



# NEWSLETTER TERM 3 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!

What a great couple of weeks we have had. We have even glimpsed some nice spring weather! Let's hope we start to see more sunshine now as we leave winter behind.

I'd like to start by thanking our amazing School Council volunteers for their time and efforts in assisting with the Father's / Special Person's Day stall. Their efforts in finding, preparing, setting up and running the stall today are very much appreciated.

Our Junior School Council have run some fun activities over the last few weeks. A shout-out to Hunger Fix Takeaway who supported our Hot Chip Day!

On Monday, we have our staff professional practice day. This student free day will be spent focusing on work with our new school values and aligning all our support systems with our values of being Respectful, Responsible and Empathetic.

Our SSG and Student-Led Conference bookings went out to families yesterday. This is a really important time for students to show all their learning and discuss their progress throughout this year. I encourage everyone to make a booking and ensure that the students come along to be at the centre of those discussions. They've all got some really amazing learning to share with you!

On the last day of term (Thursday 14th September) we are holding a Footy Day at Magpie. Students are encouraged to wear their team colours. We will be having an AFL workshop for all classes throughout the day, and through QKR students can order good ol' footy classics - pies and donuts!

Finishing off for this fortnight; it was lovely to see all our special people come in this afternoon for our students. They enjoyed sharing in activities together and the classrooms really were buzzing with excitement. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along, and a huge thank you to Mr. Dale for his BBQ efforts! We all wish the special men in our lives a Happy Father's Day on Sunday.

Enjoy the weekend, and take care!

**MRS CARLY MIDDLETON**

## KEY DATES

**September 1st**

Father's & Special People's Day afternoon

**September 4th**

**Student Free Day**

**September 12th**

Student Led Conferences

**September 13th**

Waru performance at Melbourne Arts Centre - Whole School Excursion

**September 14th**

Last student day of Term 3

**September 15th**

Student Led Conferences

**October 2nd**

First day of Term 4

# SCHOOL CALENDAR

## TERM 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	10 JUL NAIDOC Week STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL	11 JUL	13 JUL Lunch Order	14 JUL	15 JUL
2	17 JUL	18 JUL	19 JUL Lunch Order	20 JUL	21 JUL Newsletter Free hot lunch
3	24 JUL	25 JUL SAKG Cooking 5/6	26 JUL Lunch Order	27 JUL	28 JUL Assembly
4	31 JUL	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 Bulldogs Football Clinic	22 AUG OPEN MORNING	23 AUG Lunch Order	24 AUG	25 AUG Book Week Dress Up Day Hot Chip Day
8	28 AUG	29 AUG SAKG Cooking P/1 Landcare Garden Day	30 AUG Lunch Order	31 AUG Indigenous Literacy Day	1 SEP Newsletter Father's Day afternoon & BBQ
9	4 SEP CURRICULUM DAY	5 SEP	6 SEP Lunch Order	7 SEP School Council	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](http://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)



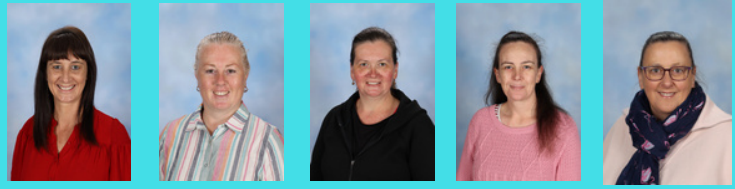
## Student footwear:

- 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



It's hard to believe it's already Week 8! The students have enjoyed another fortnight of learning and playing. On Tuesday they had an adventure in the kitchen with Mrs Eustice. They also went to the creek to plant some trees.

