



NEWSLETTER TERM 3 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 3! How we got to Term 3 already has really got me stumped!! The year is flying by and we have many more great adventures planned ahead for this term. A reminder to please keep your eyes on Compass for events and the calendar is available on both Compass and the Newsletter.

The return to this term has gone very smoothly, with exciting things happening already. The students loved the activities throughout NAIDOC Week and we've had the Ecolinc incursion, as well as the RACV Road Safety incursion today - a flyer is in the newsletter for more information!

We are glad to see that most of our students are coming to school dressed for the inclement Ballarat winter weather. Please send your child in appropriate clothing, including jumpers and jackets. Students are encouraged to wear jackets and beanies in the cold weather (navy blue), but take them off when inside. Please see the office if you need assistance with uniform items.

The new court yard has been a very popular place over the last week! If you haven't come in to have a peek - feel free to do so. Thanks to Ballarat Groundworks and Mr. Dale who have brought this amazing space back to life. It looks fabulous and it is the most popular place in the yard at the moment!

In the works at the moment... We are working on insulating and sound dampening the Art / STEM shed. This will provide a warmer and calmer space for the students as they now use this space for Art, STEM and Music. A huge thank you to Mr. Dale as he works his way through this project!

Once the inside works are complete, Mr. Dale is hoping to work on some yard projects and tidying up for the nicer weather. If this is something you might be able to assist Mr. Dale with for a few hours or a day here or there - please let the office know, as Mr. Dale would be greatly appreciative of any extra hands!

As always, if you have any questions - please pop into the office and we are always happy to help.

Stay warm and dry, and have a fabulous weekend!

MRS CARLY MIDDLETON

KEY DATES

August 4th

Aboriginal Children's Day

Free hot lunch

August 9th

Serendip Sanctuary - Whole School Excursion

September 4th

Student Free Day

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	10 JULY NAIDOC Week STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL	11 JULY	13 JULY Lunch Order	14 JULY	15 JULY
2	17 JUL	18 JULY	19 JULY Lunch Order	20 JULY	21 JULY Newsletter Free hot lunch
3	24 JULY	25 JULY SAKG Cooking 5/6	26 JULY Lunch Order	27 JULY	28 JULY Assembly
4	31 JULY	1 AUG SAKG Cooking 3/4	2 AUG Lunch Order	3 AUG School Council	4 AUG Newsletter Free hot lunch Aboriginal Children's Day
5	7 AUG	8 AUG SAKG Cooking 2/3	9 AUG Whole School - Serendip Sanctuary	10 AUG	11 AUG Assembly
6	14 AUG Science Week	15 AUG SAKG Cooking 1/2	16 AUG Lunch Order	17 AUG	18 AUG Newsletter Free hot lunch
7	21 AUG Book Week	22 AUG	23 AUG Lunch Order	24 AUG	25 AUG
8	28 AUG	29 AUG	30 AUG Lunch Order	31 AUG School Council	1 SEP Newsletter
9	4 SEP CURRICULUM DAY	5 SEP SAKG Cooking P/1	6 SEP Lunch Order	7 SEP	8 SEP
10	11 SEP	12 SEP Student Led Interviews 3:30- 5:30	13 SEP Whole School - Arts Centre - Waru	14 SEP	15 SEP Student Led Interviews 9-12 STUDENT FREE

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Magpie Primary School takes great pride in our school uniform. It is important to ensure your child has the correct uniform items for school.

The supplier for our school uniform is Beleza, and you can find them in Doveton Street or online www.beleza.com.au

During winter, students may bring warm jackets to be worn outside, as well as navy blue or school logo beanies. All other items must be within our uniform policy. Plain black leather school shoes are the best shoes for this weather. School uniform can be expensive, so it is extremely important that all uniform items are clearly named so we can return lost items to the owner quickly.



