Monday 09 May 2016 (12/2016)

Date Claimers

- Tuesday 10 – Thursday 12 May – NAPLAN, Yrs 3 & 5
- Friday 13 May – Friday afternoon sport money & permission forms due
- Monday 16 May - P&C Meeting, Staffroom, 3:15pm
- Thursday 26 May – SHOW HOLIDAY, NO SCHOOL!
- Monday 30 May – Aussie of the Month
- Tuesday 31 May – Yr 6 Transition Information Session, Kepnock State High School
- Tuesday 7 June – School Photos
- Tuesday 21 June – Jumps Day
- Wednesday 22 June – NAIDOC Celebrations
- Thursday 23 June – Interhouse Sports Day

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Our Improvement Agenda

Our school improvement agenda remains focused upon:

Attendance
- Students will attend school 94% of the time or greater

Reading
- 85% of students will attain a ‘C’ Level or better using regional benchmarks; and an
- Increased number of students will achieve in the Upper 2 Bands in NAPLAN Reading

Numeracy
- 20% of students will achieve in the Upper 2 Bands of NAPLAN Numeracy

Student of the Week Awards

Congratulations go to the following children who were selected as Students of the Week. Their efforts also set an example for others to follow.

Prep A McKenna T
Prep B Xavier J
Prep C Taliah-Rose P
1A Zach H
1B Jackson A
1C Anzac G
2A Lyla M
2B Mia D
2C Kiara C
3A Connor F
3B Sarah B
3C Kyjuan T
4A Lleyton W
4B Ryan M
4C Zac D
5A Ezekiel B
5B Jade H
6A Brydee P
6B Patrick H
PE Lana E (2C)

Reading Awards

Reading continues to be our whole school focus. The following students were presented with a reading award on parade today for continuing to read for enjoyment and education.

4B: Lachlan H, Ryan M, Abby S, Jesse W.
4C: Nakita F, Tehya H, Nigel P, Zane R.
5A: Destiny W.
5B: Hayley J, Parneet K, Henery L.

Please help us? No parking/drop-offs in school grounds

It is disappointing that some parents and carers continue to drive and park/drop-off inside our school grounds despite numerous requests to park outside of our grounds. This presents a risk to our students and the Principal and WH&S Committee are working towards being able to LOCK the back gates to prevent unauthorised access.

Please find a park outside of our school grounds or plan to arrive at 3:05-3:10pm as there are many parks already free after parents/carers have departed.

NAPLAN Testing – Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday

Students in Years 3 & 5 will complete their NAPLAN testing this week.

Teachers have been working to familiarise students with the format of the tests and have been working towards preparing students to be able to perform at their best so that they can show what they can do.

Parents/Carers can help by ensuring that students:
- have a good night’s sleep each night before the test (ie minimum 10 hours sleep, eg 8:00pm-6:00am),
- enjoy a healthy breakfast each morning (cereal and toast or boiled egg and toast etc),
- arrive at school by 8:35am, and
- understand that they need to simply try to do their best in each test.

Students will have the opportunity to have toast and fruit each morning at the start of each of the three days of testing.

Show Holiday – Thursday 26 May

Thursday 26 May is our Bundaberg Show Holiday. Friday 27 May is a regular day at school and all students are expected to attend classes.

Student Absences – Text notification to parents/carers

Parents/carers will now receive a text notifying them that their son/daughter is not at school when the school has not been notified that they will be absent.

This text is sent to the parent/carer listed first on the contacts.
provided to the school at the time of enrolment. In shared care or 50/50 care arrangements, this notification will still go to the parent listed first (This is a current limitation of the system that we have investigated).

This service provides you with a reminder to contact the school if your son/daughter is sick or has an appointment, or awareness that your son/daughter is not at school when they should be (‘wagging’ or truanting).

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C Meeting is to be held on Monday 16 May at 3:15pm in the Staff Room. There will be a brief SAFeST Meeting (regarding road safety/parking etc) at the start of this meeting (ie 3:15pm) before the regular General P&C meeting commences. All parents, carers, staff and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

School Photos
Payment Envelopes have been sent home today with the News & Views.

All photos are taken on a pre-paid basis, with the preference being to hand photo payment envelopes directly to the photographer on the day. However, payment envelopes can be handed in at the office prior to photo day if you wish.

There will be both a Class Group photo and a Composite photo taken of all classes for the super low price of $24 (except ECDP which will be a Composite photo only). Other packages are also available as well as individual items (E – I).

Photos will be taken on Tuesday 7 June. Family Photos will also be taken and separate payment envelopes are available from the office for these. This year, families have the option of ordering family photos only if you wish without ordering class photos.

Camp Australia providing Before and After School Care and Vacation Care
Camp Australia have started their before /after school care service and student numbers are increasing. We will continue to work closely with Camp Australia to develop and enhance the before/after school care services for our students and their parents and carers.

Information and links have been included on our facebook page. For bookings: www.campaustalia.com.au or 1300 105 343.

Chess Club
Term 2 weekly Chess Club lessons with Mr Menham and Mr Bond are on every Wednesday this term until week 10 in the Innovation Centre at First Break.

You are welcome to bring a friend and play a game of chess together.

Word of the Week

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**Definition-** To give a command to do something.