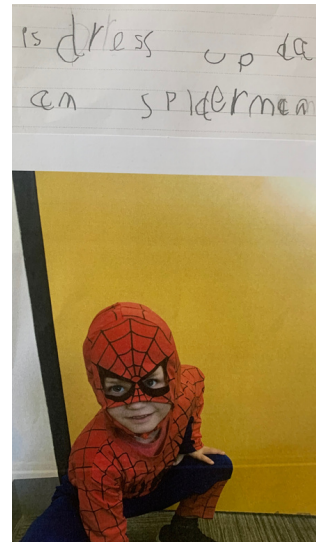
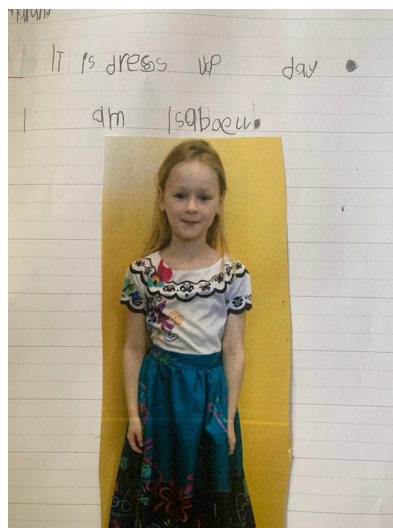
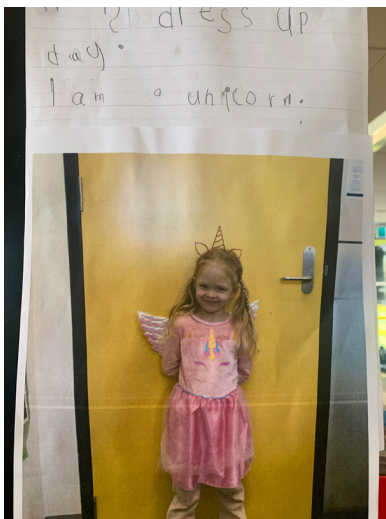
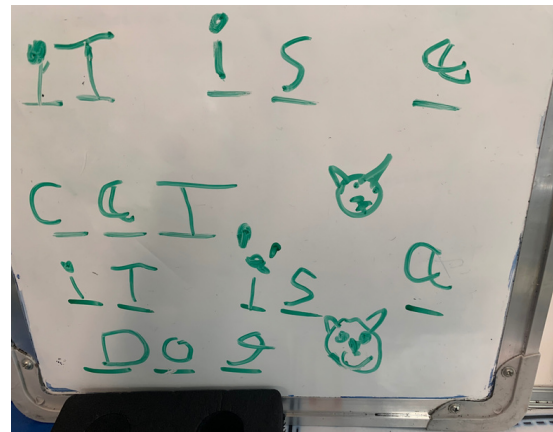
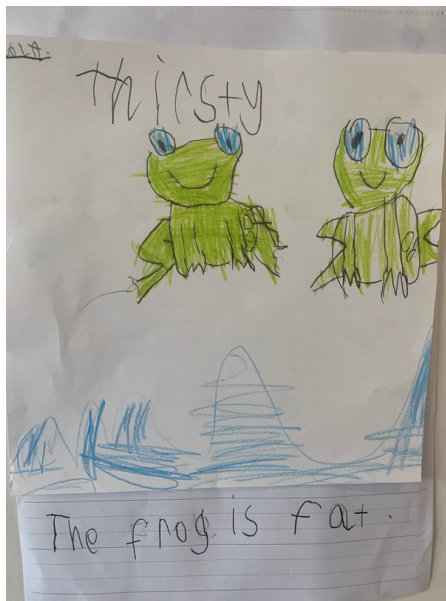
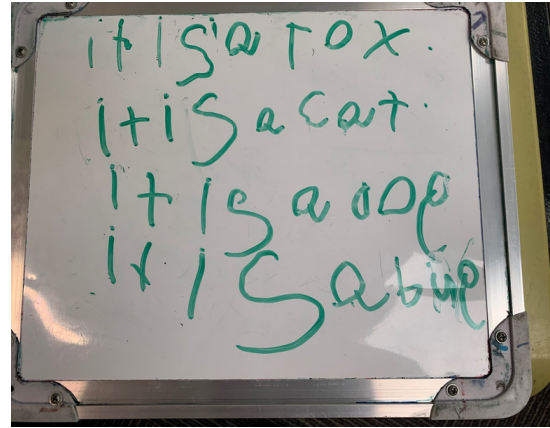
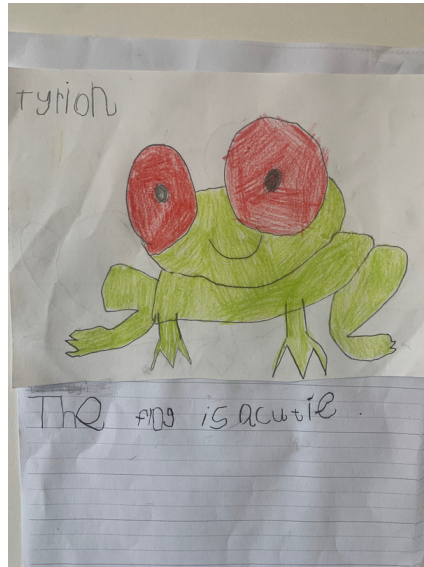
In Literacy this fortnight we have continued our theme of Indigenous Storytelling. We have also been working hard on our sentence writing and I am so impressed with the students hard work and determination when it comes to this very important skill.

