



Bellenden Ker State School

Term 3 Week 5

Friday 14th August 2026

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<http://www.pandcql.com.au/news/parenttalk/>

School Watch: for any issues regarding the school please contact the central reporting number (13 17 88)

DATE CLAIMERS

17th – Aug – Parade

19th Aug – Bowls at Babinda Bowls Club

28th Aug – Premier's Reading Challenge Finishes

- Book Week Dress Up

3rd Sept – Gala Day at Babinda Bowls Club

4th Sept – Pupil Free Day

11th Sept- Crazy Hair Day

12th Sept – Babinda Harvest Festival

14th Sept - Parade

18th Sept – Life Ed, Ninja School, Amie Talbot – art lesson

- Last Day Term 3

6th Oct – First Day Term 4

Keep our school safe
And protected

LATE FOR SCHOOL OR EARLY DEPARTURE

Parents are reminded they need to sign their children in if they arrive at school after 9:00am or if they are collecting their child before 3:00pm.



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Term 5, week 2!

We are already halfway through Term 3! It has been wonderful to see students dive into their learning with enthusiasm and a willingness to challenge themselves.

Throughout the term, students have been applying their newly learnt skills, building on their existing knowledge and developing a deeper understanding of the concepts they have learnt. They have been working hard, taking on new challenges and demonstrating their growing confidence across all areas of the curriculum.

Students enjoyed visiting the Babinda Bowls Club as part of their PE lessons, where they had the opportunity to develop new skills and try lawn bowls on a real bowling green. They enjoyed practising their bowling techniques and putting their new skills into action.

A highlight of the visit was receiving helpful tips and guidance from members of the Bowls Club, who shared their knowledge and encouraged students as they practised. It was a great opportunity for students to learn a new sport in a fun and supportive environment.

Students have enjoyed participating in two online art lessons with Miss Amie, where they learnt new techniques using coloured pencils. The lessons have provided students with the opportunity to develop their artistic skills and experiment with techniques to create detailed and impressive artwork.

These lessons extend our current Visual Arts focus on **'Water Landscapes'**, allowing students to incorporate their new skills into their artwork. Their creations are looking amazing, and it has been wonderful to see their creativity and talent shine through.

Students' artwork will be proudly displayed at the **Harvest Festival**. We hope you all get the opportunity to come along and see their amazing talent on display!

The Harvest Festival is fast approaching and will be held on **12th September**. This year, our students will be dressing up as characters from the classic story *James and the Giant Peach*. As part of our **Mathematical Modelling** process, students have been busy designing, making and organising their costumes. They have been applying a range of mathematical concepts in an authentic and engaging way, using their maths skills to solve real-life problems and make decisions about their costume designs.

Please see the picture below for an example of their character, along with the list of items each student will require and what they need to wear. We appreciate your support in helping students gather the items needed.

 Earthworm Mayce – wear light pink	 Silkworm Deegan – wear light brown, blue cape	 Centipede David – wear green, red bow tie	 Miss Spider Kelsee – wear black	 Aunt Sponge Aunt Spiker Lily – pink dress Grace – pearls, purple top and black shirt	 James Henry Trotter Wyatt – tan shorts and white top
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Further details, including meeting times and locations, will be sent home closer to the day. We look forward to another fun and memorable Harvest Festival!

Incursions and Excursions for this Term:

- 19th August – Bowls at Babinda Bowls Club
- 28th August – Premier's Reading Challenge finishes & Book week Dress Up on Friday
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Parades for this Term are held on the 17th August, 14th September, @ 2:15, in the classroom. All are welcome and I encourage you all to come along.

Regular school attendance will mean that your child gets a better chance at life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day:

- they learn better
- they make friends
- they are happier
- they have a brighter future



School start time is at 8:50 however you can drop your child off at school any time after 8:30. School finishes at 3. If your child is absent, please inform the school via email Principal@bellendenkeress.eq.edu.au, text 0472 827 744 or call the school 4067 5292 and leave a message.

If you would like to have an informal parent/teacher meeting or would like to discuss any school issues, please let me know and we can make a mutually convenient time to meet.

Kind Regards

Julia Heywood



Student Awards



**Congratulations to our
students who received
awards at our last
parade.**



Bowls in Babinda



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Every day counts.



