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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S PEN

Kalkie 5 C’s
This month Consideration is the focus. Mrs Gehrke’s class has developed a fantastic display for the foyer highlighting how our students demonstrate consideration at home and school. Come along and have a look!

Parent Teacher Interviews
During the last two weeks of term teachers will be asking parents to come for an interview. The purpose is to let you know where your child/ren are at in relation to what is being taught. It is an opportunity for you to find out what your child is doing well in and how you can help if necessary. Please make the effort to come along.

Rocket Writing 3/4 B
As you know we are heavily focusing on Writing as an improvement agenda this year. The aim is to have 90% of children writing at a C or above at their year level, to improve NAPLAN results with 100% of students achieving the National Minimum Standard as well as increase the percentage of students in the Upper Two Bands for NAPLAN.

On my wanderings around the school this week I happened to go into Mr Bryant’s class as they just finished their Rocket Writing. Here are a couple of examples of what they did:

Once upon a time there lived a rabbit who liked carrots. He only had one problem, a kangaroo who stole all his carrots. So the rabbit went to the shop in his little car and bought a mouse trap. That night when the kangaroo tried to come in, the mouse trap hit his foot and he went off crying in the bush. Sai

Once upon a time there was a super carrot called Superboy. In a rubbish bin lives a rotten Zombie Carrot. Zombie Carrot said to Superboy ‘It is time for you to die vegetables’. ‘Not so fast’ said Superboy, ‘I thought you had retired Zombie Carrot’. ‘I know, so did everyone’ said Zombie Carrot. Superboy picked up a knife and chopped Zombie Carrot into squares. ‘Wow, I must have been in a dream. Never mind’ said Lana.

I think Superman is best because he can fly. Flying makes it easier to get out of flaming buildings. Batman has to run or use his Batmobile. Batman is quiet and not easy to notice when he rescues people. Superman goes out in the open where people can see him easily. Batman is dark and mysterious – he is a good buy though! Superman is colourful and easy to identify. Grace

Bang! Glass shattered all over me as the ball came rolling off the car. ‘OH NO!’ Alex yelled, as the car alarm went off. ‘What am I going to do? Mum only bought this a week ago’. “At least mum and dad went to work in the old car two hours ago” he whispered to himself. “I’d better go and get someone to help me with my problem” He looked at the ground where the ball was covered in holes from the glass and was getting smaller and smaller. “Dad is going to be mad when he sees this too. I’d better hide it”. Ebony
Communication regarding the administration of medications in schools
– Department of Education and Training Policy and Procedures

1. Administering medication at school
If your child requires staff to administer medication to your child at school, please contact the school office in the first instance to discuss your child’s requirements. Please note, school staff will only administer medication that:
- has been prescribed by a qualified health practitioner (e.g. doctor, dentist)
- is in its original container
- has an attached pharmacy label.

Office staff will ask you to complete and sign Section 1 of the Administration of medication at school record sheet.
N.B. If your child requires more than one medication, you will need to complete a form for each medication.

2. Requirements for students at risk of anaphylaxis
If your child is at risk of anaphylaxis, it is important for you to provide the school with your child’s emergency medication and their ASCIA Anaphylaxis Action Plan, completed by your doctor. This Anaphylaxis Action Plan provides the instructions for the school to administer your child’s medication in an emergency, which is specific to respond to their health condition.
If you have any concerns about your child’s health condition, please contact 07 41507444.

3. Requirements for students at risk of asthma
If your child has asthma and requires assistance to administer their medication, it is important for you to provide the school with your child’s emergency medication and their Asthma Action Plan, completed by your doctor. An Asthma Action Plan provides specific instructions for the school to administer your child’s medication.
We recognise that some students are capable of managing their asthma without adult assistance. If you are confident that your child can competently and safely self-administer their asthma medication, let the school administration know. The school will record your decision and will not require your child’s Asthma Action Plan. Please note that if your child requires assistance in an asthma emergency, staff will provide Asthma First Aid.
If you have any concerns about your child’s asthma, please contact 07 41507444.

4. Providing medication to the school
Before you provide the school with your child’s medication, check the expiry date to ensure it is in-date.

