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Kolan South Established in 1878



**Kolan South State School strives for a Quality Education for All Students ~ Respect ~ Responsibility ~ Safety**

*Principal's Messages ~ We will be looking for a more suitable date for the Trivia evening. Hope you'll be able to make it.*

## Trivia Night Postponed

Our Trivia night has been postponed due to the clash with the NRL football finals. As it has turned out, the Broncos and Cowboys are playing on Saturday evening, so we'll look for a more suitable date next term. Thanks to those that have already expressed interest in nominating a team. We are still keen to run what should be a really great social evening. More information soon on the new date for Trivia Night.

## Fathers' Day Raffle Thanks

Thanks to everyone for supporting of the Fathers' Day raffle. Winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$100 Bunnings Gift Card - I & A Price

2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$20 Bunnings Gift Card – Jones Family

*\*Thanks to Bunnings for donating the 2nd prize voucher.*

## Thank-you to our Staff

It was Teacher Aides' Day on Friday. Thank-you to our wonderful teacher aides who work so well to support teachers and students at Kolan South. Our sincere thanks go to Julie Harber, Kris Dinsdale, Kathy Nielsen, Kirstine Lythall-Webb and Julie Hamel for all their great efforts to support students and teachers.

This week, we also recognise all support staff who 'make the wheels turn' at Kolan South. This includes our Administrative staff, Cheryl O'Donnell, Gail Lavender and Marteen Ellis (relieving), as well as cleaners Jan Foster and Pam Boyce, and groundsman Keith Johnson. Jan Foster also has the important role of School Crossing Supervisor. Thanks to all of our dedicated staff.

## NAPLAN Results

Kolan South's NAPLAN overall results are again very favourable in 2014. Individually, we have many students who achieved a very high level, and our overall average scores are very respectable, mostly positioned around the National mean, and in some cases above. *There is a table of scores over the page.*

One must be very careful when looking at NAPLAN overall scores not to make assumptions. Our school has consistently performed well in the National tests, however enrolment influxes in the last 2 years, and even at the start of 2014, do impact on averages. Our results show that students who have been at Kolan South for a number of years 'generally' achieve well and progress in their literacy and numeracy due to the effective programs that we implement across the school and within classrooms.

Although our Year 7 group is a small one (7 students), they have gained significantly compared to their overall result in Year 5 (2012). We have reduced the gap in 2 years for these students. Well done to students, parents and staff.

## English Competitions Awards

In July, students in Year 2 to 7 participated in the Australasian English Competition. Well done to all students for their efforts. This year, we are excited to see 4 Distinction Awards. Congratulations to these students who achieved a higher award:

### DISTINCTION AWARDS

Jaeken G, Hannah L, Ethan P, Jane A

### CREDIT AWARDS

Jack B, Ryder L-W, Zeke P, Sophie B  
Ella M, Summer Z, McKenzie F, Byron G Jaxon J, Destinee L-W,  
Rydar W, Amber B  
Paris B, Bailee T

### MERIT AWARDS

Baelie W, Lachlan S, Kai S, Lucy S, Ryan W

### SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Ethan H, Brooklyn T, Brandon W, Chloe G, Taygan S, Tamrin W, Simran P

## After School Programs Conclude

This Thursday is the final week of After School Touch. Tennis has its last session next Monday, 15 September. New Programs will be offered next term, commencing in Week 3. As soon as we have these programs confirmed, we will let you know the details. Thanks sincerely to staff and parents who have again helped with supervision and afternoon teas. Well done to the students for their responsible and active participation.

## Interschool Sport

This Friday, our last round of interschool sport in Netball and Touch is an away game against Gin Gin. Families are requested to contribute \$2 for the bus. Thank-you.

## Life Education Centre

A reminder about the Harold Products order form which was sent home last week. You can still send these in to the office.

