

Term 3

Week 10

Friday, 23 September 2022

Principal's Message

Hello Parents/Carers,

Firstly, in this newsletter I would like to thank Mrs Baldo, Mrs Beaton, Miss Porter and Miss La Brocq who held the fort in my absence for the two weeks I was sick. A huge thankyou.

Tuesday will see the Occupational Therapist students from the University of Newcastle Department of Rural Health resume their visits to the school after an absence for a few years because of COVID restrictions. Our students will enjoy participating in some activities designed by the students for both gross and fine motor skills.

Over the last few weeks the students have continued to enjoy the extra curricula activities of cooking with Mrs Baldo and Mrs Cronin, exercise and meditation with Carly and music with Miss Emily from the Conservatorium. Our Art Afternoons have been part of the terms structure to bring more individualised learning and small group activities. Staff and students have enjoyed these rotations and our students have produced some wonderful art pieces. These we wish to share with you all.

MUSIC AND ART SHOWCASE: Wednesday 21st September. We will be showcasing both our term's music program and our Art activities for parents, carers and community to enjoy. I am immensely proud of how the students have worked hard with Miss Emily both in class group and in individual lessons. Lunch will be a barbecue sausage sizzle provided free of charge. Please come down to the COLA to enjoy our showcase at 12:30pm and lunch will follow.

Week 9 saw the last week for Miss Le Brocq, who is leaving our school to take up a job with the mines in Werris Creek. I would like to thank Miss Le Brocq for her assistance at school and we all wish her the best for her new job and into the future.

Thankyou to Parents who responded to the last-minute texts regarding flooding today. Our staff were unable to come to school with the certainty of safe travel to and from school. Both the Six mile near the Kamilaroi Highway and Waverley were flooded.

I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday. Term 4 will be busy with our excursion, transition program and swimming lessons. Term 4 commences for students and staff on Monday 10th October.

Best wishes and happy holidays.

Leeanne Batho

Assembly Award Winners



**Jannali, Aaron, Nerida, Amarni,
Aleanah, Callum**

SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS- (26th Sept - 7th Oct)

Term 4 Week 1 (10th - 14th Oct)

Monday - Term 4 begins (students and staff return)

Tuesday - Scripture K-3, Art Afternoon, Community Craft

Wednesday - Sport with Sam, Music with TRCM, Culture

Friday - Scripture 4-6, Cooking, Assembly (parents welcome 2:30pm)

Week 2 (17th - 21st Oct)

Tuesday - Scripture K-3, Art Afternoon, Community Craft

Wednesday - Sport with Sam, Music with TRCM, Culture

Friday - Cooking, Assembly (parents welcome 2:30pm) Scripture 4-6

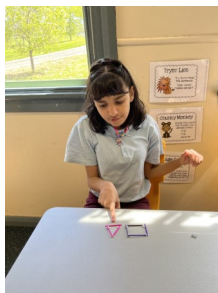


The Yurrandaali (Goanna) Room

Over the past few weeks The Yurrandaali Room have certainly worked with many and varied teachers and leaders whilst I was away. They enjoyed working on 3D shapes making them before working out the faces, vertices and edges and finally looking at the cross sections. Then they used grids to draw different views including top, front and side. They also worked on some 3D shape building with Mrs Baldo as seen in photos with the yummy marshmallows.

In Literacy the students have chosen their own individual picture book to work with in writing. We have identified the purpose as well as the language features used by the author. The students then looked at the structure to identify what we know about the type of text. Then the students made choices as to how they could use the text to write two pieces of writing for themselves as either informative, imaginative or persuasive. The class produced some great pieces such as instructions for Pin The Tail On The Donkey, a wide variety of animal reports and discussions about various topics.

In PE we continue to work as a democracy voting on games to develop our skills and we also had a wonderful skills drill with Sam for Sport to build upon our knowledge of cricket skills from the last few weeks. Carly continues to build strength and agility and ideas for relaxation and meditation. Great opportunities for our students!!



The Bandaarr (Grey Kangaroo) Room

Bandaarr class have been working hard in all activities over the last couple of weeks and we can't believe we are in our last week of Term 3. We have been learning that mistakes can help us to learn. Giving things a go can help us to grow and get better at things we might find hard to do at first. I am very proud of the way our class are becoming more independent in their learning habits to be the best learners they can be.

In literacy, we have been learning how we can use alliteration in our writing to describe characters' appearance, mannerisms and personalities. We have had some great writing based on our new class pets called Sea Monkeys. We have named them using alliteration and look forward to caring for them and watching them grow.

In numeracy, year 1 and 2 have been learning about teen numbers and they made rain chains to show they are made up of 10 plus some more. Aleanah and Aaron were very proud of themselves for creating a great teen number display for our classroom.

Year 3 have been working on 2, 3 and 4 multiplication tables using an interactive 120 chart to represent skip counting and patterns.

We are continuing with our geography unit on people and places and walked through the village last week observing buildings, parks, and other features of our community. We had great discussions on why buildings were built, who uses them and cares for these places.

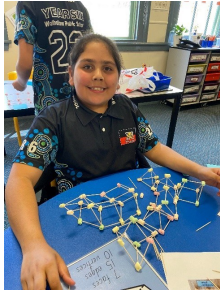
Now that the weather is warming up, we have started to create an indoor class garden. We will move outdoors to plant and grow vegetables next term. We are looking forward to using what we grow in our cooking classes.



Maths In Action

Students were challenged to use toothpicks and marshmallows to build 3D objects.

Other challenges involved creating card pyramids and building objects with magnetic shapes. The students had to work in teams and problem solve together to be successful at their task.



Life Education Van

The Life Education van visit was a hit with Bandaarr class meeting Kirsty and Harold and learning about parts of our bodies such as our heart, lungs, muscles, and intestines. We also learned about friendship, safety and emotions. Each student received a booklet to take home and share their learning with family.



Carly's Exercise Classes





Walhallow Public School P&C General Meeting

When: 20th October, 2022

Where: School Grounds

Time: 2.30 pm

GAME TIME
Food, Fun, and Football!!!
JOIN US FOR THE
FAMILY FUNDAY TOUCH FOOTY COMP
GAME DAY: Friday 7th October
KICK OFF: 11.30
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AECG Meeting
26th October
Where: Nungaroo Lands Council 143 Loder street, Quirindi
Time: 4pm
This is an opportunity for Aboriginal people to be actively involved in all decision-making that is relevant to education and training for your children. We are looking for more parents to get on board provide advice relevant to education and represent the Aboriginal community viewpoint.

**WALHALLOW PS
MUSIC and ART
SHOWCASE**



Showcasing music program and Art activities

for

parents, carers and the community

on

Wednesday 21st September 2022

12.30pm

at

Walhallow PS COLA

followed by

FREE BBQ LUNCH