SPIN OFF
This is a gym bike challenge to support Chaplains in schools. It is being held at the YMCA on Saturday March 12 and we have a team the SPINNERs. There are a series of rounds with teams competing with other Primary or Secondary schools. Kalkie’s team is competing at 3.30pm against Bargara, Branyan Rd, Norville, and 2 Woongarra teams. Please come along and support our team as well as raise money for Chaplaincy in Schools.

World’s Greatest Shave
Tomorrow March 11 one of our students, Hayley, is allowing her mother to cut 30cm off her hair. She will then donate her hair to Princess Charlotte Alopecia Foundation where her hair will be made into wigs for young women who have Alopecia. Hayley is also raising funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. All Kalkie students are encouraged to participate in raising funds with a Crazy Hair Day. If students are participating they will need to bring along a gold coin donation. All funds raised will go to the Foundation to help support cancer research.

Missing Watch
One of our students has a watch that has gone missing. The brand is G Shock, it is mainly black in colour with a silver clock rim. It has quite a large band and a big clock face. If you have seen or know anything about this watch can you please contact the school office Thanks in anticipation.

MAUREEN COLMAN
PRINCIPAL

WORKER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students, who were awarded Worker of the Week on Friday 4th March, 2016.

PH 3/4B  Jake
1M 4K  Summer
1SP 5C  Indy
2G 5/6C  Carly
2HK 6K  Chelsea
3G MUSIC 5/6C, 6K & PH
LOTE PE 4K

Yellow Slip Winners: Class Points Winners:
Years 3-6 Matthew 5/6C 1M & 2HK
P-2 Luca 1M

SCHOOL NEWS

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE: 07 41507460
Please use this phone number to record your child’s absence details. Please record your child’s name, class, date of absence, duration of absence and the reason why your child is absent. I.e.: Sick, family reasons, medical appointments etc.
Please do not use the school’s main number, as these tie up incoming calls for other important matters. Your consideration is requested in this matter. Thank-you.

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and there is enough for the agreed time period. It is also a good idea to take a note of the expiry date so that you can replace the medication before it expires.

Please note, school staff will not administer medication that you can buy over-the-counter at chemists and supermarkets (e.g. paracetamol, eye drops, cough syrup) unless it has been prescribed by your child’s qualified health practitioner. For example, the school would administer paracetamol to a student only if it has been prescribed by their dentist to be taken for a short time after dental treatment.

School staff are bound by these regulations and we hope that all parents will acknowledge and cooperate with these rules.

It is safer for all students if you can provide medication to the school in person (rather than send medication with the student). If you can’t provide the medication in person, contact the school to determine the easiest and safest approach for the school to receive the medication.

If you believe your child is capable of self-administering their own medication at school, please contact me to discuss, as this requires my approval.

When your child’s medication is no longer required to be kept at school, please collect all unused medication.

Thank you for your assisting the school in keeping our students safe and healthy.

**CLASS NEWS 1SP**

All Students from 1SP achieved 100% in their Mad Minute tables for doubles and or turnarounds on Monday -7 March. Congratulations to all students for practicing their tables at home each night.

Mrs P and Mrs S

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**Easter Raffle**

We will be conducting our Easter Raffle again this year. Tickets will be on sale this Friday through to Wednesday the 23rd of March in the undercover area before school, on Parade Friday mornings and at the Easter Hat Parade. Tickets are 50c each. Prizes will be drawn Wednesday the 23rd of March and the major prize winners will be announced on Parade on Thursday the 24th.

We are asking each child to donate an item for the raffle and for parents to help sell tickets. We are looking for Easter eggs, Easter toys such as bunnies, bilbies, Easter activity packs and Easter books. The number of donated items will help determine how many prizes we will have overall. The prizes need to be in by Tuesday morning the 22nd of March. Could donations please be taken to your child’s classroom.

Thanks for your support

The Junior Team

**KALKIE KIDS PLAYGROUP**

This week at Kalkie Kids, we had our funky hair day in support of Hayley in Grade 6 who is cutting her very long hair at parade on Friday, as part of The World’s Greatest Shave to raise funds for Leukaemia. We had fun in our own mini hair salon, and even had a visit from Hayley herself. Thanks to everyone who participated - we had some very cool and funky hair happening.

