

Term 1 Week 10

31st March 2025

We learn and play on Gamilaroi land. Always was, always will be.

### Principal's Message

The students have been very busy taking part in a wide variety of activities both inside and outside the classroom over the past two weeks.

#### **TASTER DAY**

Lara had a wonderful time at the Year 6 Taster Day at QHS. She took part in four lessons: music with Mr. Turner, a hands-on agriculture experience with Mr. Harries, a photography treasure hunt with Mr. Maczi, and an archaeology dig with Mr. Owens as part of HSIE. A big thank you to all the staff at QHS for organising such a memorable day!

#### **RUGBY AT SPRING RIDGE**

Emjei, Lara, Lily, and Lilly had a fantastic morning at Spring Ridge School for a rugby clinic. They enjoyed learning new skills and drills from former Wallaby Radike and Wallaroo Hilisha. The day was made even more special with a visit from "Wallaby," the team mascot. A big thank you to Spring Ridge Public School for hosting such a fun event!

#### **HARMONY DAY**

Last Wednesday, students from Blackville, Premer, and Spring Ridge Public Schools visited Walhallow Public School to celebrate Harmony Day. Everyone had a great time taking part in various activities such as dancing, origami, art projects, Kahoot quizzes and jewellery making. It was a fun day filled with creativity, inclusivity and building positive relationships with everybody. Thank you to all the staff who organised and taught these great lessons.

A big thank you to Mrs Cronin, Mrs Seymour, Mrs P and Mrs de Roos for cooking and serving a delicious lunch of Spaghetti Bolognese, fried rice and nachos! Everyone really enjoyed the meal and it added to the wonderful day.

#### **HOCKEY**

Over the past few weeks the children have been busy learning new skills in hockey. They have had a lot of fun practicing dribbling, shooting, and striking, as well as learning the rules of the game. It's been wonderful to see how much they have improved in a sport that many of them are trying for the first time.

#### **WALHEALTH - 715 Checks**

WalHealth will be visiting Walhallow Public School on Wednesday, April 2nd, from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM to provide 715 health checks. Permission notes were given out last week, so please make sure to return them to the office so we can set up appointment times.

#### **EASTER CELEBRATIONS**

The students have really enjoyed making Easter hats in their art and craft lessons. Ms Raymond is very impressed with their creativity and the unique designs they've come up with. I'm sure everyone is excited to show off their hats at the Easter Hat parade, which will take place next Tuesday, 8th April. All parents and caregivers are welcome to come and join the fun!

#### **Easter Fun day timetable:**

10.00am - Church Service

10.30am – Easter Hat Parade and Easter Egg Hunt

11.00am - Lunch

Since this is my last newsletter before returning to Spring Ridge Public School, I want to thank everyone for the wonderful time I've had at Walhallow. I'm grateful to the parents, carers, and staff for making my time here so special.

A big thank you to Emjei, Lilly, Lily, Lara, Jyelan, Lyriq, and Jason for being such wonderful students. It has been a true joy to teach this great group, who have shown excellent behaviour, a strong work ethic, and impressive improvements in their learning. I look forward to hearing, and seeing, what the future brings for each of you.

Keep working hard !!!

CHEERS Mrs P

Don't Forget!!

Library Day Tuesday

Notes to return

715 Health checks

Monday 31st March
Sport
Tuesday 1st April

What's on Week 10 Wednesday 2nd April

Scripture 715 health checks

Thursday 3rd April

Friday 4th April

## <u>Merit Awards</u>

Congratulations to our award winners:

#### **Class Awards**

Emjei Smith: Great Participation in all Harmony Day activities.

#### **Sports Award**

<u>Lara Johnson</u>: Outstanding Hockey Skills. <u>Jyelan Weatherall:</u> Outstanding Hockey Skills.

#### **Values Award:**

Lilly Smith: 100% Effort in all key learning areas.

#### **Birthday Award:**

A special happy birthday to Lyriq, who turned 5 last Wednesday!





































# Taster Day







# <u>Rugby Day</u>













# <u>Photo Gallery</u>











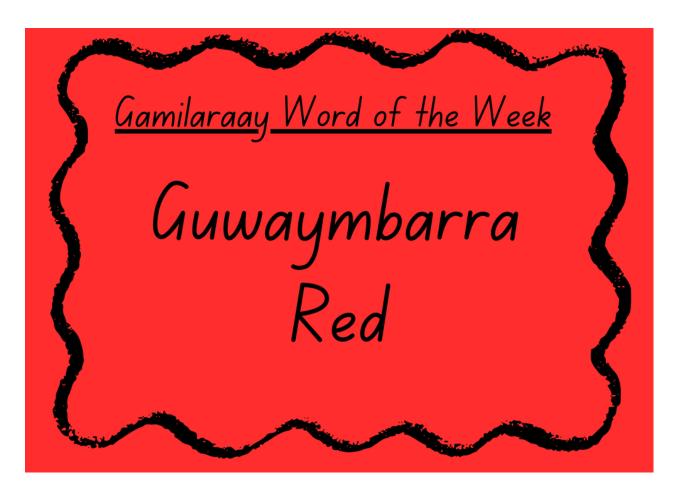












## Whats on for the Term

Term 1 2025	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 11 7th – 11th April	Sport	Library Church Service Easter Hat Parade	Scripture Assembly		Last Day Term 1
Week 1 Term 2 28th April - 2nd May	SDD	SDD	Students Return		Cross Country Spring Ridge

### **Community Notices**



#### Screen-free fun

In a world full of screens, it's important to make time for real-life play! Swapping screen time for active, creative, or social activities helps kids develop problem-solving skills, build friendships, and improve their wellbeing.

Here are some screen-free ideas to try:

- Make a splash Go for a swim at the pool or beach with family.
- Play together Engage in activities that you know your child enjoys, for example: puzzles, building LEGO or cooking together are great for family fun.
- Get moving Dance, kick a ball in the backyard or go for a bike ride together.





Encouraging kids to enjoy screen-free activities helps them develop lifelong healthy habits. Plus, it's a great way to connect as a family!



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Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.





#### **QUIRINDI JUNIOR RUGBY LIONS**