**Sentence -** “Clean your room!” ordered Mum.

- “Stop right now!” ordered the policeman.

**Synonyms-** command, tell, direct

Tuckshop News
Winter warmer lunch ideas – hotdog with mustard, chicken and gravy roll, sweet chilli chicken sub or a hot chicken wrap, all available on our tuckshop menu.

This week’s helpers are – Wednesday 11 May- Dorothy Christensen. Thursday 12 May – Sheree Bethell and Jenelle Charlton. Friday 13 May – Tash Sherratt and Karen Balcombe.

Thanks, Michelle Eyre (Convenor)

Gotcha!
This week Walsh has been awarded the most points, followed by Walker, Watkin and then Watson. Congratulations Walsh! Gotchas! are awarded to students who demonstrate our "Keys to Success”.

Student Banking
Now is a great time to be involved in student banking! This term we have two new reward items available:

- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag

And an even better reason to open a student banking account – those savers who bank 5 times or more from 22 April until 10 June will go in the draw to win a PRIZE PACK!!

Keep up to date with what is happening at school - follow us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/walkervaless

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition – Kepnock State High School
This year we have moved all of the key dates for your transitioning students forward. The first key date to be aware of is the ACE and Bursary Information Session, Tuesday 31 May, 2016. This session will coincide with our Subject Expo allowing parents to view the future options for their students should they come to Kepnock. More details regarding times and location still to come.

Alongside the ACE and Bursary evening are our annual Year 6 School Visits. This is where all Year 6 students from our Cluster Schools come along to Kepnock and spend part of the day experiencing a high school classroom and having a tour of our facilities.
Girls AFL Come and Try Day
Girls AFL in Bundaberg is hosting a Girls AFL come and try day at the Across the waves grounds on Clayton Road!

It is a great opportunity for you all to get involved in a fun, safe and exciting new environment. Female Football is also a great way for girls to make friends, keep active and learn new skills which will continue to come in handy. In saying this, I recommend that every one of you girls should give AFL a try on the 11th and/or 18th of May from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

WHERE: ATW GROUNDS CLAYTON RD
WHEN: 11th and 18th of May
TIME: 4:30pm-5:30pm

I hope to see you all out there with a footy in your hand and a smile on your faces!

Shaun Stone.

UNDER 7’s
Boys and girls if you are under 7 and are looking to have fun in a safe environment such as one provided by AFL then look no further than to come to the AFL grounds at Across The Waves on Clayton Rd! We are calling on anyone who is or may be interested in participating in Australian football which will also in hand help you make lifelong friends and build on as well as develop motor and fundamental learning skills. In saying this I encourage you all to come along to the AFL grounds on the 13th of May at 5:00pm-6:00pm to have a good time. If you are currently a member of AUSKICK in your schools then the cost for registration will be only $40 for every Friday after the 13th of May.

WHEN: 13th May
WHERE: AFL ATW Grounds Clayton Rd
TIME: 5:00pm-6:00pm
DAY: Every Friday

I hope to see all you Juniors under 7 out on the field with a footy in your hands and a smile on your faces!

Thank you,
Shaun Stone.

What’s On

Kidsafe Queensland
Top 5 Tips for today

Here are our Top 5 Tips for today to make your driveway safe. Use these strategies IN COMBINATION to reduce the risk for run over incidents. Each step makes a Kidsafe home with you - a #Kidsafemum

1. Supervise - Know where the children are. If home alone and need to move the car either have the children all appropriately restrained in the vehicle when moving or, if another adult is around, make sure they have all the children safely secured in the house or well away from the vehicle. Physically hold them.

2. Separate - the play areas from driveways. Driveways are not play areas. Some design features that may assist in this include: high handles on garage doors, self-closing doors and fences between the driveway and front lawn - consider using pool gates as side fence gates!

3. See - A good habit is to walk around the vehicle to check no one is quietly hiding behind the vehicle. Install cameras and/or sensors. A combination of sensors AND a camera can offer better sense of what is behind the vehicle but alone will not prevent run-overs.

4. Teach your children that driveways are like roads – stop, look, listen and think at every driveway they cross when walking on the footpath.

5. Remember – don’t move the car if you don’t know where the kids are!

The Keys to Success and Happiness
MOVE IT EXPO – Saturday 4 June, 2016

Come along to Bundaberg Regional Council’s MOVE it Expo, now in its fourth year, to enjoy a showcase of the region’s local sporting clubs, professional fitness trainers, health experts and fresh food producers.

When: Saturday 4 June, 10am – 2pm
Where: St Luke’s Anglican School, 4 Mezger Street, Bundaberg

With demonstrations, samples, information and around 55 business and local stallholders, there is something for everyone interested in their better health and wellbeing. For more information: http://www.bundaberg.qld.gov.au/residents/sport-recreation/healthy

RING ROAD RUN – Sunday 5 June, 2016

For kids, parents, athletes and amateurs – all are welcome to register for the Ring Road Run. Register online – www.ringroadrun.com.au for either:

- 2k Kids Dash (5 -10 years)
- 5k Run or Walk
- 10k Run or Walk
- 10k Sporting Wheeles Race

Challenge yourself, wheel, walk or run the Ring Road!

When: Sunday 5 June

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