



# NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 4

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Traditional Custodians of the lands on  
which we live, work, learn and play.

## PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Hello parents and carers,



It has been a busy start to Term 3 with lots of things happening. A very big thank you to our amazing staff who have made these things possible:

- Mr. B for getting our lunch orders going! What a great opportunity!
- Miss Karen for our free hot lunch days every fortnight!
- Miss Hannah for reinventing our Quiet Space, and all staff for their accommodations in changes to yard duty to make this a place for all students every recess and lunch time

I could truly list every staff member of our school and name amazing things they are doing to support our students and families. Things have been tough again this year with illness, however, with the amazing dedication of everyone here, the students have continued on with their learning with minimal disruption!

I would like to mention that Miss Jess is turning her hair pink on August 10th, she is doing this to support and raise awareness for Breast Cancer. On August 10th, we will be having a 'PINK' Day, where students can dress up in pink, or even just wear a pink ribbon to show support. We would like to ask families to donate a gold coin for this great cause. We will be setting this up through the QKR app. If families would like to donate more to Breast Cancer, please feel free to do so. And, keep your eyes open for Miss Jess's pink hair!

As we move through the year we get closer to the planning for 2023. You will notice we have a new virtual tour on our website, and we will be sharing enrolment information, especially for Prep students. If you know anyone who may be enrolling for next year, please encourage them to come in and see us in the office and collect an enrolment pack. The earlier we have confirmation of enrolments, the easier it is to plan and the sooner we can advise our community on the 2023 structure for our school.

This weekend is looking to be chilly - keep warm and dry and have a lovely weekend.

As always, please feel free to come in and see us in the office if you have any questions or concerns.

**MRS CARLY MIDDLETON**

## KEY DATES

### August 8th

Sausage sizzle lunch (\$2 per sausage)

### August 10th

PINK Day (Gold coin donation)

### August 29th

Curriculum Day - Student Free Day

### September 13th

Three-way Interviews  
(Formerly Parent Teacher Interviews) 3:30 - 5:30

### September 16th

Three-way Interviews  
(Formerly Parent Teacher Interviews) 9am - 12pm  
(Student Free Day)



# SCHOOL CALENDAR

## TERM 3

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

1

11 JUL  
STUDENTS RETURN  
TO SCHOOL  
NAIDOC Week

12 JUL  
Playgroup 9:30  
NAIDOC Week  
Activity Day

13 JUL

14 JUL  
3/4/5/6 Badminton

15 JUL  
Assembly

2

18 JUL

19 JUL  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Garden Day  
Artlink Excursion P-2 & 3-6

20 JUL

21 JUL  
Hot lunch

22 JUL  
Newsletter

3

25 JUL  
SAKG Cooking 5/6

26 JUL  
Playgroup 9:30  
School Photos  
Police in Schools 5/6

27 JUL

28 JUL

29 JUL  
Assembly

4

1 AUG

2 AUG  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Cooking 3/4

3 AUG  
Glasses for Kids Program  
Visit  
Lunch Order

4 AUG  
Aboriginal Children's Day  
Hot lunch  
School Council

5 AUG  
Newsletter

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8 AUG  
Sausage Sizzle Lunch  
(\$2)

9 AUG  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Cooking 2/3

10 AUG  
Lunch Order  
Wear Pink day!

11 AUG

12 AUG  
Assembly

6

15 AUG  
Science Week

16 AUG  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Cooking 1/2

17 AUG  
Lunch Order

18 AUG  
Hot lunch

19 AUG  
Newsletter

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22 AUG  
CBCA Book Week

23 AUG  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Cooking 5/6  
Police in Schools 5/6

24 AUG  
Lunch Order

25 AUG  
P/1/2 Storytime Excursion

26 AUG  
Assembly

8

29 AUG  
CURRICULUM  
DAY

30 AUG  
Playgroup 9:30  
Ballarat Wildlife Park (P,  
1/2, 2/3)

31 AUG  
Lunch Order

1 SEP  
Indigenous Literacy Day  
Hot lunch  
School Council

2 SEP  
Newsletter

9

5 SEP  
Responsible Pet  
Program

6 SEP  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Cooking Prep

7 SEP  
Lunch Order

8 SEP

9 SEP  
Assembly

10

12 SEP

13 SEP  
Playgroup 9:30  
SAKG Garden Day  
Parent Teacher  
Interviews 3:30 - 5:30

14 SEP  
Lunch Order

15 SEP  
Hot lunch

16 SEP  
Newsletter  
Parent Teacher  
Interviews 9-12  
STUDENT FREE DAY

# LUNCH ORDERS

## LUNCH ORDERS ARE BACK!



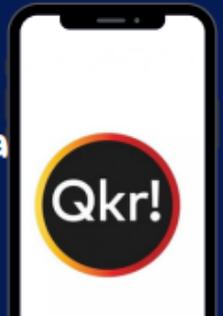
It is with great excitement that we announce to the Magpie PS Community that 'lunch orders' have arrived back at Magpie PS as of Wednesday 3rd August, 2022.

