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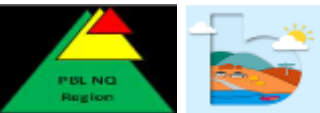
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- * Drop by the office
- * Send a note
- * Send a text



We acknowledge the traditional custodians (the 'Juru' people) of this land and pay our respects to the Elders both past, present and future.



THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

2021 Key School Priorities:

Improving student outcomes for all students, through developing an inclusive culture that promotes life-long learning.

Dear Families,

Week 3 is Guidance Officer Week and it is a time to stop and acknowledge the wonderful work, often behind the scenes of our guidance officers. A sincere thank you to Miss Gemma (Mrs Petersen) who offers her time, support and guidance to our students, families and staff. She is a valued member of our school team

Our annual Mother's Day Afternoon Tea will be held on Friday 7th May, commencing at 2pm. It is a wonderful opportunity for mums, grandmothers and the ladies in our lives to be pampered. Please add this date to your calendars.

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy) testing will be held next week—Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th May for Years 3 and 5 students. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN is not about passing or failing, but about assessing learning progress. If you require any further information, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Welcome to our team Mrs Thompson. Chloe is supporting our school in the office for Term 2 and is an experienced Small School Business Manager. Please make Chloe feel welcome and I trust she will enjoy her time at Kalamia State School.

Parent / carer details and contacts are extremely important for schools if a student has to have their parent / carer contacted. If family circumstance has changed or you have moved address, please remember to notify school administration so your children's contacts and details can be changed on One School. Please contact school admin as soon as possible if you require a change in contacts or details.

Northpoint Photos will be visiting our school on Thursday 3rd June for our annual school photos. Ordering envelopes were sent home last week and can be returned before or on photo day.

We welcome people from diverse communities into our school and we enjoy working together to support the learning and wellbeing of every child, and to create a safe and positive culture. The Parent and Community Code of Conduct has been released by the Department of Education. The document was presented at April P&C meeting and supported by the P&C Committee. A copy is attached to this newsletter for your information. Please take some time to read through this document.

The next few weeks are busy with lots of activities so please keep an eye on our Facebook page, newsletters and notes home for upcoming events.

Kind regards


Renee Cross
PRINCIPAL



DATE CLAIMERS

Week 3: Mon 3rd- Fri 7th May

Mon—Labour Day Public Holiday

Tues—Library

Thurs—Miss Cooper on class

Fri— Mrs Cross on class

Fri - 2pm Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

Week 4: Mon 10th - Fri 14th May

Mon— Playgroup 9am

Mon - Parade 2.45 pm

Mon—Library

Tues—Tuckshop (Big Lunch)

Tues— NAPLAN (Yr 3 & 5)

Wed—NAPLAN (Yr 3 & 5)

Thurs—NAPLAN (YR 3&5)

Thurs—Miss Cooper on class

Fri—Miss Cooper & Mrs Cross on class

Fri— International Families Day

Week 5: Mon 17th Fri 21st May

Mon— Playgroup 9am

Mon - Parade 2.45 pm

Mon—Library

Tues—Go Blue for Autism

Thurs—Miss Cooper on class

Fri—Miss Cooper & Mrs Cross on class

Week 6: Mon 24th—28th Fri May

Mon— Playgroup 9am

Mon - Parade 2.45 pm

Mon—Library

Thurs—Mrs Cross on class

Fri—Mrs Cross on class

Week 7: Mon 31— Fri 4 June

Mon—Playgroup 9am

Mon— Library

Mon—Parade 2.45pm

Thurs—Miss Cooper on class

Thurs—Photo Day

Fri—Miss Cooper and Mrs Cross on class.

Fri— P&C Meeting 4pm

CLASSROOM NEWS

Prep: We have turned our attention to living things during our science lessons and we have learnt about classifications of animals, do they have fur, feathers or fins? We are now pattern ninjas and we can spot patterns in our classroom, in our library and in our playground. We are exploring picture books and talking about the beginning, middle and end and who was in the story. Lots happening for our littlest learners!

Year 1-2: The science theme continues in Year 1-2 as we are discussing healthy and unhealthy habitats. The features of animals also contributes to the type of habitat they require to survive. We have focussed on number patterns, skip counting and growing patterns during maths and have begun telling the time to half past. We have started to develop our skipping skills for our annual Jump Rope for Heart later this term. In health, we are focussing on healthy eating and what we need to do and eat to keep our bodies fit and healthy. Great job everyone!

Year 3-4:

We are analysing traditional stories from both Indigenous and other cultures, and the language that has been used. We identified noun and verb groups as well as the moral or message of the story. Over the past two weeks we have focussed on reading comprehension and answering questions effectively. We are exploring traditional songs such as Waltzing Matilda and working towards repurposing an item... we are looking forward to seeing what the end results are. In science, we are looking at the structural features of animals and how scientists classify animals into various groups. In maths, we have discussed patterns, odd and even numbers and the relationship between multiplication and division lots of learning happening here.