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)



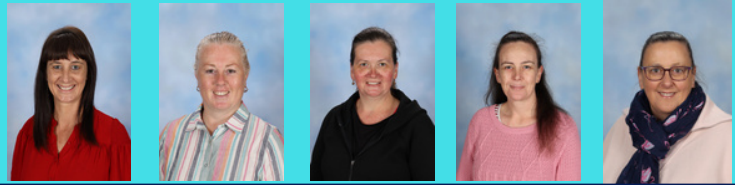
Student footwear:

- 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/ONE



The Prep/1 have had a great start to term 3!
We have had a busy couple of weeks, with our 'Stig Wemyss' excursion and ecolinc 'Investigating Minibeast Parts' Incurtion.

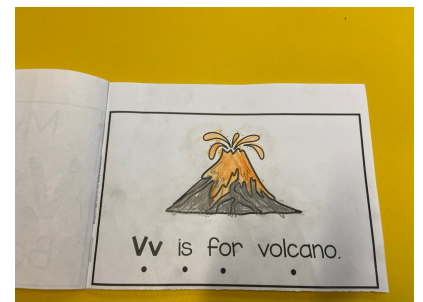
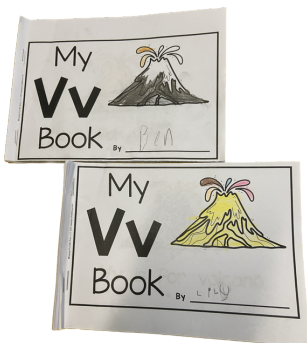
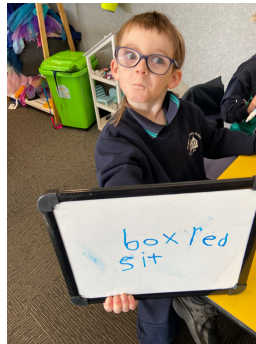


In literacy the students have been working really hard practising Cvc words. we have been sounding them out, making them with magnets and writing them on our whiteboards and in our workbooks.

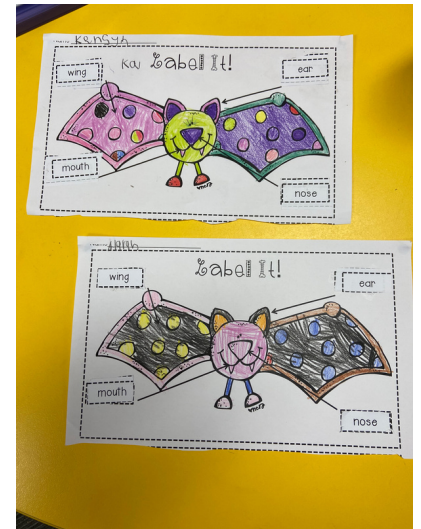
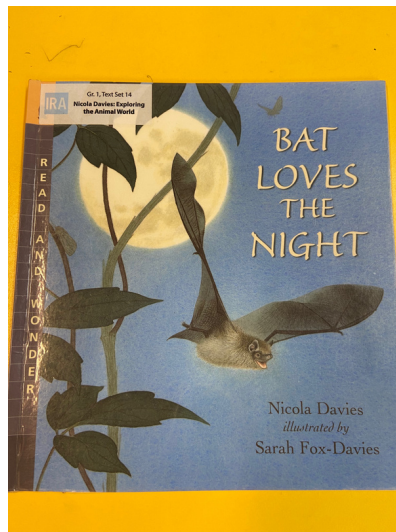
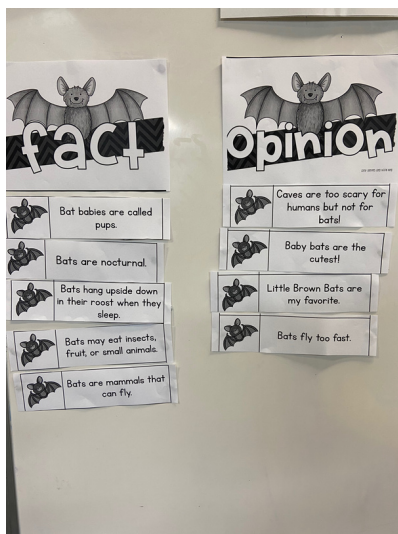
This week we have also been working on our sound of the week 'V' and for this, we enjoyed making 'Vanilla Cupcakes' with Mrs Eustice

We had so much more fun eating them though!! 😊

We have been reading all bout bats. Learning about facts and opinions and participated in labelling a bat activity.