Lunch orders need to be ordered by 12noon the Tuesday prior to Wednesday's lunch orders.

You are able to order a lunch order via the Qkr App. To set up your account, go to your App Store on your phone or IPAD, type in Qkr and download the app, search for Magpie PS, click on Magpie PS and enter your details.

More Information about Qkr and lunch orders will be sent to families via Compass.

If you still have further questions, please email Mr Beacham at [timothy.beacham@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:timothy.beacham@education.vic.gov.au)



# SCHOOL UNIFORM

During the winter months we encourage the students to wear their winter uniforms and to 'rug up' against the cold. Whenever possible we try to allow the children the opportunity to play outside at the designated break times even when the air is brisk and the ground a little wet. Even if the children can get outside for a brief run around then it helps to break up the day for them.

Children may wear a coat, beanie, scarf and gloves to school and during breaks.

Please refrain from sending students in casual jumpers and caps. We have many jumpers in lost property and our Secondhand Uniform Shop and Pantry is open on Tuesdays from 2:30- 3:15.



## Student outer wear:

Polar fleece jacket with logo  
Polar fleece vest with logo  
Soft shell jacket with logo



## Student shirt/dress:

Navy/teal t-shirt with logo  
Girls summer dress  
Girls winter tunic



## Student bottoms:

Plain navy pants/shorts/skirt  
(at least mid thigh length)



## Student footwear:

Plain black shoes with a flat sole  
Plain black runners  
Navy tights under dress/skirt  
White, grey, black or navy socks



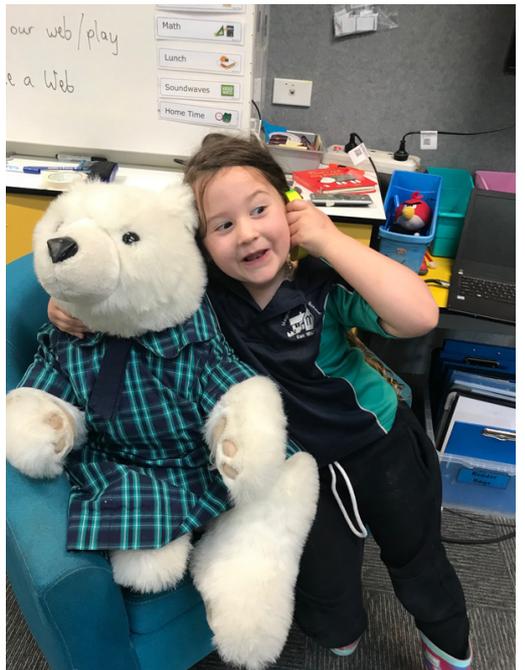
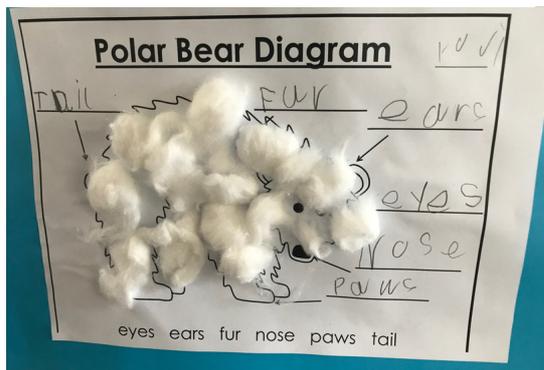
(students may wear sports shoes on the days they have PE)

# PREP



This week we are learning all about polar bears and we have our very own polar bear student who is helping us learn.

The students are enjoying feeding her fish for her snack break because, as we have learned, polar bears don't eat fruit!

