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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

**Special Visitor**

Last Monday we had a visit from our new Assistant Regional Director Mr Ross Zelow. Due to the vast area covered by our Regional Directors, Bundaberg now has an extra person appointed to ensure schools are well supported. Ross was keen to visit classes and meet with staff and students across the school. As we walked and talked Ross commented on the wonderful feel Kalkie has.

Ross will return in the near future for an in depth look at our school. Kalkie had some very positive parent and student feedback from the last school opinion survey. We welcome Ross to our Region and look forward to working with him in the future.

### Parent Information evening

Some sixty-two parents and around 100 students enjoyed a night of information from their teachers and entertainment from our talented school choir. Students enjoyed a movie while eating a sausage on bread and drink of cordial. It was nice to see families take time out at the end to enjoy some fellowship while their children played in the cool breeze on the oval. Thank you to all our families who took the time to come along and find out what their children will be learning and many thanks to all of our staff for making it a successful evening.

### Year 4, 5 & 6 Swimming

As part of the 2015 Physical Education Program Years Four, Five and Six will be attending Swimming and Water Confidence instruction at the Bundaberg Swim Academy pool in Fitzgerald Street. The instruction will consist of 6 x 45 min lessons. Students will be given lessons by qualified Bundaberg Swimming Academy instructors. Lesson dates are as follows. Tuesday 24 Feb, 03 March, 10 March, 17 March, 24 March and 31 March. Permission forms are to be returned by 20 February please. See Mrs Smith if you have not received these forms.

### News-Mail tokens

Our school is collecting News mail tokens to be in the running for a $5000 classroom makeover. Cut out the tokens found in the front of each News-Mail and send them to the office.

### Waiting Area

Parents are reminded to please wait near the shelter shed or parent room with their children instead of outside the classrooms. All students are required to wait at the shelter shed if they arrive at school before 8.10am. When the 8.10 bell rings they are most welcome to go to class.

Your help with this matter would be greatly appreciated.
Interesting start to the week
Many of our families including my own have their own earthquake story to tell.
I was awoken by my eldest daughter at 2am telling me someone was rattling her window and the bed was shaking violently. Half asleep I was lifting mattresses looking for a snake and checking outside for possible intruders. The puzzle was solved when she received a text from a friend to say an earthquake had hit the area. By 4am I finally feel asleep again. Mrs Ussher told me her son thought he was dreaming when he felt his bed moving. He was a little surprised when she asked if he noticed his bed shaking.

Patrick Cause
Deputy / Acting Principal

WORKER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students, who were awarded Worker of the Week on Friday 13th February, 2015.

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SCHOOL NEWS

***WANTED***
PAINT TO RE-VAMP OUTSIDE OF KALKIE TUCK SHOP.
KALKIE P & C ASSOC. ARE KINDLY ASKING FOR ANY DONATIONS OF INTERIOR OR EXTERIOR PAINT (ANY COLOUR) THAT MAY BE OF USE TO HELP IN PAINTING TUCK SHOP.

LATE ARRIVALS AND EARLY DEPARTURES
ANY student (including Preps) who either arrive late to school or leave the school grounds at any time either after the commencement of the first bell and before the ringing of the last bell of school time MUST REPORT TO THE OFFICE. Late arrivals or early departures must be signed in/out in accordance with Education Queensland and Kalkie School Policy and Procedures. This is also for your child’s safety in the event of an emergency.

YEAR 1M NEWS
Welcome to Mrs Jo Rowbotham who will be teaching 1M every Monday for this term.

BREAKFAST CLUB
Kalkie State School Breakfast Club is up and running again this year. Our school Chaplain, Kelli Ussher is co-ordinating this for our school and will be run from the Tuckshop each Tuesday and Wednesday morning between 8am and 8.30am. Kelli is happy to hear from anyone who can assist in any way with donations or help.

GRIP Leadership Conference
Our school captains Kasey, Holly. Lauren and Kade attended their first official event, the GRIP Leadership Conference on 17 February. They found it extremely useful in developing ideas to enhance their leadership skills. They also got to meet and work with other school leaders from schools around the district. They learnt leaders stand up for what is right, for others and for themselves. Our school captains were great ambassadors for our school.
PROCEDURE FOR SENDING IN PAYMENTS

All payments **MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED** in the following format on the front of an envelope or sealed bag and handed into your child’s class teacher:

- **Child’s / Children’s Name**
- **Class**
- **Name of Excursion / Activity**
- **Amount enclosed**

It would be appreciated if all permission forms are attached behind the payment envelope at the time of handing them in to class teachers. Your child’s teacher will then mark your child’s payment and permission form as being returned and then forward the payment to the office that morning. Once receipts are issued, they will be placed into the teacher’s pigeon holes to be handed back to your child to take home.