We made some cute little chickens out of egg cartons who had their own funky feather hair, Ms Rose read us a great story during our visit to the school library, and we had loads of fun playing with playdough, colouring in, and hanging out with our friends.

Next week we are starting our Easter fun so come along and check that out!!

Kalkie Kids meets every Wednesday morning during the school term from 9-11am. You can find us in the Prep Room (closest to the road). If you are in the care of a child from birth to 5 years old, come along and join in the fun. Everyone is welcome, so please invite your neighbours and friends as well. It’s only $2 per family.

Here’s a photo from our Wet Day last week.
SPORTS NEWS

SPORT TRIALS:
The first sporting trials are being called for: BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER, HOCKEY, GIRLS NETBALL AND RUGBY LEAGUE (Separate age groups for 10, 11 and 12 year olds).

All trials are open for exceptional 10, 11 & 12 yrs. old. Specific criteria apply for children to trial. Such as a high skill level, good knowledge of the game/rules, and good sportsmanship/attitude/behaviour.

These trials are not “come and try” sessions. The number of students sent to trials from each school needs to be 'stringent' as many students from all over Bundaberg attend to trial for a position, usually in a team of only 14 players. If you think your child fits these criteria for any sport, please see Mrs Smith to be considered for trialling. They will need a specific nomination form to attend.

Please see Mrs Smith for further information.

YR 4-6 SWIMMING:
Students have only 2 weeks remaining of their swimming lessons. Could parents with any outstanding payments, please finalise these before the Easter holidays. Accounts for buses and lessons will need to be paid soon by our administration, so your payments are appreciated.

NEXT TUESDAY 15TH MARCH, ALL students are required to bring long PJ’s to their swimming lesson. This is part of their certificate requirement doing some survival activities in clothing. Don’t forget an extra plastic bag for them too please.

Instructors will only be doing this special activity on Tuesday 15 March.

Thank you for having your child prepared each week and remembering their PJ’s.

P & C NEWS

COOKIE DOUGH ORDERS DUE!
All orders with payment for The Cookie Dough Drive are due back to school by Wednesday 16th March. Please send them in to the office ASAP.

SURF’S UP DISCO!
Our first Disco for the year is next Friday night! On the 18th of March we will be having a Surf’s Up themed disco in the school hall. From 5:30pm till 7:30pm. There will be a sausage sizzle, and other yummy treats and drinks available for purchase from the canteen. Raffle, games and lots of dancing fun to keep the kids entertained. Make sure you come along. Fun for the whole family.

SPORT HOUSE SHIRTS
Sport House Shirts and Embroidery were ordered and all items are due approx. end of this week. As soon as they arrive they will be distributed to the students at their classroom.

Our next committee meeting is Monday the 21st of March. It will be our AGM followed by a regular monthly meeting. If you would like to be involved with P&C this year we encourage you to come along. The meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the School Library.

The Kalkie P&C Committee

KALKIE BITES NEWS

Please ensure that you use the 2016 Tuckshop Menu as there are item changes.

TUCKSHOP HELP REQUIRED
Thursday & Friday’s - Volunteers urgently needed between 9am – 1.30pm. If you are able to help…. please contact the school on 41507444 or come see me at the tuckshop.

MUSIC NEWS

Instrumental Music - Ms Palmer
School band rehearsals have been postponed until next month. A reminder will be put in the newsletter the week before we start again.

RESOURCE NEWS

F.R.E.D. - Families Read Every Day – has begun! Every child has collected their booklet in library lessons. If yours has been misplaced, please come to the library to collect another. Fred is all about reading out loud to your children. You can begin as soon as your child’s booklet comes home whichever day. Fred goes for 3 weeks and will conclude at the end of Week 8. Reading logs due beginning of Week 9. Now that the library monitors are working they are helping me design a fitting celebration for those children who choose to participate and their ideas are wonderful. Remember reading aloud to your children is a fantastic thing to do and all of us; adults included are never too old to enjoy listening to stories. This is why we enjoy listening to audible books and the radio. ABC FM is filled with great stories of Australian characters every day of the week.

