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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S PEN

Drought Angels- Food for Farmers
A very big thank you to everyone who donated items and money for this worthy event. When the items were picked up on Monday the person who was doing this was very overwhelmed by the number of items. She only had a small car and found it difficult to fit everything in. I am sure these items will be well distributed and be welcomed by those who get them. Students in year 3/4 also wrote letters to the farmers wishing them well and with the hope the drought breaks soon for them.

Movember
It is almost time when our participating male staff can shave off their moustaches. On behalf of them I would like to thank everyone who sponsored them during this time. The money raised will also go to a deserving cause, Male Health.

End of Term Events
There is certainly a lot happening between now and the end of the year so I have included a list of what you need to know.

- Family Fun Fair and Carols is this Friday starting at 4pm with lots of things to do. Carols begin at 6pm in the hall; don’t forget to bring your picnic basket (if you haven’t filled up from the fair) and blanket to join in the action.
- Year 5 Camp to Chaverim is next Thursday and Friday December 3 and 4 and I am sure all the students are looking forward to it. I am also sure they will have a fantastic time.
- Pageant of Lights is on December 3 and drum band will be in the procession entertaining the crowds with their routines. This is a wonderful opportunity to join in the festivities that Bundaberg offers and watch our great band.
- Last Parade for the year is Monday December 7. While out of routine this is the only day where there is nothing else on and everyone will be here. An invitation is extended to all family and friends to join with us in our last parade for 2015
- Celebration Day is Tuesday December 8 for all students from Prep to year 6 who have been invited. The students will be going to the pool, Preps to Year 3 to Norville and Year's 4-6 to Anzac Park. A letter will be sent home shortly with more details. Congratulations to those who have demonstrated the Kalkie 5 C’s all term.
WORKER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students, who were awarded Worker of the Week on Friday 20th November, 2015

PW  Kai  3/4G  Susan
PH  Kira  4K  Kayla
1/2SP  Elsy  4/5C  Jaxon
1M  Lyndsay  5/6C  Kelsie
2G  Lili  MUSIC  4K & 5C
2/3H  Ruby

Yellow Slip Winners:
Year's 3-6  Coen 5/6C
P-2  Armani 2G

SCHOOL NEWS

BOOKLISTS

2016 Class booklists were sent home with students last week. Copies can be downloaded through the e-newsletter or from Kalkie’s website: www.kalkiess.eq.edu.au (Support and Resources, forms & documents, documents)

KALKIE KIDS PLAYGROUP

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!! We have started getting our Christmas on at Playgroup and are enjoying all the wonderful things this time of year has to offer.

This week we made some cool reindeers to hang on our Christmas tree, our Playdough turned all Christmassy and even our library visits are all about Christmas. Super cool!

There’s even more Christmas stuff happening next week so be sure to come along and join in the fun.

We have our Breakup coming up in the last week of school on Wednesday 9th December where we have a bit of a different kind of day for us with lots of surprises and fun happening and also a very special visit from someone very exciting and cool.......AND he happens to know SANTA !!!

Kalkie Kids Playgroup is open to all children from birth to 5 years. We meet each Wednesday morning from 9-11am in the Activities Room (opposite the Tuckshop). Cost is $2 per family.

Classes 2016

It is important for parents to let us know if you are enrolling or intending to leave the school as teachers are currently putting together class lists for next year and these will be posted shortly. As we know things can be very uncertain until we finally reach DAY 8 but we will be starting the year with 11 classes as follows:

Prep  Mrs Harding
Prep/1  Mrs Santo
Year 1  Mrs Morrison
Year 2  Mrs Hutcheon
Year 2  Mr Groundwater
Year 3  Mrs Gehrke
Year 3/4  Unknown at this stage
Year 4  Mr Kreis
Year 5  Miss Champion
Year 5/6  Mrs Caldwell
Year 6  Mr Keightley

Maureen Colman
PRINCIPAL
**MUSIC NEWS**

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC 2016**

Error on form re Bass Guitar

For those of you who are interested in Bass Guitar, there are school Basses available for loan. Please leave your name and 3 updated instrument preferences at the office for Ms Palmer. Details need to be left no later than Tue 1 Dec.