Innisfail Domestic Violence Support Service
Innisfail Youth & Family Care Inc.

Do you have concerns with Domestic and Family Violence?
Do you need support and want to heal?

WOMEN'S SAFETY CIRCLE

You are welcome to join us for our Women's D&FV Program Sessions, to promote awareness of what is D&FV, learn strategies in keeping yourself and your family safe, and maintaining a life, free from abuse.

INNISFAIL

Contact: Danielle or Bronwyn - 40 438718

Good Start Early Learning Child Care Offer:
13 weeks FREE to those participating in the Innisfail Program.

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Have concerns with Domestic and Family Violence? Need direction and guidance to help stop abusive behaviours?

BETTER CHANGES for our FUTURE

You are welcome to join our Men's D&FV Group Sessions, to gain education and awareness of what is D&FV, as well as tools and strategies for positive changes, safety priority, and maintaining a life, free from abusive behaviours.

9th October to 27th November 2026
When: FRIDAYS (8 week Program)
Time: 2:00pm-4:00pm
Where: 34 Cassowary St Innisfail Q 4860
Contact: Bronwyn 40 438718
Light Refreshments Provided

It's Time to Move Forward.

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WOMEN'S SAFETY CIRCLE

You are welcome to join us in our Women's D&FV Group Sessions, to promote awareness of what is D&FV, learn strategies in keeping yourself and your family safe, and maintaining a life, free from abuse.

12th October to 30th November 2026
When: MONDAYS (8 week Program)
Time: 10:30am-12:30pm
Where: IYFC - 34 Cassowary St Innisfail
Contact: Kelly 40438722
Light Refreshments provided
Child Care Offer (see event)

SAVE THE DATE!
YOU ARE INVITED TO

LIONS INTERNATIONAL

WORLD FESTIVAL OF MAGIC

EXCITING ALL NEW ACTS!

DATE: 22nd of October 2026
TIME: 5pm and 7pm (timeslot subject to change)
COST: FREE
TICKETS: One ticket per person attending the show. Children MUST be accompanied by an adult. For tickets and any queries, please send an email to showtickets@helpthekids.com.au or Call Ron on (07) 3810 2587 (MON - WED 9AM-1:30PM)
LOCATION: All Saints Theatre, St Andrews College 185-205 Intake Rd, Redlynch, Qld 4870

BELLENDEN KER STATE SCHOOL

PREP - YEAR 6 ENROL NOW!

AT BELLENDEN KER SS WE:

- ✓ Create a friendly learning environment that engages and motivates students to succeed.
- ✓ Attend to every students' individual needs to realise positive educational outcomes.
- ✓ Offer a sense of belonging to school and the wider community.
- ✓ Value student, parent and community voice in our approach to teaching and learning.
- ✓ **Free** School book packs every year
- ✓ **Free** School Uniform Shirt per enrolment

ENROL NOW

07 40675292
<https://bellendenkerss.eq.edu.au>
Principal@bellendenkerss.eq.edu.au

TABLELAND FISH PRESENTS

TFSS TINAROO BARRA BASH
SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2026
LAKE TINAROO

\$10,000 LUCKY ENTRY

FAMILY FRIENDLY FISHING COMPETITION

SUNDAY-FORESHORE FUN WITH SPECIAL GUEST HODGIE THE BAREFOOT FISHERMAN

ALL ADULT ENTRIES ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN THE LUCKY ENTRY, YOU DON'T HAVE TO FISH TO WIN!

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SCAN NOW TO REGISTER!

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Bellenden Ker State School P & C Association

Here's your organisation's member number. Keep it handy - share it with your supporters to raise funds and to track your fundraising efforts.

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BE PART OF OUR RECYCLING COMMUNITY

We have partnered with Containers for Change.

Do something good today by recycling your eligible containers in the dedicated bins.

Mobile Women's Health Service

Well Womens Clinic - Babinda Hospital
(This clinic is available to Medicare eligible clients)

Tuesday 8th September 2026

Service includes Cervical Screening Tests (Pap Smears), Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, etc. All services are provided by a specially trained Women's Health Nurse.

For appointments phone 4067 8200



Art Lessons with Miss Amie



