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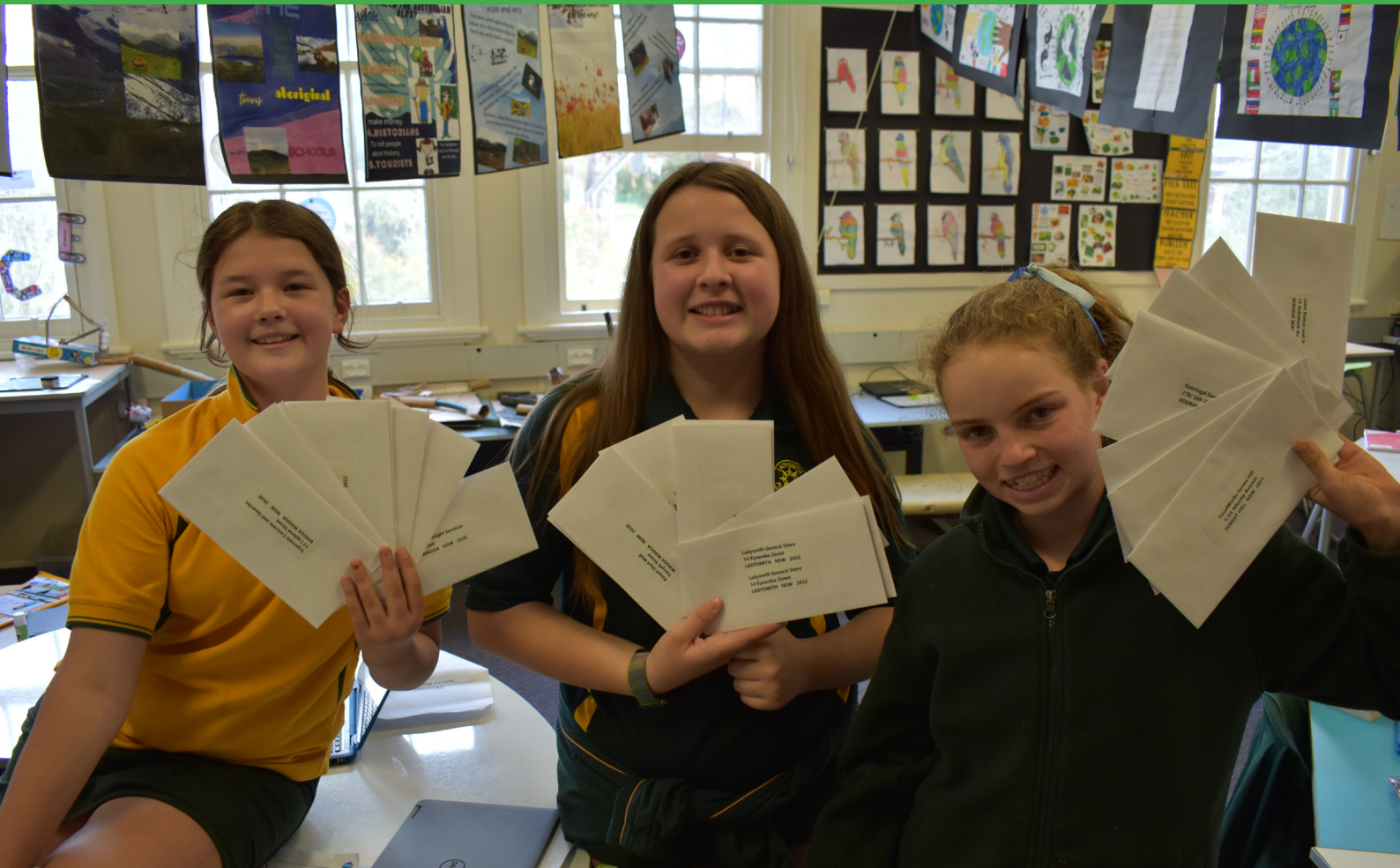


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Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 2, 2021



Natalie, Tiffany and Indi - seeking sponsorships for 2021 year book



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Calendar

Term 4, Week 2

Friday 15th October Sport

Term 4, Week 3

Thursday 20th October Kinder Orientation 9.30-11.20

Library

Friday 21st October Sport

Term 4, Week 4

Monday 25th October Bike Week (bring your bike to school)

Thursday 28th October Library Bus

Friday 29th October Sport

Feature Photo



Natalie, Evie, Beau, Duncan and Mrs D



Last day of Term 3



WELCOME BACK!

LEVEL THREE RESTRICTIONS

We are currently still under Level Three restrictions at school. These restrictions include:

- No visitors onsite
- No assemblies
- No excursions

It is unlikely at this stage that these restrictions will change. This will affect some of our planned activities for this term, including Presentation Night and swimming lessons.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Our annual Presentation Night was scheduled for Tuesday 14th December. Under Level Three restrictions we are unable to have an end of year whole school event. Our staff will begin to plan an alternative event such as a virtual presentation night.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Fortunately at this stage we can hold graduation ceremonies in December. Thursday 9th December has been scheduled, with the event to be held at the Wagga RSL. More details to follow as the date gets closer.

