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'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
Safety	Self-Responsibility
Behaviour Expectations	

2015 School Improvement Focus: Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

Dates for Diaries

20 May Wednesday	Special Food Day
21 May Thursday	Under 8's Day in Childers
26 May Tuesday	Chess Tournament Walkervale
27 May Wednesday	Mr Coleman attending Mandatory Principal's Meeting at Caloundra
28 May Thursday	Show Holiday (No Parade! ☺)
1 June Monday	Mrs Carlon and Mrs Byrnes at Childers SS performing observations for Success School Project. Relief teachers to be confirmed.
8 June Monday	Queen's Birthday Holiday
16 June Tuesday	Golf for years 2-3 and 4-6
17 June Wednesday	Special Food Day
22 June Monday	Goodwood State School Sports Day – Gold Vs Green (P&C provide a sausage sizzle lunch)
26 June Friday	Last Day of Term 2
29 June Monday	Student Report Cards Posted – Please ensure we have your correct address details.
13 July Monday	First day of Term 3 for all students.

Awards



Congratulations to Alex, Ella, Tamalin, Tempest, Lilly, Levi, Reef, Ruby, Charli, Jasper, Sara, Emma, Logan, Gideon and Connor on their meritorious awards. Well Done!!



Writing Samples

Across our school we see some brilliant writing samples every week. On parade last week we saw/heard some of the brilliant work the Preps and Y1s had produced. Here are two samples from upper end of our school, from two of our Year 6 students.

I enthusiastically arose from my comfortable bed only to see everlasting darkness slowly being disintegrated by blinding light effortlessly peering through my translucent window.....We both eagerly opened the car doors and tediously wandered over to this absolutely massive structure known as Sugarland. We casually strolled into the structure then we slowly wandered around until we came to the conclusion to go to the almighty EB Games!

By Alex

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"Wow! It's huge!" I shout in excitement. "Daddy, I 'wanna' go on the Green Lantern! Daddy, I 'wanna' go on the Green Lantern!" bellows my sibling Ben. "Just wait, we haven't even bought our tickets yet," responds Dad in a calm way. Ben, Dad and I were standing in a huge queue waiting to buy our tickets so we could get into Movie World! Our first ride was the 'Wild West Falls' which was very entertaining. It was a set from the gold rush era decades and decades ago. First you slowly travelled down an insignificant stream with a few sharp turns and bumps. Later you start to speed up. Half way through get a colossal bucket of water tipped on you from way up above. A few seconds after that, you smoothly head upwards and get rotated around 90 degrees. Then BOOM! You go over a bump and travel 90km/h downhill, backwards for about 30 seconds. Right after that, when you expect the ride to be finished, you're going uphill all over again. You finish down the bottom of a huge hill completely soaked with chlorine-filled water.

By Emma

NAPLAN Done!

We have now completed the 2015 series for NAPLAN tests for Years 3 and 5. Results should be issued to families around November.

We are extremely proud of every one of our students in the effort they applied and their attitudes toward the assessment process. One parent told me that she told her child to stay home due to illness, but the child insisted on going to school to do NAPLAN! To me this is a great indicator that we achieved our goal of ensuring all students were relaxed, happy and comfortable with the testing process.

Congratulations and well done to the 2015 Goodwood Team!! ☺

Success Schools Progress

Mrs Katrina Kruger, the Success Schools Coach, has been working with us on most Fridays in strengthening our practices in reading. Typically, she models the focus strategies on one week and then observes us performing the same process the following week. In essence we have been working through the Gradual Release of Responsibility Model of teaching reading. We have worked through Modelled, Shared and Guided. This professional development has also included the participation in workshops outside of school hours with staff members from other schools. At the end of each visit to our school, Mrs Kruger meets with me to review our implementation plan and discuss and evaluate our school progress. Mrs Kruger is delighted with our achievement and the extremely high level of competence demonstrated by all teaching staff.

