



NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 8

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Magpie Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live, work, learn and play.

PRINCIPAL UPDATE



Hello parents, carers and community friends,

A huge congratulations needs to be shared with all our Grade 3 and 5 students, their families and their teachers. Our students in Grade 3 and 5 began their NAPLAN tests this week and they have been fabulous. The resilience and 'give-it-my-best' kind of attitudes have been wonderful to see from our students. They are half way through the NAPLAN tests and I thank everyone involved for their support in making this as relaxed and successful as possible.

School Council members were announced via Compass the other day. Thank you to our Council members for their nominations and desire to help continue shaping our school. Mathew Redmond, Amanda Kerr, Liz Robinson, Rose Ward, Michael Reeves, Jemimah Kendrick, Tenae Jones, Mr Beacham, Ms Hannah and myself are your 2023 School Council.

We are running an Easter Raffle this year. Raffle tickets will be sent out very soon and a Compass post with more information. But, to make this successful, we are asking members of the community to donate prizes to the raffle. If you are able to donate something, please drop it into the office to go towards our prizes.

Student Led Conferences are coming up on 4th and 6th April. These are a great opportunity for your child to share their achievements and progress with you and will be centred around the students leading the discussions. Please make your bookings on Compass once the notification comes up.

Cross Country last Friday was a fantastic success for our students. Well done to Mr. Beacham for all his efforts in making this day run so well. It was also fabulous to see so many community members supporting our students. We enjoyed having open classrooms and our BBQ picnic lunch with everyone, too!

Lastly, please keep your eyes on Compass for updated details. Harmony Day is on Tuesday 21st March. We will be holding a Smoking Ceremony, there will be a didgeridoo performance, and everyone is welcome to attend. Feel free to wear or add something orange to your day to highlight Harmony Day (full school uniform required unless you have an orange shirt). This year's theme is 'Living in Harmony' and I certainly think that's a great theme to be celebrating.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend ahead. Enjoy some lovely weather!

MRS CARLY MIDDLETON

KEY DATES

March 21st

Harmony Day

March 23rd

Athletics Day

March 24th

NAPLAN concludes
Winter Sports Gr 4-6

March 30th

School Council AGM

March 31st

Winter Sports Gr 4-6

April 4th

Afternoon Student-led
conferences

April 6th

Student Led Conferences
(Student Free Day)
Last day of Term 1

April 24th

First Day Term 2

April 25th

ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	23 JAN	24 JAN	25 JAN	26 JAN	27 JAN STAFF RETURN TO SCHOOL
2	30 JAN SSG Meeting Day	31 JAN STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL	1 FEB Lunch Order No Preps	2 FEB	3 FEB Newsletter
3	6 FEB	7 FEB SAKG Cooking 5/6	8 FEB Lunch Order No Preps	9 FEB Prep Photo for the Courier	10 FEB Assembly
4	13 FEB	14 FEB SAKG Cooking 3/4	15 FEB Lunch Order No Preps	16 FEB	17 FEB Newsletter Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - SUNDAY
5	20 FEB	21 FEB	22 FEB Lunch Order No Preps	23 FEB Athletics Day School Council	24 FEB Assembly
6	27 FEB	28 FEB SAKG Cooking 2/3	1 MAR Lunch Order No Preps	2 MAR	3 MAR Newsletter
7	6 MAR	7 MAR SAKG Cooking 1/2	8 MAR Lunch Order No Preps	9 MAR	10 MAR Assembly Cross Country
8	13 MAR LABOUR DAY	14 MAR CURRICULUM DAY	15 MAR Lunch Order	16 MAR	17 MAR Newsletter
9	20 MAR	21 MAR Harmony Day	22 MAR Lunch Order	23 MAR Athletics Day	24 MAR Assembly
10	27 MAR	28 MAR SAKG Cooking P/1	29 MAR Lunch Order	30 MAR School Council	31 MAR Newsletter
11	3 APR	4 APR Afternoon Student Led Conferences	5 APR Lunch Order	6 APR Student Free - Student Led Conferences	

Please join us for our celebrations for

HARMONY DAY

The events will start with a Smoking Ceremony facilitated by one of our parents.

We hope you can join us to celebrate our school's culture and diversity.



