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

**Principal’s Messages**

Enjoy the Show Holiday on Thursday, and we’ll see you back at school on Friday.

**Class News**

Thank-you to Debbie Romans and the 4/5 class for this week’s class news feature.

**North High Day of Excellence**

A number of students from Year 5 to 7 have been selected again to participate in the Term 2 Day of Excellence program being conducted by Bundaberg North High. Best wishes to our students participating in the program.

**Well Done, Chandler**

Congratulations to Chandler Daniel who achieved success at a recent boxing competition in Brisbane.

**School Uniform Jackets and Jumpers**

Parents, please ensure that students are wearing jackets or jumpers in line with the school uniform colours. Royal Blue to navy blue colours are best. Zip jackets and fleecy jumpers are available from the office. Please contact the school if you need any help with uniforms. Thank-you for your support of the school uniform code.

Did You Know….

- Reading: 37% Top 2 Bands 2011-2013 (28% in 2013)
- Spelling: 42% Top 2 Bands 2011-2013 (44% in 2013)
- G & P: 39% Top 2 Bands 2011-2013 (40% in 2013)
- Numeracy: 57% Top 2 Bands 2011-2013 (58% in 2013)

Congratulations to staff, students and parents for the great efforts. We are proud of our school, and striving to do even better in the future. Well done, Kolan South!

**BEATTY, GIBSON, THOMPSON**

You might be interested in the origins of our sports house names—Beatty, Gibson and Thompson.

**Benjamin Beatty** was the first Principal (or Headmaster in those days) of Kolan South back in 1878.

In 1883 **William Gibson**, a sugar grower, purchased some land on the north side of the Burnett River. His sons were partners in the venture, and John Howes and Bros, contributed financial backing. The Bingera Plantation was established, and a large crushing mill was operational by 1885. ‘Bingera’ is thought to be derived from an Aboriginal word indicating bream (fish).

**John Thompson** was a surveyor explorer who surveyed the site for the settlement of Bundaberg in 1868.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

Students were issued with a Premier’s Reading Challenge record card, today.

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

- May 29 (Thur) Bundaberg Show Holiday
- June 4 (Wed) Science Competition
- June 6 (Fri) Queensland Day—Free Dress
- June 9 (Mon) Queen’s Birthday Holiday
- June 10 (Tues) P&C Meeting 5.00pm
- June 13 (Fri) Interhouse Sports Day
- June 20 (Fri) Interhouse Sports Day
- June 26 (Thur) Semester 1 Reports / Disco
- June 27 (Fri) Last day of term

No Assembly this week due to Show Holiday on Thursday
BIRTHDAYS

May
30 Max V, 31 Mitchell D, Zaree R
June
5 Taj S, Kane O, B Teanna W, 15 Tyler M

CLASS AWARDS
Brooke H: Always listening and following instructions. Well done!
Mason M: Trying hard to demonstrate good behaviour in the classroom.
William M: Learning 200 sight words.
Keelin H: Learning 200 sight words.
Indy Z: Vast improvement in story writing.
Beata W: The “King” of Mad Minute number facts.
Joshua B: Making great contributions to all class discussions.
Ryder L: Fantastic participation and effort in all areas.
Talisa B: Fantastic results in weekly Maths tests.
Holly M: Amazing results in Mad Minute Maths and hard work in all areas.
Jon K: Great improvements in Maths. Well done.
Connor W: Trying hard in Maths. Well done.

Family Expo at the PCYC in Bundaberg.

Handwriting
To make our handwriting perfect, we turn our book on an angle to make our writing have good shape. We have to do cursive and have wedges to get great compliments from the fussiest hand writer, Ms Romans. When we get ten smiley stickers we will be able to use a pen instead of a pencil.
Zahl, Emily, Tamrin and Amber

Geography
In geography we have been looking at maps and using BOLTSS. It has helped us understand the features of maps. We have been looking at the different types of maps. We have been focusing on the continent of Europe and how it connects to Australia.
Jacob, Brayden, Byron and Lily

Art
We have been doing 3D hands in our art. At the start everyone one was saying, “I can’t do it”, but we got the hang of it. First we had to draw around our hand, next we drew some lines and last we added colour to make our hand 3D.
Jazmyn, Mia and Taleah

English
In English, we have been learning about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages. There are over 250 Aboriginal languages. We have also been looking at Aboriginal Dreamtime stories such as the Rainbow Serpent. The Rainbow Serpent created the rivers, valleys and trees.

Science
In science we have been learning about the needs of living things. We have made a seed head and are photographing them every day so that we can create a time-lapse film.

Maths
In Maths we have been learning about symmetry as well as looking at rotation, reflection and translation. We have been working hard on our number facts. We play dice games with our whiteboards and a game called Challenge / Climbs which involves times tables. We have been practising addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
Flynn, Kai, Tyson and Bryce