The next major activity is that each of us teachers need to visit another school from the Phase 1 Success Schools program. It is likely that Mrs Byrnes and Mrs Carlon will be spending the day at Childers SS to observe teachers performing reading activities with classes on Monday 1st June. I will be visiting Bargara SS on Friday 5th June so that a relief teacher will not be required as Mrs Elsmore will be working as usual with my class on that day.

Sweet Potatoes for Show

The Childers Show Society have kindly organised a box of sweet potatoes to be donated to our students for the show. We have sent these home today with the students. The task is to decorate and personalise their potato to represent a character and to enter their decorated potato in the competition. Please do not return your child's work to school. It is the responsibility of families to organise the entry of their child's work. *PS. Do not decorate your sweet potato with anything valuable as all of the potatoes will be thrown away after the show.*

P&C Day!

Friday the 29th of May is P&C Day. A dedicated time to acknowledge the magnificent and dedicated work of our P&C members. Thank you to each of our highly valued and appreciated members of our P&C for all the generous donation of time and effort you contribute to benefit all of our students. As our P&C Meeting is on the preceding Tuesday we will have acknowledgement of our P&C then.

Drought Relief/Support Out West – Still Collecting!

Next time you are shopping remember a couple of extra items for our communities in drought out west. We are still collecting. We are also still collecting cash donations to contribute to Buy A Bale.

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Buy A Bale

Our captains have been responsible for collecting these funds and they are kept in a locked cash tin and the key is kept safe.

Toiletries

We have containers in each classroom to receive these donations.

Numeracy/Reading Snippet

As part of our school improvement focus for this year, we are sharing little snippets of information that may be of help in your support of your child's learning.

This week our reading focus is self-monitoring. Self-monitoring is being aware of your own thinking when you read. A really important part of self-monitoring is knowing when you have stopped understanding what you have read. It may be that you are not sure of what a word, sentence or even a paragraph means. Encouraging your child to recognise when this happens allows them to use a strategy such as rereading to fix it.

Photos

Silver Rose called to apologise that they have a backlog of printing to be done and are running behind schedule. They have just sent us an email to say that the photos should be here on Wednesday.

Spare Uniforms?

If you have old school uniforms at home that are no longer needed, please consider donating them to the school. We often have need of free/spare uniforms. Sometimes children may have "accidents" and need to be fitted with spare uniforms. Sometimes we have new families who are grateful of free uniforms to start them off. Please send in any spare uniforms in a bag with your child/ren.

Uniform Policy Review

Some people have made comments about our uniform policy and I have asked for this to be placed on the agenda at our next P&C meeting to seek input on the issue. Particular points for discussion are hair dye and shoe colour. If this is a topic that interests you, please attend the next meeting or express your views and comments to one of our P&C executives.

Camp Complications

Each year we take our upper class off to a camp. We always discuss this at P&C and we have in recent years circulated options to relevant families for them to indicate their preferences. Our Chaplain, Shane, is always present for our camps. As he is booked up by all the schools for the year, we booked a time when he would be available for a week, which was the 17th to 21st of August in Term 3.

At the beginning of this term Mrs Hawker and Ms Brock made calls to a number of possible camp locations and we have struck a problem; most places are not available when Shane is available. We still have alternative options available to us and we will discuss this at our next P&C meeting.

Under 8s Day This Thursday

This Thursday Mrs Byrnes, Mrs Last and a number of parents will be taking the Prep and Year 1 students to the Under 8s day in Childers.

The fun Day will be held at the Isis Family & Support Building, 14 Hinkler Street, Childers from 9.30am – 12.00 noon. A free bus will take the children to Childers thanks to special grant funding. If you have not received the letter and flyer please see Rhonda in the Prep/Yr 1 classroom before Thursday.

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P&C Messages from President Mrs Karen Blain

Special Food Day Reminder - *Special Food Day is this Wednesday, 20 May.*

Many thanks to Barb Gibson, Lisa Arjona and volunteers who make these days possible.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 26 May at 3.30pm in the library. All welcome! We would love to see you there. Come along and hear what is going on in the school and share your thoughts and ideas. Please feel free to contact Karen on pandc@goodwoodss.eq.edu.au if you have any ideas or enquiries.

