



# NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 2

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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!

Welcome back to Term 2! We have made an amazing start to the new term, with staff and students showing great enthusiasm and excitement to be back.

It will be another busy term, with our Grade 3-6 students eagerly looking forward to attending camp, a new dance program beginning next week for 3/4 and 5/6, the DASH program in 5/6, SAKG is back, excursions are being planned, school photos next week, in school activities and all the other important learning along the way! All of this is possible thanks to our amazing team of staff.

This term we welcome Ms. Hutchins and Ms. Connolly to our team, who are heading up many fantastic programs including: STEM, Art, Music, Dance, and Auslan later in the year.

Our School Council members have been working behind the scenes approaching businesses for support in our Mother's Day raffle. Without their efforts, we would certainly not have the wonderful prizes that we have so far! Keep your eyes on Facebook as we keep sharing the prizes on offer. And - don't forget to sell your tickets and get them back to the office before 9am Monday 12th May.

On Monday 12th, we will be holding our assembly at 9am. On this morning, we will be celebrating all our lovely, important, and special ladies in our lives (mums, carers, aunts, grandparents...) and we are inviting you to share the morning with our students. The students are busily preparing more information to share. But keep the morning (9-11am) free if you can, we would love to see you there. There may even be some student made scones involved - but that's a surprise so 'sshh!'

I have been approached by parents, who are once again concerned for the safety of all of our students. I ask of all who come through our gates to please be mindful of others and be safe. This includes while driving, parking, walking around cars, crossing the road, etc. Our students are our future and we are all responsible for modelling correct, safe behaviour around our school. I appreciate everyone's support in this.

Lastly a reminder to ensure you order your school photos on Compass. This is a new change for 2023, please see the office if you need assistance. For school photos, please make sure all students are in full, correct school uniform.

Have a fabulous weekend!

**MRS CARLY MIDDLETON**

## KEY DATES

**May 9th**

Whole school photo day

**May 12th**

Mother's Day (& Special Ladies) morning - assembly at 9am morning tea and open classrooms after assembly

