



Mac News No. 6 Friday 10th May 2024

2024 DATES TO REMEMBER

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Monday 27th — Friday 31st May | BOOK FAIR OPEN AFTER SCHOOL IN THE LIBRARY |
| Thursday 30th May | Crazy Hair Day |
| Monday 10th June | KING'S BIRTHDAY - NO SCHOOL |
| Tuesday 11th June | F-6 Sovereign Hill Visit |
| Friday 14th June | SSR Glasses for Kids Consent forms due |
| Thursday 20th June | Pyjama and Movie Day |
| Saturday 22nd June | Mac Street Trivia Night at the Ballarat South Community Hub (Behind Phoenix College) \$200 for a table of 10 — book via QKR |
| Monday 24th June to Friday 28th June | F-6 Swimming Program \$20 per child |
| Wednesday 26th June | 3rd Camp Instalment Due for Grade 3-6 who are attending \$50 |
| Friday 28th June | Last day of Term 2—normal finish time (3.15pm), due to Swimming |

Principal Report

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

We have moved swiftly into Week 4 of Term. We have had some wonderful Autumn weather to start the term and the students are making the most of it while they can. I have spoke to the students about wearing clothing that is appropriate to the weather conditions and to have all their clothing clearly named.

The last two weeks we have seen the dental van come to our school. A large percentage of our students had their teeth checked. This has been a great talking and teaching point for all our students, raising the awareness of how important it is to not only look after our teeth but our whole body. We had several Grade 3-6 students represent our school at the District Athletics. They all competed to the best of their ability, we are extremely proud of them and how they have represented our school.

Assessment

Over the next two weeks, all our classrooms will be completing assessments. These assessments will inform teacher judgements for this semester. It is important that we have students here as much as possible. If they miss a day, there will be assessments they will miss out on. We like to allow students ample time and not make it a rushed process.

Parent/Carer/Teacher Interviews

As mentioned in Term 1 this year, we will hold Parent/Teacher/Carer interviews in Term 1, 2, and 4. Our Term 2 interviews will allow parents and carers to discuss the teacher judgement that has been given to your child for Semester 1 and to discuss all other aspects of the report. During this interview, **students won't be required to attend.** The sole focus will be on your child's learning and how we can work together to provide the best outcomes for them. We are allowing 10 minutes for all interviews.

Student Reports

This semester, we will see some differences to our school report. They will be smaller in size and will be mainly focussed on the teacher judgement and general comment. We have discussed with school council that parents would benefit more from additional PTIs, rather than having a larger report to read.

Excursions

There have been a few notes go home for several different excursions: Swimming and the Art Gallery excursions. We ask that those be returned to school ASAP, so we can work out numbers of staff to attend.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Anthony Cross — Principal

HOT CHOCOLATES THURSDAY'S

Starting Thursday 9th May!
\$1.00 each
Available to purchase via
QKR or cash on the day.
QKR orders must be



THURSDAY 30 MAY 2024

Who: All students

For a gold coin donation, students are encouraged to get creative and showcase their wildest hairstyles, whether it's colourful spikes, crazy curls, or wacky braids. It promises to be a day filled with laughter and fantastic hairdos.

District Athletics - 6/5/24

On Monday, the 6th 17 students from Grade 3 to 6 went to Llanberis to represent Macarthur Street at the District Athletics. Luckily for our students, it was a beautiful Autumn Day. The students were chosen based on the results from our school athletics carnival at the end of Term 1. The 17 students competed to the best of their ability, and we had some fantastic results. Braxten finished first in discus and shot put, Telesha finished third in the 100m sprint, Andes finished second in hurdles, Estela finished third in hurdles and Aleah finished third in long and high jump.

We are very proud of all the students that attended, it's quite an accomplishment to be able to compete with the best students from our district!!



F O U N D A T I O N N E W S

We are almost at the mid-point of Term 2! The year really is flying! Our little foundation treasures are making such excellent progress this term. In Reading, students are actively using their decoding strategies and are practicing sounding out words when having a go at writing an unknown word. This is wonderful and a challenging hurdle for them to get over – realising that they can have a go, saying the sounds they hear in the word and then writing them. In Numeracy, we have been working on some addition and subtraction skills and understanding what an equation is!

Mrs Burns

GRADE 1/2 NEWS

In Grade 1/2 I think it's just as important to celebrate the little things, as it is to share our big achievements. This term, each morning in our class the students have been taking turns at reading the school's Acknowledgement of Country. Each day students eagerly volunteer to read it out. They stand in front of the class and practise their public speaking by projecting their voices and tracking as they read. All other students sit and listen respectfully as it is read. I think it is a really lovely way to start the day and it ties in beautifully with our knowledge unit.