**Drumband and Choir at Hinkler**

On Sunday morning The Kalkie Drumband led Santa and Mrs Claus and The Avengers through Hinkler Central to the Stage area where both groups performed for the public. Students were dressed to suit the Christmas theme. Thank you to all students and parents who attended. Mrs P

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**KALKIE BITES NEWS**

**TUCKSHOP HELP REQUIRED**

Thursday & Friday’s - Volunteers urgently needed between 9am – 1.30pm. If you are able to help…. please contact me on 4150 7417 or come see me at the tuckshop.

**Week Commencing Monday 23**nd** November, 2015**

Friday 27th November, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

**Week Commencing Monday 30**th** November, 2015**

Thursday 3rd December, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

Friday 4th December, 2015 HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

Thank you

Tanya Jiggins

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**SPORTS NEWS**

**Year 4-6 Table Tennis Competition:**

The annual interschool table tennis competition will be held in Week 10 on Monday 7th December. Yr. 6’s will be kept separate from year 4&5. Boys and girls are also separate competitions. This day goes from 9.00-2.30pm and will cost each player $10.00. (Player fee $6 and bus $4). Early bus students will need to arrange an alternative way to get home in case the bus is running late.

Any student from Kalkie who would like to attend needs to arrange themselves into teams of 4 players, and pay by next Wednesday 2 December. Please place the $10 in a named envelope and place it on MRS SMITH’S DESK IN HER OFFICE. Your child will be bringing a more detailed note home this week.

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**P & C NEWS**

**Family Fun Fair**

The Family Fun Afternoon is on **TOMORROW!!!** Friday the 27th of November from 4pm-6pm before the Christmas Carol Concert. We have lots of fun activities planned for the whole family to enjoy!

There will a jumping castle and gladiator dual (free), Christmas stall, cupcake stall, glow stick & Candle stall, live entertainment, a MEGA raffle, playgroup activities for under 5’s, as well as other games on the oval.

We will also have BBQ burgers/sausage on bread etc., and drinks for sale – so bring along a picnic rug and have dinner taken care of before the Christmas Carols start at 6:00pm. Mini Christmas photo shoots will be happening in the hall for $10 – a great gift idea. To book your spot please call Rebecca on 0408 556 996 ASAP, there are still some spots available!

Let’s make this a successful end of year event for Kalkie. See you there tomorrow.

**Uniform Shop**

If you are buying a new school hat for next year we have Kalkie hats available at the Uniform Shop for $15 each in two sizes (S/M and L/XL). Open on Wednesday 8:30am-9am and Friday 2:30pm-3pm. We will be sending home an order form for those who can’t get in to see the Uniform Shop when it is open. We
What a great selection! And this is only some of the new books available for students to borrow as a result of the book fair.

**Final Week for Borrowing**
Week 8 is the final week of borrowing for 2015. Next week students will be returning only. Now is the time to have a big search for library books that may have been misplaced at your house. If books are unable to be found, we ask you to pay a depreciated cost towards their replacement so other students can also enjoy borrowing and reading these titles. If at any time the lost books are found and returned to the library, naturally we will refund your money and return the book to Kalkie’s library for other children to borrow and enjoy.

**Christmas Cards**
Next week students can begin posting their school Christmas cards in the library Christmas boxes. Year 6 students will deliver these cards each afternoon to classrooms and staff members with their prep buddies. You’ll recognise the Christmas elves by the great range of Christmas hats. Please remind your children to write the names and grades on the outside of each envelope to assist our Christmas elves to successfully deliver all the mail.

**For Sale:** Violin - ‘Ashton’, 3/4 size, purple in colour, VGC & accessories/violin books, $130
Phone - 0437924434 or see Mrs Caldwell in 5/6C to view the violin.