**May 16th**

Gr 2/3 SAKG

**May 23rd**

Gr 3/4 SAKG

**May 29th - 31st**

Gr 3-6 School Camp

**May 29th**

Reconciliation Week

**May 30th**

Gr 1/2 SAKG

**June 9th**

Curriculum Day - No School

**June 12th**

King's Birthday - Public Holiday

**June 17th**

Movie Fundraiser 2pm



# SCHOOL CALENDAR

## TERM 2

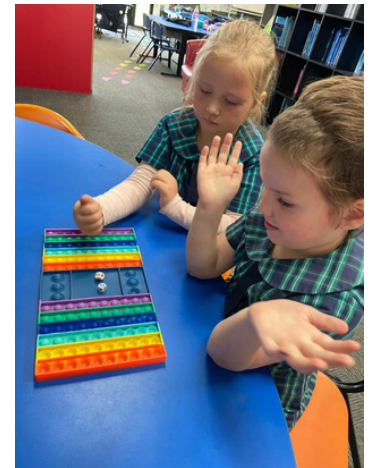
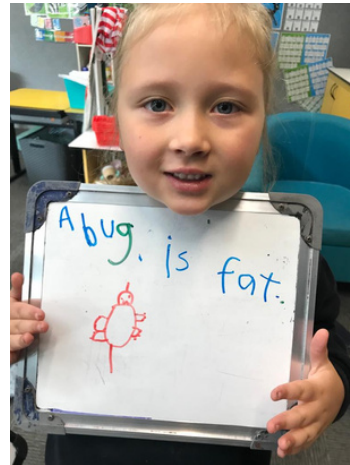
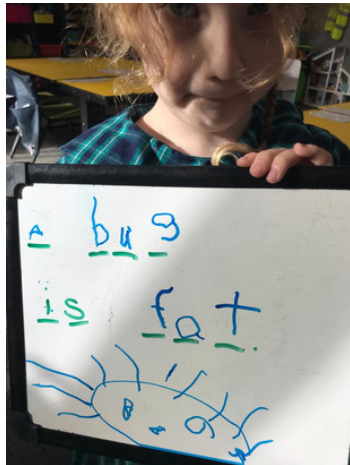
|   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY                                     | FRIDAY  |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|
| 1 | 24 APR<br>STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL             | 25 APR<br>ANZAC DAY                                    | 26 APR<br>Lunch Order                             | 27 APR<br>Teeth on Wheels                    | 28 APR<br>Winter Sports                           |
| 2 | 1 MAY   | 2 MAY<br>SAKG Cooking 5/6                              | 3 MAY<br>Lunch Order                              | 4 MAY  | 5 MAY<br>Newsletter<br>Winter Sports              |
| 3 | 8 MAY   | 9 MAY<br>School Photos                                 | 10 MAY<br>Lunch Order                             | 11 MAY<br>Dance Program for 3/4 & 5/6 begins | 12 MAY<br>Mother's Day Morning & Assembly         |
| 4 | 15 MAY  | 16 MAY<br>SAKG Cooking 2/3                             | 17 MAY<br>Lunch Order                             | 18 MAY<br>School Council                     | 19 MAY<br>Newsletter                              |
| 5 | 22 MAY  | 23 MAY<br>SAKG Cooking 3/4                             | 24 MAY<br>Lunch Order                             | 25 MAY                                       | 26 MAY<br>Assembly<br>National Sorry Day          |
| 6 | 29 MAY<br>Reconciliation Week<br>Grade 3-6 Camp | 30 MAY<br>SAKG Cooking 1/2<br>Grade 3-6 Camp           | 31 MAY<br>Lunch Order<br>Grade 3-6 Camp           | 1 JUN  | 2 JUN<br>Newsletter                               |
| 7 | 5 JUN   | 6 JUN  | 7 JUN<br>Lunch Order                              | 8 JUN  | 9 JUN<br>CURRICULUM DAY                           |
| 8 | 12 JUN<br>KING'S BIRTHDAY                       | 13 JUN<br>SAKG Cooking P/1<br>Grade 5 - Sovereign Hill | 14 JUN<br>Lunch Order<br>Grade 5 - Sovereign Hill | 15 JUN<br>School Council                     | 16 JUN<br>Newsletter<br>Sat 17th Movie Fundraiser |
| 9 | 19 JUN  | 20 JUN   | 21 JUN<br>Lunch Order                             | 22 JUN                                       | 23 JUN<br>Assembly 2pm - Early finish 2:30        |

# PREP/ONE



We are off to a great start to term 2 in the Prep/One Room. The students are learning all about bugs and insects. They made some colorful bugs for our classroom tree. In reading we have been practicing our three letter words. We have been writing them in pencil, chalk, playdough, salt and anything else we can get our hands on! Our sound of the week is 'O' . Mrs Eustace made some delicious orange cupcakes with the class.

In Numeracy we have been using ten-frames to help us count to 20 and we have just started learning about addition. Students are loving adding numbers together so if you get a chance ask them an addition sum over the dinner table!

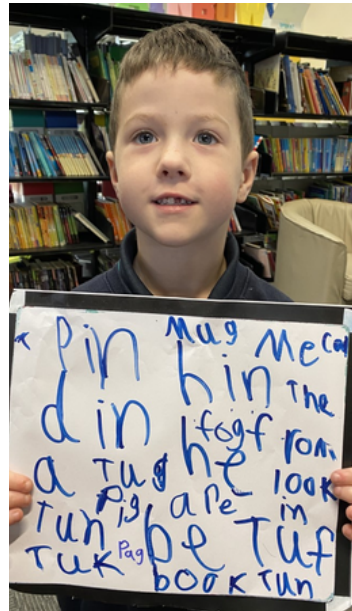


# ONE/TWO



We are so happy to be back for an awesome term two in the grade 1/2 classroom. This week we have been reading books with humorous characters, we have noticed some of the characteristics that make them funny, such as the way they are depicted in illustrations and the way they talk. We have been creating our own stories with characters that we have made up. We have also been making sure we include a problem and solution in our stories.