KINDY ORIENTATION

Our first session of Kinder Orientation will be held on Thursday 21st October at 9.30am. Please drop off your child at the front gates of the school and they will be met out the front by Miss Hoad. We ask that they bring with them a piece of fruit, hat and a bag. Orientation will conclude at 11.20am, please meet at the front of the school to collect your child.

Future dates and times will be provided after the first session.

Please note only children who have been enrolled for 2022 can attend.

Enrolment packs were sent home with older siblings on Monday, if they could please be returned by Monday 18th October.

BIKE WEEK (25-29 OCTOBER)

We ask all students to bring a bike to school in Week 4 (Monday 25th October). Bikes may be left at school for the week. Teachers will have many activities planned based around bikes, bike safety and maintenance, road safety and road etiquette. We will utilise our school grounds and the bike track at the Ladysmith Oval. Students will need to have a bike helmet to participate.

OUR NEW PATH

The new path from the entry to the school to our school buildings was completed in the holidays. We can now get to class with dry feet! We plan to add some plants along the path which will make for a very welcoming entrance.

VISITOR CHECK-IN SYSTEM

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18th October!

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW COVID-19 mandate. [External link](#)
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

Watch our short parent video [External link](#) to see how it works for parents.

<https://bcove.video/3AiuHpY>

Who can use School Visitor check-in

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.
- Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in.



LEARNING WITH MRS FLINN

Term 4!

It has been so amazing being back in the classroom to start Term 4. I feel like we are all enjoying the consistency that Term 4 has brought and being able to really get stuck into our learning.

We have been diving into some new novels in our reading groups and have been focusing on developing our comprehension skills through a variety of informative and fictional texts both as a group and individually.

In Stage 2 Maths this fortnight we have been looking at money and calculating change from given amounts. This has been very interesting and a bit of a challenge for students.

This week we also started some art projects – our first one is a self-portrait sketch of ourselves as a King or Queen. We looked at the spacing of our features when we draw portraits. This was very interesting, most of us found we were drawing most of our features in the wrong spots! We have also started a doodling collage artwork which symbolises us and what makes each one of us unique. I am hoping we will be able to tell whose is whose from just looking at them!



Students from Stage 2 Maths



Last day of Term 3 - They all look happy!



LEARNING WITH MS HOAD

How is it term 4 already? Welcome back to term 4 and I hope you had a well-earned relaxing and fun filled holiday after last term. We are all so happy to still be back in the classroom and diving back in!

It has been a lovely fortnight with so much fun in and out of the classroom. One of our SMART Spelling words of the week was beach. So, we made a beach in a cup and wrote a procedure on how to make it. I was informed by the class that it was delicious! The students created some awesome beach artwork pieces, and we concluded the week with a day at the beach where the students got to spend the afternoon in the sun making sandcastles and "sunbathing".



In science we enjoyed planting our own plants to observe them grow and we found some massive worms in the school garden which we all enjoyed seeing! We also completed the classic celery experiment to see how water moves around a plant. Later in the week we explored the variety of plants in our school and we enjoyed sitting in the sun sketching a plant and then labelling the different features of them.



Last Friday our year 1 and 2 students were very excited to see Kate Koth back into the classroom, who has returned from maternity leave. She will be in the infant's classroom each Friday!



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Ladysmith General Store's main kitchen will be closed from 18th -29th October.

Chicken Burgers will be unavailable during these two weeks. All other canteen items will be available.

SRE

Good afternoon,
I just thought I would send through the learning from home direct website link for children and their parents to have access to SRE learning from home lessons.

<https://www.christiansre.com.au/combined-sre>

Kind Regards
Lexi Ward
Primary School SRE Coordinator

P&C NEWS

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th October at the Ladysmith Memorial Hall starting at 6.30pm.

Please be aware of the new government regulations, all parents attending are required to be double vaccinated.

All Welcome



Ms Hoads class enjoying the "beach" experience



Caleb and Jasper



SNIPPETS FROM THE PAST

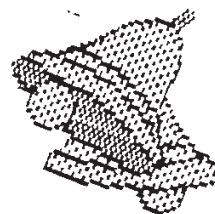
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I Have A Horse Called Prancer

I have a horse called Prancer,
He is a real good dancer,
He eats green grass
But never drinks brass,
So what do you think about that!

by Angela

(Yr 3)



BIKES

Bikes are good to ride,
I like riding bikes,
Kicking the ground doesn't do any help,
Easy to ride a bike.
Sensible people wear helmets.

