

For more information please email atwaf@gmail.com or contact Wendy O’Keefe (Secretary) - 0402 912 242

**EASTER HAMPER DONATIONS** - All donations to School Office

$5000 CLASSROOM MAKEOVER

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, aunts, 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.

**We only have a small amount of tokens !!!**

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