In maths we love doing our daily slides each day! We have been concentrating on addition and even two digit addition. We have also been looking at patterns with our new teacher Mrs Connolly who will be joining us each Friday from now on as Mrs M gets some well deserved rest.



# TWO/THREE



We have started the term by exploring rules and laws, who makes them, and why we have them. We have been reading fiction stories about rules and laws, and there have been lots of great discussions about what happens when we don't have rules or laws in our community. In UFLI we have learned about /ph/, /wh/, /ng/ and /nk/. We have been learning about pronouns and prepositions, and learning how to use them in our writing. In maths we have been learning about the language of chance, and we've particularly focusing developing really strong strategies for solving two-digit addition and subtraction problems. Special thank you to Alex, Drew's mum, for coming in and helping with reading on Thursday. Any grown-ups are welcome to come along on a Thursday, they just need a Working With Children Check. We are looking forward to our Special Ladies Day next Friday, and showing our special people around our classroom. We hope you can make it!



# THREE/FOUR



## WELCOME BACK!

Term 2 has been amazing so far! The 3/4s have settled straight into routine and are ready to learn. I hope all families had a wonderful Easter, and I hope the students got some much needed rest.



## OUR LEARNING

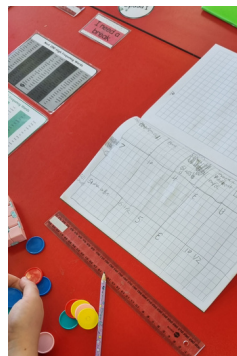
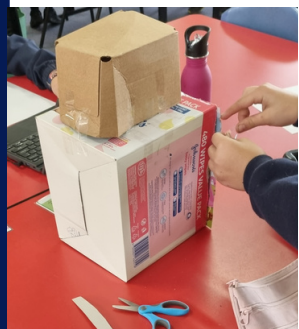
During the fortnight students have learnt all about Haiku poems and have produced some beautiful work, I'm so excited to start Limerick poems next week! I can already imagine the funny poems that will come out of our writing lessons. Numeracy has been very hands on, and we have learnt so many life skills (using a measuring tape correctly, collecting data, creating different graphs and the difference between length, width and height) I didn't want to get my height taken...I haven't grown since year 7!

We have had many brain breaks, mainly silent ball and Mario, Minions and Minecraft run, to help energise our minds. Friday mornings are our favourite because we complete either a guided draw, imaginative craft or some mindfulness colouring in, the students have blown me away with their creativity!



9:30-10:00

| Student  | Est. GUESS | Actual height |
|----------|------------|---------------|
| Sophia   | 130cm      | 128cm         |
| Sienna   | 145cm      | 138           |
| Grace    | 130cm      | 132cm         |
| Trinity  | 154cm      | 145cm         |
| Tyson    | 140cm      | 139           |
| Lucas    |            |               |
| Benedley | 153cm      | 125cm         |
| Paki     | 134cm      | 122cm         |
| Fethan   | 144cm      | 146cm         |
| Tehya    | 155cm      | 145cm         |
| Max      | 144cm      | 148cm         |
| Oliver   | 130cm      | 132cm         |
| Jack     | 155cm      | 136cm         |
| Immi     | 10cm       | 124cm         |
| Levi     | 132cm      | 132cm         |
| Brui     | 145cm      | 139cm         |
| Aura     |            |               |
| Ryder    | 143cm      | 129cm         |
| Esie     | 160cm      | 145cm         |
| Noah     | 125cm      | 125cm         |
| Kai      | 177cm      | 184cm         |