PREP/ONE



During numeracy we have been practising our friends of 10. We have had a lot of fun learning this through, uno cards and by playing 10 pin bowling .



ONE/TWO



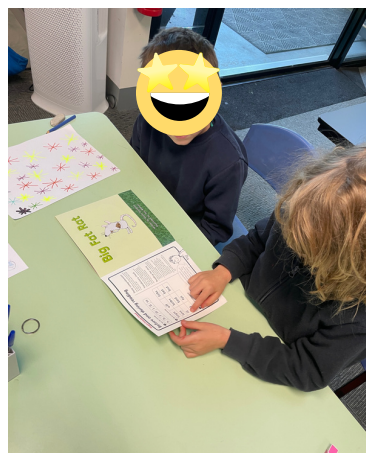
Grade 1 / 2 have had an exciting week of fantastic learning. We have missed Mrs M but have been working hard with Mrs Francis and Miss Connolly.

In Literacy, we have been reading non-fiction texts and noticing the difference between fiction and non-fiction books. In Maths, we have been learning about 2D shapes and their properties, as well as learning the names of some 3D shapes. On Wednesday, we had an exciting incursion in school where we learned about creatures in their habitats and their features.



TWO/THREE

It's hard to believe we're already into Term 3! We started the term with our NAIDOC learning, including last Tuesday's NAIDOC Day which was a wonderful celebration. The EcoLinc excursion this week provided a wonderful launching point for our term-long inquiry into waste, and the impact of waste on the environment. We have started to learn about 'Reduce, Reuse, Recycle', and brainstorm how we can improve our waste management at Magpie PS.

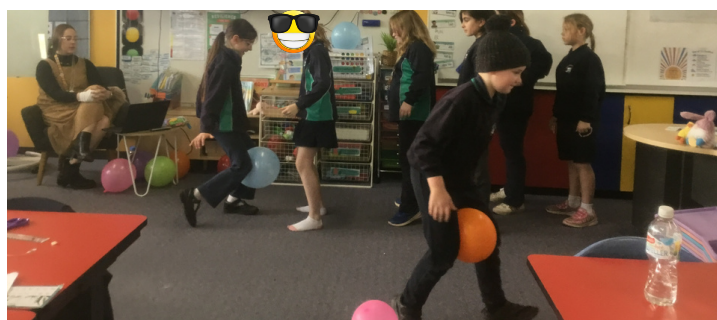
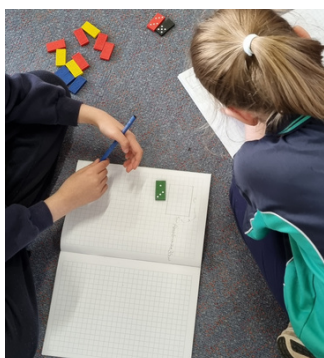


THREE/FOUR



Welcome back 3/4 families! I hope everyone enjoyed a nice break and regenerated. Term 3 is a long one, but it is filled with many amazing excursions and incursions and of course lots of fun learning experiences too.

This fortnight has been a delight, students have settled back into routine well and learning has taking off like a shooting star! We have had heaps of fun enjoying NAIDOC week activities and learning all about dreaming stories in Writing. Numeracy has been all about subtraction, area, perimeter and 2D shapes, students have been loving the hands-on activities. Our NAIDOC week donuts were a hit, and we are all so grateful to have money going towards the Aboriginal mural. Thank you to all families who contributed.



