**Dates for your Diary**

- **Student Banking on Fridays**
- **Student Leaders Day** - Friday 10th February, 9am to 2:30pm
- **Prep Photos** - Tuesday 14th February, 10am
- **Schools Clean Up Australia Day** – Friday 3rd March
- **Year 7 Immunisations** - Monday 6th March
- **P & C Meeting** - Wednesday 8th March
- **Funky Hair Day** - Friday 17th March
- **Celebration of Learning Day** - Wednesday 22nd March
- **Last day of Term 1** - 31st March

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### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

**This week’s PBL rule is:**

Make good choices (stop, think, choose)

**BE THE 3:** Be Safe, Be Friendly, Be a Learner

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### It’s A Mad World.

**(School Performance)**

**Date:** Monday 27th February

**Time:** 12:40pm

**Cost:** $5.00 per student (paid to the office in the envelope provided)

**About the performance:**

Per Westman presents two very different characters. Firstly the stagehand - a simple man, shy and out of place, who is forced onto the stage where he confronts his nerves and nerdiness to triumph over all his fears. Secondly the star - cool, calm and confident, ‘the consummate professional’, he craves the adoration of the audience and knows exactly how to get it! The reluctant stagehand is thrown on stage and told to keep the audience amused, and he certainly does. With the charm of Charlie Chaplin and the persistence of the accident prone Mr Bean, our courageous hero keeps the audience well entertained. Meanwhile backstage, the minutes tick by as the promoter first locates the star then has him rushed to the theatre. Just when it seems certain the show will have to come to a premature end (after an incident involving our heroic stagehand and a wayward bowling ball) the star arrives.

The show shifts from clumsy to clever, mayhem to amazing.
Students of the Week

Junior
Week 2
Prep/1A: Junior Whan - Being a learner by remembering school routines and trying to echo sounds.
Prep/1B: Summah - Being a learner by following directions in the classroom and becoming familiar/ following school routines.
Year 1/2/3: Liam Williams - For being a learner by initiating lots of PECS use for different things and with new/ different people.
Year 2/3A: Blake - Being a learner by following directions in the classroom and participating in learning activities.
Year 2/3B: Liam PC - For being a learner by using signing and vocalisations during our morning routines.

Senior
Week 2
Senior A: James R - Being a Learner - Being super prepared for TAFE.
Senior B: Khy - Being Safe – Khy has been a great example at all times.
Senior C: Jamie B - Being friendly – Jamie has quickly settled into his new school. He is very polite and tries his best.
Senior D: Shianne - Being Safe – Shianne is being very safe and mature in class with her peers and teachers.
Senior E: Reuben - Being a Learner – working really hard in Coffee Express.

Senior Schools leadership day is on Friday and the students are going to Riverside Retreat.
A big thank you to those families sending in donations of old towels, washers and scrap material.

Sausage Sizzle Every Friday

Senior school is holding a sausage sizzle every Friday. Cost is $2 for sausage on bread.
Please put the money in a brown paper bag and give to the students roll class teacher.

School Dental Van

The Bundaberg School Dental Service has arrived at the Bundaberg Special School. The dental van is offering a free dental examination and treatment required for students from prep to year 10. Dental forms will be sent home this week. Please return the completed dental form late last year, please disregard.
Any enquires please contact the school dental service on Ph: 43038059 or Mobile: 0412516084.

Carers of Young People with a disability Support Group

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9.30am to 11.30am
Boundaries Workshop, Spotted Dog Tavern
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Senior Students say:

Year 10 students have begun their school based work experience programs working in groups in the Laundry Program and Coffee Express Program. Stephanie, Pamela and Reuben learnt the procedure for taking orders and making coffees and hot chocolates. Using his manners, Will safely delivered orders. Cole and Frame sorted the school washing, Cassius measured washing powder and Marcus learnt how to start the school washing machine before Rhiannon operated the clothes dryer.

This year Shianne and Ayla assisted by teacher aide Ms Fern visited the Bundaberg Toy Library for their first day of work experience. Ayla really liked counting the toys as they were returned to the Toy Library and Shianne liked using the trolley to put the toys away on the shelves ready for borrowing.

In 2017, Ethan has increased his work experience skills by beginning a business administration job at the Friendly Hospital on Tuesdays and working at the Tom Quinn Café as a waiter taking lunch orders and serving meals to patrons on Thursdays. Ethan feels very excited and confident to do the jobs he has been asked to do.

Information about Our School

Chaplain

The main role of the School Chaplain is to provide additional support to the schools pastoral care program. The Chaplain works with the schools support staff to assist in promoting the “well being” of students, staff and the school community.

The new Chaplain at our school is Brenda Willetts. She has had many years of experience working as a Chaplain in State schools and has a Diploma in Teaching and Counselling.
Although the Chaplaincy service is not a counselling service, many people benefit from being given the time and opportunity to talk to someone about issues in their life that concern them. These issues can be home or school related. Some common issues are feeling stressed or anxious, health issues, family break up, grief and loss. Part of the Chaplains role is also to provide spiritual support when needed.
Brenda will be available each Monday and is happy to chat to parents about any concerns. Please contact the school if you would like to talk to her.
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