Schools’ Clean-Up Day
Kalkie’s clean-up day was held last Friday and all classes headed outside to participate in this great initiative. All the collected bags of rubbish were returned to the library and the Reef Guardian Committee and library monitors are now busily collecting data regarding the type and amount of rubbish found at Kalkie. This data will then be collated and sent to the Clean-Up Australia campaign as part of our school registration. The students will also graph the data to present a visual representation for display at school to enable analysis and further education about littering.

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Crazy Hair Day – Friday 11 March
This Friday is Crazy Hair Day at Kalkie. It's the day when everyone brings a donation and everyone creates funky hair styles just for the day – an extraordinary way to help families facing the challenge of blood cancer and to help Australia's best researchers. Bring a $2 coin and make your hair as wild and wacky as you can. Anything goes: scrunchies, colours, spikes, waves, curls, toy animals! It's for a good cause! The money raised helps the Leukaemia Foundation to look after people with blood cancers. Although survival rates are improving, blood cancers are the third biggest cause of cancer death in Australia. The money your sponsors give you will go towards research, which is needed to discover kinder and more effective treatments for blood cancer and also support families when they need it most, providing people with leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma with a free home-away-from-home near hospital during their treatment. This year Hayley (6K) is cutting a ruler length of her hair in front of school assembly to help raise funds for the Leukaemia Foundation during the World’s Greatest Shave. In the library this week we’ve evaluated the Chinion advertising campaign and explored information about blood cancer.

Writing Competition
http://www.write4fun.net/
Competition entries are starting to come in. Remember the due date is 31 March. Students all over Australia are invited to enter their poems OR short stories to battle it out for the great cash prizes on offer. Entries must not exceed 16 lines in length or 64 characters in width for poems and must not exceed 500 words for short stories.

There is no theme!! Entrants are encouraged to let their imaginations run wild and get their creative juices flowing to write on ANY TOPIC and in ANY STYLE. Students from ALL GRADES are welcome to enter - Kindergarten to Grade 12. Entry is FREE. Get creative writing or typing today for your chance to win some awesome prizes!

School Clubs
New student clubs for 2016 have now begun – all students welcome
Code Club – every Monday 2nd break in the library – Term 1 - Introducing Scratch
Chess Club – every Wednesday 2nd break in the library

Lucky Borrower Winner – Elsy 2H
Library Legends Trophy Winner – 3/4G

Read on!
Tracey Rose
Teacher-Librarian

PANTS DOWN CIRCUS ROCK!
Sunday July 17 @ 3.00pm
Pants Down Circus is a creative, vibrant and highly skilled ensemble working together to produce new, exciting and spectacular work without taking itself too seriously. A high-energy circus show set to a sound track of classic rock music. Think AC/DC and acrobatics, Bon Jovi with back flips. Jaw dropping acrobatics both in the air and on the ground combined with hilarious and original comedy routines that punctuate this rockin’ circus extravaganza. All the elements you would expect from some of the country’s biggest circus companies performed by four multi-talented rock stars of Australian circus.
ALL TICKETS $15.00
Family: (2 Adults + 2 Kids) $45.00
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31st Mar – Write 4 Fun competition closes

Term 2 – Mon 11th Apr to Fri 24th June 2016
11th Apr – First Day Term 2
11th Apr – Pie Drive
14th – Cookie Dough delivery – Collect from Hall between 1.30 - 3pm
18th Apr – P & C Meeting 6.30pm in the Library
25th Apr – Anzac Day – Drumband Performs
29th Apr – Mother’s Day Free Dress – Gold Coin
2nd May – Labour Day Public Holiday
4th May – Mother’s Day Stall
13th May – 6.30-8.30am Mayoral Chaplaincy Support Fundraising Breakfast
13th May – National Families Day
16th May – P & C Meeting 6.30pm in the Library
20th May – Disco – TBA
20th May – Inter-school Sport Yrs. 4-6
26th May – Bundaberg Show Public Holiday
27th May – Inter-school Sport Yrs. 4-6
24th June – Last Day Term 2

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