FIVE/SIX



NAIDOC DAY

During NAIDOC week the 5/6 class did bush cooking and made chocolate brownies with lemon myrtle. After that we did indigenous art where we made leaf prints, and indigenous sport with Mr B. We finished with story telling with Zane who taught us how to throw a boomerang. It was fun. -

Student Gr5



STIG WEMYSS & SEBAS LIBRARY

Last week the whole school travelled to Sebastopol Primary School and saw Stig Wemyss who is the narrator of the Treehouse series and the My Bum Went Psycho series. He was a very good joker and asked some of us to do ridiculously funny challenges! Answering questions by only saying words like no and sausages. There was also a challenge where you could only use baby talk. Stig also uses items to make comedy, spraying a water bottle at one of the Sebas students! The reward for doing these weird challenges was a CD audiobook. It was very fun and we can't wait to do something like this again! - David, Gr5



BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to our wonderful students who have celebrated or are about to celebrate their birthdays this month!

A graphic with the words "Happy Birthday!" in large, colorful, 3D-style letters. The letters are in various colors including yellow, blue, green, pink, and orange. The background is dark blue with small, colorful confetti dots scattered around.

JULY

22ND - SIENNAH

29TH - HEIDI

AUGUST

1ST - JACK

2ND - IZAIAH

4TH - ETHAN F





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Now accepting enrolments for
Foundation 2024!



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a tour call 03 5335 8851

**Tours
welcome -
we'd love
to meet
you!**

Waste Warriors all around Victoria need you!

Throughout Term 3, 2023 Magpie OSHClub will be taking part in a new Sustainability Club - Waste Warriors in a bid to teach the important lesson of upcycling! Reusing Items that can be reused means less pollution and more of our precious natural resources are left Intact for future generations...

You can help support our future warriors by donating the below Items.

- Newspapers
- Old Clean Socks
- Coffee Grounds
- Old Clean T-shirts
- Bottle Caps/Lids of Various Colours

To donate Items please contact Magpie on 0486013816, alternatively you might like to drop these Items off to Magpie OSHClub. We appreciate the support and look forward to creating a more sustainable world with you.



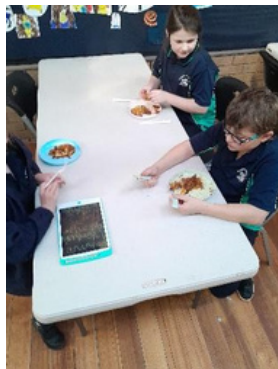
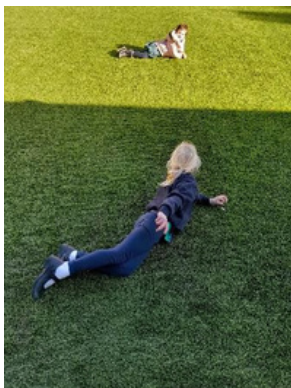
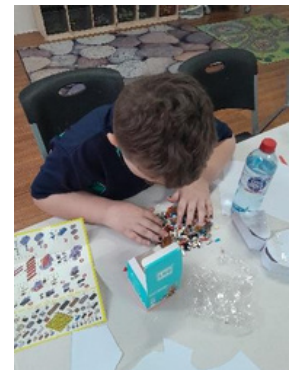
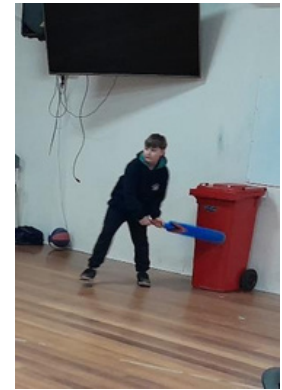


We hope everyone had a lovely break for the holidays. Term Three has started in full force. These first two weeks have started off smoothly with the kids getting back into their groove. In Week One, we made the most of our slightly warmer days by getting outside when we can with some sporty activities. This fortnights kitchen cook ups were lots of fun, we whipped up many different things, some lemonade scones, Pancakes, Blueberry muffins, Chocolate muffins, Spaghetti and meatballs, Lasagna, Milkshakes, Fruit Salsa & some Frankfurt Mummies. In week two, we introduced a new Reward system in our service to promote and praise good behaviours from the children, they have the chance to earn OSH Club Currency and use it to purchase a price from our new prize box. The children were really excited for this to commence, and we noticed some positive changes with some behaviours.