Jeff Searle



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sept 8&9	Life Education Centre sessions
Sept 12 (Fri)	Interschool Sport vs Gin Gin (away game)
Sept 19 (Fri)	Last day of Term 3

**All parents are welcome to attend our Weekly Assembly on Thursday morning at 9.00—9.30 in the library.**

*This week, on Assembly, we acknowledge students who have excelled in the Australasian English Competition.*

# BIRTHDAYS



## September

9 Matthew W, 13 Byron M  
13 Chandler D, 14 Will S  
22 Summer Z

## CLASS AWARDS

- Liam M:** Being a helpful and polite member of the class.
- Milly V:** Never giving up when doing Kilometre Club.
- Kaelin H:** Fantastic 'retells' of stories.
- Matthew W:** Great listening and thinking in Maths.
- Kyla P:** Learning 200 sight words.
- Billie-Jo P:** Always a hard worker in everything we do.
- Ryder L-W:** Trying hard to complete neat work.
- Zach S:** Being an organised and on-task student.
- Lachlan S:** Being an organised and on-task student.
- Blake M:** Consistently trying his best in all classroom activities.
- Kai S:** Excellent understanding of the lives of people during the Australian Goldrush.
- Britani J:** Improvements in spelling results.
- Missy V:** Great improvements in Maths.



NAPLAN 2014	National Average	State Average	Kolan South Average
Year 3 Reading	418	410	395
Year 3 Writing	402	390	395
Year 3 Spelling	411	400	409
Year 3 G&P	426	421	429
Year 3 Numeracy	401	393	402
Year 5 Reading	500	496	486
Year 5 Writing	468	457	448
Year 5 Spelling	497	489	495
Year 5 G&P	504	500	511
Year 5 Numeracy	487	481	482
Year 7 Reading	545	542	524
Year 7 Writing	511	505	486
Year 7 Spelling	545	537	525
Year 7 G&P	543	541	535
Year 7 Numeracy	545	544	538

G&P ~ Grammar and Punctuation



# Rainbow Day

Under 5's

Free



Where: PCYC Maryborough St., Bundaberg

When Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Time: 9:00-11:00am



- Jumping castle
- Sausage sizzle
- Face painting
- And much, much more



# DNA Aquatics

Learn to Swim

## HOLIDAY BLOCK LESSONS

Half hour lesson everyday for one week  
Same time each day. Same Instructor

Kepnock State High School Pool  
MON-FRI \$40

## SEPTEMBER BLOCK LESSONS

Block 1: 22/9 – 26/9

Block 2: 29/9 – 3/10

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## LIFE EDUCATION BUNDABERG



CELEBRATING  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



We, the Committee, wish to **INVITE**  
Parents & Community Members

To our Annual Meeting

### GUEST SPEAKERS:

Mary Walsh, Bundy Life Education Founding Member  
Michael Fawsitt, CEO Life Education Queensland

Where: Central State School Hall, Woondooma St Entrance

When: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7:00pm

RSVP: – Wendy by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September (4152 5735)

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## UNIFORM CLEARANCE SPECIALS!

Girls' Skorts \$7.50 each Sizes available: 8, 12, 14, 16

Boys' Gabardine Shorts \$6.00 each All sizes up to 14

Be quick! Limited numbers!

Available from Administration

# Year 1 & 2 News

## English

We have been noticing that adjectives and verbs add more detail to sentences. Do you think our poems about insects are interesting?

- Bees buzz around in circle show where the food is
  - Ants march to search for food
  - Beetles tap on smooth surfaces
  - Ladybeetles gobble up the aphids
  - Christmas beetles rattle at night time
  - Grasshoppers camouflage themselves
  - Butterflies suck a straw to eat nectar
  - Cockroaches scatter around on the floor
  - Praying mantises freeze until the last moment then they leap on their prey.
- By Matthew Willis

Butterflies flutter really high up into the bright sky  
Frogs leap from leaf to leaf to eat yummy delicious flies  
Bees buzz around the sweet sticky honey  
Ladybeetles scuttle on the white hard tiles  
Praying Mantis stretch out their long skinny green legs  
Ear Wigs nip and scare their prey  
Cockroaches run as quickly as they can across the dirty dusty floor  
Flies hang around the yummy delicious food  
Mosquitoes bite us really softly.

by Teanna White

## Geography

We are looking at the key features of different landscapes at school and sorting them into natural, managed or constructed. We are identifying how they are cared for, who cares for them and why.

shelter shed

lawn



fence

soil

edging

Kameron



April



Paige



by Lawson

by Teanna



## Art

Our art has included paper bag masks, hand masks, camouflaged lizards, posters, paper plate spiders and paper mache.



by Keaton



by Joshua



Nicholas, Riley and William painting their paper mache bowls for Fathers' Day.