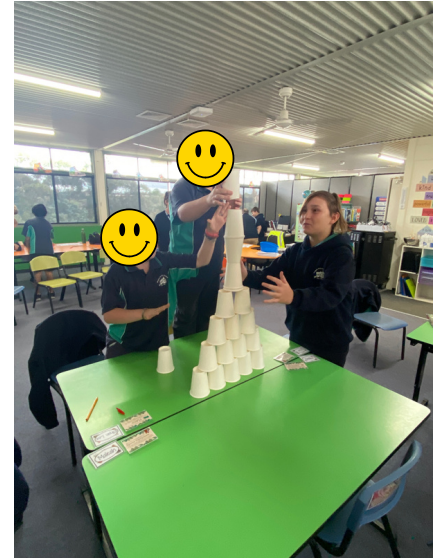
# FIVE/SIX



What a great start to Term 2!

We have had 2 weeks of DASH with Ollie, we had Kitchen Garden with Mrs Eustice, we've started Drumbeat, and we just had our last winter sports day.

I'm sure we've been able to fit some reading, writing and maths in there somewhere too!!



# BIRTHDAYS

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

Happy  
Birthday!

**MAY**

**GRACE - 9TH**

**TYRION - 10TH**

**ALARAH - 10TH**





PLEASE COME TO OUR

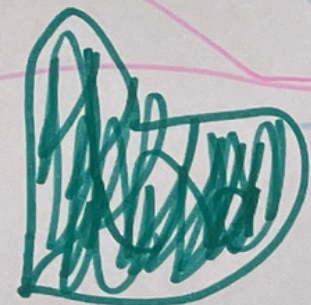
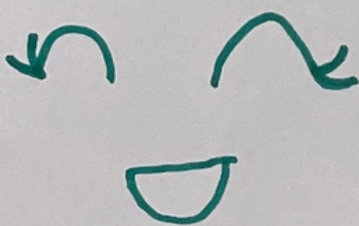
Special

Ladies Day

Friday, May 12th

The day will start with assembly  
at 9am, and then guests can  
spend time visiting their  
student's classroom.

Morning tea provided.