**SCHOOL BANKING**

Kalkie participates in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program which aims to help young Australians learn about the importance of saving and smart money management. School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. When children join the program they receive a Dollarmites deposit wallet.

To help reward individual savings efforts, every time a student deposits into their Youthsaver account through School Banking, regardless of the amount, they’ll receive a Dollarmites token. Once they’ve collected 10 tokens, they can redeem them for a variety of exciting reward items.

This year the theme is "Outer Space Savers" and the rewards items, a great way to keep children motivated and demonstrate the value of saving, are on display in the cabinet near the front door of the library.

**Lucky Book Borrower**

For Week 3 was Claire in 5/6C.

As sport trials are held throughout the year, Mrs Smith will publish them in the school newsletter and announce them on parade and in her PE lessons.

The following trials are being called for over the next few weeks. So if your child is interested and shows a high skill level in the following sports and would like to be considered for trialling, please see Mrs Smith asap.

**Current trials** - **BOYS AND GIRLS TOUCH AND SWIMMING.**

**SPORTS TRIALS:** Students throughout Bundaberg have the opportunity to trial for a school rep team and represent the Bundaberg Zone in their chosen sport. The trials are now called “Bundaberg 12 years and under” and still allow 12 year olds who have moved onto high school, the opportunity to trial. (No 13yr olds). These trials are quite competitive and it’s sometimes ‘tough’ to be selected.

Students attending the trials, would normally play that sport on the weekend, have a good knowledge of rules and demonstrate an average to high skill level. If you think your child would be worthy of attending their chosen sport, please see Mrs Smith for further information. Students can only attend if they have a nomination form signed by a Kalkie teacher. (Usually Mrs Smith).

**SWIMMING:** The first activity for this term for PE will be Years 4-6 (including Mrs Gehrke’s Yr 3’s) attending the swimming program at Bundaberg Swim Academy for 6 weeks. This will begin Tuesday 24 February. The cost is $45.00. Please ensure that payment is placed into an envelope correctly addressed and permission notes stapled to the outside of the envelope. **PAYMENT IS DUE TOMORROW 20/02/2015!!**

**KALKIE EELS FOOTBALL:** Football training has commenced for the eels this week. Training is every Wednesday 3-4pm.

**New in the Library This Week**

Classes began exploring the Generalities 000 section of the library in non-fiction with this new book. The latest edition to the Weird But True series offers children 300 more of the wacky facts, illustrations, and photographs they love! This casual reference book is full of wild and entertaining, brain-bending facts accompanied by vibrant photography and illustrations. We also viewed the accompanying app.

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“Sometimes you read a book so special that you want to carry it around with you for months after you’ve finished just to stay near it.” Markus Zusak (author of “The Book Thief”)

READ ON!
Ms Rose

MUSIC NEWS

Practice Sessions
Senior Drum Band - Tuesday & Thursday 8am
Junior Drum Band Sticks - Friday 8am
Senior Choir - Thursday 11:15
Junior Choir - Friday 11:15
Senior Recorder Band - Tuesday 11:15
Junior Recorder Band - Tuesday 1:30
Friday Parade Practice - Thursday 1:30

KALKIE BITES NEWS

Please ensure you are using the 2015 menu as there have been some menu changes and price increases from last year.

Week Commencing Monday 16th February, 2015
Friday 20th February, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

Week Commencing Monday 23rd February, 2015
Thursday 26th February, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED
Friday 27th February, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

Week Commencing Monday 2nd March, 2015
Thursday 5th March, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED
Friday 6th March, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

Kind regards,
Tanya Jiggins

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS
This year’s Chinese New Year celebrations will be held at the Bundaberg Recreational Precinct on Sunday, February 22 from 3.30pm (entry via University Drive).

Join in the fun and experience world class performers direct from Bundaberg’s Sister City, Nanning – China. Don’t miss the goat races being held to help celebrate the Year of the Goat.

There will be free activities for the kids who can fill up their Chinese New Year passport at each activity station. Welcome in the Chinese New Year and savour the culture and food of the Orient.

A community event brought to you by Bundaberg Regional Council.

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 atw afl@gmail.com or contact Wendy O’Keefe (Secretary) - 0402 912 242
FOR SALE

3 x Kalkie State School Uniforms - T-Shirts. Size 14, worn once and near new condition. $22.00 each. Please call Margot on 0438448003
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25th Apr – Anzac Day – Drumband Performs

28th Apr – Mother’s Day Free Dress

6th May – Mother’s Day Stall

4th May – Kalkie’s Got Talent Heats

11th May - Kalkie’s Got Talent Finals

14th May - Kalkie’s Got Talent Finals

25th May – P & C Meeting 3pm in family room