Club Raffles - Donation Request

The P&C are on the lookout for items we can offer as prizes, such as boxes of chocolates, gift sets and baskets etc for our weekly Club Raffles. All monies raised from these raffles go back to the school, so your support for this fundraiser is much appreciated! If you have something you would like to contribute, donation boxes are located in the office and library. Otherwise, please contact Karen on 0438794646 for collection.

Cash for Cans - Aluminium Can Drive- Can you help?

We are seeking the assistance of someone who can transfer collected soft drink cans from Isis Club Inc, Childers to our own school recycling bin which is located in the top end of the Woodgate Road car park. If you can help, please contact Jody and Ryan on 0741268293. Thank you!

Uniform Shop Update

The Uniform Shop still have Winter Uniforms available for the low price of \$6.00. Uniforms are of great quality and include, Fleecy Baseball Jackets, Polar Fleece Full Zip Jackets, Polar Fleece Half Zip Jumpers and Polar Fleece Vests. Please see Janine Leverett - Uniform Shop co-ordinator, either in the Uniform Shop located at the school tuckshop or outside the Lower classroom. Hours of operation are Monday - Friday mornings from 8.00am - 9.00am. Alternately for your convenience, just send in the order details and money with your child and Janine can assist with sizing.

Community Messages

Rebuilding after Separation

Separating or divorcing from a relationship or marriage can be an emotional and challenging time. This eight week program can help you care and understand your own emotional needs and to start to rebuild life again.

When: Thursday 2 June 2015
Time: 6pm to 8.30pm
Contact: **UnitingCare Community** on 41538400
(Bookings essential)
Where: 3A River Terrace, Bundaberg
Cost: Gold coin

Overfilling bins makes collection difficult

Ever wondered how much is too much to stuff into your kerbside collection bin? Unfortunately, overfilling your kerbside collection bins can sometimes mean Bundaberg Regional Council isn't able to service them. Our collection trucks can't lift bins that weigh more than 75kg. If material is protruding from the bin or waste is tightly jammed in to the bin, this may also mean the bin cannot be serviced as under Council's guidelines, the bin lid must be closed and the contents must be able to be removed without manual intervention. For more information on Council's Waste and Recycling Services head to www.bundaberg.qld.gov.au.

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2015 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Finland will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on **1800 500 501**, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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MUSIC SCHEDULE BUNDABERG EISTEDDFOD 2015

Tuesday 4 August to Thursday 6 August – Civic Centre (Sections 72 – 89)

All Enquiries to:
The Music Co-ordinator
Alison O'Malley
Email – amomalley54@gmail.com - Phone: 41525441/0411 077 021
OR 41536516/0417 600 538

OR:
Email – bbergeisteddfodmusic@live.com

All correspondence to:
The Secretary
Bundaberg Eisteddfod Committee
PO Box 797
BUNDABERG 4670

ENTRIES

SECTIONS 72-89. ENTRIES CLOSE 4.30 pm Friday, 5 June 2015

Entries may be left at the following centre:

Inspirations Paint & Colour
Cnr Bourbong & Branyan Streets
BUNDABERG 4670 (Parking and entry at rear of building)
Hours of business – 8.00 am to 4.30 pm

Or Posted to:-

The Secretary
Bundaberg Eisteddfod Committee
PO Box 797
BUNDABERG 4670.

ENTRY FEES as set out below **MUST** accompany each entry.

Large Groups & Choirs (10 and over) \$15-00

All entries to be submitted in a sealed envelope. **Please have exact money as no change can be given.**

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE BUNDABERG EISTEDDFOD FOR 2015.

Large Group and Choral performances (Sections 72 to 89) will be held on the 4/5/6 August and will take place at the Civic Centre.

Please read the Schedule for the Large Group & Choral sections very carefully, as the criteria for these sections has been completely revised for 2015.

We are continuing to build our register of Music teachers' names and contact details. Please complete the section on the Entry form to provide us with your teacher's name, phone number and email address.

This information is also required on the Group Entry form.