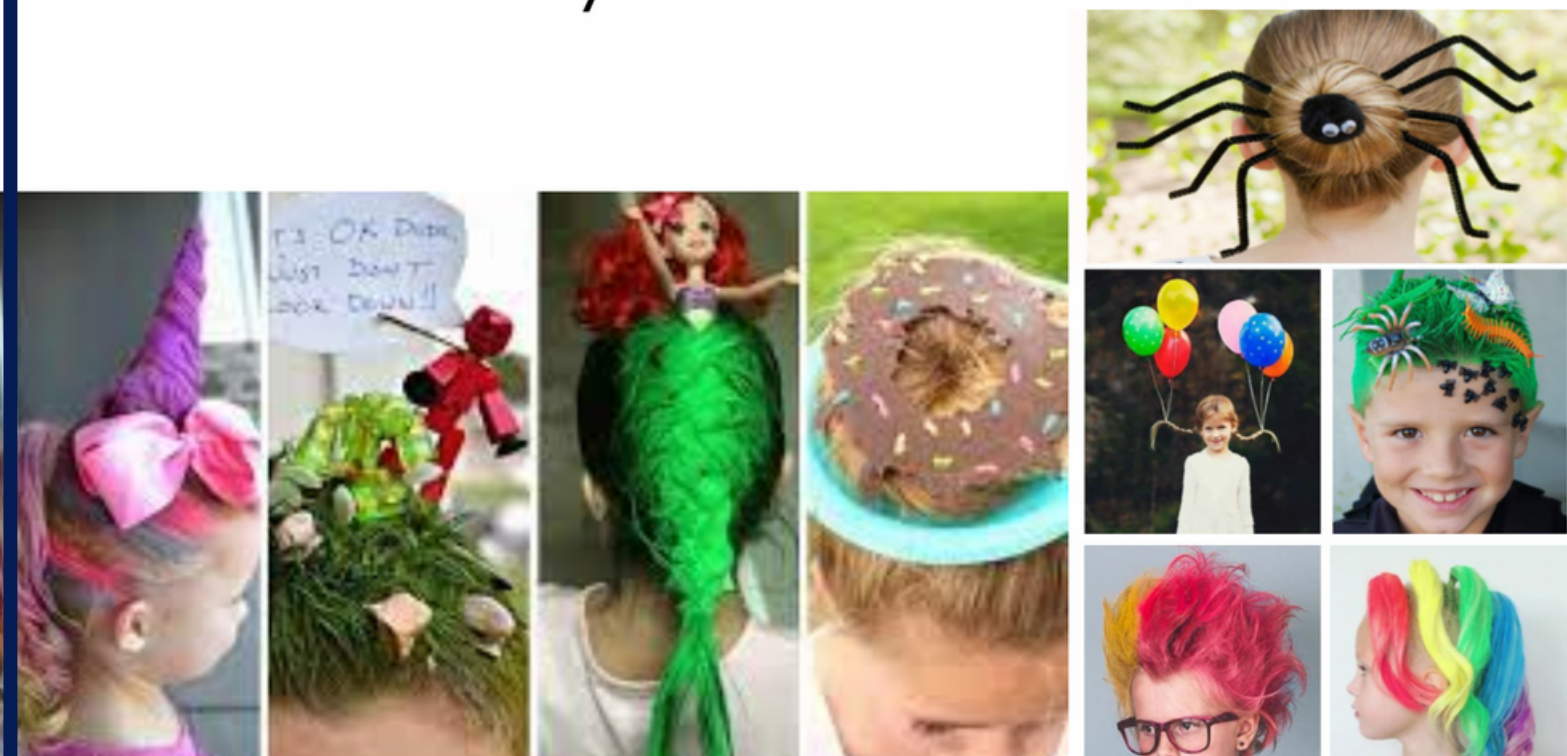
# HOT JAM DONUTS

**Hot Jam Donut Day** is Friday 26th of May & Friday 23rd of June. Money raised from this fundraiser will go towards purchasing art supplies.



# CRAZY HAIR DAY

Magpie PS is looking forward to holding our **Crazy Hair Day on Tuesday 13th of June.** We ask all students to make a gold coin donation either via Qkr or on the day to their teacher. The JSC will then meet to determine how they can best use the money within our school.



# MAGPIE PS FREE DRESS DAY

Magpie PS will be holding a **free dress day on Thursday.**

**18th of May.** We ask all students that come dressed in free dress to make a gold coin donation. This can be done via Qkr or on the day to your classroom teacher. The JSC will then meet to decide where they allocate the funds to.



**OSH CLUB NEWS**

## What's been happening...

We hope everyone had a lovely break for the holidays. Term Two has started in full force. These two weeks have been busy. In both weeks, we've cooked up a storm in the kitchen, making homemade sausage rolls, mini pizzas, smoothies, pancakes, muffins and more. To burn off all that extra energy we have been getting outside when we can in this weather with different sports games from both our adventure box and the classics like dodgeball.

In these weeks, the kids have been super excited to express their OSHClub activity desires and are pumped with all the extra recipes we can cook up.

This Term we have also welcomed a new face into our OSHClub community, we look forward to welcoming many more faces as the term progresses.

To enrol go to [oshclub.com.au](http://oshclub.com.au) or for more Information phone 0486013816.