Year 5-6:

In maths, we have been exploring and practising the split strategy when multiplying 2 digit numbers as well as looking at the properties of square and triangle numbers. We are analysing traditional stories from both Indigenous and other cultures, and the language that has been used. We identified noun and verb groups as well as the moral or message of the story. We have identified both structural and behavioural features of familiar and unfamiliar animals and investigated the habitats in which these animals live.

Jump Rope for Heart is scheduled for Week 9 and we are looking forward to our annual jump off. Miss Julia has been working with the students practising their skills and learning a few new ones.

We have begun our athletics training, focusing on fitness and running short and long distances. Over the coming weeks, we will begin training over long jump, shot put and relays. The younger students will work on group games and relay races. The Athletics Carnival will be held early Term 3.

AWARDS

Parade is held every Monday afternoon at 2.45 pm, either in the classroom or the undercover area (depending on the weather conditions and construction zones!)

Each week, our Student of the Week Award and Principal's Awards are presented on Parade.

The Student of the Week Award recognises a student who has demonstrated improvement either in their learning or behaviour choices.

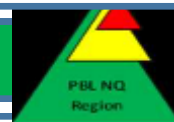
The Principal's Award recognises a student who has demonstrated the focus expectation of the week or has been a role model student in our school and community.

On Monday 10th May, during our regular parade, our Student Council Representatives and Master of Ceremonies will be presented with their badges and letter of congratulations from Cr. Dale Last.

All families are welcome to join us for this special occasion, commencing at 2.45pm.

Kalamia State School will 'Go Blue for Autism' on Tuesday 18th May. At our school, we recognise, support and celebrate our uniqueness in many different ways. Please join us in supporting children and adults living with autism by wearing blue to school for the day. We will be enjoying awesome blue cupcakes from the Home Hill Bakery! Yum!

POSITIVE CULTURE 4 LIFE



Behaviour Focus for Weeks 1-10 Term 2 2021

- * Week 1- I am a Learner: I am prepared for each session
- * Week 2- I am Respectful - I respect teacher's right to teach and other's right to learn
- * Week 3- I am Respectful—I respect other people's food choices
- * Week 4- I am a Learner- I complete my work to the best of my ability.
- * Week 5 - I am Safe—I keep my hands, feet and objects to myself
- * Week 6—I am Respectful - I ask permission to leave an area
- * Week 7- I am a Learner—I am an active problem solver
- * Week 8—I am a Learner—I return to class promptly
- * Week 9—I am Respectful—I wear our school uniform with pride
- * Week 10—I am Safe—I report unsafe behaviours to staff

I AM RESPECTFUL

I AM SAFE

I AM A LEARNER

'Kalamia Kids' PLAYGROUP

Come along to our playgroup sessions run by the
fabulous Miss Christina

When: Every Monday @ 9am

Where: In the library

Who: Babies and children up to school age

Parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend.



PARENT PONDERINGS

Anxiety in Kids

If a child has persistent feelings of worry and fear, it could be anxiety. Let's explore what anxiety is and how you can support your child to overcome it.

Some level of anxiety is a normal part of life and growing up. But if your child is anxious for long periods of time then it could be a problem. It's natural for kids to experience anxiety when faced with new or stressful situations and it doesn't mean that they will develop an anxiety disorder.

With some reassurance and support, these worries don't last long and kids will learn the skills they need to cope. However, if these worries don't lessen over time or get worse, it could be a sign of a developing **anxiety disorder**.

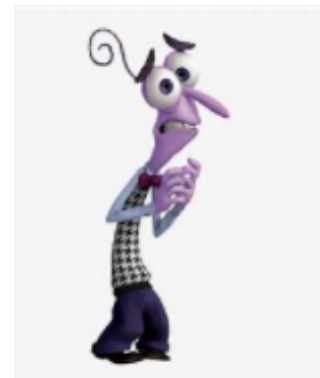
Your child may need some **extra support with their anxiety** if:

- They seem to be more anxious than other children their age
- They feel anxious often and the anxiety is intense
- Their fears and worries seem out of proportion to what they're facing
- It stops them from participating in activities or day-to-day tasks
- They have feelings of panic and/or panic attacks
- They avoid anything that might trigger their anxiety

The anxiety stops them from doing things other children their age do

How to support your child through anxiety?

- **Find out more** about anxiety – read books and talk to experts
- **Avoid** telling them to 'stop worrying' – often they can't control it
- **Teach them** about anxiety – its role is to protect us from threats
- **Talk** about their anxiety – sketch where on their body they feel it
- **Reassure them** that shaking, sweating and a racing heart can be part of anxiety
- **Slow things down** – encourage your child to take some slow, deep breaths
- **Encourage a healthy lifestyle**—eat well, exercise, sleep
- **Be patient and positive** as your child practices new ways to cope
- **Seek profession support** for you and your child when needed
- Let them know you can **work together** to overcome anxiety
- **Acknowledge fears** and help them to see that things might not be as bad as they thing
- **Help them** manage their anxiety—set daily goals and develop coping skills.