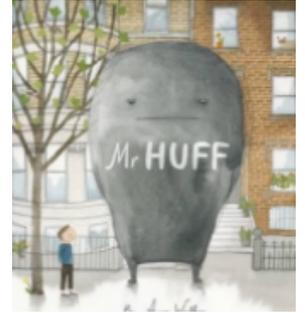


# ONE/TWO



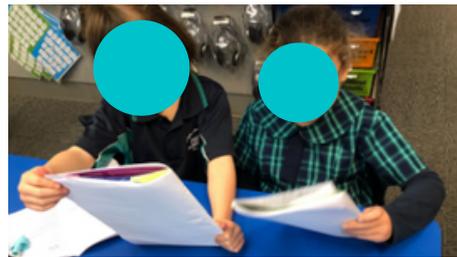
In reading this week we have been learning about the author Anna Walker.

She is an Australian author who was born in Sydney and grew up in Melbourne.

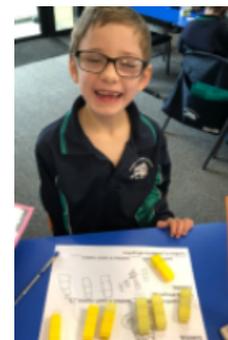


In writing this week we have continued with our short writes. This is when we write for 10 minutes about the book we are reading. We have also learnt about synonyms to make our writing more interesting. Synonyms are a group of words that have similar meanings.

Happy- enjoyment, surprised, joyful, excited, overjoyed, joy, jolly, excitement.



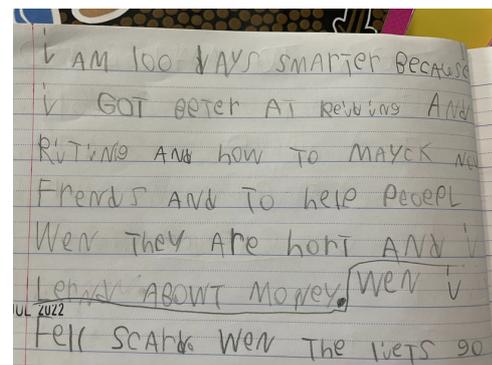
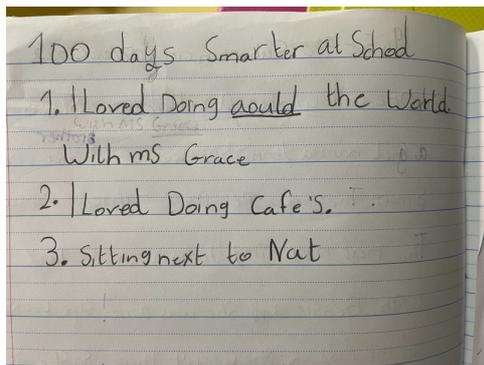
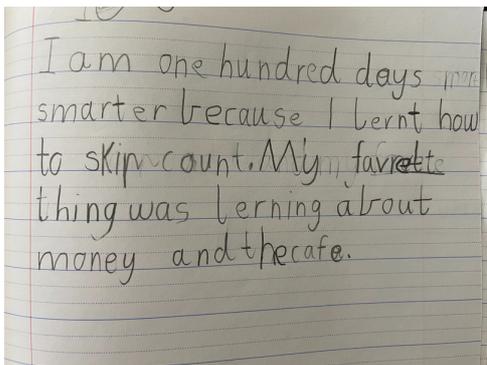
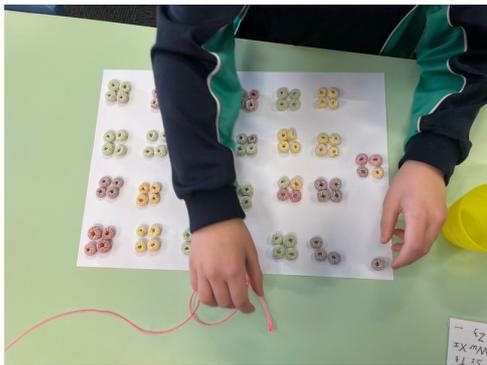
In numeracy we have been continuing our learning about multiplication and skip counting. We have been learning about the importance of our groups being equal.



# TWO/THREE



In the grade 2-3 class we celebrated 100 days of school. Through the year we used ten frames to count how many days we had spent at school. We discussed how we can use the ten frames to calculate how many days were left. As we got closer to 100 the students became very excited. Due to last minute staffing issues our 100 Days celebration day ended up being nixed, but we tried to do the things we'd planned through the week. The students compared their collections of 100, and we talked about how 100 of one thing can have a different volume to 100 of something else. We continued exploring multiplication and division by organising 100 fruit loops into equal groups, and then connecting those ideas to multiplication and division facts. We also spent time reflecting on how we are 100 days smarter, and talked about all the things we had done during the first semester of this year.



