NEWSLETTER

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This week we are excited to be commencing our 'Class In Focus' newsletter inserts. Each week this term we will enjoy a close look at class learning as each class prepares a Newsletter insert to share. I hope you enjoy the first edition by Ms Amnsor and 4/5. Their new class pet definitely lends itself to interesting learning experiences.

Today Josephine Eppler competed in the Regional Final for the Premier's Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. Josephine presented her speech via Zoom to the panel of judges. Congratulations!

Thank you to all parents and grandparents who are available to work in our school canteen this term. Lunch orders can be placed each Wednesday and Friday starting again this week.

Have a great week,

Leah Keough Principal

Kindergarten Orientation for 2022

We are pleased to be commencing our Student Transition and Readiness Program for 2022 Kindergarten students. These sessions will be held each Friday from 9:30-11am this term commencing next Friday 22 October. Under Level 3 COVID restrictions an application to enrol must be returned prior to attending the program. Unfortunately, parents cannot attend. Drop off and pick up will take place at the school bus bay. We are looking forward to spending these mornings together getting to know our new students.

Term 4 Week 3

Wed 20/10 **Debating Challenge** Thurs 21/10 School Photos

22/10 STAR COVID restrictions

Permitting

Weekly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Certificates on Friday 8 October.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Excellence - Class Awards

K/1 **Henry Naden-Snell**

1/2 **Zayden Burley**

2/3 **Caelym Rowe**

Arian White

Tyler White 4/5 **Katya Downs**

5/6 **Kody Kedzlie**

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Respect - Class Awards

1/2 **Reuben Carter**

4/5 **Matilda Soper**

5/6 **Sylvie Creenaune**

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Responsibility

K/1 **Archie Laws** Lucca Laughlin

1/2 **James Beaumont**

4/5 **Monty Churchill**

5/6 **Oliver Thornton**

Mid-Term Mega Sporting Goods Draw

We are excited to be holding a Mid-Term Mega Sporting Goods Draw this term. Each school family is requested to purchase 1 ticket only at a cost of \$10.00, to be placed in the draw. Prizes include bikes, scooters and a variety of yard games. All proceeds will go to the Student Council. Drawn on Friday 12 November, 2021

Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking

Josephine Eppler participated in the regional final of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition today. Reaching the regional final is an impressive accomplishment in a highly competitive field of public speakers. We look forward to hearing the results soon.

NSW Premier's Spelling Bee

Due to the impact of Covid-19 across NSW, the NSW Premier's Spelling Bee is cancelled for 2021. Congratulations to Maya Hunter (Stage 3) and Ruby Wilkinson (Stage 2) who were due to be our school representatives.

Scholastic Bookclub

Term 4 presents the final 2 opportunities for the year to purchase through Scholastic Bookclub. The brochure for Issue 7 has been issued to students today and orders are due for return on Friday 22 October. There is no obligation to purchase, however, this is a popular way of encouraging your child's leisure reading habits. We are appreciative of the reward points earned for the school for your purchases through Scholastic bookclub. The reward points are regularly redeemed to provide new resources for our library.

Check-in Assessments for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Year 3/4/5/6 students will participate in a reading and numeracy check-in assessment in Week 4, Term 4, 2021.

The Check-In Assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning following the period of learning from home. It supplements existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.

Students with disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment that they would normally receive in the classroom.

Canteen Week 2

Wed 13/10 Kymbalee Tarran Fri 15/10 Renae Connell

Week 3

Wed 20/10 Lisa Lowe Matt Black
Fri 2/10 Bianca Bettles Khristie Turner

Trudy Black



Interrelate Anti-bullying Poster Competition

Congratulations to our School Captain,
Josephine Eppler, announced as a regional finalist for
the Interrelate Anti-bullying Poster Competition.
Josephine received a Faber-Catsell art pack prize last
week for her 'Scribble Out Bullying' poster.



Orienteering Adventures

5/6 put their navigational skills to the test last week. Using a compass and map they moved from point to point through the school playground in the shortest time possible.

















CLASS IN FOCUS YEAR 4/5



Class 4/5's Latest Edition: An Axolotl, Named 'Bella Moon Cake.'

Did You Know?

Axolotls are amphibians from the salamander family.

They are unusual because, unlike most amphibians, they don't develop lungs. They remain in the water for their whole lives. Axolotls are originally from the mountain ranges of Mexico and unfortunately they are critically endangered in the wild. This term Year 4/5 will be studying endangered species as part of their science focus.

Interesting Facts

- An axoloti's feather-like outer gills are not just for pretty looks! They help them to breathe.
- If an axolotl is injured and loses a body part, such as an arm or a leg, they can regenerate a new one. This means their bodies can grow new parts if they lose them. Amazing!



The Name

The students enthusiastically welcomed their new class pet. To name their pet, students all chose one name which was entered into Google Forms. The students then voted on 3 names from the ballot. The winning name was Bella Moon Cake.





Drawings

The students learnt how to draw an axoloti and labelled their main features.





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STAR PROGRAM

TERM 4 VISITS TO SCHOOL

9:30- 11:00AM

FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER FRIDAY 29 OCTOBER FRIDAY 5 NOVEMBER FRIDAY 12 NOVEMBER FRIDAY 19 NOVEMBER FRIDAY 26 NOVEMBER FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER









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5/6 Poetry

5/6 students have been writing word clines which they will develop into poems next week. A word cline is a scale of language items that goes from one extreme to another. They needed to create an image using the marbeling technique. Students chose colours that evoke a particular emotion relating to their word cline.













NSW Premier's Debating Challenge

Debating will continue online in Week 3, where we look forward to competing against Raleigh PS and Sawtell PS.

Anglican Church GLUE meets every Wednesday in term time 3-5pm in the Anglican Hall. GLUE will run each week until 1 December 2021. Kindy to Year 6 all welcome.