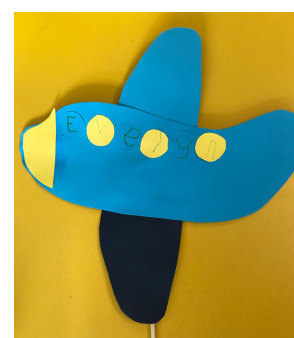
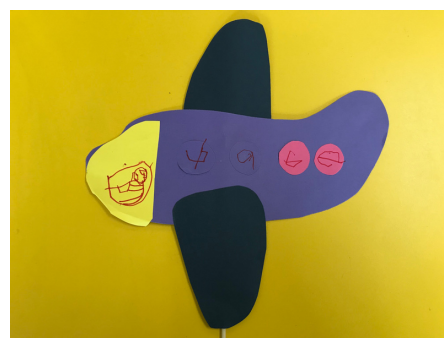
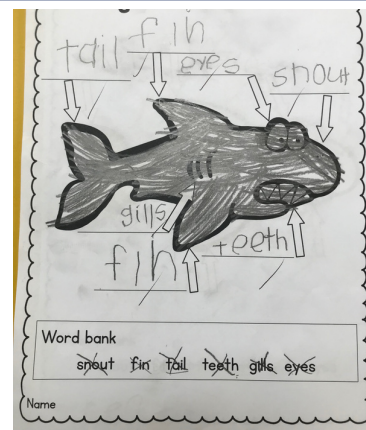
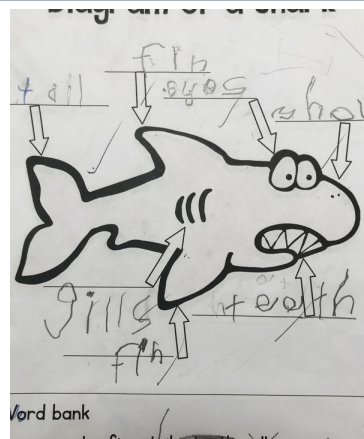
Students to wear full school uniform, but can wear an orange shirt or ribbon. No other free dress please.

TUESDAY

21 MARCH
2023

AT 09:30 AM

PREP/ONE



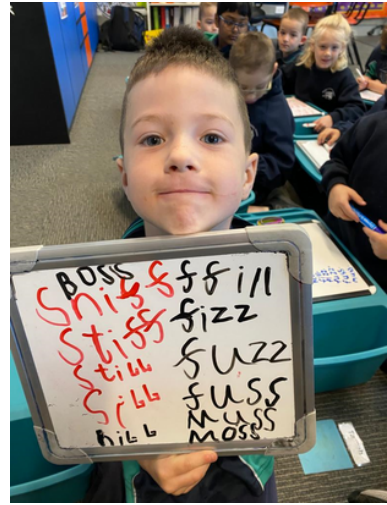
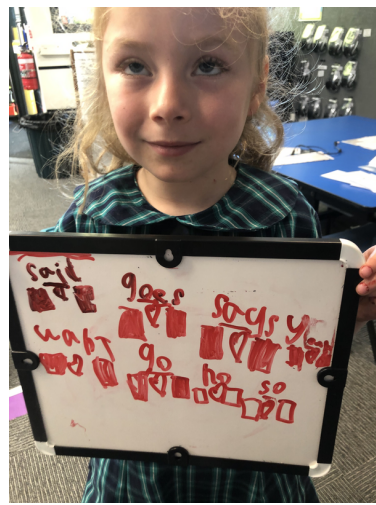
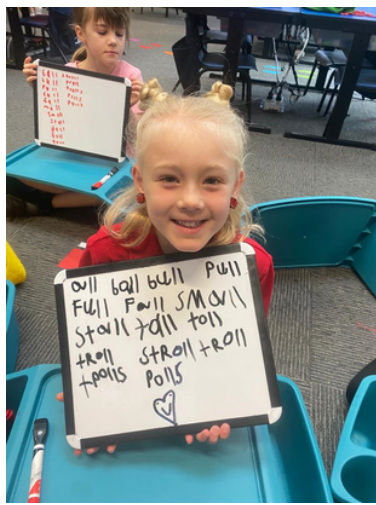
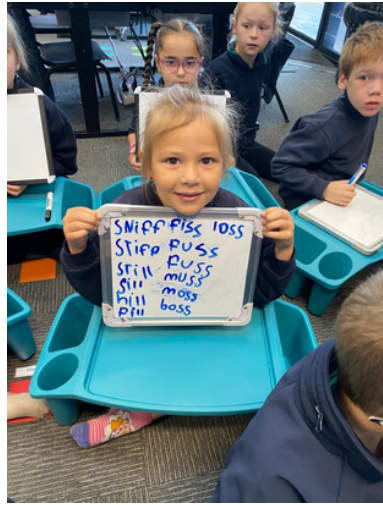
We have had a great couple of weeks in the Prep/One room. We have been learning facts about ocean animals in Literacy. We have also been learning about the letter T. We made some colourful turtles to swim in our classroom ocean.

In Numeracy we have been sequencing the Three Little Bears story and acting it out.

The students loved participating in the Cross Country Run last Friday. It was great to see so much good sportsmanship and enthusiasm on the day.



ONE/TWO

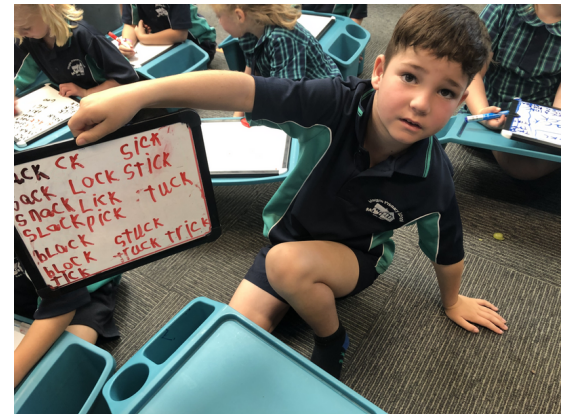


We have had an interesting couple of weeks in the Grade One Two classroom, with a four day weekend in the middle, which was a lovely break for everyone.