Karen

(Yr 3)



KOALAS

Koalas are very nice even when
Our poor koalas are run over
A dab of blood
Lying on a machine
Poor little koala
Are you getting better you
Poor little koala?

by Katie

(Yr 3)





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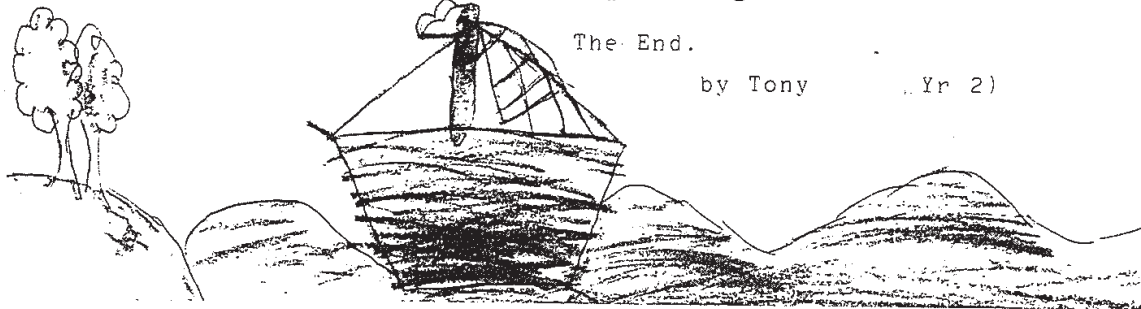
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PIRATES.

When David and Michael and Bradley and Matthew came to my house and we hopped on a pirate's boat we went to a island and it was named Treasure Island and on the island there was two people and their names were Edwina and Elizabeth. They were poor but said to David and Bradley to get the people and take them on in to the cab and give them some food and get some clothes too and make a bed. We dug and dug. I found the treasure.

The End.

by Tony (Yr 2)



TREASURE ISLAND

One day I saw an Island and the name is Treasure Island. I know why because it has treasure on it and lots of bad men. They look for treasure and I was there and I watched them. They saw me and I ran and ran. They caught me and they tried to kill me and I killed them.

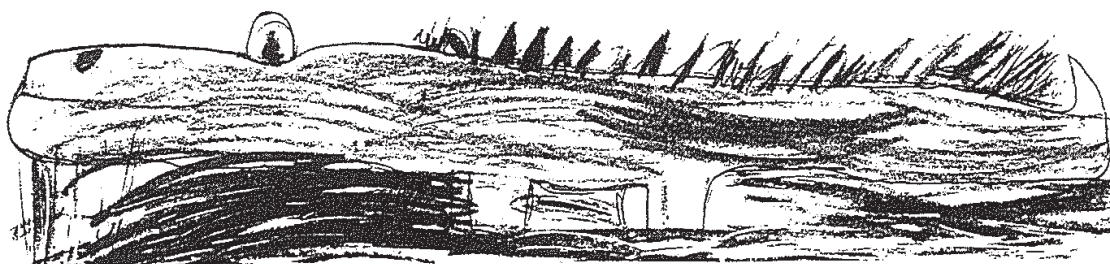
I like pirates because they have treasure.

by John (Yr 2)



ONE DAY I SAW A CROCODILE AND I
SAW IT WAS IN THE CREEK.

by Brian (Yr 2)





School Travel for 2022



2022 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.



School Student Transport Scheme site change

On 1 October 2021 the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) information and application portal was moved to **transportnsw.info**. This will assist families to find all their travel information in the one place.

Travel from Term 1 2022

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) open at the start of Term 4 2021 for travel in 2022, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a difficult period for local bus operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations increasingly difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel on a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Please also remember that students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Transport
for NSW

Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/school-travel

Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback



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Outback Lifesaver – 2022

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER INFO 11/10/2021

After a successful launch of Outback Lifesavers in Wagga Wagga this past January, Royal Life Saving NSW and Wagga Wagga City Council are thrilled to bring this program back again!

Every Sunday starting from 23rd January 2022, kids U8 – U13 years can join the revamped 8-week program, providing an opportunity for young lifesavers to develop their skills and understanding of safety around water, particularly inland waterways.

The Royal Life Saving National Drowning Report 2021 showed that 76 (26%) drowning deaths in 2020/21 occurred in river/creek locations and 27 (9%) drowning deaths in lake/dam locations in 2020/21. Rivers and creeks continue to be the location with the largest number of drowning deaths.

The Outback Lifesaver program will assist with addressing key areas of aquatic and community water safety knowledge in a safe, fun and active environment, enabling kids to enjoy a lifetime of fun in and around the water with their parents, friends and peers.

Parents and carers can also use the NSW Active Kids Vouchers which entitles participants to 66% off the price! Head to drowningprevention.org.au/outbacklifesaver to read more about the program, and any questions please email us at lifesavers@royalnsw.com.au.

More information on registrations coming soon!

Testimonials

"As a parent of a child that participated in this course I wanted to thank you for all your work. The team that taught our children were fantastic, confident and engaging. This is nothing short of a miracle with groups of children that age. My son learned a lot and has been far more aware of safety every visit we have done to the river and dam since the program started."

- Noelia

"Thank you all so very much for teaching our children the safety and survival skills around the river. Such valuable lessons to survive. I feel charged with added confidence that our children are more water-wise thanks to the outback lifesavers!" – Bridie