Attendance target 94% or better. Last week’s attendance was 94%. Thanks to Bundy Bowl and Leisure Complex for giving the school some awards to promote attendance each term this year (www.bundybowl.com.au).

School Uniform
Wearing our school uniform proudly is so important to ensure that our school culture is sustained and developed. How proud I feel when I visit our local shopping centres and I see students still wearing their uniform correctly. By this I really refer to students wearing their shirts tucked in.

Well done Woonie students and well done parents for continuing to ensure students follow the 5B’s outside of the school too!

School Crossing Area
We have had complaints both by parents and our School Crossing Supervisor that parents are dropping off students in ‘No Standing’ zones near the crossing. This is dangerous and illegal. Please stop doing this. I have asked police to drive through in the mornings!!

Year 5s at Camp
We wish our Year 5 students a great three days at camp. They headed off today to Boyne Island Environmental Centre and I know they will have plenty of fun. They will complete initiative games, a low ropes course, body boarding and the messy mangrove walk!! Safe time for all!

Prep 2017
It is getting to that time when we look at Prep for the new year. If you know you have a Prep child commencing next year please let the office know. This will really assist with class planning for 2017. We would like to have 3 Prep classes again but this will mean we need a larger enrolment than this year. Students are eligible for Prep next year if they are born between July 2011 and June 2012. Please let your friends, neighbours and relatives know!!

A Birth Certificate is required for enrolment. Don’t leave it to the last minute - apply for a birth certificate now.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Parents will be offered interviews again at the end of this term. Teachers will send a note home informing parents of how their class interviews will work and what times are offered. Most teachers will interview later this term. Details of what particular week interviews will be offered are below:

**Prep B and Prep J**
- Weeks 9 and 10
  - 1C, 1GM and 1L: Week 9
  - 2KC and 2L: Week 9
  - 2V: Weeks 9 and 10
  - 3B: Week 9
  - 3R: Term 4 (more details next term)
  - 3W: Weeks 9 and 10
  - 4E: Week 9
  - 4H: Weeks 9 and 9
  - 4/5L: Weeks 8 and 9
  - 5M: Week 10
  - 5PR: Week 9
  - 6D and 6S: Week 9
  - 6V: Week 10

**Year 3 Indigenous Celebration Day**
Last Friday our Year 3 students once again enjoyed an indigenous celebration day. Thank you to the students and teachers from Kepnock State High School who help run this day each year. I know it was heaps of fun for all our children.

**ICE CUPS**
for sale at second break on Wednesdays
**School News**

**Fun Run money and forms due this Friday 26 August 2016**

**Student of the Week**
This section will appear every week in the Newsletter and provides the students with a chance to shine. Students are awarded a Student of the Week Certificate for displaying high achievement levels or efforts in the classroom and quality behaviour and positive attitudes.

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Quote: “Wise are those who learn that the bottom line doesn’t always have to be their top priority!”

Jeff Irwin

**Band students playing on assembly**
Make sure you bring your instrument to play on assembly this Friday and start setting up in the hall straight after morning tea.

Lisa Palmer

**No Strings next Tuesday 30 August**
Mrs C will be at a strings workshop.

**Scholastic Book Club**
- closing 3pm Thursday 25 August -

Book Club catalogues have been distributed to students. All catalogues are available to be viewed on the Scholastic Book Club web site scholastic.com.au. Additional catalogues are available at the Library.

A reminder that payment can be made via the LOOP app (all instructions are on the back of the catalogue) or by credit card over the phone. Alternatively, orders and payment are to be handed in to the school office by 3.00pm Thursday 25 August.

**Australia – Story Country!**
It’s Book Week.

Our school has been celebrating Book Week this week. There have been different activities in the Library each lunch time this week. Our annual “Clue Zone” competition – which has the children matching the clues found around the Library with the short listed picture books for this year. There have also been a variety of craft and other activities happening each day.

Tomorrow (Thursday) is our dress up day ‘COME AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER’ and the winners of our competitions will be announced at our whole school parade in the afternoon.

Leesa Rose, Librarian

**NAPLAN**
Our school has again seen significant improvement in our NAPLAN results. Our school mean was above the Nation in Year 5 reading and numeracy and Year 3 reading, and only 4 points behind the nation in numeracy.

It is in the upper two bands that we have had the greatest improvement. (The upper two bands refers to our students who are performing above average.) Year 3 reading saw 50% of our students in the upper two bands and 37% in numeracy and this compares better than the Nation. Year 5 reading saw 32% of students in the upper two bands and 33% in numeracy. This sees us better than the Nation in numeracy and slightly below the Nation in reading.

Spelling sees our next challenge with need for improvement in the Year 3 area and consolidation in Year 5. The school has already commenced an improvement agenda in this area.

Celebrating our results is great especially how far we have improved in the last 5 years. This could only happen with a great team of professionals here at school. It also is helped by great attitudes and behaviour from our students and a wonderful supportive community.

Well done to all Woonies!!

**A Word from Chaplain Paula**

There is nothing more wonderful than a great marriage - and nothing more miserable than a bad one. Plenty of marriages fall into both categories, but even more are in an “in between” category. They are just mediocre. Why? Could it be because they have gone so long without any marital maintenance that everything in them is in need of repair?

Keep freshness in your marriage. Have fun. Laugh together, work hard together, but don’t forget to play together. A proper balance must be maintained. Don’t spend all your time together talking about problems. Use wisdom. Don’t confront explosive issues when either (or both) of you are tired or not feeling up to par.

Most of all, love each other as if your life depended upon it. Love makes up for practically anything. Little acts of kindness will nourish your love and help you be more willing to overlook each other’s faults and weaknesses. Do your part to have a great marriage!

from Life in the Word devotional by Joyce Meyer
Administering Medication in Schools
If staff is required 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 (eg doctor, dentist)
• is in its original container
• has an attached pharmacy label.

Before you provide the school with your child’s medication please check the expiry date to ensure it is in-date 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 (eg 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 in person, contact the school to determine the easiest and safest approach for the school to receive the medication.

Office staff will ask you to complete and sign Section 1 of the Administration of Medication at School record sheet. (NB If your child requires more than one medication you will need to complete a form for each medication.)

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

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

Bundaberg Athletic Club &
West Bundaberg Little Athletics
Starts Friday 2 September 5:45pm

Come & Try Days
- Sunday 21 August (9am - 11am)
- Sunday 28 August (1pm - 3pm)
Bundaberg Regional Athletics Complex
Enid Ethel Drive (behind the airport)
New athletes are eligible to trial for
2 weeks - just pay ground fees.

For further information please contact
Sheree (Secretary) 0459 278 366 or
Linda (Registrar) 0400 774 081
Email enquiries to
bundabergathleticclub@gmail.com

Bundaberg Little Athletics
at Thabeban
COME & TRY DAY 28 August 2016
10am - 12noon
@ Thabeban State School
0476 205 857
or like us on Facebook

Parents, stay positive!
Discover the five steps to positive parenting
with the Triple P Positive Parenting Program

Saturday 27 August 2016
9am to 5pm
at The Ability Centre, Ashfield Road, Kalkie
Spaces are limited to 12 parents
so please call to register your free place
4159 3077

Oztag is coming in Term 3
Enjoy the best ever footy fun with
your friends at school. Learn how
to tag, twist, spin and score tries.
Venue: Bundaberg Oztag
Venue Manager: Christie Palmer
Web: www.bundabergoztag.com
Email: bundaberg@oztag.com
Mob: 0407 610 223

Get Tagged, You’ll Love It!