<https://parentline.com.au/issues/anxiety-kids>

TUCKSHOP—THANK YOU MRS C.

Tuckshop will be Tuesdays—Big Lunch only for Weeks 2, 4, 6 and 8 this term.

We have already had amazing ham, cheese and tomato or chicken, cheese and mayo toasties.

On the menu for Week 4 are beef burgers with lettuce cheese and tomato! All orders are due on Friday, so Mrs C. can buy the ingredients and provide us with our lunch.



Late orders handed in on Monday or Tuesday will not be accepted.

Envelopes and order forms have been sent home. If you need another order form, please see the staff by Friday.

HEALTH & WELL BEING

Have you tried yoga? Our students love Cosmic Kids Yoga (www.youtube.com and search Cosmic Kids Yoga) and find it a great way to engage and focus on health and wellbeing.

Give it a try.... You might just be surprised!



HEAR YE HEAR YE WE HAVE NEWS

- Construction, construction, construction. New shelving and storage areas are being created in the office! Mrs Awesome can't wait to reclaim her office!
- Library day is Monday— we have had library on the last 2 Tuesdays due to public holidays
- Munch and Crunch— it is great to see students bringing along their favourite fruits and veggies to school. It is a great way to get your five a day.
- Jumpers—as the weather is cooling down, jumpers make their way to school. Please make sure all jumpers are labelled—it is difficult to return a jumper without a name!
- Icy cups are on hold for this term. Thank you for your understanding.

BURDEKIN PCYC BOXING

TRAIN WHERE CHAMPIONS TRAIN



BURDEKIN FITNESS HALL

WICKHAM STREET, AYR
NEXT TO TOUCH FOOTBALL FIELDS

BYO gloves
water bottle

QR code for covid sign in required

COACH: ALEX LAWSON
*PCYC membership required

MONDAY	THURSDAY
5PM - 5.30PM Junior Boxing (5 - 11yrs) \$5	5PM - 5.30PM Junior Boxing (5 - 11yrs) \$5
5.30PM - 6.30PM Senior Boxing (12yrs & over) \$8	5.30PM - 6.30PM Senior Boxing (12yrs & over) \$8



for more information phone **47831009**



Townsville

Friday 14 May 2021

Townsville Stadium

40-48 Murray Lyons Cres

Annandale

Open 9:30am - 4pm



Services and Providers exhibiting include:

- Post School Options
- Employment and Training
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Sweet Days HOT NIGHTS festival

POWERED BY PooledHydro

THU 27 MAY

FIRST FIRE

The first case fire of the season is a night to behold. Check out live music by local artists and the best food trucks.

AT HOME HILL SHOWGROUNDS
5:30PM - 8:30PM FREE ENTRY!

COME AND CELEBRATE THE START OF THE BURDEKIN SUGAR CANE CRUSHING SEASON!
THU 27 - SAT 29 MAY

BOOK TICKETS NOW AT...
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FRI 28 MAY

BURDEKIN CULTURAL FAIR

A night that brings together our diverse community with an amazing line-up of cultural performances, fun activities for the kids and delicious street food from across the world.

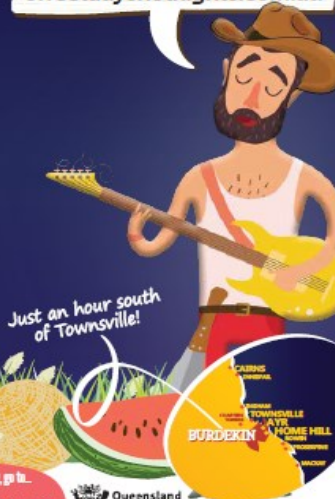
AT RUGBY PARK, AYR
5:30PM - 9:30PM FREE ENTRY!

SAT 29 MAY

AUSTRALIAN HAND CANE CUTTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Experience a test of skill and endurance from a bygone era as cane cutters compete for the winning title. Bring the whole family to enjoy live music, free children's rides and activities and a variety of food vans.

AT HOME HILL SHOWGROUNDS
11:00AM - 4:00PM
ADULTS 19+ TICKETS \$5 + UNDER 18s FREE!



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ELECTROFISHING DEMONSTRATION

WITH DR NATHAN WALTHAM (TROPWATER)



- Meet an expert in aquatic ecology
- Hear the results of recent surveys
- Learn the value of coastal wetlands
- Enjoy the free sausage sizzle!

Sunday 30 May 10am - 12pm
Lilliesmere Lagoon

To RSVP please contact Brad Holt (Project Officer, NQ Dry Tropics)
(Ph: 0416 140 297 E: brad.holt@nqdrytropics.com.au)



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