**Well done Grade 1/2E
I am very proud of your efforts!**

Miss Eustice

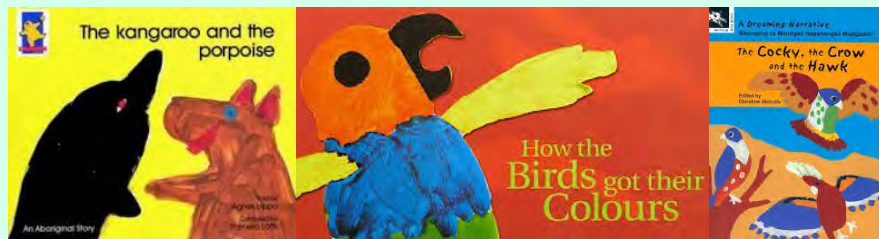


GRADE 3/4 News

In the 3/4 class we have been learning a lot about Aboriginal culture, especially before settlers arrived on Australian shores. According to Aboriginal beliefs, the Dreamtime (or Dreaming) tells of their creation / how things came to be. We have looked at many of these stories over the past fortnight. Some of these include:

- The Kangaroo and the Porpoise
- The Cocky, the Crow and the Hawk
- The Rainbow Serpent
- How the Birds got their Colours
- When the Snake bites the Sun; and The Echidna and the Shade Tree

In addition to this, we have also been looking at other aspects of Aboriginal life, including ceremonies (corroborees, smoking rituals, etc.), language, country, and means of living and survival.



Mr Goodson

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the following students who have celebrated their birthday over the last week or will celebrate it in the coming days.

Finn

Student of the Week

Responsibility - understanding and doing the things you are supposed to do. Taking care of your duties and being accountable for your actions. Always showing that you can be trusted and reliable.

FB Grace

1/2E Astrid

3/4G Emily

5/6S Aleah

Principal Estela



5-6 News

Grade 5/6S are enjoying reading a novel together. The book is in line with our theme of Aboriginal studies and the setting takes place in the centre of Australia. The story is both funny and exciting moving between Aboriginal and white cultures.



Mrs Seff

Auslan News

Over the last 2 weeks we have been perfecting the way we sign Happy Birthday so that we can sign it at assembly and when our friends have birthdays. There are even whispers coming back to school that some students have been signing happy birthday to friends and family in our wider Macarthur St community.

See below for how to sign, maybe you can join in with us at our next assembly.



Happy

Hold both palms open and gently clap your hands together without making any sound.



Birthday

Start with hands flat, palms up, at hips. Move hands up and forward in an arc so that arms cross past each other and end at side of head.



to you

Point to the person who is having a birthday.

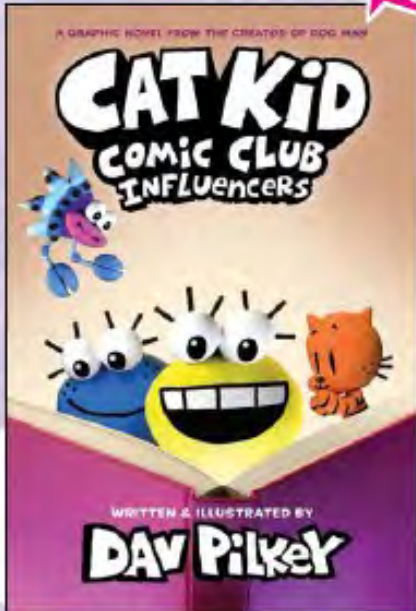


Mrs Irving

You're invited to our SCHOLASTIC **Book Fair**

Find these
books and
more at
the Fair!

GRAPHIC
NOVEL!



GRAPHIC
NOVEL!



Date **MONDAY 27 - FRIDAY 31 MAY 2024** Time **3.30PM - 4.00PM**

Place **SCHOOL ART ROOM**

EFTPOS ONLY!

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL

SCHOLASTIC





Macarthur Street
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Macarthur Street Primary School

TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY
22 JUNE 2024

Where: Ballarat South Community Hub
(behind Phoenix College)

Time: 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start

SECURE YOUR TABLE TODAY
TABLE OF 10 PEOPLE \$200!
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL



BYO DRINKS & FOOD

TABLE PURCHASE'S VIA QKR OR CASH TO THE OFFICE.

