**Thought for the Week:** The best way to predict your future is to create it.

**Focus on High Achievement** It has been great to see the many parents and carers making the time to meet with their child and class teacher to complete an Individual Learning Plan (ILP). Taking the time to monitor your child’s progress and to work with them and your child’s teacher to develop some specific learning goals is a powerful tool to help leverage their learning and achieve their very best. Most importantly, teachers will work with you to identify the agreed actions to reach the goals. Thank you for investing this time into your child’s learning.

**NAPLAN Testing** The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is approaching and will be conducted in May. *All students are encouraged to participate in this National testing program as the data provided assists schools to identify strengths and also to identify areas that can be developed further.* In the past, a specific breakfast program has been organised at a nominal cost for Year 3 and Year 5 students participating in NAPLAN to ensure they have started their day with a healthy breakfast. More information will be provided about this early in Term 2. Parents and carers may choose to withdraw their child from this program should they wish. If you choose to withdraw your child from NAPLAN testing, please make contact with the school office or your child’s teacher to complete a withdrawal request.

Mr Brad Young, Acting Principal

**INTER-SCHOOL SPORT CONTINUES TOMORROW**

- **PAY $4.00 BUS MONEY** (Except Ten Pin Bowling)
- **BRING SCHOOL HAT**
- **BRING 1L WATER BOTTLE**

**TUCKSHOP IS BACK**

The first official Tuckshop Day will take effect on **TUESDAY 13TH MARCH**. The tuckshop will now operate with a new menu each Tuesday & Thursday **LITTLE LUNCH ONLY!** It will also operate for the sale of drinks & ice-blocks only each Tuesday & Thursday **BIG LUNCH**

Orders will still need to be handed in the day before so **Tuesday orders will need to be handed in on Monday** and **Thursday orders will need to be handed in on Wednesday**. Please ensure the day/date of the order is clearly labelled on your brown paper bag.

**World’s Greatest Shave**

**THURSDAY 15TH MARCH**

Fundraiser for Willow in year 3 who will lose her long locks on 16th March.

Please help her support World’s Greatest Shave by giving a **gold coin donation**.
WE NEED YOU!
Be a COOL
TUCKSHOP MUM or DADDY!

As our tuckshop is reliant upon volunteers to ensure its successful operation, we are seeking volunteers and will run a roster system in the Newsletter each week showing where help is needed. If you are able to spare a Tuesday or Wednesday morning (8am – 11am) or even just half an hour during this time, please contact the office or our tuckshop convenor. Please have a look at the roster below and if you are available on any of these days, please consider helping us out!!!!!

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MEAL DEAL SUCCESS

Today about 200 student’s enjoyed their first Meal Deal Day for 2018. We would like to thank Belinda, our new Tuckshop Convenor and her volunteers Janette, Terri, Amy and Rita for adding value to the school by ensuring our students always have something exciting to come to school for.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

BEGINNER STRINGS WORKSHOP 2018

All students who commenced learning a String instrument this year are being invited to attend a one-day Beginner Strings Workshop on FRIDAY 23RD MARCH. Details are as follows:-

**Time:** 8:30am – 1:30pm

**Venue:** Anglican Parish Hall, 59 Woongarra Street

**Cost:** $10.00 payable to our School office by 9th March

**Transport To Venue:** Parent / guardian

**Transport From Venue:** Bus back to school

Students involved will be given an information letter together with permission and medical/consent forms in the near future. The permission & medical forms and $10 need to be returned to our school office by Friday 9th March.

SURF LIFESAVING

Our final week of our after school Surf Lifesaving program will be next WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH. If your child participates, please ensure they bring their swimmers, sun-shirt and towel along to school on Wednesday. **Thank you** Miss Stack and Mrs Heads for helping to make this program a success.

YEAR 2 SWIMMING

The Year 2 swimming program will continue next TUESDAY 13TH MARCH.

AUTHOR VISIT - CAMERON STELZER

We have a special visit from Author and Illustrator Dr Cameron Stelzer scheduled for next week. Cameron is visiting our school to run workshops with our Year 5 students on Monday 12th March and Year 3 students on Tuesday 13th March in the Library. Cameron will be engaging students in a workshop that will motivate and inspire students with their writing, and help prepare them for their own writing tasks. Students will also participate in an illustration workshop exploring drawing and illustration techniques. Students and teachers are looking forward to two fantastic days!