Currently the Grade 2/3 class is learning about mass and volume, please include your child in discussions at home about these topics. Invite them to help you weigh ingredients when cooking, or weigh produce when shopping. We are exploring the work of Anna Walker, and creating art in her style, and a narrative to go with the artwork. We are hoping to create a gallery that you can come and see later in the term! Next week we start our unit on data and chance, and we will continue this during Science Week when we have a week of experiments!

Ms Hannah and Ms Mia

# THREE/FOUR



In the 3-4 class one of our writing foci has been on inference, using the strategy, 'Show, don't tell'. Students have also been dabbling in poetry writing once a week. It was been great to see the creativity and courage students have displayed in writing and sharing their poetry so far.

In Mathematics students have continued to record the results of their athletes in the 'Potato Olympics'. The students are becoming more adept at recording their results in tables and graphs.

Mrs. Eustice organised an Italian themed cooking day for the 3-4s this week. There were many smiling faces and full tummies by the end of the day. The pasta and sauce were made from scratch by the students.

In STEAM the class is using sphero's to experiment with forces. Students will determine the affect that different surfaces have on how fast a sphero moves. They are are predicting that some surfaces will be slippery and others will slow the sphero down more quickly due to friction. They have chosen their test surfaces and will conduct their experiments next week. Students have also been challenged to move a sphero though a maze using block coding.



# FIVE/SIX



In Grade 5/6 this week we've continued our Potato Olympics extravaganza with much enjoyment had by all. Our potatoes and their coaches participated in 'sprints' this week, where students had to roll their potatoes as far as they could before using our trundle wheels to measure the distance. Each potato had three turns at the event with students estimating and then recording their scores.

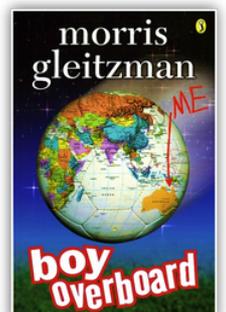
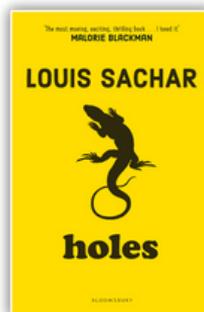
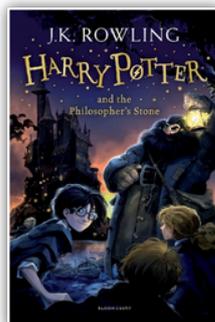
Following on from our events we have been learning how to use our digital technology to make graphs which represent our data visually across the class.



In Reading this week our class has begun their Book Club reading groups which was met with much excitement from students! Each student was able to use their own voice and choice to select their preference from our four novels on offer; Harry Potter, Holes, Wonder and Boy Overboard. Each week our groups meet together to read, discuss and complete teacher guided and peer supported tasks that allow us to delve into the story and immerse ourselves with the themes and characters.



Ms. Brooke  
and  
Mrs Rach



# BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to our wonderful students and staff who are celebrating their birthdays soon!

