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Calendar				
Term 3,	Week 2			
Friday	31 July	Sports Day		

Term 3, Week 3				
Monday	3-7 August	Education Week		
Thursday	6 August	Library Bus		
Friday	7 August	Sports Day Mrs Flinn's last day		

Term 3,	Week 4	
Monday	10 August	Book Club Orders Due Primary Debating
Friday	14 August	Sports Day





Caleb enjoying his last day of Term 2 - Pyjama Day



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Term Three Sport

This term we will be participating in AFL sessions each Friday afternoon. Infants students will participate from 1.30-2.15pm and Primary from 2.15-3pm.

Students can bring their favourite AFL guernsey/shirt and footy boots to wear for the sessions if they wish (just for fun)!

Each student will receive their own Sherrin football.

Go the Blues!!!

Education Week - August 3-7

Unfortunately due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to hold our planned Open Day for Education Week.

We will have a display board at the Wagga Marketplace, and will send home a little surprise to each family via email next week.

We also plan to plant a tree in recognition of our outgoing Year 6 students.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

This week our staff have conducted parent/teacher interviews with many families. We are very proud of the efforts our students have put in so far this year - which was reflected in the half-yearly student reports.

Change of Office Hours

Mrs Barry is in our office Monday to Thursday - but only until 11.30am on Tuesday afternoons. Please try to avoid contacting the school on Tuesday afternoons if possible.



Tayissa and Evie



Charlie, Tiffany, Maggie and Izabelle

Online Enrolments

We are taking enrolments for 2021!

We are excited to announce we will be are rolling out the new Online Enrolment System from Monday, 10 August 2020

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into local schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office.

Further information about online enrolment can be found on our website.

Lost Property

The lost property is mounting up! Can families please remember to put your child's name on each piece of clothing.



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Learning with Mrs Webb and Mrs Flinn

We are excited to be back in the classroom after our two week break.

At the end of last term the students presented their STEM water filtration experiments. All students should be commended on their resourcefulness and creative thinking. Every group produced cleaner water than they had at the beginning of their experiment. However, following the filtration, most groups decided that although their water looked cleaner, they didn't want to drink it unless they boiled it... a wise option!

The start of the new term brings with it new topics and areas for us to explore.

We wrapped up our poetry unit last term with Odes. This week we have started sinking our teeth into persuasive texts and the students are enjoying the change. As a class, we have delved into writing discussions and arguments surrounding 'Should students wear school uniform'. We had some excellent and interesting ideas surrounding the topic with students displaying their ability to see things from multiple points of view, support their arguments and produce some wonderful texts both as a group and individually.

This term also sees the return of our Procedure 3 reads, with students noticing lots of details as they deconstruct some Stage 2 and 3 picture books such as 'Phileas' Fortune' and 'The Invisible Boy'. We have all started new books in Engine Room as well this term, with students reading 'The Indian in the Cupboard', 'Tom's Midnight Garden' and the School Magazine 'Countdown'. We will be concentrating on our comprehension skills, especially recall and locating evidence within texts during reading groups this term.

All students have come up with creative and ingenious ideas for their Passion Projects for the term. We continue to be blown away by the ideas and standard of work which is produced through our Passion Projects. It is wonderful to see the students explore a topic they are passionate about and they continue to educate us on many of their choices.

Mrs Flinn

Learning with Mrs D

In K/1/2 we are continuing with our P3 reading and have studied The Gruffalo in week 1 and Possum Magic this week. The children did a great job with their Gruffalo artworks and made puppets using pictures on paddle pop sticks to re-enact the story.

Yesterday, after reading Possum Magic, we traced Grandma Poss' journey on a map around Australia. The children then helped to compose a procedure for "How to make a vegemite sandwich", and following the instructions, we made and ate our own sandwiches. Just before home time we shared some little lamingtons, just like Hush did, except ours were from Wagga not Hobart!



The Year 1 and 2 students have resumed their Word of the Day activities and spelling will start again in week 3. Kinders have begun learning digraphs in their phonics activities, together with consolidating their single sounds, and are working hard during our regular write (or dictate) and draw tasks. Here are some of their stories:

The Gruffalo is looking at the mouse. **Liam**

The mouse said my favourite food is Gruffalo crumble. **Kaden**

The Gruffalo went for a walk in the deep, dark wood. **Jasmine**

The Gruffalo is hiding behind the trees. Rylie

Grandma and Hush sailed in the boat. Caleb

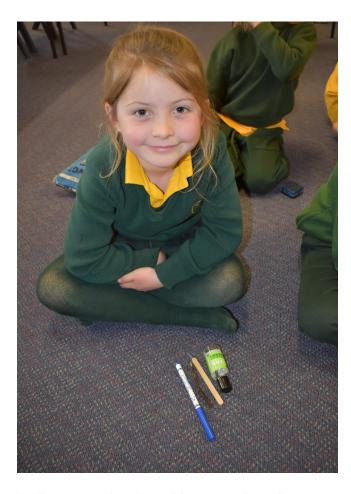


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Learning with Miss Grimson

We have started our new science unit for this semester and will be learning about the physical world and how things move. Infants had fun exploring different ways to move their bodies last week by playing musical statues and Simon Says and observed ways that different things move within the school grounds.

In mathematics, students scoured through the classroom for objects that could be measured against a paddlepop stick. Students looked for classroom items that were smaller and longer than their paddlepop stick. It was fantastic to see all the different items they found!



Lydia measuring her objects against the paddlepop stick.

Student Wellbeing Officer Fundraiser Firewood Raffle!

Student Wellbeing Officer Wood Raffle Wrap Up!!!

A huge thankyou to all that were involved – from members of the P&C to the Ladysmith General Store and of course everyone that bought tickets – we raised over \$900!!!

From Mr P

1st Prize - Penny Moy 2nd Prize - Natalie Short 3rd Prize - Mrs Barry 4th Prize - Tiffany Leman 5th Prize - Stuart Thompson



Jake Vincent's family sold the most tickets.



The students waiting in anticipation



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Hygiene Protocol

We are maintaining strict hygiene protocols, with everyone washing hands thoroughly, the use of hand sanitiser in every room, staff maintaining social distancing and everyone staying at home when they are unwell. As mentioned in previous newsletters, students must have their own drink bottle.

Thank you again to all of our parents, carers and family members who have continued to support and follow the current restrictions regarding staying off-site. We really appreciate your understanding and cooperation!



Below: Beau, Liam and Mr Archer planting their tree up the drive way.







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Above: Zoe M and Indi

Below: Izabelle, Maggie, Mr Archer and Charlie



Above: Zoe M, Jamie and Mr Archer