In conjunction with the Author Visit, our families will have a special opportunity to purchase signed and personalised copies of Cameron’s books at special prices. Individual items are $15 each and there are also exclusive book sets available. Students will receive an order form on the day of their workshop. Forms and payment can be returned the following day to the Library. Cameron will personally sign all books (including the child’s name and a message), and students will receive their books in time for the school holidays.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

This week 39 teachers from the Coral Coast Cluster of schools attended coding and robotics workshops here with Dr Damien Kee delivering hands on practical professional development. The program was funded by the Federal Government as an initiative to encourage math and science in schools. With technology of all kinds paving the way for a bright future for our students, teachers have to become more familiar with how coding, as part of student digital literacy, can be incorporated into class activities. While the robots are lego toys, the software that runs them is very sophisticated and allows students to apply complex mathematical thinking and logic to solve problems. The program is supported by having 24 robot kits available to our Coral Coast schools to borrow. Melinda Ford from our school and Sam Ephraims from Bargara School are collaborating to develop an online help site for teachers in the group to look at lessons that can be done using Lego robots as a vehicle to teach maths and science concepts. We hope to have an interschool robot competition event later in the year where students will be able to put their programming skills to the test and even show the teacher how it’s done.

CHAPPY KELLY’S TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT

Chappy Kelly will be on leave for the remainder of Term 1. During her absence, our school will be visited by Chappy Sel every Tuesday and every second Thursday starting next Thursday 15th March. We ask that everyone make Chappy Sel feel welcome. We hope she enjoys working in our school.
COST: Sports Shirts

WHERE

WHEN: shops in readiness for Cross Country. Having to go and purchase a East uniform shirts to buy. They may not yet have a shirt in the colour of their house and definitely won’t have it screen printed with their school logo. However, the P&C recently decided that they would hold a stall to allow our families the opportunity to try the Bundaberg Schools’ Cross-Country Team in the same year they win our school event. In the past, our school cross-country was held in August which meant it was not aligned to the Bundaberg trial date. The date to trial for the 2018 Bundaberg Schools’ Cross Country Team will be 9th May 2018. More information will be supplied to the students who qualify at our school event to trial for the Bundaberg team.

SPORT SHIRTS

Now that it has been decided to hold the cross-country event in April our prep students and new students to the school this year may not yet have a shirt in the colour of their house and definitely won’t have it screen printed with the house logo. However, the P&C recently decided that they would hold a stall to allow our families the opportunity to buy second-hand sport shirts (and a limited number of East uniform shirts). This may save some of our families having to go and purchase a coloured sport shirt from the shops in readiness for Cross Country. Details as follows:

WHEN: After school TUESDAY 13TH MARCH AND before school WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH
WHERE: Undercover area
COST: Sports Shirts $3 East Uniform Shirts: As marked

DISCO TUCKSHOP MENU

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We still require more volunteers for the disco tuckshop. Please contact the office if you can help serve for half an hour.

2018 CROSS COUNTRY DATE

We advise families that our 2018 school cross country event will be held on THURSDAY 19TH APRIL. It has been decided to hold our school cross-country day much earlier in the year so that the winners have the opportunity to trial for the Bundaberg Schools’ Cross-Country Team in the same year they win our school event. In the past, our school cross-country was held in August which meant it was not aligned to the Bundaberg trial date. The date to trial for the 2018 Bundaberg Schools’ Cross Country Team will be 9th May 2018. More information will be supplied to the students who qualify at our school event to trial for the Bundaberg team.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS ARE DUE AT THE OFFICE BY MONDAY 19TH MARCH.

Sorry, no late orders accepted.

INDIVIDUAL LEARNING PLANS: Individual Learning Plan meetings have commenced. A timetable outlining the classes yet to conduct their meetings is provided below. Be sure to book a time with your child’s teacher.

ILP MEETINGS - 2018

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In the event you are not able to attend on the day allocated for your child’s class, please contact the teacher directly to arrange an alternative date and time.

YOUR ‘WEEKLY’ JAPANESE FACT

A nice musk melon, similar to a rockmelon, may sell for over $300.

DENTAL VAN DEPARTURE

We have been advised by the School Dental Team that the dental van currently located at our school will be transported to a different school on the last day of Term (Thursday 29th March). The team will continue to treat students from our school up until this date and any appointments made after this date will take place at a van located at a different school.

For emergency dental appointments, parents can contact the school dental admin on 4303 8059

Our P&C is excited to announce that they are now on Facebook to inform the school community about our tuckshop, discos, market night and other fundraising ventures. Be sure to like the ‘Bundaberg East State School P&C’ Facebook page.

NEWS-MAIL PREP PHOTOS

The News-Mail Prep Photo feature article will be published on WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH.
Save the Date

P&C Family Portraits

~ Fundraiser ~

Fri 24th August 2018 ~ Indoor setting at East School
Sat 25th & Sun 26th August ~ Garden Setting
Address to be advised
More information to come next term!