### Upcoming activities

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <i>Monday 8/5</i><br><b>Rise then Shine</b>     | <b><u>Lemonade Scones,</u></b><br><b><u>Sheep Tag &amp; Colouring</u></b>                           |
| <i>Tuesday 9/5</i><br><b>Stay and play</b>      | <b><u>Mini Apple Pies, Rob</u></b><br><b><u>the Nest &amp; Kinetic</u></b><br><b><u>Sand</u></b>    |
| <i>Wednesday 10/5</i><br><b>Rise then Shine</b> | <b><u>Hash Browns, Rob the</u></b><br><b><u>nest &amp; Mother's Day</u></b><br><b><u>Crafts</u></b> |
| <i>Thursday 11/5</i><br><b>Stay and Play</b>    | <b><u>Veggie Nachos, 4</u></b><br><b><u>corners &amp; Outdoor</u></b><br><b><u>games</u></b>        |
| <i>Friday 12/5</i><br><b>Stay and play</b>      | <b>Flying Saucers, Run the</b><br><b>Gauntlet &amp; Outdoor</b><br><b>Games</b>                     |

### Upcoming Clubs (Date TBD)

Tuesdays

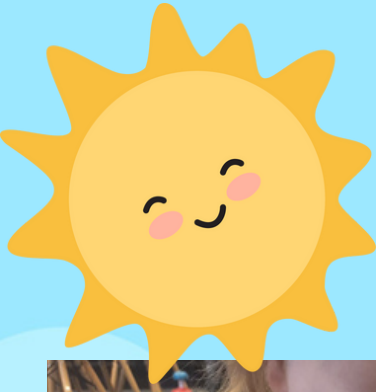
**Wacky & Wonderful Wooden works**

Fridays

**Science Squad**



# SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP



## SUPPORTED PLAYGROUPS ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING NEW ENROLMENTS !



- Come along and meet other families
- Fun engaging activities and circle time
- Learn about play and children's development
- Parenting tips
- Information on local events & services
- Ideas for things to try at home

Places are limited, for more information please contact:

Emily – City of Ballarat, Supported Playgroups

Ph: 0417 314 501

Email: [emilymarkovic@ballarat.vic.gov.au](mailto:emilymarkovic@ballarat.vic.gov.au)



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SPRAY JACKET**  
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# RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY



## Our school\* is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.



Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school\* with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school\* earns!

**Collections close 7th July.**

**Tip for collecting:**  
Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

### Did you know?

Last year, schools collected over **10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the weight of an elephant!

## LET'S GET COLLECTING!

\* Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.

Tag [@wonder.australia](#) [#wonderrecyclingrewards](#) to share all your recycling champion stories!





# Join us!

Walk or run the Mother's Day Classic



## SUNDAY 14 MAY

REGISTER NOW!  
[mothersdayclassic.com.au](https://mothersdayclassic.com.au)

**GET ACTIVE FOR BREAST CANCER RESEARCH**



**JOIN MOTHERS DAY CLASSIC 2023**

9.00am - Run 5km & 10km. 10:00am - Walk 5km.

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# JOIN THE FUN!

East Point Dragons All Girls Auskick Centre  
White Flat Oval, Ballarat

Friday April 28th - July 21st from 4:30pm-5:30pm

For more information please contact  
Alex Campbell: 0448 598 934



Scan the QR Code to register!



positive partnerships

Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

## FREE WEBINAR EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING



Join us to learn all about executive functioning. Executive functions are those cognitive skills that enable us to regulate, control and manage our thoughts and actions. These skills are strongly connected to learning and development.

Participants will:

- explore executive functioning skills and the implications for home and school for young people on the autism spectrum
- consider practical strategies to support the development of executive functioning skills

There are two different session times to choose from.

Thursday 4th May 2023 -  
~~12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (AEST)~~

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Thursday 11th May 2023 -

~~7:30 PM - 8:30 PM (AEST)~~

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*All of our webinars are free and participants that attend receive <sup>a</sup> certificate following the completion of the webinar.*



To register for this webinar and find upcoming ones, visit  
[P-OSitiveP-artnershiP-s.com.au](http://P-OSitiveP-artnershiP-s.com.au)