10TH MISS JESS K

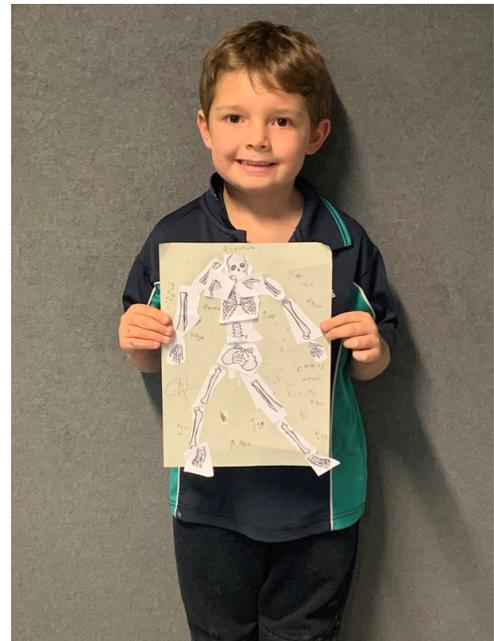
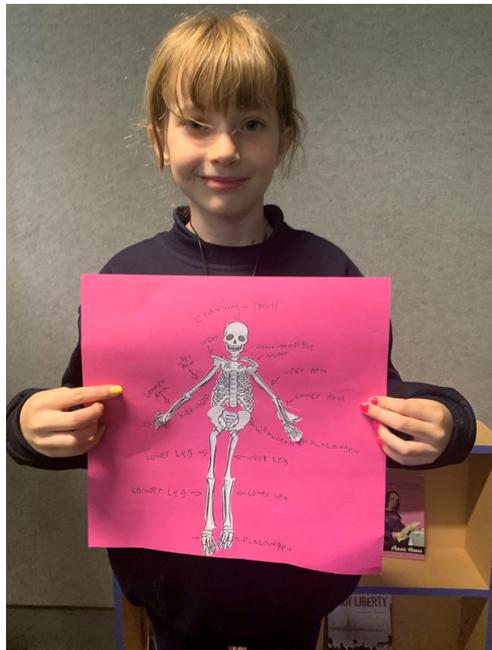
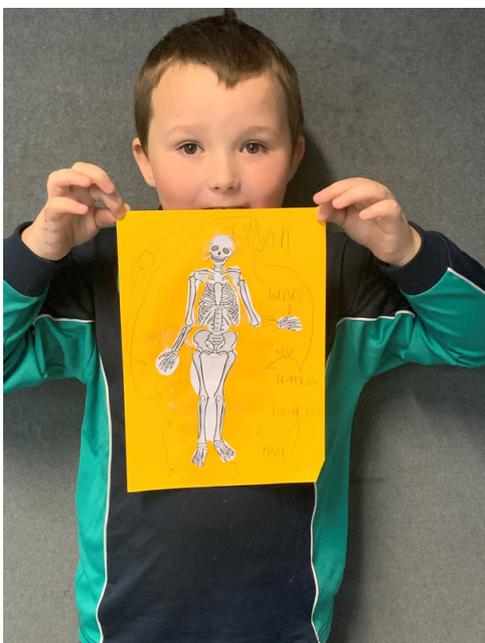
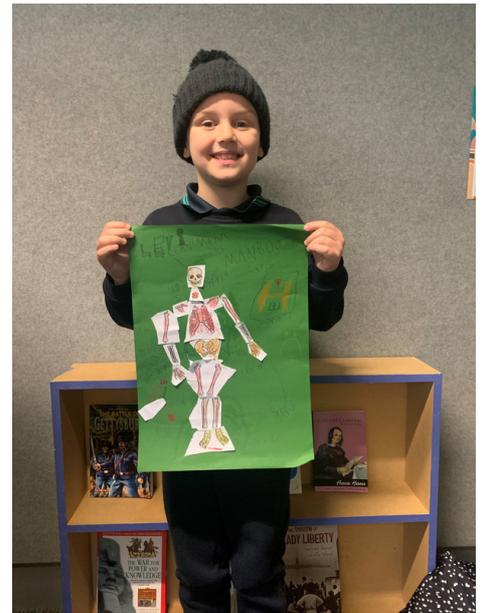
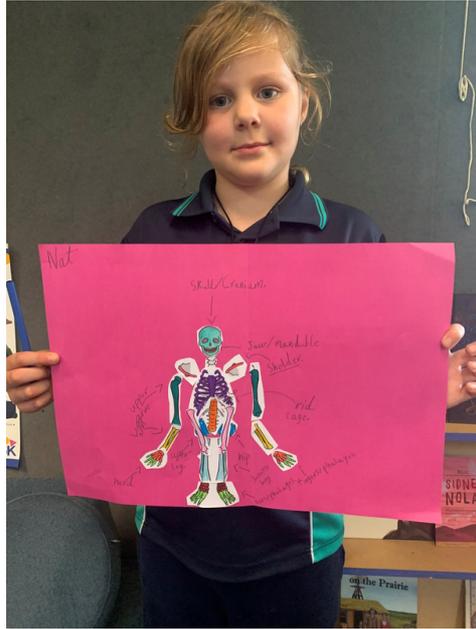
15TH EMMA



# PHYSICAL EDUCATION



# HEALTH



# PRINCIPAL'S DAY

Today, Victorian Schools celebrated Principal's Day. It was a great opportunity to recognise the outstanding Leadership and Direction that Mrs Carly Middleton has provided our school.



# THE ESCAPE FROM MILLBROOK MANOR

Grade 5/6 students participated in the the challenge to Escape from Millbrook Manor. Students had to enter 5 rooms (The Creepy Kitchen, The Bizzare Bedroom, The Spooky Study, The Freaky Foyer and The Loathsome Library.) In each room, students had to work out the mathematical equation to reveal a magic number. Once they had all five numbers, students had to add them together to reveal the passcode to escape.