In week two we have selected our First OSH Club for the Term, Waste Warriors. This will commence in the coming weeks once we receive enough donations to get started, this will be an exciting experience for the kids and will promote their knowledge on sustainability and upcycling.

We also have welcomed a new child to our service in week two who have settled in wonderfully and formed budding friendships with all the children and educators. We look forward to welcoming more new faces to our OSHClub team.

To enrol go to oshclub.com.au or for more Information phone 0486013816.



SAFETY SQUAD

Today your child has taken part in the RACV Safety Squad program with their class. The session covered both safety in the home and on the roads as pedestrians, cyclists and passengers.

We encourage you to teach safety both when at home and when you're out near roads. The example you set is vital and can shape a child's behaviour now and in later years.

Three great ways to be a pedestrian role model

1. Always Stop, Look, Listen and Think at roads, driveways and in car parks.
2. Always cross at a crossing.



3. Children up to the age of 10 or 11 should walk with an adult. Younger children should always hold hands with an adult when crossing the road.



Staying Safe while in the car

1. Make it a rule for everyone to always put on their seatbelts before driving off.
2. Have children use the 'safety' or kerb side door when getting in and out of the car.



3. It's safest for children to continue using their booster seat and sit in the back seat until they achieve a good seatbelt fit which is around 145cm tall.



Staying Safe while on wheels

Wear a helmet, bright coloured clothing and shoes when riding bicycles, scooters, skateboards and rollerblades.

To get a good helmet fit, use the two-finger rule – 2 fingers above the eyebrow and 2 fingers inside the chin strap.



Safety at home

Helping children to make safe choices no matter where they are is important. Discuss with children the hazards around the house, backyard and driveway and how you as a family can stay safe.



How safe is my place?

To assess the security of your home, take the free Neighbourhood Watch quiz supported by the RACV at [howsafeismyplace.com.au](https://www.howsafeismyplace.com.au)

For more information about RACV Safety Squad, visit [racv.com.au/education](https://www.racv.com.au/education)



EXCITING NEWS



Teeth on Wheels will
be visiting our School
for Dental Check-ups
and Oral Health
Education!!



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IT MIGHT BE FREE



TeethOnWheels™
a positive dental experience

Free RATs now available



The City of Ballarat is distributing FREE Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) under the Victorian government program.

This will assist with early detection and treatment of COVID.

All Victorians are eligible to collect:

- 2 packs of 5 RATs
- An additional 2 packs for each person in the household
- People with a disability and their carers can collect 4 packs of 5 RATs
- Collect as often as required, while stocks last

AVAILABLE FROM

SEBASTOPOL LIBRARY

181 Albert Street, Sebastopol | T: 5335 7985

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30am-5pm

Thursday 9.30am-8pm | Saturday 9:30am-12pm

CITY OF BALLARAT CUSTOMER SERVICE

The Phoenix, 25 Armstrong Street South, Ballarat | T: 5320 5500

Monday - Friday 8:30am-5pm

SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP



SUPPORTED PLAYGROUPS ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING NEW ENROLMENTS !

**TUESDAY
MORNINGS IN
MAGPIE
COMMUNITY
SHED**

- 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

Sensory Sanctuary

JUNE 24 - JULY 6 CASTLEMAINE

Creative Workshops

Social Events

Sensory Market

Professional
Development

Parent Sessions

Group Therapy

Family Events

On site Chai Tent,
Tea and Coffee

70% Autistic and
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