We have been working on our sounds and spelling rules with our UFLI lessons. The children have been learning the rule for adding f, l, s, z after a short vowel sound and the rule for spelling the 'c' sound after a short vowel sound.

In maths we have been having a blast working through our daily slides which help the children learn to see numbers within numbers or decomposing. They have also been working on their understanding of place-value.

We have also had some great online learning with Ecolinc sessions about fabulous frogs, creatures and their features and insect ID.



TWO/THREE



The past fortnight in the Grade 2/3 class has been all about doing our best! The students showed this during Cross Country where every 2/3 student tried their hardest, and with a smile on their face too. Students cheered on their friends and showed great support for their houses. The Grade 3 students have also been doing their best with NAPLAN, and I have been in awe of the positive attitude they have all had towards the testing, and the way they have worked so hard to do their best. I hope this mindset continues through the next few weeks as we commence our end of term testing, and for Athletics Day next Thursday.



On Monday, Peter Shane from BADAC will be coming to spend some time with the students discussing the meaning and creation process of our class Acknowledgement of Country. In Literacy the students will finish the narrative they have been working on, and they will be using digital technologies to animate or illustrate their narratives. The students will also be working on their portfolios for the student conferences at the end of the term. In maths we will start looking at shape and transformation. A quick reminder about lunches, if students wish to bring instant noodles they will need to bring them in a thermos due to safety concerns. Students can always bring a lunch to be warmed in the pie warmer - just remember to wrap it in foil and write your child's name on it.

THREE/FOUR



It's crazy to think that we're already in Week 8 of Term 1! This fortnight has been filled with some more amazing, spontaneous and cheerful learning opportunities, from creating our own Aboriginal artefacts to burning our lungs running in cross country.



Cross country was amazing, the weather was beautiful and all students participated so well and tried their very hardest. I'm very proud of everyone especially those little champions who got through to the next stage



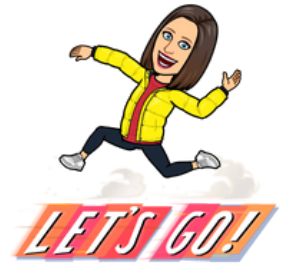
We have been getting our hands dirty with paint, glue and the pesky old crepe paper that seems to never stick to the work, but will stick on every other surface in the classroom, haha! The Aboriginal artefacts that students researched and then created were amazing, they had colour, detailed facts and they worked in pairs respectfully. Keep up the fantastic work 3/4.



FIVE/SIX



CROSS COUNTRY



One of our students mentioned that his goal this year was to do better in cross country. This began a conversation among the class about how we can improve our efforts from last year... which led to a scheduled training session each day at 10:30am before recess, most days for 3 weeks leading up to cross country day. Students' attitudes and enthusiasm for improving themselves was amazing and we are very proud of everyone's efforts on the day. We are even in talks to keep up our daily run a couple of times a week as students feel the exercise and fresh air helps to improve how they feel during the day.



BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to our wonderful students who are celebrating their birthdays over the next fortnight!

Happy
Birthday!

MARCH

ROWAN - 16TH

KEITH - 17TH





What's been happening...

Happy March everyone, wishing all the best for the rest of the month and hope you're all kicking goals. The last fortnight has been packed full of our new OSH adventures with the kids getting into the spirit of trying new things.

This last fortnight the kids have been exploring different foods in the kitchen using our flavour fest adventures, New food fever, Meat free mania and Easy Eats have all been a hit.

During our STEM Club the kids got creative with a Will it float challenge & making awesome marble tracks out of paper.

Since our Launch of our new Rise then Shine & Stay and Play programs the kids are extra excited for what's happening at OSHClub and are always looking forward to the next time they're here.

To enrol go to oshclub.com.au.

or for more Information phone 0486013816



OSH CLUB NEWS

11 / 4

Holiday Program Approaching

Morning

Rise Then Shine Program

Afternoon

Stay And Play Program

Upcoming activities

Monday 20/3	Bean Bag Tag & Dinner Delights
Tuesday 21/3	<u>STREET EATZ CLUB</u>
Wednesday 22/3	<u>Crafts, Easy Eats & Run the Gauntlet</u>
Thursday 23/3	<u>Athletics Day</u>
Friday 24/3	<u>Sports Games</u>



EXCITING NEWS

Teeth on Wheels will be visiting this term!



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Tue Apr 11th to Fri Apr 14th
Mon Apr 17th to Fri Apr 21st



PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Gymnastics Park Play

FORTRESS FUN (cheerleading)

Mini Olympics **Games**

Ninja Craft Acrobatics

Dance Circus



Daily - 9am to 3pm
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