In Numeracy we have been exploring equal groups and learning to skip count by 2s. We have also started an Investigation into Native Animals and their habitat.





# PREP/ONE





# ONE/TWO



## BOOK WEEK

Last week we had a fabulous time dressing up for book week. We had a whole school parade to show off our costumes some people even won vouchers for their wonderful costumes.

We enjoyed having a real-life author and illustrator of a published book come and read her book to us this week. Her name was Rebecca Warr, and she wrote a book called Billy and Philly. We learned how long it took her to write the book and illustrate it and how she got it published.





# TWO/THREE

On Tuesday the Grade 2/3 students had an excellent time participating in the tree planting and water study activity with the Leigh Catchment Group and Ballarat City Council. The students used their prior knowledge about water creatures from their excursion to Serendip Sanctuary, and were able to identify lots of the water creatures without any help! The students also enjoyed learning about the importance of regenerating areas with native trees, and how to plant seedlings and protect them from wildlife while they grow. It was cold and rainy, so we finished the session with warm Milos!





# THREE/FOUR





# FIVE/SIX



You may have seen a familiar face around school. Mrs Francis is our fill in teacher for the 5/6 students, she has been teaching us for 2 weeks. In the time she has been with us we have had lots of fun adventures. We as a whole school got to meet author Rebecca Warr with her new book Philly and Billy, she did all her own illustrations! Amazing.



On Friday we had book week and dress up as your favourite character from a book. Book week is a huge hit at Magpie Primary - just look at all the costumes.



**In art we have been making clay creations with the help of Ms H. We also painted coaster to give to your Dad or special person.**



**Mrs Connolly Gave us a task to undertake in STEM. We had to create a mechanical hand made with straws and string, on a cardboard hand. It acted as the skeleton of our hands, we did a competition to see whose hand could hold the biggest and heaviest object.**





# Aliyah Fowler - Futsal

It is with great excitement that we announce to the Magpie PS Community that Aliyah Fowler (Grade 1/2) as part of the Talent Identification Program (TIP) has been selected for the Victoria State Futsal under 8 team to compete at the 2024 National Club Championships in Sydney.



Please join me in congratulating Aliyah on her outstanding achievement. Her selection is a result of a lot of hard work, dedication and of course....natural talent.

Aliyah, we are all enormously proud of you and we wish you and the Big V all the best in Sydney.



# BIRTHDAYS

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

Happy  
Birthday!

**SEPTEMBER**

**4TH – MASON S**







# ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Now accepting enrolments for  
Foundation 2024!



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a tour call 03 5335 8851

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

# EXCITING NEWS



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-  books & supplies
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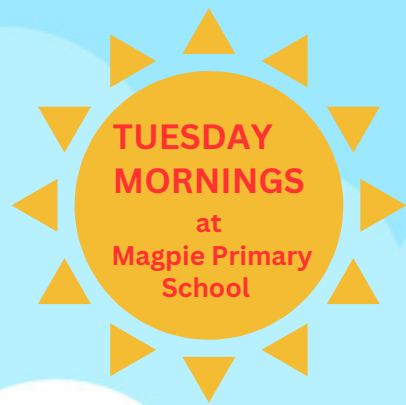
\* many Centrelink payments are eligible, please contact your local Coordinator for more information.

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# Supported Playgroups



## 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

SCAN ME for more information

\*subject to eligibility



Places are limited, for more information please contact:



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