**Beginner Sports Strapping** – Practical Taping Skills

**2015 NRL Summer Camp**
14th – 16th December
Capricorn Coast PCYC Leadership Development Camp – Cooee Bay
For Players Aged 11 – 16 years (born 2000 – 2005)
Cost $295
For more information: Contact Dominic Draper – 0438 336 907 or email: ddraper@nrl.com.au
TENNIS HOLIDAY CLINIC - Bundaberg Tennis Academy Coaches, Murray Whitbread and Kevin Banner together with Bundaberg & District Junior Tennis Association Inc. & Dept. of National Parks, Recreation, Sport & Racing & 4BU will be conducting a “Holiday, Get Active” Tennis clinic at Rotary Park Tennis complex, 69b George Street, South Bundaberg, Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th January 2016 for Junior Beginners (5-12 years) 8-9am or 9-10am; Begin/Intermediate Beginners (5-12years) 8am -10am; High School/Intermediate/Advanced -3-5pm. Bookings are Essential with Kevin: 4152 0753 / 0409 410753

HOT SHOTS - LEARN & PLAY TENNIS: Bundaberg Tennis Academy’s Coaches Murray Whitbread & Kevin Banner will commence classes for Learning with a Sign-on: Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th January and Saturday 30th January & 6th February 2016 from 8am - 10am. Weekly Learning -Beginners: Wednesday 4-5pm & Saturday 8-9am; Intermediate Beginners: 9-10am or 8-10am Games League sign on and trial day - Saturday 30th January 2016 with games to commence Saturday 6th February 2016. Also weekly learning Monday, Tuesday & Wednesdays. To register and for all further information please contact Murray: 0407 639824 or Kevin: 4152 0753 or 0409 520753. Cardio Tennis available for Adults - fitness workout - contact Kevin.

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ACTIVITIES FROM 8.30AM
Face Painting (Gold Coin Donation)
Make Your Own Dinosaur Fossil
Badge Making
Goodie Bags for the 1st 100 Children
Dino-Stories in the Jurassic Reading Corner
‘The Good Dinosaur’ Selfie Spot
Colouring Fun
WIN an Interactive Dino Pet (RRP $150)

MOVIE STARTS 10.30AM
‘The Good Dinosaur’ (PG)

TICKETS $8

THURSDAY JANUARY 14 FROM 8.30AM

KIRKENTON FOUNDATION
MUNDubber Festival
Bundaberg Libraries
Bundaberg Information Centre
Bundaberg NewsMail
Bundaberg Regional Council

MUNDubber Entertainment Centre, 127 Bourbong Street Bundaberg Ph 4152-1450 MUNDubber-Bundaberg.com.au

FINALLY AN AFFORDABLE ALTERNATIVE TO LEGO MINDSTORMS

Please allow me to introduce myself.
My name is Craig Clarke and for the last three years I have been a volunteer at Kalka State School, helping the great educators teach the children robotics.

Like a lot of schools Kalka has a limited number of Lego Mindstorms kits for the students to use. These kits are an amazing package and we find the students just love their time spent on Robotics. So much so that come the end of the year one of the top items on their Christmas list is a Lego Mindstorms Kit.

While teaching these kids Robotics brings me so much enjoyment, one of the most disappointing experiences is watching the excited look on a parents face turn grim when they ask me where they can get one of these kits and I have to inform them how expensive they are to buy. (A Lego Mindstorms Kit starts at around $500 dollars)

With this in mind I set about finding an inexpensive alternative that would still provide the students with the same great features of the Lego Mindstorms. I am now very excited to announce I have found the solution.

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**Term 1 – Mon 25th Jan Thurs 24th Mar 2016**

25th Jan – Student Free Day
26th Jan – Australia Day Public Holiday
27th Jan – First Day Term 1
24th Mar – Last Day Term 1
25th Mar – Good Friday
11th Apr – First Day Term 2

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